

CPC TESTS

- Mon., Jan. 23 KVRA-1570 Vermillion, S.D. 0200-0230 w/500w. Rock music with test IDs, simulcast of KVRF-FM. Reports: Doyle Ritter, Manager, KRVA, Rt. 3, Box 79, zip 57069. Arranged: Neil Zank.
- Mon., Jan. 23 KAHL-1420 North Platte, Nebr. 0230-0300, 1000w ND. Tones, IDs at 5 min. intervals. Prepaid calls to: (308) 532-1120. Reports to Nelson Dahl, GM, Box 248, zip 69101. Arranged: R. Lindblade.
- Mon., Jan. 23 WJAR-920 Providence, R.I. 0400-0430 w/5000w ND. Tones, odd mx, many code IDs. Reports: Craig Healy, Radio Engineer, WJAR, 176 Weybosset St., zip 02903. Arranged: Craig Healy (NRC/IRCA)
- Thur. Jan. 26 WLBZ-620 Bangor, Maine. 0010-0040 AND 0530-0600. Rescheduled from Dec. 22. Loud music (marches, etc), station info. Power 5000w, directional mostly north. Reports to: Howie Soule (K1CZ), CE, 861 Broadway, zip 04401. Arranged: Steve Francis.
- Mon., Jan. 30 KXXR-1440 Spokane, Wash. 0400-0500, 5000w ND. Tones, code and voice IDs, sound effects, music. No calls accepted since test is pre-recorded. Reports to: Edward F. Kelley, KXXR, 933 West 3rd Ave., Spokane, Wash. 92204. Arranged: M. Bolland (GWDXA)
- Mon., Jan. 30 WKEM-1490 Immokalee, Fla. 0430-0500 w/1000w. Tones, voice-code and singing IDs, band music. Number for prepaid calls to appear next issue. Reports to: WKEM, Box 520, zip 33934. Arranged by Steve Kennedy who will also announce for the test.
- Mon., Feb. 6 WVOT-1420 Wilson, N.C. 0200-0230, will use either 1000w non-directional or 500w directional pattern. There is a possibility that both patterns/powers could be used. Test will include top 40 music, plenty of IDs and possible code IDs as well. Veries to: Gary Liebisch, WVOT Radio, Box 170, Wilson, N.C. 27893. Please include return postage! Arr: Chris Lucas.
- Mon., Feb. 14 KAST-1370 Astoria, Ore. 0315-0430, 1000w ND. Tones, IDs, and mentions of GWDXA. Prepaid calls to: (503) 325-2911. Reports to Robert Chopping, GM, KAST, Box 445, zip 97103. Arranged: Pete Nolan, GWDXA (also member NRC, IRCA)
- Mon., Feb. 20 KOMW-680 Omak, Wash. 0300-0400, 5000w ND. Tones, code and voice IDs. Prepaid calls: (509) 826-0100. Reports to: Jerry Robinson, CE, KOMW, Box 151, zip 98841. Arranged: P.R. Estremera, GWDXA. NOTE: Mr. Robinson is very interested in tapes and overseas reports.
- Mon., Mar. 20 KIRO-710 Seattle, Wash. 0330-0730 approx. Proof of performance, tones, IDs. 50Kw ND; 10Kw on auxiliary transmitter from 0700. Reports: David Hubert, CE, KIRO, 3rd & Broad Streets, zip 98121. Arranged: Eddie Ryan (GWDXA)

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We Get Letters

Pat Hartlage

<u>DAN MYERS</u>, our Flash Alert Service person, tells us 27 members are participating in the service. Please note his phone number has been added to the page of addresses. It's (419) 693-5859 and his address is 4148 Royer Drive, Northwood, Ohio 43619. Dan urges members to call him rather than mailing late breaking test information. Doing so will insure the FAS participants will get the information in time.

<u>DX NEWS SCHEDULE</u> To give sufficient advance warning to editors, etc. here

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Editors and contributors, please have your copy in Louisville 10 days prior to the issue date. All the above are Mondays. Schedule subject to change.

NNRC'S BCB section is now being edited by Matthew Zahner, 7224 Gough St., Baltimore, MD 21224, replacing long-time editor Thomas R. Sundstrom.

WRTVH, according to info received thru IRCA, is available thru Gilfer Assoc., P.O. Box 239, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 at a pre-publication price of \$9.95 until January 30, 1978. Full price will be \$11.95, I believe. Delivery of the new handbook may be later than last year.

JONES LOG, the "North American Radio-TV Station Guide" is available, according to Bob Walker. The 1978 edition is \$5.95 (\$6.95 outside the U.S.) and can be ordered from Vane A. Jones Co., 6710 Hampton Dr. East, Indianapolis, IN 46226. No credit or COD.

<u>BEACONS</u> are of interest to Don Davis, 107 Oakdale Drive, Warner Robbins, GA 31093. Don is preparing an article for DXN concerning aeronautical beacons (510-1630 khz), their purpose, locations, etc. He needs information on those in the Soviet Union and Peoples Republic of China which would help verify the station, such as addresses, etc. Another article is being prepared which will include a listing of all stations which have verified within the last year, and he needs info on which aero-beacons you've QSLed. Don wants to finish the articles by mid-February so please send your info to him soon.

GOING BACK to a former practice, we are glad to list recent membership renewals: Robert Walker, Gerald Koske, D. Todd Hyder, Mats Andersson, Artie Bigley, George McKay, Jr., Harold Neimanis, John Hathaway, Rolland Lindblade, Robert Lazar, Park Barton, Richard H. Cooper, Edward Kocsan, Joe Worcester, Kermit Geary, P.E. Crocker, Dick Truax, Eugene S. Allen, Garry L. Houdek, Martin Wright, Steve Bezilla, Steve Kennedy, Willard King, Bill Whitacre, Richard Segalas, Bill Karsch, E.B. Johnson, Carl Mann, Alan Imprescia, Rick Newman, Harry Helms, Sheldon Rubin, Jeff Roberts, W.E. Gittings, P.C. Bergen, Fred Norquist, David Legler, Fr. John Pejza, Hilding Gustafson, John J. Hupke, Jr., Frank Wheeler, Paul K. Hart, Miles Bredvold, Richard Eddie, Guy Kudlemyer, Dave Fischer, Mike Knitter, Clarence Freeman, Gene Nix, Curt Engberg, Frank Merrill, John Tweedie, Steve Bohac, Peter Oprisko and Craig Healy. Thanks for your support.

 ${\hbox{\hbox{${\hbox{\hbox{\it CONGRATULATIONS}}}$}}\ {\hbox{\hbox{\scriptsize to}}}\ {\hbox{\hbox{\scriptsize Joe}}}\ {\hbox{\hbox{\scriptsize Worcester,}}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize who}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize was}}\ {\hbox{\hbox{\scriptsize granted}}}\ a\ {\hbox{\hbox{\scriptsize United}}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize States}}\ {\hbox{\hbox{\scriptsize Patent}}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize for}}\ a\ {\hbox{\scriptsize high}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize selectivity}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize long-distance}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize radio}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize receiver}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize he}}\ {\hbox{\scriptsize designed.}}$

<u>BOOKS</u>, many of which date back to the 1920s, on radio and electronics are available from A.D. Santomasso Books, P.O. Box 907, Jensen Beach, FL 33457. This is a by mail only service. To get the most recent listing of books and magazines on telecommunications, send a self-addressed stamped envelope. Russ Edmunds recently forwarded list #59 to us here.

AWARD CERTIFICATES will be reprinted as part of a reactivation of the NRC Awards Program by Norm Maguire. However, we're having difficulty finding suitable blank forms to be printed. Anyone having a reasonably priced source for these please drop me a letter with a sample. Sizes previously used were $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ and 8×5 .

MISSING PAGES and missing bulletins? We'll gladly furnish these so long as there are extra copies available. Act promptly though, as there are few extra copies printed.

DOMESTIC DX DIGEST

ERIC RITTENHOUSE 2545 HILLEGASS ST., #7 BERKELEY, CALLE, 94704

Hi All.

Seems Santa came for the three column 12/30 issue, hi. with no news received from the LADs as to the holiday schedule change, I went ahead and typed two columns. The third was a holdover from the previous week when the Christmas mail rush caused my column to take a week to cross the country. Guess I should have mailed early, like they always say... On the less bureaucratic side, DX, at least at the domestic level, has been excellent the last two weeks (which it would have to be for ECR A) To DX, and B) To actually hear something, hi... This MM (1/2/78) I had Eastern stations bombing in better than I can remember in years! For example, while sitting in a Local Jack-in-the Box parking lot on a midnight starf-out, one of my companions tuned the car radio into a station blasting in just above local 50kwer KGO-810. Baffled for a minute, we kept listing, only to hear the wHAS IDs come crashing in w/local strength! Quite amazing, really. We went on to log 24 states in the Jack parking lot, WBZ being the best catch. There must be something about the New Year's weekend -- in each of the last five years, I have heard exceptionally good stuff on or about January 1... You see? If this jaded Editor can get excited about DX, everyone out there in DXNland can. How about some reports of that excitement? On with it!!

Sunset to Midnight Western Zone

Central Zone

540 --- CA - ESCONDIDIO, 12/18 1330-1448, low-power pirate, rlgs, b'casts Sundays from church, hrd well in SD area. (ASL-CA) Out of a church? Guess if the FCC won't have you, you go to a higher authority, hi-ECR

680 WCAW WV CHARLESTON, 11/24 0829, "WJMS now presents community events"

790 CKSO ON SUDBUFY, 11/26 1709 L&C, aren't the 250w this time? (W's SUDBUFY, 11/26 2016 w/"CKSO Saturday Night", oldies, ki) ments Christmas Felethon 1977. How do you tele-thon on radio? (W'ski-WI) Same way you tell a thon anywhere else; just ask to see its right forearm... ECR

860 KNUJ MN NEW ULM, 11/26 1740 wx/s/off data v/wk o/KOAM. (W'ski-WI)

1050 WDZ IL DEACTUR, 11/26 1748 How's this for an s/off" The time has run out on this old rocker"--WDZ jx ID, then "BYE". (W'ski) I don't know whether to throw up or call Jethro Tull. I 1300 WMAK TN NASHVILLE, 11/26 1748 v/gd ID during nx. (W'ski-WI)

1300 WMAK TN NASHVILLE, 11/26 1748 v/gd ID during nx. (W'ski-WI)

1310 WDXI TN JACKSON, 11/26 1725 wk ID in garble after PSA. (W'ski) I
used to have a garble, but I traded it in on a Camaro. ECR.

1500 KDFN MO DONIPHAN, 11/25 s/off 1757 ment"o/o by Dr. J.G. Hunt", plug

Eastern Zone

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1440 1540	₩OHN WKIE	VA VA	HEFNDON, 11/27 1650 atop w/wx/rr, app still 500w ND. (DS) FICHMOND, 12/21 hrd w/call chg strong s/off 1700. (JK-NJ)		
1550	AVXW	wV	CHARLESTOWN, 11/27 1654-1701 loud rr, ments wVFM 98.3, s/off w/shortie version of SSB. (DS-DE) Sung by a dawrf? FAMORY, 12/11 s/off 1745 u/WEYY w/ssB. (JK-NJ)		
1580	WAMY	MS	AMORY, 12/11 s/off 1745 u/wEYY w/ssB. (JK-NJ)		
1590	WLFA	GA	IAFAYETTE, 12/17 hrd again au cx alone 1730. (JK-NJ)		
1600	WTVB	MI	COLDWATER, 12/23 gd, faded in o/QQ 1590 w/promo, jx. (JK-Na)		
1620	WDBX	NY	NYC. 12/4 mx, invites calls to tall how they're coming in. S/off 0200, conducting ET 0230 good. (JK-NJ)		
Midni	ght to	Sun	rise		
	rn Zon				
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780	KINOM	AK	NOME, 1/2, not this PEST again, hi. First noted 0450 w/YL		
750	KFOD	AK	vocals thru WBBM talk, again 0610 w/hymn. (ECR-CA) ANCHORAGE, 1/2 0501 w/Alaska nx, landmark signal. (ECF-CA)		
860	WDMG	GA	DOUGLAS, 1/2 0511 believed the one u/KONO w/ID w/"W"		
_			call. First time in years. (ECR-CA)		
890	AFFS	AK	ADAK ISLAND, 1/2 0521 strong w/inst mx o/WLS talk. Weaker		
1180	WHAM	NV	0528 w/C&W o/WLS. (ECR-CA) FOCHESTER, 12/19 0505 w/nx/wx/mx. (ASL-CA)		
1100	ппин	14.1	FOURESTER, 12/19 0000 W/TIX/WX/HIX. (ROL-CA)		
Central Zone					
1250	WTMA	SC	CHAFLESTON, 12/12 0239 "on air for testing purposes". (w'sk)		
-	WDAE	FL	TAMPA, 12/12 0391 ID at start of nx. (w'ski-wi)		
	WTAE	PA	PITTSBUEGH, 12/12 0226-0241 testing also. (w'ski-wI)		
1510	KMSD	SD	MILBANK, 12/16 0210-0215 gd w/wLAC, ments on for test, into		
C 1: 0		٥.	"joy to the World". (CG-TX)		

LOST ANGLES, 12/14 chg from 640 to 641 0600 during nx, produced beautiful 1khz het, but once I retuned to 641 and

nulled the Cuban, sig was much clearer.(W'ski-WI)
UNID ?? Earl eves u/KULF w/T-40. (CG-TX)

(Great job of keeping the freqs in order, hi) ECK

Eastern Zone

KFI

640

641

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UNID 12/26 MM 0247, NB stn in clear w/code. Very tightly
                  formatted. I know I-40 stns ID incessantly during ratings.
                  but this is neither I-40, nor is it ratings. Also, what is
                  it. (WHA-NY) Beats the ---- out of me, hi, ECF.
            12/19 MM, ET w/1khz TT 0424-0433 loops Sw of NYC w/WFIL.
                  TORONTO, 12/19 w/BFM 0045-0100 ID w/WEEI. (WHA-NY) (DS-DE)
641
      KFI
             CA
                  LOSENGE ALAS, 12/13 0306 freq shift rough w/CMQ/wSM splash,
                  NASHVILLE, 12/12 AN MM w/O&w, good night Hawaii. (DS-DE) TORONTO, 12/19 w/rr 1253. (WHA-NY) PLEVELAND, 11/21 0115-0210+, non-stop oldies w/ID on hr,
650
      WSM
             DN:
680
      CFTF.
             ON
850
      NJW
             CH
                  app new format. (DS-DE)
930
      WFMD
                  FREDERICK, 12/19 MM , call and some rap w/lcl NSP wPA
                  nulled 0134, called stn, jock sez AN-7. (wHA-NY)
                  PHILADELPHIA, 11/21, noted off this AM. (DS-DE)
OPLANDO, 12/12 0246-0300+ ET/C&w, lcl-like sig. (DS-DE)
      WPEN
990
      WHOO
                  NEW ORLEANS, 12/12 atop KYW 0052, rr, femme DJ. (DS-DE)
      WNOE
             FL
                  CORAL GABLES, 12/12 0200-0209 u/o WTIC/WEEP w/schmaltz,
      WCVG
                  ID, gone into wind. Evedently on El. (DS-DE)
                  PITTSBURGH, 0218-0228 reb'casting C&W from FM, many "Fadio
      WEEP
                  108 ments, ID for FM and AM ET, then off, loud. (DS-DE)
      WTIC HAPTFORD, 12/19 0105 s/off w/weirdo "...operating w/a pwr
                  of 50,000 watts in all directions... (pause) ... except at
                  night..." (DS-DE) Beams it all into a well in Keene, New
                  Hampshire after 6PM, I suppose. ECH.
                  BETHLEHEM, 12/26 s/on after rapid SSB 0713. (WHA-NY) WADESBOFC, 12/19 0048-0100 EF w/Xmas mx o/u wCAU. IDed on
1100 WGPA FA
1210 WADE
                  hr and off. WCAU went off at 0200 this AM, also. (LS-DE)
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1240	:.HUM	PA	FEADING, 12/26 s/on in AGFB null after SSB 0457-0459. (WHA)
1260	w. OK	FL	MIANI, 12/19 MM 0101 w/ID after El. (WHA-NY)
	WCCJ	NC	EDENION, 12/19 gd, IB 0630, DJ gave only 10s, other rap
			between songs. (AHA-NY) (AHA)
1270	WORX	IN	MADISON, 12/26 FEST later than skew 0230 s/off, ID 0231.
1410	CIGO	NS	PORT HAWKESBUFY, 12/26, C&w, call 0442 o/ POP. (WHA-NY)
			THE INVESTIGATION OF THE PARTY
1420	WVOT	NC	WILSON, $12/21$ 0138-0150 EL/FI/ID 0141, ann'd as f/c. (DS)
1430	MAVW	PA	ALTOONA, 12/13 0140 rr, mx radio bits, used to s/off 0100;
			AN again? (DS-DE)
1450	WILM	DE	WILMINGTON, 12/19 a// nx, ID 0614 after interminable
, , ,			wx (Don't laugh, it's been raining here for a month, hi,
			ECF). On other freqs it'd be OK, but on a GY, it was like
			a forecast for every region on earth. (WHA-NY)
1470	WMMW	CI	MEFIDEN, 12/19 s/on 0600, no SSB. (WHA-NY)
1490	WFKY	ΚY	FRANKFOFT, 12/12 0006=0008 w/wnd of nx/wx, s/off, SSB, to
, 0			return 0530. (DS-DE)
	WSIB	20	BEAUFOF1, 12/12 0056-0113+, atop most of AM w/rr, many
	MOID	30	DEADTORI, 12/12 0030-0113+, atop most of Am w/11, many
			ments of WSIB. (DS-DE)
1560	KCJJ	ΙA	
-			then on pops WCNW w/C&W mx EI, all u/wQXROC. (DS-DE)
	WSRE	FT.	FORT LAUDEFDALE, 12/26, segued dozens of PSAs between
	11 21:1	עני	0445-0450, ID, more PSAs. Send in your announcements. (WHA)
			OTT TOTO TO, ID, MOIE FORD DEIRG IN YOUR ANNOUNCEMENTS (WITH)

That's it. Nice section this week folks; keep up the good work.

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ECR	Me	Menlo Park, CA	Wire

John Kromka: I can't find the info on KLAK, but I'm almost cer τ ain that it was reported by a WCer.

Until next time, 73:

STATIC FROM HQ

Appropriate enough for winter, just a little static this time around.... Our poor secretary is busy looking for a new battery for his calculator because he's counting the votes for the NRC convention site. If you voted, thanks for doing so and if you didn't, we're sorry but tiz too late now. We will count any vote that was postmarked by Jan. 15 and we will announce which city (Atlanta or San Francisco) will host the club over Labor Day weekend in the Jan. 30th issue of DX News...please stand by!!!!

The only other thing we have this time...Dan Myers has come out of the place he was hidden and his new phone number and correct address are on the back page of this issue. Dan asks that anyone with a late test please call it in to him rather than mailing it so he'll get it on time.

Ted.

We now return to our regularly scheduled program....see you next week!

THEY JOINED

Welcome aboard and please Muse soon to introduce yourself.

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INTERNATIONAL DX CRIDCK HUTTON F.D. BOX 2007 DIGEST

CHUCK HUTTON DECATUR, CA. 30030 404-633-1198 (BEFORE 2300 ELT)

Times are GMT. For BLT subtract 5 hours. Deadlines are usually Mondy.

Please pardon the typewriter for this issue at least. Kellogg's is now providing the monthly house payment momey (ex Bio-Lab) so no nove nice TBM electric with automatic error correcter. look for a 1006 increase in types, hi-

Wonder of wonders, a TA column this year. I was beginning to believe it wasn't going to happen this season.

A word about the LW loggings. There appears to still be some anti-LW centiment in MRC so I want to may that in my opinion there is an awful lot of mimilarity between 10 and MW TA DE'ing, much more than between MW and even 130 meter SW DE. And because of that and the fact that they never take up much room anyhow I will gladly run then.

- 151 WEST GESMANY BLF Donebach 12/23 at 2315 GO female anner, faded out in a few minutes. (Jones)
- ROMANIA Blasov 12/23 2320-2330 w/weak sig. Romanian and classical ms. (Jones) PRANCE Allowin vy good w/light vocals at 0515 12/23 and also 12/26 at 2250 w/ 160 Elton John and other rar mx but weaker mig. (Enyes) 12/22 0030-0100, 12/23 at 2250, and 12/2h at 2255 w/FF and Ense no. 12/25 2215-2300 loud mig w/FF and holiday mx. (Jones)
- VEST GREMANT Saarlouis Europa One 12/23 22h5-2330 FF/pop mx, 12/2h 22h0-2310 FF/Xmas mx, 12/25 2225-2300 FF pop and rock mx. (Jones)
- GREAT HRITAIN Droitwich 12/23 EE EBC na, female anner; 12/25 2215-2300 EE/pop mx w/female armor, fair mig. (Jones)
- MOROCCO Amilal 12/22 0130 AA mx w/female annor, 12/23 2300-0130 and 17/24 2240-2300. Sig peaked to S7, good. (Jones)
- 218 MUNACO Monte Carlo 12/23 2305-2330 FF/molliday as and rock mr. 12/24 2240-2350 fadeout, 12/25 2210-2300 FF/hollday mr. (Jones) UNID here w/mx w/beacon 0515 12/23, too much noise to describe what kind of mx. (Hayes) Monaco the only choice-CH
- COSTA RICA TICAL R. Bumbos, Cartago 12/23 0750-0800. Good copy with local latin
- 539 MUNGARY no positive ID but almost certain, 12/26 2250-2339 week at first, up to 57 2320, classical mr to 2300, then female-male commentary and at 2320 into light classical orchestra as featuring cornets. A few hars of truspet-curnet served as an IS at 2333-more like the Foreign Service IS, not the Kossuth II at all. Female talked until 2339, so Ma, no s/off, just out out. (Hoffman) Their new negawatt tx is on, sounds like you had them all right. How about sending me a copy of the IS and I'll have one of our European friends take a listem-CE
- 548 ALGEBIA Oran motel w/male As mountage 2321 12/23. (Connelly)
- dura Fig. 3 de de final politico III as R. Libertad 0230 12/20. (Hoffman)
- MOSECCO Bebes-Aroun (ex 612) is w/man in AA, fair audio on potent carrie 2319 12/23. To fair reaks w/chanting 0626 12/24. (Connelly)
- 638 SPAIN LA Corema fair to good w/ame in SS CS24 12/24. (Conelly)
- CUMA Mahama CMQ all over WMLD 1643 11/21. (Hoffman) 6<u>F</u>0
- 12/26. Also noted 2203 12/23 w/nx. (Salesin To fair peaks w/ mentile eals entile ssibly rigs Xmas mx-2317 12/23. EE d communication in the interest of the cond. (Connelly)
- FORTULAL Libbon in while carrier, she low modulation on mx 0622 12/24. (Comments) -in w/male-female commentary. Two sta d what else could it be-language not
 - ther carrier a mystery. (Hoffman) Population tugal is AN and surely you heard these the oth r stn could be Kaunas or the German with the edge to the latter-CE
- 683 SFAIR Sevilla strong w/mx 0078 12/26. Alone on the channel at the time. The Tugoslav has rarely shown up here this season. (Eckman)
- MOHOCCO Sebua-Alone good W/AA chantles by man 2314 12/23. (Connelly)
- 719 od w/man in PP, o/WGN slop 0616 12/24. (Connelly)
- THE CALL IS W/WGN looped 12/21 1700-just like the 60's when The land Maiti were all day visitors. (Hoffman)
- trong w/mx definitely //683 0029 12/26. Alone on () 737 I matter) has not shown up here yet son. (Mckman)

- SPATS Barcelons four to good w/man in SS, CSL mulled 2312 12/23. (Consulty) UPPER WOLTA Outgodingers fair w/AA talk thre WASC slop FEST 12/23. Yeer cone 746 w/ammelia AA male wailing 0615 12/26. (Connelly)
- SEMBLAL Desar fair w/AA talk thre WABC slop 2307 12/23, (Cope, the 7/6 loc above in for 76s, corry-CH. The real This details are: poor to fair woman in FF o/heavy SaH 2301 12/23) (Connelly) presured the one w/strong air 0606 12/26 w/man in unid lang. (Mckman)
- SPAIN Careres/Ham Sebantian wint w/man in SS 2306 12/21. Loud w/SS talk 0657 773 12/26. (Connelly)
- 782 POSTUGAL Kiramar poor w/mx in slop 0015 12/2h. (Connelly) seemingly signing on 0999 17/26 w/OC, time pips, and IS that they play on the hour. Strong mig.
- 810 hamawas INS's Presport in w/good sig w/WGY off 12/12 at 0609. N. Bahamas ID
- then "Outstanding Woman of the Year" contest. A mild low het. (Hayes) Nice-MCGCCCO Rubat fair to good w/man in AA them fragments of cl ax followed by more AA talk, //827 0019 12/2L. Good w/female AA chamting and flutes 0723 12/24. (Connelly)
- ANDORRA semi-local mig and alone 2057 12/26. (Moffman)

(Connelly)

- 827 MOSDCCD Outle blasting in w/interspersed AA talk and cl mx //818 0020 12/21. (Connelly)
- 836 FRANCE Nancy good w/FR Culture pgm //563, 155h 0515 12/26. Easily seperable from Belise. (Bokman) UNID Spain or Canary Islands; SS talk dominant o/a pile of others 072L 12/2L.
- ITALY Rose local like sig w/YL w/FF mx 0031 12/26. GC nx w/YL 0033, usually
- given by OM. (Eckman) 850 COLOMBIA HENC Bognta 12/26 1056 w/many Caracol ID's and mention of Bogota.
- Knas sx. KOA off. (Lobel) PRANCE Paris w/local like sig w/Prance Culture pgs 0515 12/26, Still in at 863
- Ofto in FF. (Ecknon) fair w/FF talk 0706 12/26. (Connelly) 872 SFAIN/UNID Zaragona assumed w/instrumental ax 00%, +2/26. Fast SAH present,
- AFN Germany 77 (Nokasan) Karagosa likely w/pop mg n/SAN (AFN7) 001/0 12/21. (Con) GREAT BRITAIN Washford BSC loud w/CC and short mip every thirty seconds prior to mercal programming, SAH under (probably the German) 0712-071% 12/26. HBC was really jamming WCBS at the time. (Connelly) Now if WCBS wasn't MSF they
- wouldn't have this problem-CM COLOMBIA Bogota HJCE ID as "La Voz de Bogota" at 0627 12/12 then into mx. Mx was light vocals. Excellent sig w/VLS apparently off. (Mayes)
- ITALY Milano surprisingly strong w/TL in FF w/nz //6L5 at 0031 12/26. No probless from the 900 domestics. Haven't noticed this one too often this season. (Nolman)
- 900 COLOMBIA Cali, la Wor de Cali 12/26 at 1000, talk w/frequent mentions of Cali, typiwal Colombian mx. Just harely audible. (George)
- BARRADOS R. Barbados w/soul mx 1015, hard to hear w/noise & fading. (George) CHEAT BRITAIN BBC in w/CC at good strength, weak audible het present on the
- low side 0025 12/24. (Connelly)
- MOROCCO Agadir still on 936 despite the return of the 617 and 1063 stns which had jumped up one kir. Agadir was week in the slop w/talk by woman , feeble 935 het occasionally present, 0729 12/24. (Connelly)
- TWID carrier/bits of mx in slop 0030 12/24. (Connelly)
- 989 SFAIR/UNID possible SS male worsh atop second stn (RIAST) yielding .7 hz SAM; some CHY 990 UM 0037 12/24. (Connelly)
- BOUADOR HORN? R. Buceso, Quayaquil 12/13 0250-0300. Definite ID then typical 995 mr. Pair mig. (Jones)
- 1000 COLOMBIA Cartagena BJAQ vy strong sig 0705 12/12. WOFL off. (Mayes)
- VEST CHEMANY/TURKEY fighting it out in dead heat 220% 12/26. GG won by 2215 and them hit 99. (Hoffman)
- 1020 UNID 12/26 Latin American stn here. ETMQ and EBCQ off, but lots of QEM making nothing but hash out of the LA. Bearing 127 degrees. (Lobel) VENEZUELA TWRE La Ascuncion ending long drawn out vocal at 0715 12/12 and H. Margarita ID, very strong. (Hayes)
- 10 SPAIN San Sebastian good w/man in SS o/SAN 0698 12/24. (Connelly)
- MEDICO NEGH Mexico City vy good here at 0720 12/12 w/R. Centre ID's and characteristic musical flourishes. (Mayee)
- 10 PORTUGAL Forte Alto poor w/woosl mx in WHZ slow 0012 12/2h. Bouncy waterson Munsk, them man in FP. Good w/VMS mulled 0657 12/24. (Connelly) Eint w/mx in FF. IS noted at 0603 12/26. Fast SaH myted (Maybe Italy). Still zint and alone on channel 0750. (Eckman)
- MOROCCO Sebaa -Aioun definitely back on 1043; US soul song then mx in FF to 1043 good peaks 0659-0703 12/24. (Connelly) presumed the one here w/rr mm, annor in FF 2227 12/23. (Bokman)
- 1061 PORTUGAL Norte noted w/woman singing Christmas hyen 0009 12/76. (Connelly)
- VENEZURIA Marmonibo YVMA down w/domestics w/2 R. Zulia ID's after each uptempo tune at 0225 12/12. Fair mig w/deep fades. (Hayee)
- UNID IA 0250 12/2h, routine LA mx but no ID's at all. S6 or so but caught nothing to pin it down. Looped CA. (Hoffman) Tim H. Aerupuerto, Honduran-CH

- GREAT BRITAIN Crowborough BBC strong all evening 12/26 w/EE pgm. Often a problem seperating it from WBAL 1090 but usually audible. (Eckman) Good w/EE folk rock, then man and woman in EE 0652 12/26. (Connelly) UNID talk by woman surfacing briefly thru slop 0706 12/24. (Connelly) 1120 UNID loud tone tester 0007 12/24. (Connelly) 1196 WEST GERMANY/UNID Munich WOA assumed the one here w/xlnt sig 0616-0700 12/26. Definitely in EE when talk heard. Slow SAH on channel throughout. Somewhat outdated EBU info (1975) indicated Morocco unlikely as the second station. After 0700 second station was alone w/talk sounding like PP, so probably the PP listed here. (Eckman) Careful, the Berbere net has a SS pgm and weak SS and PP are hard to tell apart-CH. MOROCCO Agadir likely as the FF talk then FF vocal loud 0710 12/24. VOA not sked to be on past 0700 per WRTH. Agadir assumed with SS influenced female vocal (looping east) o/u apparent VOA OC (looping NE), fast SAH resulting 0649 12/26. (Connelly) FRANCE Bordeaux fair w/FF talk 0713 12/24. Good w/man in FF 0646 12/26. (Connelly) finally heard w/FF mx 0614 12/26. Truly xlnt sig for the next 22 hours: as strong as 121h. Still there (just barely) as late as 0902. Fast SAH noted on sig around 0630, perhaps Sierra Leone. (Eckman) UNID SS w/WCAU off. ID as "R. Colombia" at 0750 12/12. HJJF? (Hayes) See last week's IDXD, sure sounds like La Voz Amiga-CH GREAT BRITAIN synchronised BBC outlets fair w/nx in EE then BBC ID, some WCAU splash 0004 12/24. Loud w/US c&w song, then EE talk followed by disco mx 0739-0741 12/26. Still good w/EE talk 0824 12/26. (Connelly) Finally noted without the benefit of local WCAU (which was off) 0614 12/26. EE rr mx. British accented anner w/Radio Two SID's. Still xlnt at 0800 w/TC pips, nx. Still audible at 0902 and probably later had I stayed up. (Eck) ALBANIA/UNID 12/25 0315-0340 unid here w/female annor and typical USSR format 0315-0322, looped 30 degrees or so, but had only 3-4 minutes good as open carrier came on at 0319-possibly Tartu? Albania s/on 0330 and right into AA. (Hoffman) EAST GERMANY DLF Neumunster vy good w/talk 0025 12/26. Traces noted 0858 even as R. Paradise was signing on. (Eckman) NORWAY Stavanger loud w/cl mx atop apparent PP speaker 0641 12/26. Talk in 1313 a Germanic lang fair 0658-0702 12/26. (Connelly) UNID usual local pest WCAM 1310 off around 0800 12/26 making this free DXable. Noted good carrier here 0810 but no audio. Checked back around 0840 and had a conversation in progress between man and woman in a lang that definitely was not SS/FF/11/EE or similar. Thus Spaniard listed here was probabably not the source. Quite good O8L3 w/woman speaking (have on tape) in a sing-song type lang. Definitely makes me think of Stavanger but the very late time and less than optimal ex seem to preclude it. Germans on 1268 and 1586 were still in at 0850 so would assume that Stavanger not impossible at this late time. Is anyone able to calculate time of effective ionospheric dawn for the Phila-Stavanger path this date? (Eckman) Send me a copy of the tape and I'll have Yngve Mattson in Tansjarv. Sweden listen to it. As for cx, that night was not exceptional enough by any means to make me think this was Stavanger. MAURITANIA Nouakchott fair w/female AA chant, alone w/loop peaked due east: mixed w/SAH from France and heavier domestic slop w/loop peaked NE/SW, at 0643 12/24. (Connelly) FRANCE Lille good o/1380 slop, Animals record played 0640 12/24. Xint w/man in FF 0736 12/26. (Connelly) ALBANTA Lushnje superloud w/military style mx, then carrier dropped off. 1394 2326-2327 12/23. (Connelly) Strong 2115 12/23 in FF-cheap thrill-thought I had Togo. (Hoffman) UNID strong audio here of a man and woman talking. Lang unk. 12/26 at 2215. (Hayes) No doubt Albania-CH ALBANIA (belongsabove-CH) faded in at 2041 12/23. Kint at 2058 w/trumpet IS. In EE 2200-2230. (Eckman) GUINEA Conakry strong 0401 12/25, usually the best time for this stn for some reason. Much stronger than in the evening, which is the best time for Benin et al. (Hoffman) Good w/talk by man in native vernaculars 0638 12/24. WEST CERMANY Saarbrucken poor w/GG talk and organ 0636 12/26. (Connelly. last two) assumed the source of fair carrier 0056 12/26. No audio noted. (Eckman) LUXEMBOURG Marnach potent w/rr mx, American sounding DJ 0039 12/26. Better than average signal this evening compared with its performance so far this season. (Eckman) To good peaks w/Simon and Garfunkel 0634 12/26. (Connelly) ECUADOR HCDYh R. Iris, Esmeraldas weak but frequent mentions of Esmeraldas 2h05-2h20(0005-0020??-CH) 12/19 after Monaco's s/off. S5-6 tops w/frequent and long fades. Pretty good for 3 kw. (Hoffman) Note correct freq Bob-CH MONACO Monte Carlo assumed w/man talking in what sounded like AA 2215 12/ 26. Numerous hets between 1205 and 1502, rest of the band seemed dead. (Hayes)
- MCNACO Monte Carlo S9+30 12/26, has had exceptional sig lately, cuts off 2h00 sharp. But for that, signal at such an early time is really like the 60's. (Hoffman) Good w/AA sounding talk 2324 12/23. Bouncy pop mx then man in FF 0625 12/26. (Connelly) fading in at 2036 12/23. Good in GG at 2114. (Eckman) 2305-2330 in and out, usually weak w/50% readability on peaks. EE religious par. caught the phrases "Trans World Radio" and Monte Carlo at 2328 ID. (Breville) Welcome to IDXD, Walt. AUSTRIA Wien poor w/cl mx 2323 12/23. Austria clear and alone w/loop set for NE pickup, SAH mess present w/loop set for east pickup. (Connelly) POLAND (tentative) assumed will in Slavic type lang 0501 12/26. Caught what seemed to be the last few seconds of their piano IS at 0500 but not positive. (Eckman) FRANCE Nice strong w/YL in FF 0626 12/26. Still in at 0748 but considerably weaker. (Eckman) INTERNATIONAL WATERS (tentative) rock mx poor to fair 0621 12/26. (Connelly) 1578 UNID'S Portugal/Italy suspected: pop mx then talk by woman o/second stn, both fair 0619 12/26. (Connelly) WEST GERMANY Langenberg in w/blockbuster local like sig, loud German "oompah" band mx 0618 12/26. Wy loud w/GC operetta w/male and female vocalists 0733 12/26. (Connelly) xlnt w/rr mx 0022 12/26. At local level 0555 w/0M speaking. Traces still audible as late as 0846. (Eckman) 12/3 0540-0600, fair sic w/GG light mx and female singer. (Jones) UNID Portugal or British locals possible: female vocal in and out of noise and adjacent channel splatter 0732 12/26. (Connelly) UNID a sig noted here w/talk, so much weaker than 1586 that I have to suspect that Munich was off and weaker 1602 stns were being heard. Reception

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date. (Eckman)

at 0730 12/26, WUNR off. (Connelly)

Via Dan Bartek (heard over HCJB's DX pgm) Bonaire 800 is rumored to possibly be shutting down in the near future.

WEST GERMANY BR Munchen strong w/mx 0023 12/26. Audible past 0807 on this

News from Arctic Radio Club Attention Cooper, Merriman et al, YVRS R. Margarita now verifies with a card. V/s E. Bellorín, Gerente. Paraguay sked for R. Presidente Stroessner on 885 is 1000-0500. ZP35 La Voz de Misiones, San Juan Bautista de las Misiones is a new stn on 1427, nominal 1430. West Germany 1268 is beamed north all the time. 1538 is screened towards Vatican and England at night. As of October 3, Bremen moved to 935 from 936. AFN is to move to 1706 in Nov. (I assume thin is next November-CH) Libya Tripoli has settled on 1402, having drifted around recently in the area. Chile CA82 820 R. Regional ex Nacional. CB84 R. Diego Portales now 1 kw ex 10 kw. CB121 R. Univ. Tecnica del Estado now 10 kw ex 25 kw. Ecuador 915 HCR03 Ondas Orenses ex HCRU3. HCA05 R. America ex HCAU5, on 985. HCEP5 ex HCER5 on 1015.

Juergen Trochimczyk sent along this list of CA changes observed from travelling . . Costa Rica TIIX 725 now 25 kw. El Slvador YSTA 990 s/off 0500. Guatemala TCKL 910 ID's as "KL". Colombia 1200 HJIJ R. Colibri sked 1100-0600. 1320 HJMS R. Regia now a Todelar stn. Ecuador HCM1 615 Em. Gran Colombia now 50 kw. Mexico XECC 560 is missing in the WRTH 77. XERPO 710 uses R. Variedades, and XERA 760 in San Cristobal las Casas is on the air. Nicaragua stn noted on 640a in Managua, so the stn listed in IDXD a few issues ago is definitely on. A stn on 1340a w/ID Radiodifusora Ondas Sonora noted in Managua. Panama 1100 R. Mil. Panama noted.

Reporters-

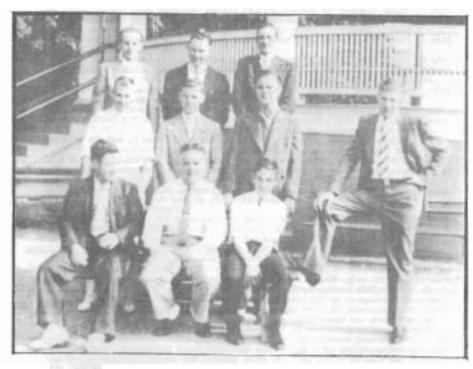
Walt Breville	St. Louis, Mo.	HQ180A, SM2
Mark Connelly	Arlington, Mass.	R390A, TRF, SM2
Richard Eckman	Philadelphia, Pa.	HQ180A modified, Sanserino loop
Charles George	Dallas, Texas	SSR1, SM2
Bob Hoffman	Ocean City, New Jersey	HQ180A, SM2, Sanserino loop
Harry Hayes	Gouldsboro, Pa.	Zenith TO, SM1
Harry Jones	Vienna, Va.	SPRL, Palomar LF converter, DA3, SWLA
Albert Lobel	San Diego, Ca.	DX160A, Sanserino loop

Out of space. Your name could be gracing print-report to IDXD !

MORE.....NOSTALGIA

Thanks for the favorable comments received after the "Nostalgia" issue. Another 3-page section follows and we have still more pictures "on hold".

Pat Hartlage



The National Radio Club Convention in 1937 was held on June 20, at York, Pennsylvania. The picture above was taken by Warren Routzahn.

Front row (left to right): Luther Grim, Bob Weaver, the club President, John Cooper. Genter row: Harold Griswell, Richard H. Cooper, Jack Horner.

Top row: Arthur Schlobohm, George Brode, Kermit Geary.

At side: Art Brackbill

CANADIAN BROADCASTING STATIONS Alphabetically by Call Letters (1933)

CFAC	690	Calgary, Alta.	500w	CHOC	1120	Lethbridge, Alta 100w
CFBO	890	St. John, N. B.	500w	CJOR	1210	Vancouver, B. C. 500w
CFCA	1120	Toronto, Ont.	500w	CJRM	665	Moose Jaw, Sask. 500w
CFCF	1030	Montreal, Que.	500w	CJRW	685	Winnipeg, Man. 500w
CFCH	930	North Bay, Ont.	100w	CKAC	730	Montreal, Que. 5000w
CFCN	985	Calgary, Alta.	10kw	CKCD	730	Vancouver, B. C. 100w
CFC0	1210	Chatham, Ont.	250w	CKCI	645	Quebec, Que. 100w
CFCT	630	Victoria, B. C.	50w	CKCK	980	Regina, Sask. 500w
CFCY	580	Charlottetown, PEI.	500w	CKCL	580	Toronto, Ont. 500w
CFJC	1120	Kamloops, B. C	100w	CKCO	890	OTTAWA, Ont. 100w
CFLC	915	Prescott, Ont.	100w	CKCR	645	Waterloo, Ont. 100w
CFNB	1210	Fredericton, N. B.	50w	CKCV	880	Quebec, Que. 50w
CFQC	910	Saskatoon, Sask.	500w	CKFC	730	Vancouver, B. C. 50w
CFRB	690	Toronto, Ont.	10kw	CKGW	840	Toronto, Ont. 5000w
CFRC	930	Kingston, Ont.	50 w	CKIC	1010	Wolfville, N. S. 50w
СНСН	1200	Montreal, Que.	100w	CKLC	. 840	Calgary, Alta. 1000w
CHCK	960	Charlottetown, PEI.	100w	CKMC	1210	Cobalt, Ont. 50w
CHCS	630	HAMILTON, Ont.	500w	CKMO	730	Vancouver, B. C. 100w
CHGS	1120	Summerside, PEI.	100w	CKNC	960	Toronto, Ont. 500w
CHLP	1200	Montreal, Que.	100w	CKOC	€30	Hamilton, Ont. 500w
CHLS	730	Vancouver, B. C.	100w	CKOK	540	Windsor, Ont, 1000w
CHMA	580	Edmonton, Alta.	250w	CKOA	1200	Kelowna, B. C. 50w
CHML	880	Mount Hamilton, Ont	. 50w	CKPC	1880	Preston, Ont. 100w
CHNC	840	Toronto, Ont.	5000w	CKPR	890	Port Arthur, Ont. 100w
CHNS	815	Halifax, N. S.	500w	CKTB	630	St. Catherines, ONt500w
CHRC	645	Quebec, Que.	100w	CKUA	580	Edmonton, Alta. 500w
CHWC	960	Regina, Sask.	500w	CKWX	730	Vancouver, B. C. 100w
CHWK	665	Chiliwack, B. C.	100w	CKX	930	Brandon, Man. 500w
CHYC	730	Montreal, Que.	5000w	CKY	780	Winnipeg, Man. 5000w
CJBC	840	Toronto, Ont.	5000w	CNRA	630	Moncton, N. B. 500w
CJCA	745	Edmonton, Alta.	500w	CNRH	815	Halifax, N. S. 500w
CJCB	880	Sydney, N. S.	50w	CNRO	600	Ottawa, Ont. 500w
CJCJ	690	Calgary, Alta.	500w	CNRV	1030	Vancouver, B. C. 500w
CJGC	910	London, Ont.	5000w	CPRY	840	Toronto, ONT. 5000w
CJGX	630	Winnipeg, Man.	500w	VAS	685	Glace Bay, N. S. 2000w
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Eric Cruser's Feb. 1924 CKAC verification (the reverse is shown). The frequency of 425 meters was equivalent to 705 kHz. Heard at Lakehurst, New Jersey

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A HISTORY OF THE CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION Chapters XXVIII - XXX Mothball Memories Submitted by Gordon Fenderson, Jr.

Broadcasting began in Canada with experimental XWA Montreal (now CFCF-600), licensed in September 1919 by the Marine and Fisheries Department. XWA broadcast a musical program to the Royal Society of Canada in Ottawa which was heard clearly. The second commercial station was CKAC-730, Montreal, the first French-language outlet. Even the Canadian National Railway, in its parlor cars, had in-train broadcasts. By 1929 over 75 stations were in business. The government started collecting \$1 yearly license fees, raising \$300,000 in tax revenue. The first network was started by CN from Ottawa, Moncton, and Vancouver, and a dozen private stations leased by them. It began in time for the 50th Dominion Day celebration on July 1, 1927. There were a number of problems in establishing a native radio service though; stations were located only in the cities, leaving sparsely-populated areas unserved: "frequencyhopping" left only six channels exclusively Canadian; there was severe interference from Mexican and American powerhouses, and it was easier to use "cheap" American shows and music. So, on Dec. 6, 1925, a Royal Commission looked thoroughly into the situation, and decided that Canada's people wanted a native broadcasting service. After arguments, recommendations, and proposals aplenty, a three-man commission was formed to regulate program and technical aspects, obtaining funds from license fees and limited advertising. This was finalized into the Canadian Radio Broadcasting Commission on May 26, 1932.

Although organized in 1932, CRBC started getting itself established in 1933 when it acquired CNR-operated stations. Network programming totalled 18 hours nationally, and 30 hours regionally. An early program was for novelty entertainment. It included a... "novelty mandolin orchestra under the direction of a 15-year-old-boy. (It) was composed of five children from one family. They... produced a type of music that could scarcely be duplicated anywhere on this continent." Exchanges of programs were made with the BBC and American networks. The first program banned, said chairman Hector Charlesworth, "was that of a quack who presented a short program of hymns with a short discourse to the effect that Our Lord demanded people to use his Indian herb remedies." The CRBC-owned network totalled 88 stations, with 57 fully or partially affiliated. However, the commission was hampered by a lack of money and independence, and overworking of the three-member commission. The license fee was hiked to \$2, but that didn't help. By 1936, the network still reached less than half of Canada's population. The line charges for programs ate up 1/4 of the CRBC's budget. French and English listeners had to share the service. Programming was still sub-standard. Employees were civil servants, so the network was understaffed. So, a public, nine-member corporation was formed, somewhat like the BBC, which would better serve Canadians' needs. On Nov. 2, 1936, a new broadcasting act was passed by Parliament, forming the CBC.

Immediate improvements began with the take-over by the CBC. Production was decentralized into five zones, as compared to seven today. These were B.C., the Prairies, Quebec, Ontario, and the Maritimes. (Alberta and Newfoundland were later added). By late 1937, CBL-Toronto and CBF-Montreal were opened, alone increasing national coverage 50%. In early 1938, CBR (now CBU-690) Vancouver opened, followed in 1939 by CBA-Monction and CBK-Regina. Programs included dance music "distinctively styled by the Dominion's leading experts of syncopation, " the "Northern Messenger" programs, variety shows like the "Happy Gang" and NHL hockey (in that day, the broadcasts didn't come on until one hour after the opening face-off). By 1940, 90% of Canada got CBC programming. The CBC News Service, responsible for all newscasts, started on Jan. 1, 1941. Then, during the war (WWII), serials, home courses and drama were basic fare. In 1944, CBY-Toronto (later CJBC-860) formed the Dominion net, a lighter service, while the original net was named the Trans-Canada. These nets consolidated in 1962, making CJBC a full French outlet and CBL the English flagship. The first Low Power Relay Transmitters (LPRT) were built, and new "main" stations began in Halifax and Edmonton. They also bought CKY-Winnipeg. and it became CBW-990. (Since then, CKY was later started as a separate station). In 1971, a proposal was rejected which would have made a "Radio 1" (AM) and "Radio 2" (FM) service the radio net, the AM chain providing light entertainment, and FM more into serious music and the arts. Today, the CBC serves 99.1% of Canadians, on a budget of over \$350 million, and with a staff of nearly 9,000. (Article adapted by Gordon from the 1972 booklet. "CBC: A Brief History and Background.")

MODIFYING THE REALISTIC TRF FOR 10 KHZ READOUT

Gerry Thomas (IRCA) and Charlie Barfield (NRC, IRCA)

The Realistic TRF, as all TRF fans know, is an incredibly fine portable receiver for DX'ing the MW band, especially when one considers its low price. The chief shortcoming of this radio is its poor frequency readout, a situation that is incongruous with its comparatively good selectivity. The dial face markings are woefully inadequate and the dial pointer is laughably wide, but, on the other hand, how much more would the TRF cost if each unit were precision calibrated before leaving the factory?

While it is a simple matter to stick a strip of tape to the dial face and custom calibrate an individual receiver, this alternative often gives the TRF an unmistakeably home-made appearance and unless the dial pointer is also modified, frequency readout can be less than optimal. Because we wanted the TRF to resolve frequencies to at least 10 kHz and at the same time have a fairly professional appearance, we decided to sacrifice a TRF in an attempt to improve it. As it turned out it wasn't necessary to perform major surgery on the receiver. In fact, the procedure is relatively simple, but can be somewhat tedious.

Our main objectives were to replace the present dial markings with ones that allowed at least a 10 kHz readout, substitute a much thinner dial pointer for the stock wide one, and end up with a physically attractive TRF. The first problem encountered involved how to get at the dial face and pointer since they appeared to be inaccessible from all angles. Solvents applied to the outside edges of the plastic dial failed to loosen it, but it was discovered that, after removing the back of the receiver, a firm nudge from the rear to the corner of the dial face with the eraser end of a pencil (through the hole behind the "Long Range TRF Circuit" dial face marking) was suffucient to break the gummy (rubber cement) glue holding the face plate. Needless to say, this was much simpler than we had originally anticipated. Next, the dial markings (including the logging scale) had to go. Nail polish remover and Q-tips readily removed these. Use sparingly and be careful not to get any solvent on the painted black border or the "AM" and "kHz" markings.

At this point we replaced the dial pointer, but as it turns out, this may not be the best time to make this change. We initially snipped off the metal stock pointer and replaced it with a thin (30 gauge) wire painted a bright orange. Having done this, the recalibration procedure involved first marking off frequencies on a strip of paper slipped under the dial pointer with a very sharp pencil and then remarked with ink. This calibration procedure required extreme precision (we used a magnifying glass and a bottle of Visine) and many attempts over a total of about 10 hours to obtain a satisfactory new frequency scale. This two step, pencil then ink process lends itself very readily to error since you must first line up the pencil with the dial pointer (much harder than it sounds) and then the ink pen with the pencil marks. There is absolutely no room for error in either of these steps because a mis-alignment of a tenth of a millimeter can become a noticeable 2-3 kHz error on the frequency scale. With the benefit of hindsight it would appear that a much more accurate and far simpler procedure would be to use a stock dial pointer (its edge) as the straight edge and ink directly on the strip of underlying paper. We haven't tried this (we're out of unmodifed TRF's) but can foresee no reason why this wouldn't work. With this refined procedure in mind it's now time to recalibrate the receiver.

To avoid frequency guesstimates, the best time to calibrate is when stations are audible on all frequencies, i.e. night. Using a strip of fairly stiff paper that is free of blemishes, visible fibers, etc., we cut out a strip about 6-5/8" long by about 11/16" wide so that it fit snugly in the bottom and side borders of the face and flush against the flat black back wall. It's possible to slide this strip under the pointer if the pointer is pegged at the high or low end of the scale. We initially used a medium weight, white stock poster board but later changed to a light bluish-grey color when it was discovered that the white stock tended to cause eye fatigue rather quickly. In addition the new color looks great in the TRF's grey and black cabinet. Now a decision had to be made regarding how precise a frequency readout was wanted. While it was possible (with the proper equipment) to mark

every 10 kHz up to 1600, this became difficult to read above 1000 kHz due to the crowding of the lines. The preferred alternative was to mark every 10 kHz up to 700 and then start marking every 20 kHz. With this scheme readability was improved, eye strain reduced, and the 10 kHz resolution was still retained (through interpolation).

A major problem which we encountered involved finding a pen which drew an ultra fine, jet black line. It was estimated that in order to adequately resolve 10 kHz at the high end of the frequency scale a line no wider than .5 mm. was required. In practise, this proved to be too wide and we ultimately used a .1 mm. line. Fine tip flairs, extra fine tip accountant's pens, super sharp pencils, dry transfer lines, etc. all proved to be unsatisfactory because their lines, in addition to being too wide or faint, also sometimes produced excessively feathered lines, created blobs, smeared easily, etc. Although another alternative may exist, in our opinion the pen to use for professional results is an India Ink technical drafting/lettering pen. These are sold under the names Rapidograph, Faber-Castell, etc. and can be purchased at drafting or office supply stores. A drawback of this pen is the price...\$8-\$10 with one point. Another drawback is that the point that came with the pen was too broad (.5 mm.) for our purposes and had to be replaced with a narrower point (another \$4-\$6). Some stores/brands allow the purchase of a pen with your choice of point so check around. Be sure to practise with the pen before attempting to calibrate the dial and don't exert pressure on the point... the ink flows on. Again, while other less expensive alternatives (unknown to us) may exist, we found results with this type of pen to be very good.

The refined calibration procedure follows. Using the stock dial pointer as a straight edge, carefully mark every 10 kHz up to 700 kHz and evrry 20 kHz above, making certain that the station representing each frequency is zeroed in. Beware of "broad" stations like locals which tend to alter the apparent kHz position of adjacent frequency stations. Except for the very low end of the scale, frequency markings within each 100 kHz range should be approximately equal. Chances are good that it will take more than one attempt to produce a professional looking precose scale.

After marking the frequencies and <u>critically</u> rechecking them we numbered the scale using a dry transfer lettering set. Some Radio Shacks carry these decal sets designed especially for radio (Markit Jr. Dri-Transfer Lettering, \$.99/set). Suitable (1/8" high) dry transfer numbers are also available from hobby and office supply stores but can cost \$2-\$4 per set.

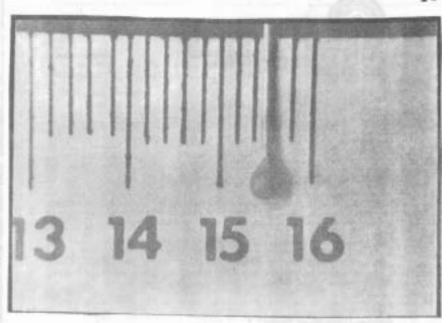
Replacing the dial pointer was a simple matter. Wire cutters were used to snip off the dial pointer, leaving about a 1/8" overhang, and a narrower pointer was glued to the underside of the stub. We initially used a straight, 30 gauge, 1/2" wire painted orange as the new pointer but found this to be somewhat difficult to locate on the scale. We discovered that a map pin or tacking pin (a straight pin with a very small colored ball on the end) mounted with the small ball down and painted orange was very easy to locate and kind of good looking too.

Now remove and cut off about 1/8" from one end of the new dial scale and lightly coat the underside with a fairly slow setting glue-Elmer's will do fine. With the radio tuned to a known station and frequency, slip the scale under the pointer and position the scale to that frequency. This is to correct for the fact that the edge of the stock pointer was used for calibration.

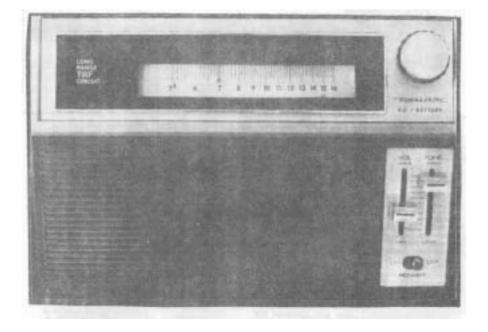
As a final touch, to cover the old/new pointer connection and frame the new dial scale, we masked off (3/4" masking tape is about right) that area of the dial faceplate that corresponds to the dial scale and painted (3-5 light coats) with flat black spray. The face plate was then fastened in place with rubber cement to allow future removal.

We now have what we consider to be a fairly attractive looking TRF with 10 kHz readout (5 kHz below 700 kHz) and one that is much more enjoyable and convenient to use. To give you an idea of what the finished product looks like, we've included some photos of the prototype. If these pictures aren't published copies can be had for a SASE.

Since we are now equipped and practised in making the preceeding modifications we'd be willing to answer any related questions. We'd also be interested in knowing the results of your TRF modifications or any shortcuts you might discover. IRCAn's write Gerry Thomas, 2355 W. Michigan Ave., Apt. 460, Pensacola, Fla. 32506. NRC'ers write Charlie Barfield, 917 Fremont, Pensacola, Fla. 32505.



Modified Realistic TRF. Gerry Thomas and Charlie Barfield's patience and persistence paid off in a fine looking, more convenient to use receiver.



CKNX RADIO **DIAL 920**

Wingham Ont. NOG 2W0 (519) 357-1310

December 12, 1977.

Mr. Mike Tuggle, 909 Moores Mill Rd.. BEL AIR, Md. 21014 U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Tuggle:

Enclosed you will find our official verification form for your recent reception report, but I felt that, in view of its unusual nature. I would like to write a personal letter of thanks to you.

It's almost unbelievable that our signal would be receivable on a crystal set in Maryland. I especially appreciate this, as I used to try for DX with a crystal set when I was a boy (and that's a goodly number of years ago!) long before the radio spectrum became the mish-mash it is today.

I am enclosing a few little tokens of interest for your collection. CKNX also operates an FM station, CKNX-FM on 101.7 MHz, and a TV station, CKNX-TV on Channel 8.

Our production department and management group were very amazed at your report, which contained very accurate details and also pass on their appreciation. We would be very interested in hearing from you again, should you ever be fortunate enough to pick up our signal again, crystal set or otherwise.

Yours sincerely,

Director of Engineering.

member BUREAU BROADCAST MEASUREMENT

SHERMAN DEMOCRAT, SHERMAN, TEXAS

From Jerry Morris

Lake Lavon Radio Station

Reserveir Ranger Lake Lavos Project

WYLIE, Collin County - The Federal Communications Commission has approved the license for a 10-watt AM radio mitter to be located at the Lavon Project Office near the west end of the Lavon dam. Pertinent lake information will be broadcast on 1610 on the AM

Information that will be broadcast on a continuing basis will include availability of fee parks, marina information, beach area information, camp site availability, fishing reports, fire and safety hazard warcoverage of special events, hunting information, emergency telephone numbers, information on the handicap parks, schedules of ranger interpretative programs in the parks, nature trail and motorcycle trail information and other information that might be helpful to visitors of Lake

provide a broadcast radius of approximately 15 miles from the transmitter. Signs will be placed along major roads leading to Lake Lavon advising you to turn to 1610 and learn present Lake Lavon and what is happening at the lake

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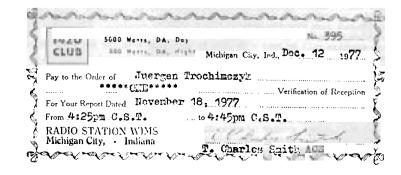
and enjoyable visit to Lake

The 10 watts of power will

Tuesday. This center shows many aspects of the past and surrounding communities. It This transmitter is just another also has outstanding archaeological and natural history displays. The main attraction is an automatic slide program that tells the history, nurpose and recreational facilities that are available at Lake Lavon. It is a most interesting program that should be seen by all visitors to the area to better acquaint them

Visitor Center Opening

The visitor center located at the Lavon project office will be officially opened to the public with what Lake Lavon has to



MUSINGS

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STEPHEN J. McINTIRE - 2225 Searle Street - Des Moines, Iowa - 50317

Hi all. To clarify my last Muse, KWKY-1150 carries Iowa games, KRNT-1350 carries Iowa State (WHO, both). DX has been good the past week with several good catches made. made. ZIZ-555 barely made it in w/ID 7:32pm for new country w/ESD-550 & KMT)-560 nulled (which unfortunately also partially nulled ZIZ, hi). WRBA-1440 III. ex-WAKC logged battling it out w/WGEM @ 10:00; I heard them as WIOK in 1970. MMFT-TEST coulant make it past KINN that AM. 12/21- KATZ competition, WESL-1490, was noted for the first time dominating @ 1:45am. 12/22- No sign of ALBZ TEST; all AMJ/AMFT here. I woke up early today and logged WJVA-1580 s/on 8:01 & KSM-1530 Minn. & 8:38. Later on @ SSS I finally logged MIX-1580 Ariz. s/off 7:15, previously logged as KYND in 1966. 12/23- One of many recent attempts to log WTOP on SSS before KSTP gets too strong netted WGEN-Ill. instead 6 5:20. Later, I was surprised to find CFGM-1310 topping all 3 9pm. 12/24- I caught man ID from WMMO-1230 Minn. 3:03am but couldn't connect it with any programming so I don't know whether RS or not. 12/25-KYNN-1490 Neb. logged on call change; I had 'em as KBON in 1966. MT-600 was on AN W/Christmas mx, so my weekly attempt to log something other than the Cuban during their 3. was scratched. MM 12/26- WJOB-TEST came in poorer than expected, but enough was logged 1:35-1:50 for a report. During that time, I got a pleasant surprise when CFPA came in o/WJOB w ID 3 1:43. Another surprise was the WORX-1270-TEST coming in very well 2:04-2:31, often dominating; amazing if they really are directional ME SM. Thanks, Ted. Tuning to 670, I noted only AFEQ slop there, so I probably missed my golden opportunity for KEDI. Oh well, maybe next week. High latitude CX seemed very good this AM. WKEN was booming in, as was usually weak .NEC rarely heard WNDR-1260 was noted 4:25 w/a very strong CFRN looped. Unfortunately the lar periodic buzzsaw QRN which attacks the whole band out especially the top & bottom was bank. after a three month absense, so I called it quits without making a serious effort for muc wanted CBT-540. 73 from QRM Valley.

GARY HOUDEK - R.R. - Munden, Kansas - 66959

Now with less farm work I have more time to DX. Interesting stations heard Oct. 31, 2:26am, TT, then ID, KAAY, Little Rock. Nov. 20- KOTA-1380 Rapid City S.D. 1:45am. with church cancellations. The announcer said he would be on the air AN because of the snow storm. Nov. 24- WNBC good 11:20-11:30_m, first time heard this year. One nice verie card back, KVNU-TEST heard u/wDAF. New stations heard Oct. 31, W2PI-1070 Birmingham 2:39am, mx & ID very good signal, then nothing else heard. Nov. 23- CKDM-730 Dauphin, Man. fairly good signal at times from 11:35 to 12:05am. Dec. 3- KDSX-950 Denison, Tex. 7:13pm. This same evening on 830 there was no sign of WCCO but a station with the \$2 rock song @ 9:20pm, then local NX 9?30-9:35, no ID heard. Dec. 5- KLUC-1140-TEST heard 3:40am, fair signal, my first Nevada station, state \$33. I enjoyed looking at ERC's Kansas & Nebraska veries at the LINCOLN control of the station with 13 verified. My radio is a Western Autumulti-band. Times, EST - Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year to all. 73.

DICK TRUAX - 3003 Gleeson Lane - Louisville, Kentucky - 40299

Well, a new year is here, & a belated Season's Best Wishes to all. DX continues at a trickle and it begins to seem like I may not break the 1,000 logged mark this season either. The best DX MM had to be 12/19 but unfortunately I was 420 miles away from the shack that weekend in Western Fa., so I missed all the goodies if they made it through! However, I did log KEDI-670 Idaho on MM 12/12 & 2:10am u/MMAQ talk show. I was so surprised I didn't have tape running, no other IDs noted till 2:30 tuneout. That makes 46 states logged. I still need Algska, Vt., He., & Mont. Going back to 11/21, WCSR-1570 Ga. on test & 2:30am w piano mx & ID. 11/26- KSOH-1050 Ark. s/off & 6:08pm. 11/27- WCDD-1130 Ky. first noted on, evidently on since about 11/23, should make logging the state capital a bit easier for some of you if that's your bag. 12/10- WTNK-1390 Miss. s/off & 5:45pm. Thanks to Gary Atkins, I am now the owner of a second HQ-180 & the HQ-160 is for sale - if anyone is interested, please drop me a card as I'm not sure when the next DX-change will be running. Also David Peters has a nice HQ-180 available locally, see membership list if interested. By the time this sees print the willing deadline will be near - be sure to cast your vote for the 1978 Convention site and then - plan to attend! More in 21.

DAM SHARIT - Box 31 - Encinitas, California - 92024

WB6FJD

Your 1050 EE w/XERF-like ads is good (?) old XEG - XED is too high class to resort to that jive, hi! From another non-DXing NRCer - sorry! (Thanks, Dan! - ERC)

HTLL HARANG - 811 Nevada Avenue - San Jose, California - 95125

New station KKAP-1540 comes in here fair during the day, but faces severe QRM near SRS & SSS from KPOL. KKAP is using the Drake-Chenault automated MoR package. The music is good, but the station is deficient-sounding in some ways. KKAP seems very weak E of its XR for some reason. KSFQ-560 has applied for 5kw U-2; the night pattern would use a second tower constructed E of the current one, w/lkw ERP NE & SE, slightly over 1kw ERP E, & more signal N, S, & W. It'll probably be some time before it's granted if the FCC OKs it.

JOHN FELTMAN - 4324 Valley Drive - Allentown, Pennsylvania - 18104

Since my last Muse, Tas have begun coming in with greater feequency: 11/27-Sevilla-683 w/coft piano mx & pips 8cm. 12/2- Conakry-1403 10:34cm w/African vocals and drums. At this point I "retired" the DX-160 since my R-390A/URR arrived. Then CX really opened up on 12/12 with 14 TAs noted between 11cm & 2am 12/13, including Munich-1602 & Switzerland-1562 good after WaXR s/off. Langenberg-1586 was quite strong w/road report that mentioned Munich-Stuttgart Autobahn. Inonically, although I was in Germany last July, I didn't take time to DX - the bug hain't bitten me again yet. There was a magnificent Grundig table RX where we were staying in Bavaria with various European M. outlets marked right on the dial, but I only tried one brief session and that was in mid-afternoon. I was more interested in German beer than German radio, hil 12/16- Algeria-529 w/plaintive whining @ 10:15pm. 12/23 Another good opening, with Rome-845, BBC-647, Lille-1376, Bordeaux-1805, Paris-863, Andorra-818 Nice-1594 & several others all noted between 10pm & 2a, 12/24. Christmas mx w/femme SS announcer on 1025 from 1:20-2am looped TA, but seemed too strong for just 10kw. Does anyone know if San Sebastian is directional toward U.S.? This definitely didn't sound like an LA the format was too subdued. 12/26- I caught two from Fortugal for country #42, Lisbon-665 & Porto-1034 after 1am. Also BBC-1214 w/pop mx = 2:10 & WORX-1270-TEST @ 2:07. That's it. 73.

ELLIOT R. STRAUS - 72 Sweet Briar Drive #4 - Clark, New Jersey - 07066 Great news. My shack got two Christmas presents from me. An altaz loop built to perfection by STEVE BOHAC, and an HQ-180 all to go along with the R-390A. The Alt Loop is much better than the Si-2, producing sharper and much deepter nulls, especially on locals. I've been experimenting lately with an idea I got from Ed Snaw while I was in NASWA. I ran the 390 &180 both to the Alt loop, then ran both RYes to different sides of a set of headphones, by using different settings on the two RXes of the antenna trim, bandwidth, RF & AF gains, etc. Some interesting results occur. I've been able to create an intelligible signal on a frequency where nothing could be understood on either set alone. Has anyone else tried this system? On comparing the Hw-180 & R-390A I honestly have yet to find a significant difference in the two sets with the obvious exception of the direct frequency readout on the 390 but using them both it doesn't matter that the 180 doesn't have it because I know exactly where I am on the 390. I'm growing quite fond of the 180. As for recent DX: The only newie since last Muse was KLOU-1580 3am, reported, and verified. Veries in: CJOY-1460, CHIN-1540. I must say that Canadians varify more promptly and with greater overall return rate than domestics, I've always found this true. I seem to have hit a lull in my DXing, but the above additions should keep me psyched for the remainder of the season. Now I need to get out of this apartment, and buy a house. With further, ado ---

PAUL MOUNT - 471 Emerson Avenue - Teaneck, New Jersey - 07666

After I send this 12/14, I'll try to so into seclusion to study for finals. After this Muse is published, use N.Y.C. address (planning ahead here). Now, to tell of what turned out to be one of my better weeks of DXing from Teaneck. MM 11/21, with TRF, SM, turntable, tape: 1400: Movie themes 12:52-12:57, WICK, Scranton. Man spoke on behalf of WICK for 12:57 s/off, log change. 1:00, an inconclusive "You're listening to the best station". Between 1 &1:05, three stations were noted, two rr, one Ai NX. WLH, Lowell/Lawrence was first to ID @ 1:07, then Debbie Boone's voice trackable in hash to a 1:11 "More mx from FM-99" jx. I didn't know if these was WSS4 (WLLH's FM) on 99.5 or what. WOND, Pleasantville, N.J. IDed @ 1:13 atop a minute. The tip-off for the other was a PSA which I taped, copied almost word for word saying Main St. in Northampton. A call to 413-584-4275 confirmed WHMP 2 FM (99.3) simulcast. See AM Switch. WHMP is automated T-40 (Drake) mx. I hung around past 2am while the two Mass stations fought, but I never got WHMP's legal ID or tape file. 2:10, WHN ET/TT; CHUM loud otherwise. WOR testing 2:12 - did they notify ERC? (No. that CE's gone from the scene now -ERC) While looking for MGSR-1570 Ga. test (thanks to Frank Dailey for call & tips) I heard WTR24560 N.C. loud 9n ET TD, 2:39. MOSR not heard, nor KTMO-1030 thanks to local WMDJ appearing there. 2:57 NX on 550 was pest "GR-5;" Buffalo, but also there was CFNB N.3., not heard quite as often. At 3 they had "Atlantic Jamboree" c/w show, QRM from WGR I another CMI station. On 620, WHEN, TT, & NX noted 3 3:04. Tape playback of 3:05 revealed end of NBC NX, & WTMJ jx. I listened till 3:09, format seemed POL, w,femme DJ, "All Kight Train", not heard in 31 years. Now to 1230, mention of Manchester 3:22 w FFC RM. Various mx noted through 2:30, one had "Gary Arnell Shiw" mentioned twice. WKBD tentative ID = 3:35. 4, "MINF State & Local NX". Then right after that NEC station, N--- radio news time, I'm Don ---. " Tape playback sounds like wYSS/NYE2/WYSZ/WINZ/WYNE WYSP/WISU, a little different each time! Well! This Mi took a lot of space itself, so the Th nksgiving weekend 2 contest DX next time plural. "E to

ERIC FADER - 23-35 Bell Boulevard - Bayside, New York - 11360

SM 12/18- CKID-1330 & their 1340 // both heard 3 1:05am. WBBW-950 good signal of WPEN, no sign of most-wanted WIOF, Fla. CX are still awfully spurry. Tues. 12/20- WTMA-1250 S.C. in well, rare, 7:08pm, but the extreme AU CX soon faded. WWWD-1240 w/"3-W-D" u/WGB3's Islanders Hockey. Fri. 12/23- CEN-990 w/Christmas program, on-the-hour (9pm), IDs only as "CBC Radio" and "CBC Newfoundland", into NX, ERC; is it my imagination or does the Canadian promunciation of Newfoundland accent the "found" syllable? (I don't recall, Eric; I'll check it out -ERV) Believe it or not, this station was a newie because a WABC spur covers 990 in my bedroom. I had to go into another room to hear it. More later. 73s.

THE HOLY DAYS, THE HOLIDAYS, AND THE HOLLY DAYS ARE OVER AND NOW 'TIS BACK TO NORMAL WITH PROVINCETOMM MUSINGS DEADLINE EVERY MONDAY. PLEASE DOUBLE SPACE - AND - PLEASE MUSE! SEND IN ALSO YOUR LATEST VERIE SIGNERS, ALSO DOUBLE-SPACED, PLEASE, WEEDING OUT ANY REPEATS.

STEPHEN H. PONDER - Box 22635 - Fort Worth, Texas - 76122

Hello again, this time from the marshlands of Louisiana. I hope all of you had a joyous Christmas holiday time - mine was both joyful and well-enjoyed; I'm looking forward to New Year's Day. Being home for the holidays certainly is therapeutic - I left school sick, got home, and all pain and misery eased away! I think it was just a misplaced case of nome-sickness. Since I've been home, I've received several verifications - they are: KLVI-560, WNAX-570, CBL-740, KXJK-950, & KXLR-1150. All but CBL were letters, CBL's being a card 2 a brochure. I was glad to get KLVI's letter - I had tried them at least four times before I lost count, hi. I think the main reason I like to do my DMin; in Bossier wity, La. is that the Shreveport-Bossier City area is relatively an RF-clean metropolitan area. There are only three ANers, KETL-710, KWKH-1130, & KOKA-1550. Twilight DXing is fantastic here, as is sunrise DXing. Lots of good, strong signals at night are commonplace here, plus, the Mexicans are not the pests here that they are in Fort Worth. They can be heard, but they're not up & down the band every channel like they are in Texas. My latest heards since I've been home are: TICAL-525; YNM-620; WSHO-800; KECA-830; KCKO-350; KRIO-910; KADC-940; KDMP-960; KCAB -980; KVPI-1050; WCOV-1170; KBCL-1220; KACL-1270; KFLO-1300; WIER-1300; KRMD-1340; KSCJ-1360; KDXE-1380; KDQN-1390; KTFS-1400; WUNI-1410; KXON-1420; KJOE-1480; KBEA-1480; KRXV-1540; WDXR-1560; & WVNA-1590. All these stations in only seven days of scattered DXing. My next Muse will continue where I left off here with my results from DXing the NW corner of Louisiana and the area called the "Ark-La-Tex" with the TRF. Good DX & Happy New Year, or to be perfectly Louisianan, "Bonne DX et Bonne Annee Nouvelle."

DAVE BENNETT - 1104 - 4960 Sanders Street - Burnaby, British Columbia - V5H 1S9 VE7AZG or- 3145 176th Street - Surrey, British Columbia - V3S 4N8

Hello! This must be some sort of a record - two Musings in one season from me is almost unheard of, hi. Anyway, I have moved my week-day residence in to Burnaby, which cuts up to 45 minutes off my travel time to work & many of my extracurricular activities. It also makes it tougher to DX and Ham, but I guess you can't have everything. I tried to work the NRC net on 3850 on Dec. 18, and Ross did hear me, & I could amost hear him, but no-one else, so I'll try again - this was from the Surrey location with the kilowatt rig. To DX, I listened for KEOI-670's TEST. Dec. 19, but nothing obvious - what may have been an ID occurred at 2:15, but nothing else, & WMAQ audio in good. I'm sure I could have heard it as KEOI was dominant earlier in the evening. I didn't try for CKSW - KVI keeps 570 all to itself here without a loop. KVNU was looked for, but KONA was keeping other signals out - this one is worth trying again though. I looked in on 1590 and got an ID from KTIL at 4:28am, so I stayed with them through the QRM & took a log for report. That's another first in a long while - I can't remember the last time I sent out a report, hi. This was from Burnaby on the TRF, incidentally. Note to Andy Rugg: Your CXO NX outlet there has a relative here in the Vancouver market - would you believe CMO-FM? It seems kind of odd that the reciprocal call would be 2,000 miles away, to me anyway. Has anybody used one of the new Japanese Victor Corporation NRD-505 receivers yet? It is an all solid state synthesized tuning receiver covering 500kc -30 mc. I have played with one briefly, and it is very selective on SN, but I didn't get a chance to use it on MW. I can say that it appears to be better than the FRG-7 - and for the price it should be - \$2,000+, OUCH! All for now - all the best to all the best Diers for Christmas 1977 (belatedly) and 1978.

HARRY W. JONES - 9612 Atwood Road - Vienna, Virginia - 22180 This season on MW has been a disappointment so far, with regard to reception of TAs & North Africans here. As always, there is a technical explanation which is related to the emergence of the new sumspot cycle 21. The appearance of new spots is often accompanied by solar eruptions and resulting geomagnetic disturbances, the effects of which may last several days after the storm's occurance. This is believed due to the phenomenon of residual cyclatron resonance between radiation belt electrons and naturally occurring elf noise generated within the magnetosphere by the original disturbance. Hence, by the time this adverse condition finally clears, another storm may occur which prolongs the absorption & consequent degradation of high latitude TA signals on the BCB. The only NW TA logged here to date was WDR-1586 Langenberg 12:40am w/GG light mx with female singer. Signals were only fair and faded out by lam, their local sumrise. Another interesting observation is that LW signals (150-400kiz) appear to be less susceptible to adverse propagation CX than MW (500-1600kiz). In fact, the signals on the European LF BCB seem to be enhanced, just prior to a major geomagnetic disturbance. The following LF broadcast stations were logged this month: R. Allouis, France-164, 12/22 through 12/27 appearing nightly around 5:15pm. Europe-I. R. Saarlouis Felsburg, Germany-180 12/23-12/27 5:30-7pm. This is a commercial station, programs in FF, featuring pop & rr mx. Brasov, Romania-155 12/23 6:20-7:20pm, semi-cl mx. (This is a new country). DLF. Donebach, W. Germany-150 12/23 6:15-6:30pm GG female singer. Droitwich. *R. 2* England-200 12/23 (5:45-6pm) pop mx : female w/980 NX. Azilal, Morrocco-200 12/22-12/27 AA/Mid-Bast mx & chanting, strong signals. R Monte Carlo, Monaco-218 12/23 6-6:30pm, FF holiday mx. R. Luxembourg-236 12/26 5:30-5:40pm FF pop mx, QRM from Grand Isle, La. airport tower usually makes copy difficult. You will note these were heard just after SSS, here in Va. The signals peak around this time & reception is generally better than early AM. I have also listened regularly around this time for TAs on MW & Dakar-764 but no luck. My receiving combination for LW is a Palomar Engineer's VLF converter, Ameco pre-amp (3.5-4mHz) ahead of modified SPR-4 RX & Autek filter. I use two LW antennas 35' high, one N/S & the other NE'SW which can also be tied together using tuned matching network. I designed a two-section matching circuit, using J.W.Miller LF coils, which in addition to providing signal transfer, rejects all BCB & SW feed-through interference, which can be a serious problem with untuned circuits. Anyone who may be interested in details please drop me a line. 73

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Despite only M: monitoring, it's been a gretty roductive D(season here. Call changes, new stations, etc. go unnoticed often, as I seldom proof-read DK NEWS except in Minter, so a lot of questions are asked, many to a wincing reaction by some, I'm sure. For instance: What is "NB" on 530a kHz? Stuff like that. DN of MM 12/19- Two newies, the first of which is AFMD-930 Md., in MPAT's null w/a call \$ 1:34. UnID language on 914 or 915 from 4:53-4:58, taped. Second newie was R Lighthouse-1165, Antigua, w EE & religion from 5:35 to 5:45. A try for WNRK-1260 (because WILH-1450 was booming in for a while) was aborted by WDDJ N.C., on top & clear from 6:10-6:30am. The try for KEOI netted nothing except MAQ talk, Cuba having audio problems, & a swatch of unID mx way under. KBOI wasn't sked to have mx, so I dunno who. MM of 12/26: Second try for KEOI, this time with WNBC on; like the first shot. no go again. They're supposed to give two IDs, so I guess I'll have to watch DXDJ for the ID times. I kind of like that "TFN" stipulation in their TEST sked. I heard "NB" down past 540k 2:47 w/code ID. Whatever it is, I'm counting it. On 555 was unn ZIZ with great signal @ 2:49 and reggae. Unn WCSH ANing, I caught call @ 4, mixed with some others. Newie from 1410, CIGO's c/w, u/WPOP @ 4:34. I wasted some time on 1580 listening to someone seg PSAs for several minutes. It turned out to be WSRF. We used to joke about a station out here on Long Island that ran PSAs back-to-back like that, "The PSA Show", hi. "You're listening to the PSA Show. What a nice day outside. Here's another one". A try for either WSRG or WZAM on 1110 netted only WBT, WWAR, & someone calling itself "Whoopie Radio" 2 7:30. It sounds suspiciously like a call change. (Yep - WUPI, from WGRG -ERC) I am trying to get former NRCers Vinny Cavaseno and John Javetski back into the lobe of things, and may succeed, with plans to construct a beverage. That should oring out the hunter in these two. Cavaseno claims that his NYC location provides him with so many images that, at any given time, he can hear any NYC station on any channel. The only thing wrong is that he hears the desired station mixing with every other station in New York. Javetski's location is similar, and he claims to have to null out WEN's image in order to hear WEN. This is pretty discouraging. I kind of miss comparing DX vigils with these burns, playing back tages the next day, and often winding up with duplicate and triplicate of the most unlikely loggings. I have a question regarding taped IDs. What constitutes a bona-fide taped ID by NRC standards:

RAY ARRUDA - 47 Burt Street - Acushnet, Massachusetts - 02743

Not very much to report this time. DX MM 12/26: KEOI-670 TEST was not tried, & WMAQ was off, too. I forgot to try because I became so engrossed in going after the two TESTs from Indiana. From 1:25 to 2, MUOB-1230-TEST might have been heard in bits and pieces, but I just could not gather enough verifiable details for a report, so only a thank-you card was sent instead of a report. QEM on 1230 was mainly an FFC in Canada playing Christmas carols. WORX 1270-TEST was heard well right after WXXZ s/off from 2:03 to 2:18 with marches, TT, VIDs. Also another try at W2IQ-1590 with a report from 2:19 to 2:35. Someone ETing on 750 with OC/TT from 3:07 to 3:35 but no ID. W3B seemed off - was it they testing? Few reports out and no veries in as of late. That's all for now. 73.

ERNIE COOPER - "The Cape Tip DXer" - 5 Anthony Street - Provincetown, Massachusetts 617-487-We had a call this week from co-host of last year's great LINCOLN Convention, Rolland Lindblade. Please, no calls between 9cm 2 1am - that's sleepy-time, bal! We have now 4,078 veries, with arrivals from R. Suceso-995, Guayaquil, Eduador for 8/21 reception; "GFT-1500, & WCRJ-1530 on a f'up from a year-ago ET. The latter two sent CMs with their v/l. DX this week: 12'27- ZI2-555 was on late again this morning; still going at 2:02. UnID tele-talk show on 960 with phone number 244-9311, area code not given. WXR & WTAI-1560, both IDed on ET back-to-back 2:40 2:242, unn. It seemed here that KY.-1060 was about 1 kc low this morning as I could separate them from CJRP, who seemed to be right on 1060. 12/30- Unn, but long time unheard WKIP-1450 noted ETing w/TT OC, w/ID 1:02am, over all. There was a weak rocker on 1560 2 1:10, and an SS under the 1450 pack noted 6 1:15, but just too many on top of him on a non-AU morning to attempt an ID. Their announcing is "con mucho gusto", hi. OCs were observed on 605, 705, & 710 around 1:30. 1:31-2:03 & on, TT on off on 1480. At 2:13. WOR-710 was fortune telling by telephone - I thought this was a violation of the law ?: That 740 SS ANer today seemed to be using a different slogan, "R. Cristale". (Three syllables), 2:15-2:34. 12/31- UnID 940 TTer today, 2:18 & on, and another one on 1420 2:35 & uoward. MM 1/2- Snow a-falling gently, CX only fair. Old "enemy" R. Margarita-1020 was off this morning, 2 in his (her?) place was An RCN Colombian believed to be HJFQ, La Voz de Pereira, but only the network ID was carried, 1:59-2:18am, bothered by much hetrodyne, Paraguay' Ondas del Caribe ruled 1150 AN. Unn WADO-1280 NYC, was Tring most of the morning o/u CDMS. R Coro-1210 was o/u WCAU @ 2:41, unn. Question for Mestern Canadian members: Is there a Canadian FF-speaker out your way on 1470 who s/off around 3:05 w/Oh Canada. I've heard an FFC s/off at that time now for two straight weeks, but the s/off time wouldn't seem to fit a Quebec station. They were breaking through WSAN 2 one other AN, 2 WLAN's OC. UnIDing TTer holding precariously to 1550 with brutal WPTR-1540 trying to push him further up the dial with his wicked splatter, 3:45-4:10 % on, seemed to be West of here. WHN-1050 was off, & three SSes noted there between 4:10 \$ 4:35 - XEG was using SS & giving this time San Antonio phone numbers; there was what seemed to be a Colombian on there too, and 4:25, the Dominican Republic NA was heard, folo by "Buenas Dias" and then he faded under and gone; no report possible. CHIM was also there w/rr. CUN7 EVERYONE'S MUSINGS ARE WELCOME EVERY ISSUE - THE SPECIAL FEATURED STATE IDEA WILL NOT EXCLUDE MEMBERS LIVING ELSEMHERE BY ANY MEANS! WE MANT TO DRAW OUT THOSE HIDING IN (1) MICHIGAN,

DEADLINE 1/16; TEXAS, DEADLINE 1/23; MASSACHUSETTS, DEADLINE 1/30; and CALIFORNIA, DEADLINE

2/6. WE'LL ANNOUNCE THE MEXT REGION IN OUR NEXT ISSUE. DEADLINES ARE EVERY MONDAL. MISSE

MOTHER LIK - WARK CONNELLY COMPLETES HIS MEMORIES OF THE EARLY 60's.

Does anyone remember the "UTO" of 4/25/66: Radio stations were flooded with calls. I saw the object at local sunset and then put the receiver on. The object turned out to be a meteorite. Of course, memories of the '60's also include those of radio personalities, like Murray the K on WINS, who became known as "The Fifth Beatle" after he introduced the Beatles to U.S. audiences in November, 1963. Jefferson Kaye on WBZ had the Sunday evenin "Hootenanny" folk music show; WBZ's Dick Summer dished out offbeat humour on his "Nightlight" program. Mad Daddy on WINS seemingly talked from a crypt; bubbling vats and chained monsters were heard in the background. WWYC-1100, Cleveland, ran British Top-Ten countdowns. Phonein polls pitting the Beatles against the Dave Clark Five proliferated. WMEX's Arnie Ginsburg often read letters from U.S. servicemen in Germany; WMEX was a "regular" there. WABC bragged about letters from Japan. WBZ claimed regular listeners in England. WINS frequently mentioned daytime listeners in Bermuda. Remember the old 2BS tests when a station would drop its carrier? These tests occasionally allowed a rare ID to slip through. That's about it for now; I'd like to hear others' accounts of early '60's DX, perhaps touching upon some of the subjects covered in this recort.

THIS CORNER SALUTES THE LADS FOR A ROUSING ISSUE OF DECEMBER 30 WHICH BROUGHT BACK MANY A WONDERFUL MEMORY TO A GOOD BUNCH OF US! WELL DONE, LOUISVILLE!

NEXT WEEK, WE CRUISE BACK TO 1922, WITH ERIC CRUSER AS OUR SKIPPER.

CRAIG HEALY - Box 182 - Cumberland, Rhode Island - 02864

Hello all. Contrary to popular belief, I haven't been kidnapped and/or locked in the refridgerator all these months; just domant. I did enjoy a nice trip to Fiorida over Thanksgiving. That, incidentally, is why I missed the GTG at ERC's. Some interesting reception has been noted, though. On the beach at St. Augustine at noon, WSM, LNBC, WHAS, WBZ & WCBS were heard (WBZ faintly) with rock-steady signals and no evidence of fading. I did NOT hear WSB, WABC or any other distant clears, so I suspect this was all groundwave. The RX was the usual TRF. Anybody else have similar experiences? Several months ago I requested information on the RBB line of receivers. Several people responded and I promotly lost the letters. My belated thanks to them for the offers. I still have the RBB and my National NC-400. I am considering selling both and getting an R-390A. I did some experimenting with a loop and an outside 20 vertical coupled together. It nulls very well. I measured a 65 db null using a Potomac FIM-41 as an indicator. I can clearly hear co-channel stations through some of my local pests. Speaking of which, I now work only for WJAR-920 - no more WGNG, WNRI, or WRIB. And yes, a TEST is coming up, possibly on January 23 from 4:00 to 4:30. Details in CPC column when I forward them. Not much time has been seent at the dials. I did catch a WPRA-990 s/off. I also noted WWVA on as of 5 a.m. on Christmas AM. I thought they went off? I must have misunderstood, or sumptin. (They used to, Craig, until Christmas-176 but now they're silent New Year's morn -ERC) Oh well. As they say in Mcromb, Miss., "WHNY" Mishin' Happy New Year. Bet that's been used before! (You win your bet, Craig, hi -ERC)

ERIC FADER - 23-35 Bell Boulevard - Bayside, New York - 11360 12/24- 1410 had KQV/CICO/WING/WPOP/UnID (WIZM, Wis.?) @ 1am. Old friend ticker CMJG-1270 on top, 1:19. WOAI-1200, KSL-1160 both very strong 3 1:23. Superpest WRW-1150 on (log change) 1:25. 1070: An LA w/a distorted signal, SS mx, 1:35. Strange noises between songs, TC's after each song too. They were gone by 1:40, u/WIBC 2 merciless WHN c/w splatter. CEM-990 blasting in 2am. UnID-810 w/low TT, 2:13. KRMG-740 loud 2:17. I think my 540 unID w/"Cadena Musical" is probably HCFA-2, unn. There were mentions of "Colona" and "natural", alternating M & F announcers, & "Musica Tropical", 2722am. SSS 12/24- CJVA-810, newie, o/u WGY null 4:52pm w'FF talk. Unn WBTX-1470 w's/off @ 5, no WWHY or WTZE there, natch. WSRF-1580 loud 5:23. 12/25 AM: Most regionals were covered by Canadians ANing, to wit: CHTN-1190 very loud, WOWD weak or absent, 1:48. CMCC-1150, as usual, the dominant station there - their pattern must be out of whack. Ditto CKTY-590 and ever-pesty CFTR-680. Other ANers: CBJ-1580, CBEF-540, CBF-690 & CJBC-860. Seemed like all CBC's were on extended sked if not AN; I'm not familiar with Christmas AM DX since I'm usually in some warmer place this week, hi. CKLD-1330 all alone, CHNO-1250 obliterating all QRM, and WFAS W.Y. Alling on 1230 w/Christmas mx o/FFCs, all noted after 2. Someone running old comedy routines @ 2:22. still going at 3:06 re-check. And if I hear one more station playing the Chipmunks I will become violently ill. LOOK HERE! Someone help me with this! Someone on 610 was ANing w/FF talk o/u WIP WIOD, 2:45. Which FFC was this, CKML (more likely) or CHNC? Two or three FFCs AN on 1340. MM 12/26- WWRL-1600 s/off 1am, this may be a log change. Newie WQIQ-1590 w/ *16-QIQ* IDs w/tele-talk, 1:23. Piercingly-high TT-1450, came on 1:49 o/u WMSC. CJVI-1360 o/u WDRC 1:58. CKLD-1330 //-1340 umID w/accordion mx. 2am. UmID-850 w/s/off-SSB @ 2:15. CKCH-970 killing the channel 2:40. CHNS-960 on top 3. CFLS-P.Q. probably the one w/FF on

CALLING ALL TEXANS! REMEMBER THE SPECIAL TEXAS ISSUE OF MUSINGS IS COMING UP, DEADLINE FOR WHICH WILL BE MONDAY, JANUARY 23rd. THEN, WE'RE COING TO CALL UPON THE MASSACHUSETTS MINIONS TO LOAD MUSINGS WITH DX DOINGS FROM THE BAY STATE. AFTER THE COMMONMEATH OF MASSACHUSETTS, WE'LL CAST OUR EYES WESTWARD TO THE GREAT STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO BE FEATURED IN THE FOLLOWING DX NEWS, DEADLINE FOR WHICH WILL BE MONDAY, FERREARY 6. YOU'LL SEE THE RESULTS OF THESE SPECIAL CALLS TO SPECIAL AREAS IN THE DX NEWS DATED TWO WEEKS AFTER THESE DEADLINE DATES. SO, DEADLINES AGAIN: TEXAS - 1/23. MASSACHUSETTS - 1/30. CALIFORNIA - 2/6. PLEASE?

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one from Eric rather than hold it over till the next issue -ERC)

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