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information to make us better DX'ers."
(Isaac Eaves, Texas) * *

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THIS WEEK'S HOLDING PATTERN...

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This is a 20 page week; we're holding quite a bit of interesting material which will appear next week: the Schatz article on harmonics, at least one on directional patterns from Wes Boyd, one on DX countries from Steve Bohac, the Beverage termination piece by GPN, and more... **Several members** have inquired why we alternate 20 and 40 page issues this time of year instead of running a 32 pager each week. The reason is financial: our budget permits us to average about 32 pages per issue and that's usually just about the amount of material available. Postage rates are nonlinear however; 20 or fewer pages require only 8¢ for 1st Class delivery; above 20 pages, up to and including 40 pages; two stamps are required. **If we ran a 32 page issue every week we'd** always have to use 16¢ postage; by alternating 20-40 we can use a single stamp one week and two the next, thus realizing a substantial saving in postage while still averaging about 30 pages...

ANNOUNCING THE NRC COUNTRY LIST COMMITTEE...



We're overdue for an updated NRC Country List and, rather than follow past experience and simply have the IDXD Editor(s) bring the old one up-to-date using the traditional criteria for what is and isn't a country, we're going to **take a fresh look at the entire concept of DX countries.** HQ has appointed one of the Club's most active and diligent researchers on the country issue, Steve Bohac, to head up a Committee charged with the difficult task of coming up with a new country list which will reflect the feelings of the majority of the membership. **Steve's Country List Committee will study past lists from the NRC and other clubs, and review the way these lists have been generated.** They will study and review the comments and suggestions of the membership and undertake all necessary research into the geographical and political questions which will naturally arise. **After considering all of these inputs the Committee will prepare at least two alternative lists of countries reflecting different points of view and will present them to the Club for consideration.** The membership will vote on the proposed alternative lists and hopefully we'll then get a list which least offends the sensibilities of the majority of the membership! The topic of

2 country lists is a very thorny one that has been actively debated since the hobby began more than 50 years ago. Many difficult problems must be resolved before we can come up with a new country list and we invite you to write directly to Steve and let him know your thoughts. Some of the problems are: should DX countries be defined primarily by political and ethnic considerations or by geographical factors? Or by both? And which is more important in the case of a conflict? Should the list result from a number of fixed rules or criteria (our past approach) or should each country be considered separately in a more arbitrary manner? How should loose federations such as the United Kingdom, USSR, and Czechoslovakia be treated? Should the list be "lump-ish" or "splitter-ish"; that is, should it lump together many countries now considered separate or should it split off as many different countries as possible the way the hams have done? Should the country list be dead or alive; that is, once a country goes on should it be counted forever regardless of future political or geographical considerations, or should it be updated every time something like Biafra happens? What about stations operated by "Provisional" governments in countries such as Laos where there are de facto at least two effective governments? What about International Waters? These are just a few of the heavy topics that the Committee is going to have to resolve and your opinions and suggestions are most welcome. Address your comments directly to Steve Bohac at 97 Shaler Avenue, Fairview, New Jersey 07022.

We have asked Steve to choose the members who will serve officially on the Committee and we will report on his selection next week.

Since HQ started all of this off, we're going to set a couple of guidelines for this project. First of all the Committee should restrict itself to countries where MW stations exist or have operated; there will be enough debate without bringing in additional problems such as what to do about Minerva Reef, Outer Space, or Mars... We're a MW only club. Secondly, the discussion must go through the Committee; Steve will prepare reports for DX NEWS. We can't let the debate overflow into Musings; the resulting verbiage would probably fill up 40 pages a week of Musings and crowd out everything else. Write to Steve directly and not to Musings about the Country List; Ernie has instructions to edit out material which should go to the Committee.

THE DOMESTIC LOG IS COMING...!

The new Log progresses... We're extending the membership discount rate of \$4.50 (Book Rate; add 75¢ for First Class delivery) since some of our members who get DX NEWS via Third Class mail haven't had enough notice...

FOR 1¢ PLAIN?

Glenn Hauser writes, "Why do DX publishers feel they should sock it to people who want first class mailing? I seriously doubt that there is a 75¢ difference between book rate and first class postage!" The new Log will weigh between 10 and 11 ounces, Glenn; by 1st Class that costs 88¢. By Book Rate it's only 14¢ - a difference of 74¢... That's being socked to? Hi!

MECHANICAL FILTERS COMING...

The Kokusai distributor assures us that the MF shipment will arrive any day now... The NRC makes these filters available to the membership on a non-profit basis. The distributor will sell only a minimum order of 25 units and the cost is \$14.50 per unit; we charge \$15.00, the difference being for postage, the mailing can, & the instruction sheet. *GPN & BGK

SPECIALS

Date	Time	Call Sign	Power	Location	Mode	Time	Country
Mon. March 12	12	W R Y T	990	Boston, Massachusetts	5,000 D-1	1:30-1:30	NRC
	12	K X J K	990	Forrest City, Arkansas	5,000 D-1	4:00-4:30	IRCA
Mon. March 26	26	K S Y L	970	Alexandria, Louisiana	1,000 U-1	1:10-1:25	NRC
	26	K R N Y	1460	Kearney, Nebraska	5,000 D-1	2:00-3:00	NRC
	26	W B R J	910	Marietta, Ohio	5,000 D-3	2:30-3:00	IRCA
	26	W L S I	900	Pikeville, Kentucky	5,000 D-1	4:00-4:30	IRCA
		W F L N	900	Philadelphia, Penna.	1,000 D-1	5:15-5:30	IRCA
Mon. April 2	2	W J A B	1440	Westbrook, Maine	5,000 D-1	12:01-1:00	NRC
	2	W R A N	1510	Dover, New Jersey	10kw/500 U-4	2:00-	NNRC
Mon. April 9	9	W K I K	1370	Leonardtown, Maryland	1,000 D-1	2:00-3:30	NRC
	9	W X C L	1390	Peoria, Illinois	1,000 U-4	2:00-	NNRC
Mon. 5/29-6/15		W C E R	1390	Charlotte, Michigan	5,000 D-3	ALL Mornings	IRCA
A Monday soon		T I J C	675	San Jose, Costa Rica	15,000 U-1	2:00-3:00	NRC

A phone call from Jim Poterba tells us of an NRC TEST from WGRY-1590, Grayling, Mich. on Sat. Mar. 3, from 12:30 to 1, and on, with tones and voice IDs. Reports go to Mr. Mike Hall, WGRY, Box 141, Grayling, Mich. 49738.

NRC TESTS noted listed in IRCA's DX MONITOR but NOT sent to your Editor, are: WUDO-1010, on Feb. 26, 1:00-1:30, and followed by (tentatively) WCNL-1010, in Newport, New Hampshire, 1:30-2:00, with a possible stand-by from WINS, NYC.

Also, WNYR-680, Rochester, N.Y. is doing a Proof of Performance test on one of these Monday mornings: Feb. 19 or 26, or March 5 or 12. Their regular f/c is the Monday nearest the 15th of the month, time not specified. And KNK-1080, Langdon, North Dakota, on Tuesday, March 6, 2:15-2:30am, an unsked frequency check.

The WRYT-960 TEST above also found in DX MONITOR, with no notification coming here.

KXJK-950, programming unknown at this time - reports go to their Chief Engineer, KXJK, P.O. Drawer 707, Forrest City, Arkansas, 82335. (Karl Forth, IRCA).

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HEARD SINCE LAST ISSUE

960 W E R C Now NSP-rr. 1130 K W B Y, Texas (NRC)
 1400 K V O Y NSP, MoR (IRCA)
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Greetings again! XEVIP-1560 logged on 12/9 @ 1-1:07am s/off, in EE finishing up with CBS NE & very much in the clear after WQXR s/off. 1:38, Washford-1214 w/British announcer & EZ instrumentals, 1:50, HLLR-860 R. Clarin, very strong w/upbeat SS unes, all alone on frequency; 2:05, WWVB-1100 IDing "3WE" MoR, 12/17, midnight, XERF-1570 w/EE ID & religion. 12/20- HJZI-1550. 12/21, midnight- YND-675 SS vocals & instrumentals. 12/22- CEW-990 good @ 12:30am w/mx & a new province. 12/23- 1:08am, YVRN-940 R. Punto Fijo good o/u CEM, then on top after CEM s/off. CSB5-1578 @ 1:45, Porto heard good w/many fades, mx in the clear, then CSB4-1594 to log Lisbon w/slow vocals & instrumentals @ 1:55. 1:58, Beromunster-1562 w/wies-German & cl mx by Strauss. 2:15, Sao Gabriel-1412 weakly w/WPOP splash. 2:25, Madrid-1385, moderate signals, SS. Porto-1367 strong w/mx & soft talk. 12/24- WHIO-1290 @ 2:05. 12/27- XERH-1500 R. Tricolor & WSAR spillover. 2am, WLCY-1380 u/WTVR. 12/28- 1am, Bordeaux I-1205 between WQAI & WCAU. 12/30- WQMA-1320 ID @ 1:23, The Country Giant" & c/w. 2, WDKR-1560 w/rr: weak ID, s/off -SSB @ 2:03. 1/1- 4:58pm, WTTD-1270 mentioning Newport News @ 5:40, WAVS-1190 EZ in WQW0 null. 1/2- 1:27am, CHAM-1280 rr; 1:46, WQNH-1600 rr u/peet WRRL; 2:04 WSSV-1240 ID & s/off, who is WWOC-1400 "The Big 14" heard @ 2:22? (Ex-WHII -ERC) 1/3- 5pm, WTOW-1570 s/off & comments. 5:13, WJSC-1590 ID & c/w; 5:38, WYNA-1550 ID w/ u/mess & s/off w/SSB. 5:59, WILJ-1580 ID barely on top w/w/sqff-SSB. R. Paradise-1265 like a local @ 7pm, the 60,000w voice of the Caribbean. 5:02pm, much-wanted WQNB-1230 briefly on top w/NX; another new country, WQMC, w/Monte Carlo-1466 @ 11:58pm w/religious programming in

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DX CX have been generally good w/cold ~~we~~ (two snows in as many months - unheard of here). Also, I have been putting in a little more time at the dials during the wee hours. MM 1/29- Several clear IDs from En. Mosemrate-650 Colombia were heard 3:45-4:15am. At 3:50 in the middle of cl mx the audio stopped for about five minutes & only a burst of noise every second was heard. Turning the SM-1 during this period brought in snatches of KORL's talk show. The next night, 1/30, during KONO's SP (although they Tted some) XEMO-860 w/re-ligious mx was logged 3:30-3:44am. They asked listeners to give thanks to God for peace in Viet-Nam. The same night WWL-970 was Tting @ 3am, as well as the following night, 1/31, @ same time. Dialing to 900 drew in HJEY Colombia with tropical mx. The modulation seemed shallow on this program called "La Musical" (or Musica) de Colombia. Frequent IDs as "La Voz de Cali" were heard w/the call letters @ 3:14. 2/1- On a rainy night w/static WRVA-1140 (my second Virginian) had good mx, followed by their temperature and "this is the 50,000 watt Voice of Richmond". MM 2/5- I heard the WERC-960 NRC Special L&C @ 2:57am. Later on 950 the Mexican XEPA was noted, announcing "Radiorama" and "La Nueva FA" & TCs after each record, fair w/KIMN nullled. This was 3:40am. 2/6, on 960 brought R. Suta-tenza, Colombia w/WERC looped, another SS underneath. 2/8- The WPCF-1430 TEST was unheard as the KELL null was far from total 2:30-3. 2/9- I tuned in an unID XE on 580 IDing only as "R. Mexicana" and looping approximately 260°. There isn't mention of Reynosa & Buena Puerta. Reynosa loops 210° and I couldn't find the latter in the atlas. This is probably the unID Peja heard on 11/6, evidently an ANER. On 2/10 someone was Tting on 810 4:15-4:35. They gave an ID, but I missed it. I hope all of you heard one of our newest Texans, the strong 10,000w KWBV-1130, Tting MM 2/12 @ 3:30am, w/KWKH off. A little later at 3:40am KCBQ-1170 San Diego was in fair w/the ABC account of the return of U.S. war prisoners to Manila. Of course, KVOO was enjoying their second MM SP (I was, too). It really doesn't take much to keep a DXer happy - just more SPs for the 24-hour monopolies.

JERRY STARR - WHOT Radio - Youngstown, Ohio - 44505

Hello again. Mini-Muse this time, some of my DX time has been cut into playing with a new toy, an ARP 2600 synthesizer. Recent DX: 1/29- ET/TT 2:30-3 & on, ended up being unnn WMNI-920 w/an "Equip,ent Test for 1973", evidently their yearly PoP. KIGO-1090 TEST very poor 3:15-3:31 s/off w/TT periods & one ID the only things readable. They mentioned their new studios. Strong TT noted @ 4 on 1580, then into a number of unannounced records, then back into RS, turning out to be good ol' WCIS - oh, well. Otherness, several weekends ago, I went to Windsor, Ont. to visit good friend and former WHOT employee Mark Dailey who is now a newsmen at CKLN-800. Highlight of the trip up was a visit to the XR of WDEB-1500, a truly impressive sight. They have a TWELVE TOWERS IN THEIR direction-al system! A brief chat with a KQWV-580 engineer reveals they are not non-directional as listed in the NRC Log but have a four-tower system in use day & night. For those who care, WHK-1420 is quietly re-staffing and will soon change to a "contemporary" format. Knowing the people who are guiding the change, it will probably be a very MoR-oriented Top 40 approach; I wish they'd program a SP at the same time. (Ditto WHOT, hi -ERC) Recent veries, all v/l: WACA-1590 KSKY-660, WMPL-920 for an unlisted f/cOTT, letter says it's 12-12:30 every third Wed. w/ID every minute or less. I will be attending a Mellotron Clinic for several days at the end of March in Buffalo, N.Y. Are there still any active NRCers in that area? 73 & good DX & everybody MUSE. All the sections are great but DX NEWS would really be kinda dry without Musings, especially YOURS! Welcome to the new area member Michael Regrall, or Warren. I hope he gets in touch. (Thanks for the kind words! -ERC)

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Greetings! It was a rewarding experience to be on hand at WERC-960 on 2/5 for the second of the scheduled DX TESTS. I was able to talk to a good number of NRC & IRCA members on the land line that night, and have since then received a large number of good DX reports. Since beginning the TESTS, WERC has gone to an NSP sked. When technical work is to be done, we shut down on SMs between 2 & 5 a.m., CST. It is interesting to note that most small stations have not yet begun to take advantage of the new ID requirements, and continue to ID on the hour & half hour as well. I am awaiting the delivery of an SPR-4 from the good folks at Gilfer (second one I have bought from 'em, & they sure give fine treatment, and prices, to DXers.) The old SPR-4 and the S-399 were sold in P.R. before coming to Birmingham. I am looking forward to some good DX from my location, which is ten miles from B'ham. And has a mountain on my N side blocking the city. Should be good for IA stations. 73. (Welcome back to the Mainland!) -ERC

BRIAN ~~WELCH~~ - A917-75 - Thorncliffe Park Drive - Toronto M4H 1L4, Ontario

I got a DX-150A with homebrew longwire which isn't very effective, I noted one member using an SM-1 with DX-150A - who makes that? DX catches recently, the (new) WNBK-1290 1/4, CKOY-1310 1/8, CBO-910 testing 5:04am 1/10, WWSW-970 @ 2:18am w/WEBR off, WERS-1460 @ 3:08am 2/5; KSO-1460 @ 2:50am 2/7, WIBC-1070 @ 3:18 2/8, WAVE-970 @ 2:17am 2/12 w/WEBR off again. Finally I logged CHOK-1070 @ 1:09am w/s/off. 2/9 also, WRC-980 @ 3:03am. My old little radio used to block out 570, 580 with CKEY-1590, 1400 to 1460 with CKFH-1430, so I'm having a ball ~~now~~ now. v/l from WMEE, CKCY, WTAR, WPMJ, WBEF, CPPL, CKNX, WCAM & WERE. Do WWL WXYZ & WCAR veries? Best of DX to all. I hope all your catches are new ones. 73s & please excuse the onion paper. (It made my eyes water, hi -ERC)

YOUR INVITATION TO BOSTON IS OUT! BE SURE TO COME TO THE BIG N.R.C. CONVENTION IN THAT HISTORIC CITY. BE SURE TO HAVE THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME - A RIDE ON THE FAMOUS M.T.A.! A GREAT TIME IS VIRTUALLY ASSURED, SO BE THERE AND BE PART OF IT.

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Greetings, skip chasers. I have been a member since July but have been much too busy to write. So an introduction is in order. I am 20, graduated from high school. My residence is one mile W of Lubbock, in the high plains of West Texas. I have not been ECB DXing, an HQ-180A is used, but the DX cannot make it over the S-9 noise level from a 69,000 volt powerline nearby. I need to build several high gain antennas and some type of noise limiter. If I could build an antenna which would resonate on the Amateur Radio frequencies of 1800-1825 & 1950-2000k and also work well on the ECB, I would accomplish two important goals at once. At the present time, there is not enough land to build a beverage antenna, but I plan to purchase enough land to do so in the near future. DXing is a great hobby and the NRC is a great club. Therefore I am willing to help in any way I can. Typing, proofreading, listen and reporting, anything, just let me know. A question please, what is the CPC and what is the new member kit mentioned in DX NEWS? Does the NRC have any equipment, articles and DX aids for sale? Is there any way I can get rid of power line noise in my radio? I am sending an addressed and stamped envelope. I better s/off, but before I do, I wish to express my thanks for letting me join such a fine club as this. I have great hopes in becoming a good DXer soon. 73s and be sure to pass the good numbers around where they belong. (??? -ERC) C U next week. Yours for DX. (Welcome to the NRC & Musings, Robert! Can anyone help this new member solve his problems with the severe line noise? Ye Ed is about as technical-minded as Brigitte Bardot, hi -ERC)

RICHARD FRCHO - 2892 East 114 Street - Cleveland, Ohio - 44104

It took four years to do it, but I finally got out of the Air Force. Please note new address. DX has been almost nil because my RX is in the hospital. One day about a month ago, a column of smoke came rising out of my HQ-180A, thus ending any real DX for a while. The repairman had to send it to the factory for a part, & we all know how long THAT can take! I have been listening on a little standby RX but have not heard anything new or unusual. But I'll keep

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trying. I certainly hope I'll be able to grace (?) these pages with tons of DX in the near future. Till then, best of DX and 73 to all youse.

JEFF KADET - W3CRH - 8047 Park Overlook Drive - Bethesda, Maryland - 20034

Well, it has been quite a while since I last Mused. I spent 2½ months travelling around the Midwest and South; two months of which were spent living in Tulsa. I visited hundreds of stations along the way; mostly small ones I've never heard from here. The best station in Tulsa, in my opinion, is KAKC & their best DJ is ex-NRCer Scooter Segraves. I didn't even know Scooter had been in the NRC until I got back to Maryland and saw mention of it in DX NEWS. As a re-intro to new members, I am 25, single, and graduated from the U. of Md. w/a B.A. in Psychology last June. I am now working for the U.S. Postal Service (that makes sense, doesn't it?). (To me it does, Jeff - our P.O. could use your services in both capacities! -ERC) I began DXing in 1955 when I lived in Mass. right outside Boston. I have been a ham for 13 years and worked and QSLed 270 countries before moving here in 1965. After moving I began to concentrate on domestic DX on BCB (I had my fill of foreign stations on the ham radio, hi) and Md. domestic totals are 1,727/741 in 49/49 states and 10/10 provinces. Due to a lack of initiative I send reports only to my better catches. I used to log some foreign BCB DX in 1965-66 and I think if I added those extra stations I'd be close to the 2,000 station mark. Actually, my favorite type of DXing is TV DX but the Washington Metro area isn't too good for this. I have seen some 150 TV stations on 2/8 WJMG-940 r/c 12-12:15am. MM 2/12 gave us three new ones: KTRG r/c ending @ 1:29am and KDAY @ 3:26, both on 1580, & WRNN-1600 on AN for the snow emergency. Pest WEAM was off this MM. Oh yes, equipment is a Hallicrafters SX-100 and a freebie NC183-D which I recently fixed up. Antenna is half of a 20-meter dipole. 73 and more sugar! (How about saccharin? -ERC)

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February is kind of an off month for me since DX time at SSS corresponds to the time when supper is on the table. 2/1- 12:17am, unID-1490 w/ jazz. 1:22, WBAM-700 A-1 on ET - reception was local-like. 1:23, KFMG-740 weak w/MoR & PSAs. 2/3 - In Poconos today, and the 4th, 4:12pm, WNNJ-1360 Newton, N.J. 4:26, WPHJ-1310 Parsippany N.J. very clear w/a mixture of rr & MoR! I sent for a verie. 5:29, WMTR-1250 N.J. on s/off. 5:32, WARE-1250 Mass. w/NX, one of my most-wanted from Mass. 6pm, WMPM-1270 N.C. in clearly on s/off. 2/4- WHBG-1360 Va. @ 5:18pm. 5:30, WJEM-1530 N.J. (or is that WJEM?) (Try WJEM, Harry, hi -ERC) 2/5- WQQW-1590 noted w/rr. I guess they couldn't catch much of an audience with dinner mx. 2/6- 6:06am, WPTF-680 N.C. in w/very potent signal. 5:26, WKLK-1350 Va. 2/7- 3:40pm, WRAN-1510 way o/WAHT-1510 who is almost always dominant at this time of day. 5pm, WKCY-1300 Va., no sign of Baltimore. I just turned on the radio (1:45pm 2/11) and passed WNAK-730 who were playing rr selection "Tracey". WHAT? Now they are playing a softer selection but not WNAK-ish. Could WNAK be going the way of WQQW? Right now they are back to usual MoR "Bue Bye Blues." What a mixture! Going back to 2/10, 6:07pm, WKKE-1380 N.C. 6:30, WVOK-690 u/CEP w/s/off message "Thankx to Almighty God, to live in this country." 2/11- 5:40, WAPB-690 w/rr. 5:58 WVOK-690 A-1. 6:15, WJSC-1590 Tenn. MM 2/12- unID-660 in SS w/American rr @ 1:45-2. WAMO-860 Pa. testing. unID-860 plugging KLRQ-FM 95, California? This was 2am. 6am, WVOK again. 8:09, WSVS-800 Va. 8:18, WFLD-870, Va. competing w/WHCU.

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Hi guys. DX quiet this week due to problems at work, but I did manage some interesting things 2/12, among them a tentative KREY-690. P.T. heard 'em on ET, I heard TT, but have yet to search IDs on tape. Some good graveyard stuff too, like CKFL-1400, WPPA-1400, CFLS-1240, some long-wanted like WDEA-1370 & WCOA-1370. 2/16- I tried for WSKE-1050 r/c since TRS heard it last month, and TT heard loud & one partial ID @ 1:11. I will recheck tape. Also WWRD-1080 r/c heard, long-wanted. Recent foreign stuff includes an unID HJ s/on 2/5 @ 3:55am w/slogans like L.V. del Contiente, Madriga & R. Manana. I will send

Deadlines: Fridays of each week; DX "Hot-Line" phone:201-838-5721
Most interesting conditions prevailed 2/23-2/25, minor geomagnetic storm, Urumchi-1525 only high-latitude path audible -- opposite direction, nothing north of Dakar audible; plentiful sporadic Es..

- 540 VENEZUELA. YVSI must be back on (inactive according to LA log); hrd many mentions of Venezuela & R. Nacional IDs 0818 2/12 (Myers, Ohio)(Could be, listed back of '73 WRTH-ed)
- 540 NICARAGUA. "R. Corporación" (YNOW) good atop 2/18 0612 w/EE r&r mx, SS ID @0615, then SS mx, ID again @0620, more SS mx followed. Freq clear except for weak QRM from WDAK.(Frcho, Oh)
- 560 JAMAICA. JBC, Kingston 2/19 0530 s/off in EE giving FM freqs too. Good lvl o/WIND, WQAM w/WFIL off 0000-0300 (EST? ed.) Announced s/on 0435 EST (0935Z. Ed.) New, probably the first time in 4-5 years I've hrd WFIL off. (Sundstrom, NJ)
- 595 WINDWARD ISLANDS. Dominica hrd here ex-695 ID 0300 2/22, taped. Sounds similar to R. Grenada-535; local youth discussion. (Schatz, Fla.)
- 650 COLOMBIA. HJXX, Emisoras Montserrate, Bogotá 2/19 w/full ID 0800 repeating slogan several times mentioning Bogotá, TODELAR network. Good level w/easy-listening music. New .. normally an external mixing spur mixing WCAU and WFIL covers this freq (1210-560=650), but WFIL was off. (Sundstrom, NJ)
- 655 EL SALVADOR. YSS, R. Nacional San Salvador in well w/cl mx from around 0400 to s/off at 0455 2/15.(Jeff Roberts, Ill)
- 660 NICARAGUA. YNAM "Mi Preferida" Managua hrd very strong 0810 2/12 (Myers, Ohio)
- 680 @ YNAM (660.4) logged per PT tip w/WNBC SP 0810 2/19 (Edmunds) MEXICO. XELG, León finally IDed as my pest here from last season. Enunciation on IDs is really poor, but taped w/a fair one u/CFTR, XNER 0803 2/12 in mx pgm. Uses same whistled IS noted last season... 3 notes descending, repeated once. (Edmunds, NJ)
- 725 COSTA RICA. TILX, San José with faint music, one apparent mention of "Columbia" 04:12 MM 2/19, bothered by het with unID on 724A. (Pejza, Calif.)
- @ Noted much stronger recently, many eves. Poss power increase? (Taylor, NJ)
- 730 COLOMBIA. R. Melodía, Bogotá HJCU came through w/a nice ID at 0612 2/19. Fair signal. (Roberts, Ill.)(Welcome, Jeff! Ed.)
- 735 ECUADOR. R. Melodía Quito HCBG1 s/on at 0900 with long, drawn-out anthem. Quite loud at first but faded fast. MM 2/19 was kind of noisy here. (Reynolds, Calif.)
- 740 VENEZUELA. YVNC Maracaibo R. Maracaibo s/on 0905 2/12 w/ anthem. (Myers, Ohio)
- 760 CUBA. CMCD Reloj Nacional finally w/beautiful ID 0551 w/ superpest WJR off and playing around for a few hours 2/12 (Myers, Ohio)
- 760 MEXICO. XBABC México, D.F. also w/WJR off 0555 ID as R. Moderna & call ID twice 2/12 (Myers, Ohio)
- **820 CUBA. unID R. Progreso hrd daytime only, location unk.(RFS)
- 825 COSTA RICA. R. Titania TIOS San José very good 0840 MM 2/19 un. as usual. (Reynolds, Calif.)
- 830 CUBA. CMCA Havana bombing in 0635 2/19 with no sign of WCCO. Clear call letter ID and R. Cerdón ID at 0400; WCCO way on top at 0824. Does 'CCO have a SP now? (Pejza, Calif.)(Dunno.Ed)
- 844 GILBERT & ELLICE. VSZ1 Tarawa no doubt the carrier w/hint of audio 2/19 0819, looping (or magneting, hi) E-W (Hauser, TX)
- 860 BRAZIL. R. Mundial ZYD68 Rio de Janeiro w/white MoR femme vocal, voice over "Mundial" ID 0710-20 2/5 (Edmunds, NJ)
- 971 SPAIN. RNE Santander finally logged w/SS MoR segues 0521-0524 2/6. (Edmunds, NJ)

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1000 COLOMBIA. HJAQ Cartagena apparently the one mixing with unID KE(KTOK?) in KOMO OC null 0812 MM 2/19. Mention of Colombia but not much else. (Pejza, Calif.)
1010 unID. 2/19 0931 on 2020 kHz.; at 1010 check fund, where XEHL dominated, and not the same stn; XEYK hrd before on 2020 but unthot AN. (Hauser, Texas)
1020 PANAMA/unID. HOP2?. Very weak LA here on 2/19 AN. Think this was Onda Popular, Colon. No ID heard but there were two mentions of Panama. This under an S5 OC that looped to SA. No sign of the ZP and CP sked to sign on early on this frequency. (Merriman, Va.)(Glad to see you agn,Al.Ed.)
**1025 COLOMBIA. HJDP R. Colosal, Neiva is now here, noted with good signal on 2/19, ID at 0722. (Merriman, Va.)
@ Noted here 0900 2/21, nom 1020. (Schatz, Fla.)
@ Apparently the one here with Tropical music 0435-and again at recheck 0808 MM 2/19 with many IDs as R. Colosal, and mentions of Colombia. No specific mention of Neiva that I could tell. Measured. (Pejza, Calif.)
1030 COLOMBIA. unID 2/19 0847 "Radio Cadena (Nacional?) ... Colombia" u/XEQR, almost separable, not LS10.(Hauser,TX) (Perhaps your unID is next item, Glenn? Ed.)
COLOMBIA. HJFQ La Voz del Pueblo o/u XEQR 0833 ID 2/12(Myers)
COLOMBIA. HJGJ Bogota R. Super (not Super Radio) noted here on 2/18 over, under and through HJAI. Upbeat music and plenty of IDs but if in doubt check SW // on 6064.(Merriman, Va.)
1045 GUATEMALA. TGSL R. Sol, Santa Lucia Cotzumalguapa presumed at check 2/20 1207 on 2090. (Hauser, Texas)
1048 PANAMA. HOJ2 Ondas del Canajagua, Las Tablas 2/20 IDs 0145, 0200, latter one clearer. Excited DJ, pop music, fair sig on peaks considering slop from WHN. Apparently has shifted upward since RFS reported this on 1046.7 (Sundstrom, NJ)
1050 MEXICO. XEG Monterrey NL on 3150 kHz., 2/20 0925 dedications in SS to Texas, NL listeners, Mayo ads; also hrd on fund. (Hauser, TX)(Good info - let's not be fooled by this "non-DX" station in SS, hi! Ed.) (Hauser, TX)
1080 MEXICO. XECN 2/20 1207 on 2160 kHz., SS presumed Irapuato, Gto
1100 unID. SS stn in EST zone, not Nicaragua/Guatemala 2/20 1218 SS anmt, ads, EST TC "hora oficial 7:20", lethargic production..2200 kHz.(Hauser, Tex.)(Colombia "Reloj"? Ed.)
1115 COLOMBIA. HJGH R. del Comercio, Bucaramanga hrd with steady but weak signal after 0900 MM 2/19. (Reynolds, Calif.)
1125 COSTA RICA. TISHR R. Capital, San José 2/20 with many "R. Capital, San José" IDs noted from t/in 0118 w/lot of SS pop music. Steady signal, one of the best LA signals this PM. (Sundstrom, NJ)
1135 unID. on 2270, 2/18 1222, Mex mx; either CR or Guat, prob (GH)
1160 unID. on 2320 2/18 1140 SS mx, CST TC 1142 pgm "La Táchira(?) Musical", CST TC agn, could be 4X580 also. (Hauser, Tex)
1170 VENEZUELA. YVPK on 2340, only Venez hrd there, tho another appears in lists as fundamental! First noted 2/16 0100 SS mx, 0140 Afr. hillife mx (?-ed), 0153 ID as R. El Sol, La Fría.. en el Táchira;0157 MA, 0158 off; agn 2/19, 2/20, "la frecuencia brillante de Venezuela." (Hauser, Tex)
1171v GUATEMALA. TGRL R. Landívar slogan still hrd despite previous reports and WRB; as 2/18 0400; also 2/19 1139 SS mx, 1148 PSAs, 1153 pgm promo, Quetzaltenango ad; all on 2343v;nom 1170 (GH)
1190 COLOMBIA. HJCV R. Cordillera, Bogotá 2/19 0759 "...en Radio Cordillera, la hora exacta..." later, 0908, XEK dominant (GH)
1200 VENEZUELA. YVOZ R. Tiempo, Caracas all alone w/IDs at 0900 2/19. WOA1 was off. (Roberts, Ill)
1260 MEXICO. XEZH on 2520, Salamanca 2/20 1231 ID as "Z-H 1260 kilohertz" after radio-TV PSA, Comercial Mexicana ad.(Hauser)

1265 ST. KITTS. R. Paradise, Basseterre 2/19 0901 evangelistic s/on, crummy level, not Polynesian or Belizean (? Ed.), better next day. (Hauser, Texas)
@ Better this week than last, MM 2/19 at 0900 s/on; music, announcement, hymn, quite good. (Pejza, Calif.)
@ In very well after 0900 s/on MM 2/19. Good signal with Scripture reading (Psalms 51), hymns sung by choir. Many IDs with mentions of "50,000 watts of gospel power" Easy even here on WC. (Reynolds, Calif.)
1280 MEXICO. unID on 2560. Is there a stn in Tlaxcala on 1280? (None listed my refs. Ed.) 2/20 1232 ID something like "R. Mia, el mas popular ...en todo el Tlaxcala" tho not sure of last word;1237 Presidente ad;1241 pgm promo for Radio Activa(?) Also, 2/19 1120 jingle as "RPI Radio...todo el dia", 1146 giving México, DF address, 1159 ment San Andrés, Santander, so perhaps HJ here also. (Hauser, Texas)(See following, Glenn.Ed.)
1280 MEXICO. XEBW Chihuahua, Chih., presumed the XE with R. Variedades jingle 1006 MM 2/19. (Pejza, Calif.)
1295 unID. Perhaps 2 stns on 2590; 2/18 1152 mx, SS anmt, 1158 EST TC, azúcar, Banco Nacional jingle, 1205 quick ID like R. Plaza, 1148 on 2/20 all talk, ment. Managua; 1159 maybe ment. Alajuela (TIJH R. Alajuela reported on 1295 last season, cf IRCA For Log. (Hauser, Texas)
1399½ MEXICO. XESL on 2679 at check 2/20 1208, presumed this SLP stn.(Hauser, TX)
1350 MEXICO. XEZO Ciudad Camargo, Tamps., on 5400 2/17 2325 with night-time entertainment (oops, sri that's "enhancement", hi!Ed) TCs 19 min slow! nortena mx. (Hauser, TX)
**1385 CANTON ISLAND. WXLH(?) Arthur Cushen says the 1385 stn is here, not Kwajalein, cf Millar and P. Martin reports; noted 2/19 0825 carrier looping WSW/ENE(260°calculated), low-pitched soft music, maybe organ, oocl f/in; 0828 anmt, 0833 soft mx and talk;0959 anmt f/up giving call, maybe WXLH, power in kw. (0.25?)giving freq, then SSB, then OC when sig best,1009 carrier still on. New country here in any case. Canton QTH accnts for earlier s/off. No trace of it same times 2/20. DX abt 5380 miles. (Hauser, Texas)(Nice catch, Glenn! Ed.)
@ MARSHALL ISLANDS. WXLH AFRTS on Eniwetok with very good sigs from tune-in at 0925 until 1002 s/off. Very solid copy. It just has to be more than 250w. power. Much better than VSZ1 (844) with their 10 kw. Reception MM 2/19. (Reynolds, CA)
**1399.11 MEXICO? Possibly XELH off frequency per GH harm reception Large het noted here w/bits of SS audio, looping 210°. 0640 2/10. (Edmunds, NJ)
1410 COLOMBIA. HJFS Ondas del Guali, Honda on 2820, first hrd 2/20 1055 w/almacen ad, CARACOL sports promo, local ID "Con Vds.,Ondas del Guali, su emisora CARACOL en Honda..."(GH)
1449 GUATEMALA. R. Nacional TGMS Mazatenango very strong on 2898 At 1209 2/20 check. (Hauser, Texas)
1451 unID. LA het here w/bits of SS audio 0716 2/10.(Edmunds,NJ)
1480 MEXICO. XEPR? Poza Rica probably on 2960 hrd before ad ment. Mexico 2/20 1203. (Hauser, Texas)
*1484 MEXICO. XERH R. Tricolor, México, D.F. ratchety spur from 1500 2/19 0745.(Hauser,TX)(Just what the TA DXer needs, hi.Ed)
*1495 unID. LA playing LA MoR mx 2/22 0300.(Schatz, Fla.)
1510 AUSTRALIA. 2NA Newcastle, NSW heard with weak signal 0945 MM 2/19 (Reynolds, Calif.)
1513 MEXICO. XERH R. Tricolor, México DF another spur from 1500 2/19 07:5; I can't get them to match as ± same separation. XERH is on frequency (1500.Ed.)(Hauser, Texas)
1550 AUSTRALIA. 4QD Emerald, Qsld. with good S7 signal MM 2/19 at 0940 with news and comments by man with very British accent. (Reynolds, Calif.)

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- 1550 AUSTRALIA. 4QD Emerald, Qsld. presumed the weak EE MM 2/19 0935 with mention of ABC or BBC(missed first letter-fjp) later, opera heard 1013. (Pejza, Calif.)
- 1550 GUATEMALA. On 3100 at least 2 stns prob w/this fund: 2/19 1024 mx, 1028 CST TC, marimba on one; 1042 EST TC, La Voz de ID, pgm "Buenos Días", also ID like R. Villareal hrd., at 1058 R. Modelo ment. twice at end of pgm; 1102 Cadena Azúl de Guatemala promo ment; several stns as reported before plus R. Camalapulapa(?) en Zacapa; Bayer ad; 2/20 0956 (Hauser, TX)
- 1560 CUBA. CMGB Cardenas with Reloj Nacional format 2/19 MM 0917(FJP) In w/good signal 2/20 0213 atop almost cl ear freq. Is this only 250 watts as per my WRTVH?(Frcho, Ohio)(Believe so. Ed.)
- 1580 COLOMBIA. HJKF Zipiquirá w/son 0855 2/5 w/no amnts at first, just LA mx, 0900, "Buenos Días, Armonias Zipiquireñas, H-J-K-F en Zipiquirá ..." f/by HJ NA full instrumental version then into mx, soon bombed by KTUF ET 0905. (Edmunds, NJ)
- 1586 WEST GERMANY. WDR Langenberg in w/fantastic signal 2/19 0625+ w/MoR mx, IDs about every 10 minutes. Hets on 1554/1562 also. (Frcho, Ohio)
- Noted 2/20 music 0400 to tuning signal 0445-0450, then complete rundown of frequencies to 0455 in GG, good sig.(Sundstrom)
- 1616 MEXICO. XEROX R. Duplicado, México, DF hrd w/reverb ID, repeating slogan twice 0202 2/2 (John Q. Schizoid, NY)(Oh, come now! This rcvd in unmarked envelope PM New York. Ed.)

This week's IDXD Good Guys:

- Russ Edmunds, Parsippany, NJ (8) HQ150, 4' GPN loop
- Richard Frcho, Cleveland, Ohio (3) HQ180A, SM2, 100' LW E/W
- Glenn Hauser, Von Ormy, Texas (25) HQ160, 560' LW NW/SE
- Alan Merriman, Fairfax, Va. (3) Two HQ180A's, SM2, NRC 35" loop
- Dan Myers, Toledo, Ohio (6) HQ180A, 3' box loop
- Father Jack Pejza, San Diego, CaL. (8) HQ180A, Sanserino loop, LM18 freq meter; 300' LW
- Don Reynolds, Glendora, Calif. (7) HQ180A, Sanserino loop
- Jeff Roberts, Decatur, Illinois (3) DX150B, 50' LW N/S
- Ronald F. Schatz, Miami, Fla. (4) R388/URR, LSCA
- T. R. Sundstrom, Willingboro, NJ (4) HQ150, SM2
- Page Taylor, Butler, NJ (1) SX130, 4' GPN loon

Verifications ---

- 675 COSTA RICA. TIJC Sonora sent prompt and cordial v/l from Hernan Alvarador R., Administrador General. He mentions a new 15 kw. transmitter and a special program being arranged by Angel Garcia. Very friendly and wants reports. This might be a good time to get veries from TIJA-575 and TICM-925 as all are listed on letterhead. All three formerly tough to verify. (Merriman Va.)
- 1548 COSTA RICA. TIASF, R. Cima, Ciudad Quesada sent nice v/l in 10 weeks for taped/registered report. Signer was Lindbergh Quesada Alvarez, Director y Gerente. Also sent nice banderín. Address is Apartado 28, not listed in WRTH or NRC log. (AM)

ANNOUNCING THE ECTPSLC!!!

The East Coast Trans-Pacific Simultaneous Listening Contest will take place every Monday Morning from now until MM April 30. The idea is for all ECNA DXers to monitor 844, 740 (for 2BL), 1020 for A3Z, and 1550 for 4QD. We are anxious to determine if any of the signals being reported WCNA will Trans-Mississippi-ize, hi! Please report all results, even if only a carrier detected, to IDXD. The first taped logging of 1020-A3Z east of K-land will result in one-year paid membership in NRC (paid by editor). Listening periods: 0800-1000Z

DOMESTIC DIGEST



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Greetings again. A slightly smaller column this week as compared to the last few. We do note, however, the annual Spring resurgence of pirate radio activity on the AM band (or mostly above it, hi).

F/C's

FEBRUARY: 2nd TU: WKDO-1560, WREL-1450; 3rd MM: WPGF-1470, KXEO-1340, WDIC-1430, KWKY-1150, WJPF-1340, WPJD-1550, WMOB-840, WBTS-1480, KLUC-1140; SA: KAMI-1580, KEYZ-1360; 3rd FM: KABR-1420; 3rd TH: WHII-1570, WHOC-1490.

CHANGE: Dan Myers notes WPRY-1400 sez r/c is 0230-0245 3rd FM, not the listed 0215-30 3rd TH.

changes

- + 610 CKML-PQ Per verie runs 250 watts at nite. Log lists as 1000 DA-N, so maybe is 250 NDA-N. Address is Case Postale 90. (Stan Moss, Bradford, Ma) ** Can any of our Canadian members check this ??? -RJE

daytime

- *** 1583x KWED-TX Noted off freq. 2/16 1302 tnx to tip from ex=IRCAn Artie Bigley, who says it's not the first time. Has varied up to 1588 or so b4. Somewhat distorted sidebands. Next day back on 1580. Had UPI world nx at 2/16 logging. (GH)

sunset & evening

- 550 WSWA-VA Hrd w/local ads & Town Crier; mentions of Harrisonburg & Staunton 1750 2/14 (dm)
- 600 WFRM-PA Presumed the one w/SSB 1745 2/12 as only one s/off that time per maps (dm)
- 640 WVAR-WV Carries Wolfman Jack show 1730-55, the s/off 1756 2/12 (dm)
- 680 WNAD-OK Hrd w/ CBS nx 1908 2/12 u/WHLO-CMq (dm)
- 680 KFEQ-MO Local wx presented by local funeral home 1855 2/13 (dm)
- 730 WLOR-GA S/off hrs u/GHIR w/ Garner Ted 1830 2/12 (dm)
- 730 KWRE-MO S/off 1844 2/13. Uses instr. c&w mx w/ s/off anct. (dm)
- WARB-LA S/off 1845 after KWRE. Uses SSB. 2/13. (dm)
- 750 WPDY-WV Fair 2/17 1523 w/ c&w. Seemed like groundwave reception.(RF)
- 810 WCEC-NC Atop WGY briefly w/ State wx w/ regionalized forecasts & statewide temps. 2/19 1732-35 (RJE)
- 860 WLBG-SC S/off u/CJBC following c&w 1814 2/13 (dm)
- 1090 WIID-MI Peaked 1753-56 o/WBAL w/ 2 ads, nx intro. Third signal weak thanks to WBAL's good music (c&w) policy. 2/16 (SRM) **--??
- ++ 1140 WCJW-NY Hrd w/ ID 1730 2/16 in new RS. (SRM) -RJE
- 1150 WHUN-PA Long wanted here finally atop w/ 15 mins of :mg 1730-45 s/off 2/17. WDEL nulled, WRUN not strong enuf to interfere yet. (JMP) ** Like I've always said, the true measure of a DXer is either what he hasn't hrd or what took him forever to hear when it should've been easy. Hi, Jim - HUN's a pest here-RJE
- 1310 WGH -VA Coming thru 1731 2/16 giving WCAM a run for the money occasionally atop w/rr (JMP)
- 1410 WCCT-NY Strong w/WPOP w/nx, local, area spots 1759 2/14 (JMP)
- 1510 WPUT-NY Doing nicely w/little QRM, s/off ment. "Brewster Bcstg." 2/18, @ 1730 (JMP)

- 1520 WVOB-MD Vy good in WKBW null, fairly good readability, surprising for 250 watt. Atop w/ s/off 1744 2/15 (JMP) (JMP)
WARR-NC Vy good w/WKBW nulled 2/16 1750, many spots for Henderson. (JMP)
1580 WPGC-MD O/u 2/19 1734 w/rr. Includes "Stereo 95" (FM) in ID (RF)
WBBA-IL Hrd 2/17 1845 w/ s/off mentioning FM-97.9 w/ SSB. Fair o/ WSRF that was amazingly strong until abrupt disappearance at 1900. No WCLS or CBJ. Suspect WSRF on late w/ day power & pattern (TRS) ** They do that every now and again -RJE
- 1580.01 unID Unmodulated carrier 2/19 1950+ w/ good sig. Nulled ENE/WSW causing low audible het. Not CBJ, WPGC. Carrier still present, but exactly on 1580 2/20 0208. (RF)
- 1590 WHPA-PA 2/12 s/off 1730 w/o WEEZ, nulled. Fair sig, new. Must be one of the last ones around here to get this one. (TRS)
- 1612v WORK-?? Pirate 2/17 t/in 1910 thru 2310 on spotchecks w/"The Best in Country & Western". (** Oh-oh, ERC's finally gonna LIKE a pirate for a change ??? -RJE) Looped due E-W. Suspect Phila. Better audio than WYBH. New. Not hrd 2/18-19-20. (TRS)
- 1615v WORK-?? Pirate hrd here 2/17 eve. giving IDs for Indiana and also mentioning Newark, Del, and Mi. I suspect someone along PA -MD border using fairly good power judging from strength but little readability - very sloppy audio. (JMP)
Pirate hrd per JMP tip. +20/9 here, good audio, IDs for Indiana 2/17 eve. (PT) **** Hey, youse guys, how about the idea of it being in Indiana, PA???? -RJE
- 1620 WENJ-NJ Another pirate w/IDs "You're tuned to WENJ, 1620 on your dial serving all of Middlesex County" Formatted loosely, called Joe Fela, who thinks maybe Edison H.S.. (JMP)
*** This hrd here last Feb., also recently. Loc. is almost surely Edison area, but we've tended to suspect a location on the campus of Middlesex County College, as an s/off taped here last season referred to a mailbox c/o "M.C.C." -RJE

midnight to sunrise

- 560 WGAN-ME Atop channel during rare WFIL SP w/lite MoR 2/19 0211-20+
CHCM-NF Tentatively the one here w/rr & ID briefly up & (RJE)
o/WGAN/WHYN/unID TT 0217 2/19 (RJE)
- WHBQ-TN Atop mess 2/18 0125 w/ID, then back into mire. (RF)
Hrd w/ID, promo for WHBQ EKB team, SID 0238 thru WIND,WQAM,
weak, but quite readable w/WFIL off 2/19 (TRS)
- 590 WOW -NE O/U WMB5 2/18 0130 w/nx (RF) (JMP)
Fairly good, topping Cuban & WEEI for a few mins. 0300 2/19
- 600 WCAO-MD O/u 2/20 0118 w/rr, frequent IDs (RF)
- WPDQ-FL Surfacing from mess 2/20 0121 w/ID (RF)
- 620 WTMJ-WI O/WETE-pest 2/20 0113 w/ MoR (RF)
- 690 WTIK-LA ET-TT-OC w/ID 0302 2/19. Hrd on rechecks thru 0400 (RJE)
- 740 WBOO-WI On w/ ET w/ Mozart 0405 2/12 (dm)
- 860 WAMO-PA Hrd vy poorly on TEST. ID 0216. They should come in better here (dm)
- unID TT hrd here 0232-41+ 2/15, looped w/sw (dm)
- 90C KJSK-NE Hrd w/ unsechd f/c 0144 ID, but not sure if beginning or end as no TT hrd either side of ID, 2/15. (dm)
- 920 WMNI-OH Testing again noted 0230 2/19 w/mx-OC-TT (JS)
WOKY-WI 2/19 running a poor third to CKCY, WMEI w/0032 ID & NHL scores. Anyone catch the ID on the ET-TT-OC here about this time dominating the channel? (TRS) ** Maybe the above or WPTX ... -RJE
- 930 WLLI-VA ET-TT noted 0150-0220+ 2/19 (JS)
WSAZ-WV Strong w/promo for nx 0230 2/14 (JMP)
- 960 WELI-CT Atop 2/18 0227 w/MoR w/no WFIR pest (RF)
- CFAC-AB Hrd w/CHNS w/ c&w, weak ID 0328 2/19 (RJE)
- **** 1000 KKIM-NM Hrd w/ f/c w/TT, mx, IDs w/TCs 0222,0228 2/19 w/XEOY. Good tape. Change f/c listing from 4th MM to 3rd MM. (RJE) (PT)
In w/ f/c 0213 2/19. Vy strong sig. IDs, TT, mx noted (JR)

- 1050 CJIC-ON O/u WHN/CHUM mess 2/19 0155 w/local car dealer ad (RF)
- 1070 WINA-VA Hrd 2/19 w/ movie house ad, ID 0230 o/two CC-TTs & KNX. New. Didn't get Ids on either ET. (TRS) (** From null & sig. str., one was WKOK -RJE)
- 1080 WNWI-IN Hrd on TEST 2/19 0228 w/march mx, SIDs, CW IDs, 0230 CW IDs w/variety of Tones, AR & off, mostly w/another TTer, not KRLD unID 0200+ (GH) *** What's "AR" mean, Glenn?? -RJE
Vy good on DX. One CW ID thru perfectly along w/a series of jingles. Format of mostly march mx. 0200-30 t/out 2/19(JMP)
TT's hrd o/u WTIC, march mx also thru much of TEST. Audio reasonable only w/WTIC talking. Good SID 0203. (RJE)
Hrd w/ varied-TT CW IDs ard 0230 o/WTIC (PT)
TEST not hrd due to WTIC. (TRS)
- 1130 WKEO-PA Hrd only TT & more TT, no IDs even 0130, so called and he obliged w/ an ID 0137 (dm) ** What date?? -RJE)
- 1140 KJUC-WV R/c L&C 0300 2/19 w/ 15 mins of regular FM pgmg, complete w/commercials. Think this is technically an FCC no-no. (JS)
** True, but FCC doesn't even bother to enforce IDs on test xmissions, so.... and then there are those RS=ETs of WDEN-1500 and WPNX-1460 and WCLS-1580... -RJE (JR)
- 1190 KHDS-AZ In/out w/ c&w, IDs at 0350 2/19. Exc. sig for such low power
KEX -CR W/ Old Time Radio pgm promo o/HJCV 2/19 0408 (GH)
- 1270 KTFI-ID W/NBC nx beeper then into local nx 0206 2/12, for 2nd IDaho in 2 wks! (dm)
- 1300 WFBH-MD Atop 2/19 0327 w/rr during local WERE SP (RF) ** And that's what you'll ALWAYS hear then, hi -RJE
- 1310 CKOY-ON Good 2/19 0330 atop w/nx (RF)
- 1340 CJAN-PQ Hrd atop channel // 1380, etc., but, alas, no ID. Lite MoR vocals 0012 2/19 (RJE)
- 1360 WDRC-CT First time here 2/19 0322 w/rr, wx 0323. No WSAI pest (RF)
- 1400 unID TT hrd 0215-0230 2/15, but not WPRY as called stn. Very strong. (dm) ** Any loop bearing?? -RJE
- 1420 WYCB-KY On w/ ET-TT 0030-0110+ w/ID 0030 2/13 (dm)
- ** 1470 WCHM-TN This was dm's unID "Lint City" of a few weeks ago. Tape replays of dub sent yielded "Union City" instead. Cked map and log for proper nearby city, finding only a Union City 8 miles WNW of Martin, TN. -RJE
- ** 1410 WYMB-SC Likewise, re dm's log here, I misread his item. It's Clarendon County not Clarendon City. Sri. -RJE
- 1440 CFGO-ON O/u 2/20 0230 w/rr. Not bad for reception away from beam. (RF)
- 1460 WOKO-NY Noted w/ET-TT-mx 2/19 0102. Off 0115 w/ID & address for QSLs and veries. How 'bout that?? (JS) ** I hrd it too...-RJE
- 1470 CHRM-ON Atop w/rr, ID 0323 2/19. Good at times but lots of fading. (JR)
- 1480 WHOM-NY ET-TT L&C w/ID 0231 2/19 (JS) ** On from 0000+ -RJE
2/19 w/nx headlines, sx, wx 0115-0120 into NN-oriented pgmg. hrd thru WDA5 & WHOM ET. Fiar sig., new. (TRS)
- 1510 CJRS-PQ Presumed the FCC 2/19 0240 w/annct., US EE mx (GH) ** Can't be much else, nice... -RJE (RJE)
Annct'd f/c 0243 2/19 w/mx, not hrd at listed time. Change??
In o/ w/ r/c w/ mx 2/19 off 0145 (JS) ** Hmm -RJE. Guess they were buried 1st time for me or else ?? -RJE
- 1550 WRIZ-FL Monsterous w/ETw/recorded annct'd-value TT sequences 2/19 0350-0405+ (RJE)
Caught ID 0401 in midst of ET. Exc sig. Freqs. of TTs annct'd b4 each. 2/19 (TRS)
- XXX 1530 WCKY-OH Noted off RS WM 2/7 0130. Recorded ID ment. ET every 2 min, only OC betw. Also off w/SSB 0120 2/19 rather than listed 0100 (JS) *** They've been running later than 0100 many MMs of late -RJE
- * 1550 WPJD-TN R/c-mx 0145-0200 w/ID as "Soddy-Daisy, Tenn.". Was there a change per FCC? (JS) ** No - RJE
- 1560 KEGG-TX Hrd again on 3120 2/18 0742 EL, EE; 0813 hymns, 0830 nx, ID (GH) *** "EL" ??? -RJE

To answer a question, I'd appreciate it if reporters would list rx and ant. w/ each submission, but it's not necessary - just makes it easier if you do. I have the info on file cards w/ computations of items submitted anyway, but then wouldn't have to look 'em up.

THIS WEEK's insipidity award goes to a record entitled "Live Together", where-in there is an organ sequence which sounds an awful lot like a WSWN-900 ET - beeping tones. Has fooled me many a time in recent weeks. Here's to a hasty demise for this DXer's menace.

REPORTERS THIS ISSUE:

- Stan Morse (SRM) - Bradford, Ma.
- Glenn Hauser (GH) - Von Ormy, Tx.; HQ-160, SM2, 560' LW and 100' LW.
- Jerry Starr (JS) - Youngstown, Ohio; HQ-180, 4' altaz loop
- Jeff Roberts (JR) - Decatur, Ill.; DX-150B w/ 50' LW
- Dan Myers (dm) - Toledo, Ohio; HQ-180A w/ 3' box loop
- Richard Frcho (RF) - Cleveland, Ohio; HQ-180A, SM2, 100' LW
- Jim Poterba (JMP) - Yardley, Pa.; HQ-200, SM2
- Tom Sundstrom (TRS) - Willingboro, N.J.; HQ-150 w/SM2 & DX-150 w/LW
- Russ Edmunds (RJE) - Wayne, N.J.; HQ-150 & 4' NRC FET altaz loop; Fisher 100T
- Page Taylor (PT) - Butler, N.J.; SX-130 & NRC 4' loop. w/SM-1,

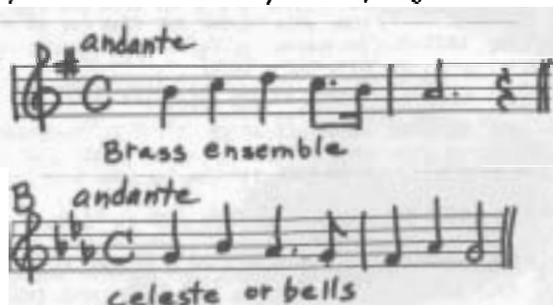
r/c's listed but not hrd this time by TRS, RJE: 3rd MM: WYMB-1410, WNKY-1480, WONE-1480, KWLA-1530, WSKK-1600, WBBQ-1340, WDXY-1240, WFTR-1450, WTHB-1550, WTON-1240, WCON-1450, WGAU-1340, WHSC-1450, WPAD-1450, WCLC-1260. 73b - RJE

PRESSTIME NOTE FROM HQ...

UKRAINE? Mystery TA noted on 2/26 during relatively auroral conditions on 1546 kHz from 0053 until abrupt s/off 0100. Seemed like a test broadcast - nonstop MOR music and no announcements of any sort; gave a 7 note IS once at 0100 and cut carrier immediately. Noted S9 plus 50 db on HQ 6600 foot Beverage and about S9 plus 20 db at the same time on Bill Bailey's much shorter Beverage. Initially we thought we'd gotten a test from Abbe Nathan's ship-board "Voice of Peace" station, supposedly to operate on 1546 and reportedly on its way to its Mediterranean according to European DX publications. A call to Nathan in New York city shot that dream down: the Voice of Peace will not sail from New Jersey until mid-March and is not expected to come onto the air until the end of April. Nathan now has a crew and financial backing so it seems the project is well underway. They have not chosen the frequency yet but it will be a high-band channel; the engineer will let us know when they begin tuning up the 50 kw transmitter in a few weeks... So it seems we must have had Vinnitza with a new IS; Bill Bailey has transcribed the new IS along with the old one from the Ukrainian station; the says the tone intervals are correct but each one may be in a different key than shown. What do you think, Page?

IS noted by Bill Bailey 11/3/72 at 0030 and s/off 0059.

Presumed new IS for Vinnitza noted 2/26 by Bailey and Gordon Nelson.



(Russ Edmunds) tape to PT, also to Angel Garcia as soon as dubs made. Also a tentative on XEIH-1399.11 here last week, and an unID SS on 1451. ERC and others, no more eating my heart out for WMM, as it was heard & taped on SSS in December, hi. Don't you read my column, hi hi? (what column, Russ? -ERC) I have two articles pending revisions or scientific commentary from HQ, which will hopefully appear some day. International DXers, note: There is a strong similarity between much of the Basque music and even some of the flamenco singing and Islam Quoranic chantings indigenous to the Arabic world. Most similar to chantings and wailings of Morroccans, then the similarity decreases as one moves toward Egypt, etc. No small wonder though - the Mottish influence was present in the whole area for a millenium or so. However, what sounds like chanting may not always be, it may be Spanish. And have you heard about the new Greek network to supplement the existing YENEDI? It's called YENTE and has all femme announcers. Glad to see so many DXers have found the 2' altaz loop I presented here in DX NEWS to be a useful compromise. I've got a rather lengthy (65pp) set of comparisons of performances (inconclusive, but interesting) on SM-1, 4' altaz FET and 2' RJE loops in the works based on a study by PT & myself, write for details if interested. Anybody interested in buying that Fisher AM-FM tuned/preamp for phono, MPX, etc. & power amp combo or any of the other stuff listed a while back? That's it. 73.

ERNEST J. WESOLOWSKI - 1416 Pasadena Avenue - Omaha, Nebraska - 68107

The last two months brought the following cards: WOKY KAAT-1090 Denver, KHJ WETE WAMY WRAM KVII-1010 CMW-590 KOPI WJDX WBOO KLUB WSMI KOGO WPUV KKH. V/l's from KUAT WLSI KLEU-850 new in Iowa; KANE KINT KOTN WPKR WFRN WILY WVNA KCAN KAVI KNOC WENS KINE KXOW KKIM WRBC WUCR WISM WPUV KAPI KGLN & KRVN-880. DX for February: XEROK-800 ex-XELO reported to Box 188 in El Paso, on 1/31 @ 2am. 2/3- WCBY-1240 Cheboygan, Mich. for f/c 3-3:10. 2/5- CBEF-540 finally logged in FF from 7:28-7:40am. Also KDLA-1010 De Ridder, La. for f/c 6:45-7am w/DT. KREH-900 Oakdale, La. tentatively reported for r/c. 2/11- WJUS-1390 Jackson, Tenn. logged only the second time in 14 years, reported, w/ KCBC off @ 2-2:30am on RS. There is a monitoring company in the S.E. U.S. that tells stations NOT to ID for f/cs. Most of these stations use the DT or 500 cps. Anyone know who they are? (I'd hazard a guess on Claude M. Grey, of Birmingham, Ernest. -Ernest.) We should try to contact them and state the law. My mention in reception reports to stations get a reply that they didn't know they must ID at beginning and end. They would in future! None will give me the name of their service. Happy St. Pattie's Day! Mexican airmail stamps still available for 10¢ plus SASE.

Republic. CESAR F. CEBALLO - Calle 34 Casa 30, Cristo Rey - Zona 5 - Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Hi friends. I know you will be wondering about my inactivity in DXing, but some information has been given in former Musings. Now, for more complications, my wife & I started building a house in January for us to move and have more room for everything. I hope the money we have will be enough for us to get inside of it. One of the rooms will be dedicated exclusively to my receiving equipment, loop, etc. and after that I will try to send more information to you all. Right now all the time I have available in the day is completely covered by my two jobs and directing the workers at the construction place. On the other hand there have been a landing of rebel forces in this country about Sun. 2/4 and several stations were closed to prevent them from giving false reports & agitation by the opposition. These stations were R. Cristal-570, R. Universal-650, La Voz del Tropico-790, R. Comercial-1010, R.P.Q.-1080, R. Antillas-1120, Onda Musical-1150, R. Mil-1180, R. Vision-1260, R. El Mundo-1540 & R. Union-1570. All other stations were on the air all the time. Next day they were on back again, but R. Cristal-570 was again closed on Wed. 2/7. Adora (Dominican Broadcasting Union) agreed in not giving any information liable to create unrest in the country and only broadcast government bulletins, even though some of them have their own news-reels from their own sources. The situation is still uncertain but everything is quiet in the capital as of today (Friday Feb. 9). More news as soon as available. 73 in 73. MAKE SURE YOU MAKE SURE TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE SURELY GOING TO BE IN BOSTON OVER THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND! WE'LL MAKE SURE TO SURE MAKE YOUR WEEKEND A MEMORABLE ONE!

ONYSCHUK - 12934 Page Ct. #2 - Blue Island, Illinois - 60406

Greetings again from the "Sky Blue Island." MM 2/12 DK: CFRB-1010 Ont. w/"Beatles" Yesterday @ 11:56pm, WTOP-1500 D.C. w/ID @ 12, first decent ID I've gotten from them in a while. UNID on 1500 w/s/off @ 12:04 on E/W direction, SSB in good, WTOP or WDEET WVAR-790 Va. w/feminine vocal @ 12:29, then ID, WK, much WBBM sloop. CKOC-1150 on, first time in a few years, on w/instrumental including "Hello Dolly" till 12:40, then Dolly Holiday under them a few seconds. On 1140, on/off between 12:15 & 1, while WRVA was on test, distant male opera voice on N/S direction, no IDs at all. WCOA-1370 Fla. w/WX @ 1:02, then s/off @ 1:05 w/"America", no sign of KOTA during night. WSPD-1370 O. w/MoR @ 1:24, then I nulled it out to a weak rr & then "XL" slogan @ 1:29, to KXLF, Butte, Mont. on N/S direction. That's right! N/S. Then a folk group w/"Sitting on a Dock in the Bay". I was kind of surprised to pick up N.D.er KXLF. (They're in Montana, Kan, not North Dakota -ERC) Back to 1380 @ 1:35 to catch KUDL Kan. Logbook says Fairway, announcer said Kansas City. Was a pleasure to get #14 on 2/9 but I do miss Midwest Musings. Kindly save me a copy of '73-'74 Logbook. Sounds like Hall of Fame collectors' item. Whadaya say, y'all - 73 in 73. In 2/9 Daily News, WGN-720 John Doremus Show from 12 to 6:30am now on Tuesdays, previously WGN's SP, 2-6, I believe - station is now NSP as of 2/12.

DAVE SCHEMIDT - 8 Valley Terrace - Apt. 9 - Wilmington, Delaware - 19802

The HQ-180 has gone to the radio doctor for a few repairs. The on/off switch for the AC was arcing for some time now, and it finally burnt out on 2/16. I opened the set up and soldered the leads together, & I had to use the AC line to turn the set on and off after that. So my 180 is now in the hands of John Wedderbrand in Haddonfield, N.J. - he's the radio doctor- hi! But the DX continues on my newest shack addition, a Stromberg-Carlson! It's a hot set, too, built for a 1963 Chevy! As a few of you remember, I started DXing on a 1951 Hudson car radio which I converted for use to house current and it brought me about 250-275 veries back. Radio Shack has a very nice 12 volt power supply for \$19 which I have for the power, and it's workin' well. The only problem that I've run across so far is that the low IFs (262.5k) have the habit of bad image rejection on strong signals. I'm going to build a small loop for it since this type of set is ideal for use with a very small antenna. A bit of DX here, as follows: 2/19- I copied WAAO-1530 on their f/c, 2:20-2:45am for another crack at a verie. WOKO-1460 on an ET 12:56-1:15am s/off, asking for reports. WENS was off, also KSO noted at their lam s/off, local WILM-1450 looped. WBBQ-560 bagged w/WFIL off 1:28-1:42am v/rr. WCAU was also off that AM. WIP was the only Philly AM station on! 2/18 brought WINE-940 6:47-6:58am, good signal, too. 2/17- WOBR-1530 taken for a report 5:42-5:45pm s/off, copy of word-for-word s/off going to them (I have it on tape) and another crackat WLIX-540 4:21-4:35pm. 2/12 brought WBSO-1130 on their TEST, 12:51-1:05am, and finally CJRW-710 was bagged 2:25-2:40 w/WOR nulled. Veries back from WWDJ-970 v/q, WROW-590 v/q, KPFA-950 v/l, WBTX-1470 v/d, WGMF-1500 v/c. And after seven years and 14 reports later, a v/l from WAFM-590. That's about all the room for now so 73s. PS- A very good bet for anyone needing Nevada, try the third MM r/c of KLUC-1140 @ 3am. They plug into their FM, sounds like RS, plays rr. If you can null the jammer, you can get him 'cause he hit 30 over S-9 here on 2/19!

JACK BUCKLEY - 5149 Monteverde Place - San Fernando, California - 90004

Greetings all! DX has been pretty good lately - it helps to DX every day. Recent catches: 2/1- KGDN-630 @ 12:23am w/inspirational mx, KZEY-690 @ 12:45am. 2/4- KNUJ-860 @ 1:14:5pm. KFWJ-980 @ 1:14am, ESN0-1260 @ 2:13am. 2/5- KMLO-1000 @ 10:30pm, KNWS-1090 @ 11:55pm, KEXM-1540 @ 12:55am. 2/7- KGRN-570 @ 10:15pm, KLIR-990 @ 10:47pm, WBCA-1110 @ 9:15am. Recent veries: KTES KPIX KUDO WHAS KCST WITW WFYI WHAM KADK KBBP KVOD WGVF WBEZ KING WYOC KMQU KPFX KUER w/WFMP WHDH KBPK KLOM KNOB KOST WBEZ. During Christmas, I put up a Beverage and it worked very well. A lot of IAs were heard with the help of one of the Mexicans that works with me. However, I can't send for any veries because I lost the log'. In regards to veries though, I have my wife type up the reports in exchange for being taken out to dinner on Friday nights, hi. Well, 73s & peace. (Whoever you are, Jack, I don't think you are very funny - this is evidently a phony report-ERC)

Definitely a phoney, Ernie; no such member in the Club. GPN

JAMES E. CRITCHETT - 1504 Glenwood Drive - San Diego, California - 92103

Please pardon the plain stationery; NRC Letterheads, as advertised in the 1/17 DK NEWS ordered on 1/19 have not yet been received. Some Mondays I listen for DX Specials, f/cs and foreign stations. Others I listen for the Specials, f/c, and to frequencies vacated by usually NSP stations. MM 2/19 the frequencies were 570, 980, & 1260 w/KIAC, Los Angeles, KFVB Los Angeles, and KYA San Francisco testing, without RS. On 570, KVI Seattle (formerly Tacoma) was IDed beside KLUB, Salt Lake City, @ 4:06 at the end of the NX. On 980, CKRM, Regina, CKNW New Westminster, and KMBZ all IDed between 4:37 & 5:00. KMBZ testing equip,ent. On 1260 KGIL San Fernando was t sting around 5:40, but at 7:29, CFRN, Edmonton, IDed, & @ 7:59:30 KPBE, Idaho Falls IDed, followed by KSN0, Aspen, Col. Both faded immediately u/KYA, which came on @ 8 for their RS. Listed & reported f/cs were KKIM-1000, Albuquerque, N.M. from 2:01 to 2:31 w/frequent IDs & some TT & mx used; KLUC-1140 used mx & went off @ 3:25 from Las Vegas; KXKL-1450 from Bozeman, Mont. was welcomed, 3:34-3:45; KVOP-1400 was heard again 5:26-5:30, & KEFS-1270 used TT, heard from 6:27 to 6:30. TTs were heard 6:54-7 on 1470 & 1570 for probable KWRD & KOLS, but too weak for IDs. PJB & CKWL were heard from 4:25 to 4:30; mo XELO. KDAY-1580 covered any chance for WKIG TEST. 561 stations now heard on the Erake SPR-4 since 9/17, a good RX. Best wishes.

MYERS - 2650 104th Street - Toledo, Ohio - 43611 419-726-4348

Not a while lot new DX-wise this week. One of my jobs has "expanded" to a more-or-less full-time position: I get to be AN man at WLQR (MM) working five nights a week. Well, that'll sure put a good crase in my DXing, hi. At least I don't have to work MMs. Twenty-six new stations heard last week. 2/12- WJR off for a little while, and I logged OMD (finally) @ 12:51am, and XEABC-760 Mexico City @ 12:55, both with beautiful IDs. WREO & WAMO TESTs both in, neither very well, especially WAMO which should have come in better. 2:06am, KTFI-1270 Twin Falls, ID ending after NBC NX w/beeper, then into local NX for second Idaho in two weeks. YNAM-660 "Mi Preferida" ID heard 3:10am very strong. YVSI-540 R. Nacional Maracaibo w/mentions of Venezuela & IDs 3:18am. WKAQ-580 P.R. finally @ 3:22 w/jingle. HJFQ-1030 Pereira "La Voz del Pueblo" w/ID o/XEQR @ 3:33. YVNC-740 R. Maracaibo s/on w/anthem, etc. very strong (HI, ERC!) & indeed an IPC, @ 4 05am. WFRM-600 Coudersport presumed the one w/SSB @ 5:45pm, since according to the SSS maps, that's the only thing that s/off at that time on 600. WVAR-600, R chwood, W.Va. carrying Wolfman Jack syndicated show, 5:30-5:55pm, then s/off by 5:56. WLOR-730 Thomasville, Ga. s/off u/CHIR 6:30. WNAD-640 Norman heard w/CBS NX 7 08pm. 2/13- WKDC-1560 & WREL-1450 r/cs heard. WLBG-860 s/off after c/w mx 6:14. KWRE-730 Warrenton, Mo. s/off w/announcement read o/instrumental c/w. WARB-730 Covington, Ia. s/off then, SSB, right afttr WRE @ 6:45. 2/14- WSWA-550 Harrisonburg strangely atop usually dead frequency w/local ads & Town Crier; mentions of Harrisonburg & Staunton 5:50pm. 2/15- KJSK-900 Columbus, Neb. on w/unsked f/c 1:44am ID, but I'm not sure whether that was the beginning or ending since I didn't hear any TT either before or after the ID. Also WHII-1570 & WHOC-1490 r/cs heard. That's all the DX last week. That's also all I have to say this week, so 73s and best of DX.

ROY MILLAR - Box 508 - Everett, Washington - 98201

Week # in '73 a big one, to wit: 2/12- WPTS-1370 Ind. atop WSPD from time to time between 5:05 & 5:31am; WAM-1370 Mich. atop w/ID @ 6:30am; WJCD-1390 Ind. s/on 6am atop heavy QRM. 2/15- CKCR-1330 Sask. ID 8:01am, probably s/on; I don't know why this baby has been so tough for me, but many, many tries without success. 2/16- CJCR-1490 Coleman, Alta. (/-CJOC-1220) ID 5:01am and 6:06 am in heavy QRM; AN programming. Verie situation disappointing; very poor percentage of returns this Winter. Above CJCR log is #56 on 1490k, my slimmest "graveyard"; indeed, welcome! 73.

LET'S HAVE THOSE MUSINGS REPORTS, GENTLEMEN! SEVERAL MEMBERS HAVE RECENTLY SAID THIS SECTION MEANS TO THEM - WITHOUT YOUR MUSINGS, THOUGH, IT IS NOTHING, NEEDLESS TO SAY. SO DOUBLE-SPACE THOSE MUSINGS TODAY AND OUR DEADLINE IS EVERY THURSDAY IN BROOKLYN. PLEASE, NO VERIE SIGNERS' NAMES IN MUSINGS. STICK TO DX!

* Mailed from HQ two weeks ago if not earlier. BPC

BOB FOXWORTH - GPO - Box 2111 - New York, New York - 10001

I read remarks by Curtis Engberg in the 2/14 DX NEWS with interest regarding comments about receivers. Where the SP-600 is concerned, this set is generally a military surplus item & the condition can vary widely, both mechanically and electrically, when one considers that the price seems to have levelled off in the \$275 area. It is quite likely that the particular unit Curtis looked at was one of the dogs, as this RX ought to be a good buy for the price - if one can tell whether he is getting a clean, well-aligned unit or not. Unfortunately a prospective buyer has either to have a good understanding of what to expect from the RX, or the chance to try out several sets at the same time, in a quiet location with a good ECB antenna. This will hold true, of course, for any RX, not just the SP-600. Regarding the SW4A and the spurious signals Curtis experienced on 1160 & 1200, this is cross modulation generated inside the RX by reason of the RF and/or mixer stage not having sufficient dynamic range to handle strong signals. Although this writer has not had the chance to try out the newer SPR-4 I do have the instruction book and the front end circuitry therein appears better suited to handle stronger signals without crossmod problems. Drake, incidentally will sell the manual for the SPR-4 for \$3 plus 80¢ postage. This is a 62-page manual with all board layouts and schematics, etc. and may be a good investment for someone who is undecided about spending the 570-odd dollars that the SPR-4 now lists for. Manuals for the SP-600 as well as such other military nomenclature gear such as the R-388/URR and R-390 series are available from Sam Con- = live, W3HND, whose ad appears monthly in all the ham magazines. Prices will be around \$6 or \$7. Details available from me, if interested. In closing I will just mention that in my opinion the best ECB RX (used) available for the money is the Hamarlund HQ-150. They're pretty scarce now but if one is a little - it should be around \$130 or so. I'm real happy with mine. 73.

CHRIS LUCAS - 407 Elmwood Avenue - Ithaca, New York - 14850

DX has been rather meager during the past two weeks here, partially due to limited DX time, and partially due to mediocre CX. New DX: 2/11- WBRG-1050 Lynchburg, Va. @ 5:34pm, WABZ-1010 Asheville, N.C. @ 5:59 s/off. 2/12- W3HND -1010 Ga. @ 6:11pm. 2/13- WINZ-940 Fla. @ 1:30am w/reasonably good signals. I had tried previously for this one many times here to no avail, only KIOA is heard, usually. WINZ was absent the next night at the same time. Also 2/13, WGST-920 Ga. nicely atop this channel @ 1:32am which is usually occupied by CKCY after semi-local WKRT's 11:15pm s/off. CKCY seems to get out much better than pattern suggests. 2/13 brought WELI-1100 N.Y. @ 5:23pm, a station I had really never tried for before. 2/16- CFCF-600 Montreal @ 12:31am, which I thought I had had traces of previously, but never enough for a definite logging. WICC-600 which beams this way is very rarely heard here. WPIK-730 Va. @ 5:26pm for Va. #40. 2/19- After numerous nights of sitting on 1440 at SSS looking for WBAB or WBIS, I finally got a clear ID from WBAB N.Y. at s/off w/mention of their FM on 102.3 @ 5:31pm. WCDL usually dominates at SSS. I've also tried for WBAB to no avail at their 5:15 s/off. Another couple of stations that should be fairly easy but which manage to elude me at SSS are WQMS-1050 and WFGW-1010, as well as WGBB-1440. WCJW-1140 Warsaw, N.Y. is still testing OC days, not yet on RS (as of 2/20). I'm hoping my DX activity will be picking up in the upcoming week. 73.

LAURENT GAGNON - 994 4th Avenue - Quebec, Quebec G1J 3A9

The name of the small FF network is "Reseau des Appalaches" and consists of five stations: WKLD-1230 Thetford Mines, 1,000/250 U-1, NSP; CJAN-1340, Asbestos; CFDA-1360 Victoriaville, 1,000w, CKFL-1400 Lac Magantic, 1,000/250 U-1, NSP, (new frequency), CKTL-1420 Plessisville, 1,000/500. CFDA & CKTL are regularly heard here during daytime, but practically nil at night. CKLD is difficult to tune in, due to splashes of CFIS-1240 Lewis. I am still not immuned from splashes and cross-modulation with the SPR-4, that's my trouble. CKFL-1400 is harder to catch on his new frequency because of Riviere-du-Loup w/10,000w & the new CJAN is Asbestos cannot ordinarily be tuned in when local CFOM is in operation on 1340. CKTL-1420 announces their call letters in singing & it is difficult to understand them correctly, even for an FCC. Apart from these five stations there

is also another FF network of five stations which was authorized by the CRIC on 2/16 & called "Reseau Telemedia." The stations are: CKAC-730 Montreal, CKCH-970, Hull, CHIT-630 Sherbrooke, CHIN-550 Trois Rivieres, & CJER-900 Roumouki. This last station will join the network later, after problems of communications or cables have been settled. Please note my new postal code. No other news for the

moment - I am still on SW.

KEN QNYSEHUK - 12934 Page Ct. #2 - Blue Island, Illinois - 60406

Greetings from the Sky Blue Island, hi. News, views, but sorry no interviews. 2/15- Locals WBER-1570 & WCGO-1600 s/off @ 6:30. KKJO-1550 Mo. is becoming a dominant around here lately, say in the last month. Any change in their status? I caught them @ 6:39 w/a Jimmy Davis c/w tune. KOMA-1520 ok, in well w/rr 6:38-6:40 then NX break w/420, Local NX. WQBE-980 O. usual dominant w/#1 c/w 11:38. Just to throw in, WBEZ-1030 s/off @ 12:05, WRVA Va. @ 12:08, KKKA @ 12:15. I caught same male opera after WRVA s/off last night as I did last MM, N/S. I couldn't make out tongue. CFRB-1010 Ont. alone & good despite pest WCFL w/pleasant xylophone tune by Lionel Hampton @ 11:53, then Peggy Lee "Taste of Honey" @ 12:12. I caught KTW-1060 sports @ 12:15, then to 1560 to attempt a catch at WQXR s/off @ 12:20 as per Logbook. Station remained opera-ized through 1:30?? (WQXR now s/off @ 1:07am approximately -ERC) WBAY-1360 Wis. @ 12:30 w/half-hour wx, ID, WX. KSO-1460 Ia. & WBNS O. s/off together @ 1. Also, in no special order, KRYS-1360 Tex. w/AI NX @ 1:05, ID, 49° & rr. On 1030, unID w/SS @ 1:20 vocal group, probably XEQR. KIOA-940 Ia. w/"wavy" rr @ 1:21 in fair, & WCRS-880 N.Y. w/ID @ 1:25 w/severe WLS talk RM. 850, unID MoR @ 1:26 on N/S direction u/KQA, probably WJW? Then slow fade. WPAR-790 Va. w/male vocal @ 1:29, then ID, NX in brief. WNBC-660 NY off air @ 1:33. 650, OC w/WSM off. Same time, on 620, I nulled WIMJ @ 1:34 to pick up Sinatra vocal & financial ad, no ID, though probably KWFT. Present total of 463 in 37 stats etc. My equipment - Panasonic AM/FM portable w/internal antenna, RF-738, presently discontinued. I hope to make it by 2/22. I am anxious to lead of more Midwest action. Hey out there - get BUSY! Best of health & DX.

ERNEST R. COOPER - 438 East 21 Street - Brooklyn, New York - 11226 (Car. Rte. 56)

Nice v/f and data & CM from WERC-960 & Dave Gleason, for which I say, thanks, Dave! Also v/c from WMM-1090. I recently was sent a list of non-verifiers in which WMM was listed - they TESTED only two months ago, and have now verified, and they were black-listed in that impatient time, after I printed their letter that they WOULD verie - goes to show you how dangerous and unfair a non-verifiers list is! WMM is a good friend of DXers & I imagine they'd be quite hurt to see their station so listed. After all, give a guy a chance to take care of a barrel-full of mail, like his TEST pulled! DX again confined to the MM, 2/19. Up early this time to get WPGF, and get 'em I did through much 1470 RS, 12:20-12:28 when they possibly signed off - not heard beyond that time. An SS-675 s/off @ 1:03 wither TJJC or YND I reckon. WEN-1050 & WINS-1010 were silent. WAPA-680 was off & also HJKC-850 was missing. Who was the TTer on 1580 first noted @ 1:21 and off @ 1:30? Just too weak to ID although I believe he did take care of that chore. More on CJAL-1340 (or is it CJAN?) and a report off w/data from 2/12 & 2/19. A Venezuelan signs onto 1110 around 3:30am, I don't think it's RotGortupasa, which is quite weak. Maybe I'll be there next MM waiting for his s/on ID. If I remember, hi. Dear old Dolly heard for the first time in weeks on 680 and 1530, WPTF & KPFX, no doubt. KPFX had the jumps, but no sign nevertheless of KCHY.

