

STATIC FROM HQ

By now everyone is asking "Why was my 1/5 DX News so late in arriving?" We here at HQ love extremes-the 12/15 issue was mailed 4 days early and the 1/5 issue was mailed on 1/5,5 days late!! Our excuse was that Ernie's column took <u>6</u> days to reach us, and the bulletin was not picked up from the printer until the evening of 1/2. Ernie's column mailed for this week's bulletin was mailed on 12/31 and received 1/2. The USPS is the villain.

In order to economize this issue, we are holding 3 pages of Musings, also a very interesting Bandscan from Hawaii and several other items. So next issue promises to be another 'biggie'.

Several members have asked for our phone numbers here in case of last minute tips occuring that we might get in the bulletin going to press on Sundays. Gary's phone is (502) 776-4341, he is generally at home until 2:30 PM weekdays. Dick's phone is (502) 491-2871 and he is home Friday evenings and any time weekends.

Several members have advocated starting the weekly issues earlier in the season. We see no problem with this-provided we have enough material to go to press. You might recall that last Summer we had scheduled 2 extra issues in response to requests for more Summer issues- we had to cancel the second issue due to a lack of support in contributions. A definite decision will be made on earlier weekly issues shortly- your support (or lack thereof) can be voiced in Musings.

As we go to press, we have just received a call from John Clemmer advising that member Marty Wright passed away last Sept. 1 after a lengthy battle with cancer.

CPC TESTS

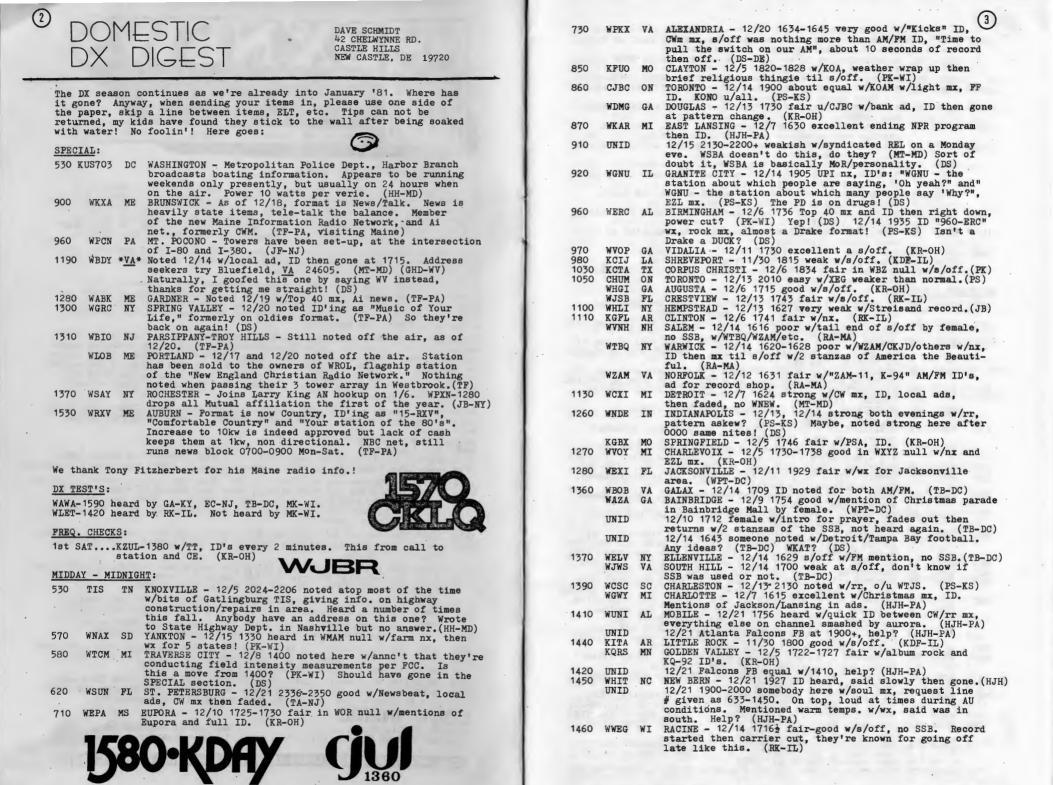
CPC activity continues at a respectable pace with several new tests added this week. Keep those CPC letters in circulation to those much needed stations.

- 1/12 WGIG-1440 Brunswick, GA 0000-0500 ELT. Will use country music and tones. Mon. Using 5000 watts non-directional, this test should be widely heard. Prepaid calls ONLY will be accepted at (912) 264-9444. Reports to: Bob LaFore, WGIG, 801 Mansfield St., Brunswick, GA 31523. Bob LaFore/ IRCA via Bruce Portzer.
- 1/12 WCSM-1350 Celina, OH 0030-0215 ELT. Details in last week's CPC section. Mon. Arranged by Brad Lovett/NRC. Reports to: Brad Lovett, WCSM, Box 492, Celina, OH 45822.
- 1/12 WEYZ-1450 Erie, PA 0000-0030 ELT w/1000 watts non-directional. See last Mon. issue for details. Reports to: J.J. Sanford, Program Dir., P.O. Box 1184, Erie, PA 16512. Arranged by: Harley Steward/NRC.
- 1/12 WDMP-810 Dodgeville, WI 0100-0130 ELT. Reports to: Richard Carroll,
- Mon. WDMP, Box 116, Dodgeville, WI 53533. Arranged by: Mike Knitter/NRC.
- 1/26 WENN-1320 Birmingham, AL 0100-0200 ELT. Reports to: WENN Radio, P.O. Mon. Box 697, Birmingham, AL 35201. Arranged by: Mike Knitter/NRC.
- 1/26 WAVU-630 Albertville, AL 0100-0130 ELT using 1000 watts with music and Mon. tones with ID's. Reports to: Ernest Stone, CE WAVU, P.O. Box 190, Albertville, AL 35950. Arranged by: Mike Knitter/NRC.
- 1/26 WSWW-1590 Platteville, WI 0100-0200 ELT using tones, code ID's and Mon. music with both 500 and 1000 watts. Reports to: Tom Wheeden, CE WSWW, Box 1, Platteville, WI 53818. Arranged by Bill Bergadano/NRC.

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THE WORLD'S OLDEST AND LARGEST ALL MEDIUM-WAVE DX CLUB



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2	1480	WRDW	GA	AUGUSTA - 12/21 1845 all alone w/soul mx, loud at times,
	1,400	WDAS	PA	ID's, numerous Nightspot ads. (HJH-PA) PHILADELPHIA - 12/16 1225 fair while nulling WTOP splash
				w/soul mx, ID. (WPT-DC)
	1500	WFXW WKZN	IL	GENEVA - 12/11 1818 fair-good w/ad, ex-WGSB. (RK-IL) ZION - 12/13 1714 fair-good o/WAKE w/s/off w/SSB, only
	1510	WAHT	PA	3rd time heard in 10 years! (RK-IL) ANNVILLE-CLEONA - 12/16 1227 fair u/WTOP splash w/MOR
	1520	WKBW	NY	mx. (WPT-DC) BUFFALO - 12/13 surprisingly strong w/rr, atop KOMA.
	1550	WRHC	FL	Usually not in before early AM here. (PS-KS) CORAL GABLES - 12/21 1728-1731 wery loud w/SS, accented
		WMIR	WI	English s/off. (HJH-PA) LAKE GENEVA - 12/16 1716 good at s/off. (KR-OH)
-		WWQM	WI	MADISON - 12/15 1715 s/off rough, being torn up by CBE/ KKJO, even though it's a local. (MK-WI) SENATOBIA - 12/15 1745 s/off noted but no SSB heard,
		#SAU	MS	taken out quickly by CBE. (MK-WI)
•	1560	KQYX	MO	JOPLIN - 12/15 1800 s/off heard w/Dixie then SSB, mixing w/WPAD. (MK-WI)
	1570	WCLE	TN	CLEVELAND - 12/14 1730 fair w/s/off and mention of 2500 watt power. (WPT-DC)
	1580	WTTN WPUV	WI / VA	WATERTOWN - $12/16$ 1715 alone w/s/off. (KR-OH) PULASKI - $12/13$ 1700 fair at s/off. (JB-NY)
		WCLS	GA	COLUMBUS - 12/13 1930 noted w/live gospel mx. (PS-KS)
	MIDNI	HT -	MIDD.	<u>AY</u> :
	530	UNID	OH	COLUMBUS - 12/13 0800 fair w/talk about Columbus and Ohio State University. Any ideas? (KR-OH)
	560	WFIL	PA	PHILADELPHIA - 12/21 0236 noted off this AM, leaving only WQAM loud and alone. (DS-DE)
	590	KLBJ	TX	AUSTIN - 12/19 0220-0245 a welcome newie w/mixed bag of mx, ID's, wx, contest promo, etc., WOW off w/only random
		CKEY	ON	OC bursts. (NZ-NE) TORONTO - 12/19 0250-0310 weak w/Night-talk program, ID,
	600	WAIV	FL	Nx/Wx on hour, heard here only prior time when on 580.(NZ) JACKSONVILLE - 11/28 0652 fair u/WREC w/local annc'ts,
		WICC	CT	sports. (KDF-IL) BRIDGEPORT - 11/30 0430 fair w/CMW/WREC w/rock mx,
	610	WRUS	KY	ID, wx. (KDF-IL) RUSSELLVILLE - 11/25 0706 fair in WDAF null w/market reports, CW mx. (KDF-IL)
		WIOD	FL	MIAMI - 12/21 0326 noted in passing equal w/semi-local
	620 730	WRJZ WLIL	TN TN	WIP w/MoR mx, w/WIP nulled, it pegged the meter! (DS-DE) KNOXVILLE - 12/1 0205 good in WTMJ null w/nx. (RK-IL) LENOIR CITY - 12/4 0704 fair w/spot for local business,
	740	KRMG	OK	Tenn. state nx. (KDF-IL) TULSA - 12/9 0208 promo for Newsradio 74, and Oklahoma
	770	WABC	NY	Sunrise show. (PK-WI) NEW YORK - 12/15, 12/21 noted off this AM, viz 0200-
				0300+. (RA-MA, DS-DE)
	860	CFNS	SK	SASKATOON - 12/18 0120-0125 w/FF hockey broadcast, al la "Le puck"! Does anyone in the east hear this one?(NZ) Maybe Steven Miller has! It's never been reported! (DS)
	880	WCBS	NY	NEW YORK - 12/21 0329 noted on OC in passing. (DS-DE)
	900	WJWL	DE	GEORGETOWN - 12/17 0600 fair at s/on w/SSB. (TE-DC)
	940	CJGX	SK	YORKTON - 12/4 0300-0305 good after XEQ s/off w/nx then pop mx. Cuban noted in fades. (PK-WI) (NZ-NE)
	9 60	WRFC CKWS	GA	ATHENS = 12/15 0245-0307 ET w/warled TT, 0C, 1 ID noted. KINGSTON - 12/15 0250 noted w/WRFC w/mx, ID, weather. Rare here. (NZ-NE) Wish it was rarer here! (DS)
		WFIR	VA	ROANOKE - 12/15 0255-0305 heard w/WRFC/CKWS w/MoR mx, promo/ID about Larry King then CBS nx on hour. (NZ-NE)
	980 990	CKRM WNYR	SK	REGINA - 12/6 0417 ID then CW mx. (PK-WI) ROCHESTER - 12/15 0350-0402 atop w/CW mx, ID's, "View-
	1010	KCMP	CO	BRUSH - 12/8 0250 fair-good o/u CFRB/WINS w/ET, TT/OC
	1060	UNID		w/ID noted 0307. (RK-TL) 12/8 0057-0103+ somebody here mixing w/CJRP/KYW w/0C.
	1070	WFLI	TN	1 khz TT, partial ID 0101 but only caught "W"?(TB-DC) LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN - 12/15 0230 good w/ET, music, ID. (KR)
	1080	KOAK	IA	RED OAK - 12/14 0335-0407 this semi-local ID'ed after long period of varied TT/OC. (NZ-NE)
	1110	WHIM	RI	PROVIDENCE - 12/14 0700 fair u/KFAB w/s/on, #16 on my most wanted list! (RK-IL) Do you have a Top 20 on your most wanted stations? (DS)
	1130	WMGA	GA.	MOULTRIE - 12/14 0659 very good at s/on, no SSB. (TB-DC).

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1190	KRDS	AZ	UPI nx on hour, many ID's. This one gets out very well
			for 250 watts. (NZ-NE) Used to be a regular on MM's in the east in the 60's, verified here. (DS) (PK-WI)
1220	CJOC	AB	LETHBRIDGE - 12/2 0202 ID, news then plug for CFAC-TV.
1230		OH	CINCINNATI - 12/15 0520 noted w/brief wx then faded. (MK)
1260	WHTT	FL	MIAMI - 12/21 0358 noted w/quick English ID then SS talk, WNDE faded out. (DS-DE)
1270	CFGT	PQ	WNDE faded out. (DS-DE) ALMA - 12/25 0215 way atop w/FF phone calls, etc. (DS-DE)
	WHFB	IL	ROCK ISLAND - 12/21 0216 briefly in WXYZ fade w/CW mx, ID. Rarely heard here. (DS-DE)
1280		TN	DAYTON - 12/1 0600 fair w/s/on. (KDF-IL)
	WWIC	MN	MINNEAPOLIS - 12/15 0210-0214 good w/ET, ID then back to reg. schedule w/rr. (KR-0H)
1290	WIRK	FL	WEST FALM BEACH - 12/21 0424 noted w/jingle then rock, weak but alone on freq. (DS-DE)
1310	WSSJ	NJ	CAMDEN - 12/21 0240 noted on ET w/mx, off at end of record w/NO ID! Take note Steve Apel! (DS-DE)
	CHGB	PQ	LA POCATIERE - 12/25 0235 noted o/WSSJ w/FF Church
	CKOY	ON	Service, very strong but low modulation. (DS-DE) OTTAWA - 12/8 0135-0138 briefly in the clear w/ID and
1770	THIT	mv	spot for local Jeweler. (RA-MA)
1330	CKLD	TX PQ	CAMERON - 11/26 0700 good w/s/on, Mutual nx. (KDF-IL) THETFORD MINES - 12/25 0240 this believed to be the one
	WKKR	IN	weak o/u hets w/FF talk, phone calls, etc. (DS-DE) EVANSVILLE - 12/14 0312-0330 noted for the first time
			w/this call, female DJ and CW mx, (NZ-NE)
1340	WROD	FL	DAYTONA BEACH - 12/21 0321 nothing like a good aurora to
			clear this freq. out, way atop w/mostly non-stop rock, very little talk w/female DJ. They and WMID the only ones
			here this AM! (DS-DE)
1350	WCWR	FL	COCOA - 12/21 0259 only one here this AM w/CW mx, ID and
,			many community notes. When they faded, nothing else was
1420	WAOC	FL	noted! (DS-DE) ST. AUGUSTINE - 12/21.0601 s/on heard w/"I was Raised on
			Country Sunshine" as theme, O&O by Gatorland Broadcasting.
			500 watts, etc., fair signal. (HJH-PA)
	WRCG	GA	COLUMBUS - 12/21 0553 in nicely w/Top 40 mx, "The new
			RCG", faded by 0600. (HJH-PA) Also ID's as "The Southern Connection." (DS)
1430	WQDI	FL	HOMESTEAD - 12/21 0111-0120+ loud at times o/WQPD w/CW
			mx, female DJ, lots of PSA's. CP for nightime must be
	WQPD	FL	on now. (DS-DE) LAKELAND - 12/21 0111-0120+ w/WQDI, Top 40 mx, little
	N QT D	гц	talk, w/UNID TT. Noted running AT40 later on. (DS-DE)
1440	WGIG	GA	BRUNSWICK - 12/21 0250 ET in progress w/CW mx. ID's.
			asking for reports, jingles, etc. Loud. (DS-DE) PORTLAND - 12/3 0601 fair w/last part of s/on, only 3
	WPGW	IN	PORTLAND - 12/3 0601 fair w/last part of s/on, only 3
	WCDL	PA	more to go in IN for me. (RK-IL) Nice goin' Bob! (DS) CARBONDALE - 12/11 0150-0300 good on ET w/TT, OC. (RK)
1450	WIIN	NJ	ATLANTIC CITY - 12/21 0331-0345 fair u/UNID REL (WMFJ?)
		1	W/Budwiser Beachcomer Show, MoR my, Badly needed here
1460	CKRB	PO	as normally blocked by WILM (3 miles away). (DS-DE)
1400	OKIB	PQ	ST. GEORGES DE BEAUCE - 12/21 0022 very strong w/WWWG off. (JB-NY) This guy leaves his OC on AN! (DS)
	WBNS	OH	COLUMBUS - 12/15 0627 noted w/"Greatest Hits of All Time"
1470	WRBD	FL	ID then rr, u/KSO. (MK-WI) POMPANO BEACH - 12/21 0150-0205 loud at times and alone w/
1490	WDXB	TN	soul mx, ID. (DS-DE) CHATTANOOGA - 12/26 0110 mostly atop w/sports promo then
	WESL	IL	CW Mx. (DS-DE) EAST ST. LOUIS - 12/15 0354 promo for vacation giveaway,
4505			DETROIT - 12/15 0004 news, sports, wx by female, noted
1500	WLQV	MI	aiter local wTOP s/off, ex-WDEE. (WPT-DC)
1520	WKBW	NY	BUFFALO - 12/15 0640 wx, ID, "Weekend Observation" rpt., mixing w/about 4 others. (MK-WI) 12/8 0144 noted off
			and later running OC. (RA-MA)
1530	WCKY	OH	CINCINNATI - 12/8 & 12/15 noted both MM's w/public affairs garbage, prerecorded ny programs, (RA-MA) Ditto (DS-DE)
1550	WWWN	GA	VIENNA - $12/4$ 0603 on top w/wx. ID's as "3W-N." (KDF-TL)
1570	WPGM	PA	DANVILLE - $12/15$ U612 noted w/local nx. (TB-DC)
1580	WYFA	NY	PATCHOGUE - 12/27 0045 loud on ET w/rr, ID's, 10kw non-
			directional per ID's. (DS-DE)

Note: The TIS on 530 noted by Kem Ronstadt in Toledo on page 4 is based on the Ohio State University campus in Columbus, OH. Signs are up in the campus vicinity advising to tune to 530 khz. for traffic info. An open carrier was noted while in the area 12/27, but evidently no programming during the holidays. Carrier got out well-noted 10 miles from campus-HQ(DickT)

- 1590 WSWW WI PLATTEVILLE 12/15 0117-0145 this in while logging WAWA DX TEST, on ET of their own w/varying TT/OC, ID's at 0119-0142, asking for phone calls. (RA-MA, as well as KR-OH, GA-KY). BEACH GROVE - 12/15 0301 "A new sound for a new life"
 - WNTS IN w/ID then into local nx. (MK-WI) Ditto. (EC-NJ)

1610 KID774 PA GETTYSBURG - 12/2 0547-0646 National Parks Service TIS station, weak and not ID'ed until seeing Kermit Gearys' report on this one in DDXD! Power is 10 watts w/antenna 20' above ground level. (HH-MD)

RAN-DUMBS :

A postacrd from G. HARLEY DELEURERE notes that the new WVMR of Frost, WV is due on the air soon, although no freq. was noted in his note.

Thanks to MIKE TUGGLE and G. HARLEY DELEURERE for setting me straight on the WBDY-1190 situation. I've gotten adjusted to Bluefield, WV by hearing WHIS-1440 often in these parts.

I had to drop a large number of tips that were sent in due to the fact they were from the early part of November. Again, I feel that they are of no value if they're 2 months old by the time they're printed. If you've got a lot of stuff to send in, don't hold it back for a month, send it in to keep it current for others reading the column.

We've added a GE SUPERADIO here, a very welcomed addition to the den this year. Already, bits of the TIS stations in TN have been heard here but not enough for a report on either. Also, WFRB is listenable during the day when WFIL is nulled, they must have a fantastic daytime coverage area. And for \$49.97, I doubt the price could be beat on that!

THE ASSORTED FLAVORS THIS WEEK:

JF-NJ	Joe Fela, South Plainfield, NJ	SX100, Radio West Loop
MT-MD	Mike Tuggle, Bel Air, MD	Lynodyne Xtal, LW
GHD-WV	G. Harley DeLeurere, Hendricks, WV	TRF
	William P. Townshend, Wash., DC	RCA 86T, TRF, Superadio
JB-NY	Jerry Bond, Rochester, NY	HQ160, Spiral Loop
KDF-IL	Karl Forth, Chicago, IL	netoo, oprint hoop
GA-KY	Gary Atkins, Louisville, KY	Drake 2B, TRF, LW
EC-NJ	Eric Cruser, Lakehurst, NJ	SX122. 12 mile Diopole
RA-MA	Ray Arruda, Acushnet, MA	R1000, R2200, Loop
	Paul Kowalski, Milwaukee, WI	R1000, R2200, 100p
PS-KS	Paul Swearingen, Moron, KS	HQ180A, RF2600, 2' Loop
NZ-NE	Neil Zank, Lincoln, NE	Modified TRF
TA-NJ	Thomas Arey, Mauricetown, NJ	
TB-DC	Thomas Bull, Washington, DC	HQ180, Loop
TF-PA	Tony Fitzherbert, Chalfont, PA	DX60, LW
HH-MD	Hank Holbrook, Chevy Chase, MD	D700 GM1
KR-OH	Ken Romstadt, Toledo, OH	R390, SM1
RK-IL	Robert Krammer, Chicago, IL	HQ129X, HQ100C, LW, LOOP
WK-WI	Mike Knitter, Cambridge, WI	WOADD Routth D. O. Superadia
HJH-PA	Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre, PA	HQ180, Zenith T-0, Superadio
DS-DE	Who'd you expect, Fritz Ritz?	HQ180A, TRF, Superadio, SM2

We had WCHE on 12/23 from about midnight til 1:30 AM after doing on the transmitter and studio equipment, WKBW was exceptionally weak due to the auroral cx. I'll be looking forward to some reports on that nice auroral opening to the south which happened MM 12/22. As I noted in one of my reports, it's about the only way to open up one of the graveyard frequencies anymore. That's it til next week!

73's and Good DX!

THEY JOINED

Welcome to the following new members. Muse soon and introduce yourselves! Tim Davisson, P.O. Box 255, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44222 (Rejoins) Bill Campbell, 14822 Elmtex, Humble, TX 77338 (Rejoins after 12 yrs.) C.C. Thompson, 25 Bay Mills Blvd., Apt. 1908, Scarborough, Ont. M1T 3P4 William T. Croghan, Jr., WBØKSW , 3601 Crowell, Apt. #216, Turlock, CA 95380

Renewals for the month include the following members: Pete Kemp, Ed Krejny (2 yrs.), George Jensen (2 yrs.), Harold Neimanis, James Hagan, Clayton Adamson, Jeff Nieman, Ken Romstadt, Barry Wasylik, Robert Hlivak, Frank John Patrick, Fred Nordquist, John Lutzel, Denis Orlando, Steve Kennedy. Richard Cooper, Martin Wishnewitz, Henry Stratmann Jr., William J. Lamb, Stephen Sluka, Gene Nix, Edward Eisentraeger, Michael L. Hogan, Bruce Ewenstein, Alan Gibler, Michael Deitz, James Le Doux, Charles Martin, John Ridge, Eric Loy, Mike Buretta, Bill Whitacre and Steven Miller. Thanks men!!



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Times are GMT. For ELT subtract 5 hours. Deadlines are usually Monday.

- 550 CUEA CMAN Pinar del Rio 12/15 strong 0630 o/unid MoR. 12/22 rapidly becoming a dominant pest, louder than 630, 640 0530 w/chimes and nx. (Mount)
- 620 UNID SS talker here 12/15 o/u domestics 0637. (Mount) YNGR-CH
- 622.9 CUBA unid off-frequency outlet //640 w/revolutionary SS political speech, in w/smashing signal 0659 12/21. (Connelly) This unid for a while, 0100 12/22 with disco mx until Radio Liberacion ID and TC for 8 PM. Very strong, decent audio and solid carrier, though drifting up 200 Hz at 0300 then back here at 0445 recheck. Noted next night too. (Foxworth) 12/23 0430 stn w/plenty of talk followed by Beethoven sonata. 0500 heard Cuban NA followed by Voice of Cuba IS. I could not hear 630 so I presume this was Santa Clara. (George) Santa Clara down here //640 and very good 0609 12/19 w/Radio Habana Cuba ID. (Yocis) Very strong SS stn here w/SS vocals and occasional EE tune, e.g. Barbara Streisand, much, much stronger than 620, 630 domestics, talk but no ID 0301 12/19. (Haves)
- 630 PUERTO RICO WQBS Santurce domiant w/CMHQ off channel. "Sesenta Tres" ID's, many San Juan/PR mentions. (Yocis)
- 635 ECUADOR Ondas Quevedenas to poor peaks infuriatingly un-often 0525-0557 12/27. Not sure if ID taped. (Hutton)
- COSTA RICA TIJC San Jose fair in SS, some WRKO splash 0546 12/15. (Yocis) 675
- CUBA R. Progresso outlet here, estimated 5 kw, first noted 12/22 680 AM. AArgh! (Yocis)
- COSTA RICA R. Reloj definitely //4832 with ID's thru fady, looped WIW 0632 12/22 after other QRM cleared freq. Memory button on 700 NRD515 enables instantaneous back-forth check of the 2 freqs, saving wrist action. (Foxworth) Which gives me the opportunity to ask why the memory unit needs so much RAM; if freqs are stored as BCD code, then 6x4 bits would be needed for each channel and therefore all the channels could easily be stored in only 1 RAM. Any ideas? CH
- PORTUGAL Norte-Azurara x1nt/totally dominant w/male PP vocal 2228 12/15. (Connelly) 720
- 725
- COSTA RICA R. Columbia good w/ID, SS vocals 0452 12/13. (Yocis) MEXICO XEX an old friend back again 0621 12/21 with requests for 730 listeners in Guerrero, some ranchera. A nice signal too; CKAC looped. (Foxworth)
- VENEZUELA R. Maracaibo ID'ed 0315 12/22 fair iver mess. However 740 at 0621 12/21 I had a definite slogan ID for R. Hustapuri, Col-ombia which was definitely // 4814.6 with musica nortena. I did not check Maracaibo's 4860 // but they have been intermittently
- off and on in recent months. (Foxworth) GREENLAND Unianak 11/27 1025 female w/repetitive talk before a 750 pip then male w/talk 11/28 1219, instrumental mx //850. (Vernon)
- CUBA CMCD Habana 12/15 SS talk 0648-0700 w/time ticking away 760 every second. Coming up to the minute he'd say "Radio Reloj" and a beep followed then "R R" (?) in code after time was announced (EST). New for me. Possible SS QRM and also WJR. WABC off. (Mount) W/ID's, pips, dominant 0139 12/16. (Yocis)
- SENEGAL Dakar the only TA audible on 12/21 at sunset 2100-2130; 765 TA cx went from very good on 12/15 to hopeless on 12/21-any unusual solar activity during this period? (Connelly)
- PANAMA R. Nacional de Panama w/loud ID's 0640 12/5 w/WABC off. 770 Stn name change from R. Liberacion? (Yocis) Believe so, will check some foreign info sitting around-CH
- BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS Tortols ZBV1 one of the few skip signals 780 audible during very poor band cx; relay of BBC nx mentioning John Lepnon 2205 12/21. (Connelly)
- COSTA RICA R. Titania very good 0456 12/13. (Yocis) 825
- ST. KITTS w/ EE preaching 0217 12/13, regular nights to 0400 825 s/off. (Yocis)

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- 834 BELIZE on later than listed s/off, ran to 0604 12/22 with good signal, mentioning relays in the 910 range (not heard) and 3285 SW which is usually hard to hear. I saw a report in DX Monitor last season that a DX'er reported this stn testing on 828 once...which is interesting as that is one of the freqs they could wind up on if the 9 KHz plan ever takes effect. Can anyone shed more light and purpose of this test, and has anyone heard Belize on 828 this season? (Foxworth) (I don't think this was a test-they were wandering slightly in frequency and the audio was not up to par. Probably speculation on somebody else's part. CH) Best ever w/EE rr 0456 12/13, ID by female DJ. (Yocis)
- 840 CUBA CMHW Santa Clara w/Dobleve ID 0458 12/13. (Yocis)
- 840 CUBA unid new Reloj forst hrd 0813 12/1. (Hutton)
- 850 COSTA RICA R. Universifiad, Liberia assumed the CR stn here w/ San Jose mentions. CR mentions, ads and everything but an ID 0356 12/2. (Hutton)
- GREENLAND Gronlands R., Upernavik 11/28 1219+ MoR type mx, some 850 vocals in EE, good level, audio quality very good, big improvement over last season. (Vernon)
- CUBA R. Reloj, Cienfuegos //940 w/ID 0612 12/21. (Yocis) 860
- MONTSERRAT ZJB surprisingly here at 0558 12/27 w/end of calypso then DJ mentioned "it's been a pleasure" so I thought s/off, 885 but back into calypso. Tuned in 0607 and they were gone so they played a trick on me. (Hutton)
- VENEZUBLA R. Punto Fijo good w/ID 0611 12/25. (Hutton) 940
- UNID o/Reloj for a moment w/wild SS male annor, female sidekick, 940 sounded like the Frito Bandito; couple mentions of Corona 0655 12/23. (Yocis)
- HONDURAS Panamericana a decent signal at 0200 and after 12/22, 944 an old friend not heard recently, reverb on ID's hard to copy. (Foxworth)
- ECUADOR Ifesa best ever w/disco mx, ID and more disco 0520 12/22. 945 Initially mistaken for HRYW-944 because the signal was so fine. (Hutton)
- COSTA RICA R. Eco Tibes heard for a nice new log 0332 12/2 on the 950 night when almost all of San Jose was heard or so it seemed. Generally on top of R. Popular. The slogan was as above, not just R. Eco as sometimes listed in WRTH. (Hutton)
- DOMINICAN REPUBLIC R. Popular, HIG fair 0535 12/25 and 0647 12/ 27 with Radio Popular ID's after records and "Popular" intoned 950 over songs a la Titania. (Hutton) W/Radio Popular ID spoken o/ song 0609 12/21. (Yocis)
- ECUADOR R. Zaracay at best level ever-fair w/almost good peaks 965 0253 12/2. Still no sign of Onda Popular this season. (Hutton)
- COSTA RICA 0308 12/1 and many times since w/ID that is not "A-B-C" or Centrosmericans or anything else they have ever used. 975 Signal seems much improved this season. (Hutton)
- ECUADOR good, not bothered by slop 0539 12/15. (Yocis) Good w/ male SS ballad 0709 12/21. A lot of LA's were in at the time, 995 but I got too tired to stay up beyond 0715. (Connelly)
- BRAZIL Sao Paulo suspected as the stn here w/man in PP mixed with 2 SS LA's 0708 12/21. (Connelly) 1000t
- NEW ZEALAND 1ZD Tauranga 11/29 1256 good level, rr mx //1035 1008 xInt. 1044 fair. (Vernon)
- COLOMBIA old friend R. Colossal noted here from 1005 on 12/1 1010 at 0629 with several loud ID's. Fighting it out with Mil Veinte and an unid LA. (Hutton)
- EL SALVADOR YSC R. Internacional poor w/occasional peaks to fair 0154 12/2. This was a powerhouse in years past but has been weak 1015 this season. (Hutton)
- COLOMBIA R. Panzenu fair w/ID 0344 12/6. First time ever heard on 1020 other than a Monday morning and first time in 6 years. (Hutton)
- CUBA Santa Clara has been all over the domestics about 0300 1020 this week with cl mx. (George)
- 1069.8
- COLOMBIA Barranquilla HJAG Emissor Atlantico still here on the low side of 1070, atop Mindial Zulia (creating growl)-Atlantico ID, festive LA mx 0714 12/21. (Connelly)
- COLOMBIA LV de Sudamerica fair-poor 0722 12/1 with ID just under 1080 a partially phased WVCG. (Hutton)
- COLOMBIA as I mentioned previously, LV de Monteria is now here-1081 first noted the end of November. Good 0402 12/5 with ID and
- s/off with NA. (Hutton) NEW ZEALAND 3ZB Christchurch 11/26 1350 man talking to female 1098 by phone, good level, //1008, 1035 both good also. (Vernon)
- COLOMBIA HJAT R. Reloj, Barranquilla good o/WWWE 0502 12/13. 1100 (Yocis)

- 1125 COSTA RICA Once Veinte tentative w/light SS mx. much WNEW slop 0507 12/13. (Yocis)
- 1143.7 UNID LA here during AU cx, weak with jammer on 1142 too. (Foxy) La Moderna, El Salvador ex 1130-CH
- 1165
- ANTIGUA CRL loud w/Christmas hymns 0137 12/16. (Yocis) COLOMBIA Ondas del Macondo a new log, hrd 0336 12/12 w/ID after 1170 some excited mx. Just above the growl, which I think they are responsible for. (Hutton)
- 1175 ECUADOR-2 stns here-the stronger one is new this last year and signs off w/NA at 0400. In fair 12/17 and 12/30 but alas no ID. (Hutton)
- DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIBE R. Mil very good w/ID, calls and loca-tion 0428 12/2. (Hutton) 1180
- AUSTRALIA 4GG Southport 11/26 1338 man w/mention of "4 double G on the Gold Coast" between rr mx. (Vernon) 1197
- COLOMBIA R. Super, Cali xint, at really loud level with ID's almost shouted 0741 12/1. (Hutton) 1200
- 1200 CUBA R. Revolucion, Santiago xlnt w/SS pops, US mx, ID at 0601 12/16. (Yocis)
- 1210 VENEZUELA Coro w/"La hora de Coro" ID after song 055h 12/21. (Yocis)
- 1250 CUBA Dobleve fair w/ID 0400 12/12 and then net rundown w/freqs and locations. (Hutton)
- 1260 USA WHIT Miami fair w/Radio Hit ID 0500 12/1. On top of the channel 0711 12/27 with SID and ID. (Hutton)
- 1270 CUBA CMJG Camaguey loud o/u WXYZ 0535 12/15 w/Reloi Nacional. (Yocis)
- 1375 ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON R. France ID 2210 w/man and woman alternating in FF ob 12/20. (Chatterton)
- 1404a GUINEA Conakry strong w/female African vocal 2145 12/16. (Con)
- 1408a GUINEA? unid carrier lopping Africa 0556 12/16. (Yocis)
- UNID 0415-0440 very weak but in EE. Mentioned Mutual and ABC and at 0430 caught a bit of what may have been an ID "".... 1425 Forces Radio". Who's this? (Chatterton) Greenland???? CH
- 1520 COLOMBIA HJLQ R. Minuto; this in very strong by itself, no sign of WKBW at 0135 12/19. (Hayes)
- 1521 UNID with WKBW off air, 0602 12/18 a man talking here, weak to 0610 when began with segued mx lasting at least 15 minutes. Had several pips at 0615. Am leaning to Czech by sound of language, mx style, and fact cx were so poor that a real low power signal wouldn't have made it. But this is not a counted logging-I don't keep logs-just tapes and records of prop cx so don't jump on me. (Foxworth) But then again I could jump on you for something else. Not my style however as you well know-CH AUSTRALIA 4QD Emerald 11/25 1335 female singer, cl mx. (Vernon)
- 1548 COLONEDIA Barranquills ID'ed here with weak CBE 0231 12/22 with "Portena" heard. Fair signal, and was on channel so apparently Kowatski's logging in 12/22 DXN on lcw side has been fixed. 1550 This was a weird opening, definitely favored not the Caribbean but rather HJ and TI explaining why most signals hrd after 0200. In addition an HJ on 1170 and 1190 notable, plus definite ID's for Radio Bahia 1420 listed in Cartagena 0238, Radip Frincipe 1580 weak under CBJ with American rock mx. Also Sutatenza 700 and 810 potent. (Foxworth) Briefly good through WPTR slop; several LV Portena ID's and RCN ID's as well as Barranquilla mentions 0635 12/21. (Connelly) W/RCN, Portena mentions 0717 12/24. (Yocis)
- CAYMAN ISLANDS very good w/WQXR splash, EZL mx 0402 12/14. (Yocis) 1555 SOUTH KOREA HIDA Jeju 11/27 probable stn w/monster signal in RR sounding lingo, 1530 seemed to ID as Radio Cirra-baski, mix of talk and mx followed. (Vernon)
- COLOMBIA HJQZ Barranquilla to fair peaks w/SS talk by man and 1580 woman including time check, high-pitched chimes, Radio Principe ID; this followed by MoR SS mx 0645 12/21. (Connelly) ID 0709 12/21, EST TC by man and repeated by woman, Christmas annots, into non-descript LA mx then faded. Nice at listed 1000 watts, HJ #40. (Yocis)
- WEST GERMANY Langrnberg fair to good w/man in GG but fluttering 1593 wildly, indicating disturbed prop cx 0602 12/21. (Connelly) Assumed the one w/GG and pop vocal tunes including "Feeling Groovy" in EE. Very strong w/SW type of rapid sidtortion. Numerous other highbanders in from 0400 to 0500 12/19. (Hayes)

Thanks Ken Chatterton (Mannsville NY), Mark Connelly (Billerica, Ma.) Bob Foxworth (Mineola, NY), Charles George (Dallas Texas), Harry Hayes (somewhere in Pa.), Chuck Hutton, Paul Mount (Teaneck, NJ), Brian Vernon (Elsa, Yukon Terror), Dave Yocis (Fairfield, Ct.)

MUSINGS

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12/20/80

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THE FIRST 12 MUSINGS IN THIS ISSUE WOULD HAVE APPEARED IN LAST WEEK'S DX NEWS HAD YOUR EDITOR HAD MORE TIME TO TYPE THEM UP. THOSE THAT DID APPEAR WERE CHOSEN AT RANDOM. A FEW, OTHER THAN THOSE AND THESE FIRST 12, WERE HELD OVER BECAUSE THEY WERE SINGLE-SPACED, AND WILL APPEAR AMONG THE ONES RECEIVED THIS WEEK - NOT ISOLATED, SO AS NOT TO EMBARASS THOSE WHO SENT IN THE SINGLE-SPACERS.

CARL'S HAVING TROUBLE GETTING STARTED

CARL W. DABELSTEIN - 8209 West 78 Street - Oferland Park, KS - 66204

I thought I'd get a Musing in before the year runs out. Not a whole lot of time to DX thus far in the season. I've spent a lot of overtime hours at work on rate cases & also took two courses in connection with my Masters work. First new catch of the season was the TEST from KLRR-1230, on 9/13. WMPS-680 Memphis was heard topping semi-local KFEQ on 10/28 @ 8:50. 11/18 brought s/on of WCLB-1220 Camilla, GA @ 7. WBUL-1220 Birmingham heard s/on on 11/21 @ 7. Two new calls are on the air here locally; KEWI-1440 in Topeka is now KSKX w/c/w format. On ll/20 ex-KFIX-1140 in Liberty became KLDY. They signed on that first day with "The Fix is Fixed! This is K-Oldie, KLDY." They run as a format music of the 50's & 60's. The only veries to trickle in have been v/l's from KLRR & KLDY. Total is now at 2,062. 1 had a nice time at the GTG put on by ERNIE WESOLOWSKI in Omaha a few weeks back. Nice to meet fellow NRCers JOHN SAMPSON & DAVE MARGRITZ for the first time. Last night (12/13) I drove over to Warrensburg to go to a BKB game at Central Mo. State with ex-NRCer Bruce Reynolds who's back from Thailand for a couple of months while his father recuperates from heart surgery. He passes on his regards to his NRC friends. It has been kind of interesting to see the various bandscans appearing in the last several bulletins. I checked the daytime dial here very thoroughly last Spring when I made a cassette tape of it for a fellow member. In so doing, 1 added two new stations that had signed on the air during the last year or so & wasn't aware they covered this location. Well, nothing else for now, so good DX & Happy New Year!

SPECIAL REQUEST - NEWS & MUSE

TERRY A. KLASEK - 9720 Vickie Place - St. Louis, MO - 63136 No Phone - sorry! Here it is almost Christmas, & I am starting my second year with the NRC. I would like to thank the LPC for the excellent bulletins, and keeping the Club going on an even keel. I feel that all members should voice the same accolade in their Musings, or by writing the LPC. Also there are some very great and generous members in the NRC that I will renew my memberships for a very long time to come. One in particular is GREG MONTI of Silver Springs, MD. He sent me two issues of DX NEWS that I mentioned in my last Muse that I needed for my collection. The thing is GREG stated there was NO charge for fellow DXers, & that he is glad to help. This is a rare quality that is not seen too often any more, and the issues were mailed to me via first class mail. I would like to thank GREG MONTI publicly for his kind and unselfish help, & he even refused my offer to reimburse him his postal expenses !! Greg, it is rare people like you who make the NATIONAL RADIO CLUB the best DX Club in the World. It seems that I need a few more issues to fill in the remaining holes in my collection. They are: Volume #47, #'s 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 14, & 29. Any help in providing me with these issues will be greatly appreciated. I again offer to refund postal expenses to any DXer who will supply me with any or all of these issues. 1 hope all NRCers have or have had a very Merry CHRISTman, and a HAPPY NEW YEAR. Good DX & 73's.

WHAT - NSP-ERS CONSERVE ENERGY?

ROBERT RUSH - 50 Pequot Road - Southampton, MA - 01073

Greetings to all of the members in the NRC1 The SSS has been something else at my location. Here is what I've logged recently: 12/7-WAPE @ 5:28pm & WOK © 5:33pm on 690; WCXL-1130 @ 4:14pm; WCJW-1140 @ 3:43pm. 12/14-WSVS-800 @ 4:45pm; CKCW-1220 @ 4:52pm; WESR-1330 @ 4:27; CKFH-1430 @ 5:52pm; un-ID NC station signing off mentioning 1,000w © 5:02pm & WOKI @ 5:44, both on 1550; WAGL-1560 @ 5:14pm. Finally, WKOL-1570 was heard signing off @ 4:29pm on 12/18. I wish more stations would s/off at SSS or midnight. The NSPers are destroying the AM DX hobby for us all. The government talks about conserving energy, yet the NSPers aren'tlisteningt DX must have been something else during the 1940's. That is it for DX around here. I hope everyone tad a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. 1981 should bring us lots of AM DX and veries.

ANOTHER FINE GROUP OF MUSINGS! THANK YOU, MEMBERS! LET'S KEEP IT UP!

WYNX-2550 IS NOW FULLTIME - YEP - AN, TOO

KARL V. JETER - 3590-C Clubhouse Circle East - Decatur, GA - 30032

I hope everyone has a safe, healthy, and DX-productive holiday this year! I'll be having two four-day weekends - one for Christmas, one for New Year's, so hopefully some dial-time will be found. Now, on to most recent dial-time: 12/9 AM. I heard WOKX-1590 briefly @ 6:34am w/NX, then I realized this was old WNOS I already had. 12/8- WQSN-1450 in steady, L&C w/"Mx of Your Life" (MYL -ERC) format 2:50-3am. Nothing noted from WHFB-1060-TEST in several checks of the frequency that AM. 12/6, an interesting morn, w/TWO Wichita Falls stations logged: KNIN-990 first heard, 7:03 w/c/w, WX & ads, so just for the heck-of-it, I tuned down to 620, only to find KWFT-620 food w/farm programming, mucho cattle-auction ads, farm prices, etc., 7:25. Reports sent to both. Back on MM 12/8, again, the watch-a-grown-man-cry dep't: In utter horror, I discovered local WYNX-1550 ANing w/REL mx &"Mx to Dawn" program - ugh! Fortunately, they're way across town, so when nulled, the channel is semi-usable. Before that, on 12/4, on 12/4, WHEC-1550 heard @ 7am (before WINX s/on that morn) w/EE ID, then into SS NX to 7:04 tune-out. Still need 'em for a verie. Casually flipping on the TRF 12/2 before leaving for work brought WTAI-1560 for a newie, w/NX "Country T" ID, 7:09am. And finally the Twelfth Month began w/a biggie, when on 12/1, CKNS-930 bagged 3:40-3:58am w/many ads, light rr mx, F DJ; this w/mucho WGNT/WPAT QRM. I am still after WPAT for a report as well. Verie Dep't: A few trickled in since the last writing: WBGR-1440 & WAZS-980 v/ls, KSUD-730 note on CM (and arrived in a KLCN-910 envelope!); nice v/l from KGUL-1560 for hold-out on Hurricane Allen emergency broadcast, I heard back in August. Latest totals in this shack are 1,413 heard, 987 veried - I wish I could hit 1,000 by year's end, but with the poor returns of late, it is doubtful. That's all from here, except to say I'm very sad at the passing of John Lennon. Give Peace a chance, and 73's. Merry Christmas!

TOM'S DIAL HAS BEEN BUSY

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12/10

Well, the old cat's whisker has again scratched the surface for a few new catches, but before I forget -- HAIL TO THE REDSKINS! To San Diego I can only say one thing, but ERC would censor it. 12/5- 5:29pm WCRA-1990 IL into s/off, no SSB. 12/6- 1:18am, WBIG-1470 NC with H.S. FB; 7:02am, WICO-1320 MD w/CWM; 5:30pm WMCL-1060 IL s/off. On 12/7 4:37pm thru 5:29, WAMB-1170 TN nice big band stuff; 5:30pm unID FF version of Oh Canada, per chance CFIX? (Yep; that's their Dec. s/off time, believe it or not -ERC) On 12/8 no sign of the MHFB thing, had an unID on 1060 about 1am into Dixieland - Tiger Ray; 2:01em on 560 saw WOOF doing his thing; 3:09am someone playing w/OC on 1500, not WLQV with their "Love Radio" as we wrap up 12/8 with WONS-730 NC be-ing signed off by their program director © 5:15. 12/9 brought in WOW-590 NE © 12:20am, first time in ages; 1am on 690 it was KGGF, KS, w/WX, 2:11 910, unID FF w/NX of John Lennon, possibly CFLS, PA. 4:57pm, found WSPF-1000 NC, IDing as AM 1000. 5:19, it was WVOV-1000, AL, car dealer & safe driving promo; winding up 12/9 with WGSL-1280 LA @ 10:08pm local WX, into phone-in thingie. I noted local super-pest WPGC @ 6:53am in RS with greatly reduced power. I didn't know he had a PSA?? Normally he wipes out 1510 thru 1600 at this location. Lots of wailing & gnashing of teeth now over the Lennon thing, but the only thing that will happen will find dentists getting a lot of business because of all the gnashing of teeth. My Ind. BBall a while back referred to Indiana Wintertime BBall as opposed to Summertime BBall. In the Winter they dribble a lot, in the Summer they run a lot. Hope that clears that up. Let's all resolve in the coming New Year not to look down our noses at someone else because they don't share our taste in music, or someone else would rather tape than QSL, or would simply prefer to log. Be kind to each other - we are all we've got. The FCC's ideas on doing away with log keeping, unlimited commercial time and their 9 kc/s thingie will destroy this hobby soon enough as it is. As usual, take care, and God Bless.

LOVES OUR NEW NIGHT PATTERN BOOK J. E. LEWIS - 1934 East 52 Street - #16 - Tulsa, OK - 74105

Greetings to fellow members. First, I would like to thank and congratulate all those who assited on the new Night Pattern Book. This must have required much work & is an outstanding publication. My Sony Super-sensitive was stolen over Labor Day so I have missed much good DXing this Fall. However, last Sunday I bought a GE Superadio &I just have to say it is the finest set I've ever seen. The Monday after I received my Night Pattern book (worth the wait since I joined in March) & got right to work with the following results 12/8- 8:09pm, WABB Mobile, AL w/a nice SID (many of the following IDed after every record), 8:32 WOC Davenport, IA, deduced this from NX headlines w/mention of Iowa, pretty weak w/some splatter from KELO Tulsa-1430, 8:45 KIMN Denver, strong w/ID; 8:36 WSAI Cincinnati ID w/c/w mx; 8:56 KARN Little Rock w/another ID; 9pm, KFYR Shenendoah IA w/ID. Next night12/9 @ 8:34pm WMAZ Macon GA w/ID & Beatles mx. I phoned the female DJ there & she was quite surprised to have anyone this far West listening since their pattern is ESE. 9pm I got KNX Los Angeles w/ID & CBS promo; 9:05 WGSO New Orleans w/mention of "WGSO NXtime..." 9:12 WGFB Evansville IN; 9:12 WING Dayton OH ID; & 9:24pm KSO Des Moines "24 hours a day ... ". That's all for now and have a nice holiday. 73.

UNUSUAL WINTERTIME DX POSSIBILITIES

BOB FOXWORTH - GPO Box A-866 - New York, NY - 10116 Mailed 12/14 Last Winter I Mused about the unique mid-Winter phenonemon, at the solstice, when the far-Southerly sun allows a darkness path from Nova Scot. at sunset to extend right over the North Pole, the Yakut region of Siberia, Manchuria, the Western Philippines, central Indonesia & into Western Australia, where it is nearly sunrise time. This path was worked on 1800 kHz by amateurs in the late afternoon here & represents an exciting DX possibility for enterprising NS-based DXers with Northerly pointing Beverage antennas. Another intriguing possibility exists between the far Northwest area of the U.S., OR & WA & BC working into Europe at around 11am or noon EST. At the Winter Solstice, the sun just rises in the Pacific NW as it is setting in Europe. (The sun is directly overhead in Paraguay at this moment). Amateurs on the 3775 kHz band are working this path, Seattle etc. & as far S as CA into Germany, Yugoslavia, etc. & are calling it "long-path" although the evidence points to a short-path hop just running along the sunset terminator, over Keewatin NWT, Baffin Island & Southern Greenland. It should be possible for DXers in Seattle to hear some Europeans during good CX, at least others beside Murmansk, in this mode. Un-fortunately the reciprocal bearing for this path points/the cook Islands area & very close to New Zealand, so again, unidirectional Beverage wave antennas Would seem to be desirable here. Loops may not have enough gain to yield readable audio & would be of little use in resolving DF ambiguities. Experiments with a free-standing globe in a base with a 50% rim that can represent the sunset terminator can show other interesting path possibilities at the extremes of sunlight illumination. A well known phenomena to CALSW DXers who tune 5 mHz (where like BCB, paths are totally dependent on darkness) is the over-the-pole opening in Winter from the West Coast at sunrise into the Ethiopia-Aden-Somalia area. Though some, here, call it "long-path" it is indeed again a short path hop over the North Pole. Conversely, experiments with Summer sunlight illumination on a globe show dramatically how WC DXers are able to hear Chileans on clear frequencies in July (as discovered by LARRY GODWIN in the '60's) at times just before sunrise. On June 21, when the sun is directly overhead in SW Libya & Eastern Algeria, the sunrise line extends from central Argentina through central Peru, Ecuador, Costa Rica, touching the Yucatan, through Houston, Western Nebraska, up thru Alberta & into Alaska where it then grazes the Arctic Circle. One hour later, at LSR in Santiago, it is also LSR in Albuquerque, Salt Lake City & N. Idaho - with all DX to the E having faded out, including most Mexicans & all SA above mid-Argentina. An interesting thought at mid-Summer LSS in NY occurs as a darkness path already, then, extends as far SW as Easter Island! However, efforts to log the 3kw beacon there on 280 kHz have failed so far, despite the absence of skip QRM from Westerly points in the U.S. In June & July the New Zealanders should fade in as early as 1am or so EDT, given good propagation. More work needs to be done in exploiting these extreme propagation

MORE ON DR. BRINKLEY & DR. BAKER

modes. 73.

G. A. NITSHE Jr. - Providence Farm 1783 - Monroeville, NJ - 08343 12/14/80 Here is a continuation of my recent Muse - a few corrections are in order. Dr. John R. Brinkley's station KFKB was in Milford, KS on 1050 kc/s., 5,000w. When he was put off the air in late 1930 he began broadcasting from a Mexican border station XER (not XERF as I previously stated) on 840 kc/s. Soon this became XERA. It had a sister station, XEAW-960 and he utilized this also. Another quack was Norman Baker of Muscatine, IA who had KTNT. He was an ex-vaudeville actor who published an off-color magazine, The Naked Truth, sold farm supplies, manufactured the Calliophone, a small air-driven (not steam) calliope, and amongst many other things, a salve for removing knots from horse's legs! The latter was developed into a cancer cure. I used to get KTNT on my two tube Radiola III & wrote him & of course got much advertisement mail in return. He & Brinkley both were taken off the air by the old Federal Radio Conmission at the same time. Baker built his own station, XENT, across the Rio Grande from Laredo, TX. I remember when he was soliciting \$20 loans to help in his great "work". XENT was powerful - 100,000 or more watts, & used to shift off its frequency and blast other stations off the air. I don't know what became of Baker, but Brinkley died May 26, 1942, age 56, from a heart attack, a withered and beaten "old man".

EVAN'S BUYING A NEW REALISTIC TRF

EVAN RUDOWSKI - 257-43 149 Hoad - Rosedale, NY - 11422

Hi people! Things are looking up since my last Musing - I am no longer an unemployed teenager - I got a job at a local supermarket pushing carts, a not-so-intellectual job but as long as there's cash in my pocket it suits me fine, especially now that I can afford a TRF which I'll get this weekend. I also learned how to double-space, hi. Not ruch DX to report off of my soon-to-be junked portable, except a possible WAOA-1390 on 11/31 (?? -ERC) at about 7:50pm EST - not much reportable info. Also Dec. 10 on 990, a station in SS - possibly from Colombia as it was NX with constant mention of "Bogota." Lots of echo effect voices, too. A tip for the 1981 baseball season (only four months until Spring Training in March), the unbeatable Yanks jumped from all-NX WINS 1010 to WABC 770 during the off-season. WABC, since falling from #1 in the nation, seems to be varying its format. Until Muse #3, good DX & Happy New

FINDS A NEW ENGLAND OPENING

GERALD H. BARKOW - 29 Sedgefield Drive - Morris Plains, NJ - 07950 Dec. 10

DX since last report ... 11/27- WBLR-1430 on a PoP test 4:50-5:25am plus TT/mx/OC. 11/24, the WAYC- 1600-TEST 12:05-12:30am destroying WWRI: WGIG-1440 ET/TT/OC 1:05-1:25am. 11/26- Good opening to the South w/many V! & NC stations being heard as early as 4pm, but only one newie logged in WELK -1400 on top of the GY mess w/a clear ID @ 4:55pm. 11/29, apparent ET on 990 w/EZL mx way o/WZZD 1:10-1:27 when carrier was cut with no IDs, probably WLKW? 12/3, an unusually strong opening to the E & NE with many L.I. & New England stations dominating and stations to the West very weak or not heard. It was almost as if someone had erected a barrier to the West of me. Even powerhouse WKBW was weak. 1250 was being dominated by WARE with rarely heard WKBR beneath them @ 8pm. Uusually WTAE tops 1250 here with WDVA & WARE fighting it out for second. But, on this night WTAE was barely audible & WDVA was not heard at all. Seldom-heard WTSN-1270 in the clear with an exceptionally strong signal @ 8:20 pm, WGBB-1240 was atop the GY pile all night with a tentative WOCB ID @ 9pm. 12/6- Unn KOA-850 @ 2:10am, WNDE-1260 with "The New Win-Dee" ID's 2:30-2:50am, WKBW was noted off this AM. 12/7- Two Okla. stations logged in the same AM -WKBW-1520 off again (I sure hope this trend continues) @ 2:30am w/KOMA in the clear w/c/w mx, then KV00-1170 @ 3am during WWVA's usual SM SP...Lots of reports out but only a few veries have trickled in. A nice v/l, CM, & station profile from WBLR-1430. They said their farthest reception report was from New Zealand. V/1 & rate card from WGIG-1440 signed by CE who is an avid DXer & an IRCA member. A tentative report to WTKC-1300 came back with a long reply saying that it was not they. They program c/w mx on a 24-hour sked with no SP. They direct their 1,000w nighttime power to the SE. A report to WHK-1420 per the address in the NRC Log was returned by the P.O. as no known address. Did WHK sink into Lake Erie? Best of DX to all. 73's. (No but the P.O. did, hi-ERC)

HARRISON'S MOVED FROM SARATOGA SPRINGS

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It is time for me to come out of hiding for another Muse! But actually, I have moved from Saratoga Springs to Amsterdam, so I have been busy, hi! I must start a new log for this location, & things are very different over here! For one thing, the river valley conducts everything from Syracuse to Troy in almost at local strength (certain exceptions, of course). Also living within 1 mile of W-Community-Service-Station-1490, is a pain for DXing on 1480 & 1500 during daylight hours, Of course they s/off @ 10pm, leaving us w/only pest WGY as a master-blaster. WKOL is located across the river, & WQXR is noteal problem during the day. The night situation is very different, with many changes in regional dominators. WNDE-1260 "The New Windy" was a real exciter, but now has become a regular pest. They are in here as if they were 100 miles away: & heard John Lennon's death announcement while logging them first time. Is anyone looking for that irritating 80cps hetrodyne on 580? Well, it is a c/w station, CKAP, w/1,000w sounding like 10,000! I called Ron Goodwin at the station, & he says thanks, will get the CE right on it; he was unaware of the problem. And, u/WHN/CHUM, I heard a station which plays rr & Soul mx, then asks: "Have a problem? No problem is too big or too difficult for Dr. Cross." Then it urged us to call an area code 213 number, or else write to a L.A. address. This one was elusive, but finally surfaced as "XEG Radio, w/100,000w of power." Anyone know where? WQXR does seem to have gone AN, so good-bye to the faint mid-Westerns I used to hear on 1560 after the s/off. I guess I'll never ID the one which s/off @ 3am w/SSB played by a flute (sniff sniff) - (Sounds like WPAD to me -ERC) On 1580 I have heard WCLS & KLOU, but never KDAY: am I doing something wrong? How come you all hear something I don't, hi. WHLO is now noted at all kinds of times..this must mean KFI will be much harder now. I think we should get the FCC to require at least one night of silence per week for every staton., one clear SID every ten minutes on the Larry King Show, & a rollback to 100% modulation. Is anybody with me? And we really should have the FCC put an end to short-hand IDs like 13Q or 13-FEA, the latter being on X1370. Next time, some sort of bandscan from here. If anyone else uses merely a modified pocker radio for their hobby, I'd like to hear about it. FLASH: Cobleskill NY has been approved for a daytimer, 1,000w, on 1190. The station should be on the air by 5/811 Goodbye daytime reception of WLIB & all that good Caribbean mx.

STAN'S COMING BACK INTO THE DX SWIM

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WPKX verie in. WTNY, ex-WWNY copied at SSS 11/29, 5:17pm. MM 12/ 15- CIHI on AN, u/needed WNDE, with "Contact", + WNDR & c/w. WGSD ID @ 3, too much French. WCKY AN, ugh. RCN AN on 1550. WERE, WBEN, & WTRY all with Larry King this MM. Netherlands Antilles-1500 U.S. c/w & Dutch girl announcer. WXRF © 5am on 1590, mention of Guaynabo & Cayey. WOKO is sold again, soul didn't sell evidently, & only \$575,000. WTOW-WGOR-WZIP all sold by Gore Broadcasting to Jaco Broadcasting - no doubt WGOR will change call again. I missed WTUU but got WTTO WANR & WGOR. No new DX but I noted WRJZ @ 5:45pm, looking for WACZ. One'new AM granted, Arlington, TN, 1220, 1,000D. Last week WMS0 granted move to 1220. For clears now, Pueblo, CO on 650, 5 D, 1 N; Chicago, 1200, 5 D, 1 N.

AGAIN, MY APOLOGIES TO THE FORE-GOING 12 WHOSE MUSINGS WERE HELD OVER A WEEK-ERC.

FRED'S INTO HIS FOURTPENTE NRC (TAR 7945 Boxford Road - Clay, NY - 13041 Dec. 21, 1980 It's time to report in for a Musing, having renewed my NRC membership this month (Dec.) for the 14th year. My BCB log totals are now up to 684 heard from the Syracuse area; after having logged stations in the past from the following locations: hometown Rochester, NY, 539 ('58-'63); Siloam Springs, AR - 519 (John Brown U.) ('60-'64); Tulsa, OK-503 ('64-'66); drafted -El Paso, TX-159 ('67); While Sands Missile Range, NK-579 ('67-'68); before moving to Syracuse NY to work for G.E. in '68. Several new stations have been logged in the last few weeks. They were: 12/7- CFMB-1410 Kontreal EE-ID-NX © 12:01aa. 11/13- MANC-1370 Roaring Spring PA s/off, ID 4:45pm; WHEG-1360 Harrisonburg, VA 4:55pm; CFLP-1000 Rimouski, PQ 5:07pm; CEZ-970 Fredericton NB 6:17 pm; St. Kitts-825 Basse Terre REL EE 6:24pm. 12/18- W. Germany-1593 re log in GG w/30/S-9 fading signal; carriers noted on 1584, 1602, 1575, 1566, 1557, 1548 1539, 1521 & 1475 - most likely TA's with the same fading signal characteristics as 1593. 12/20- Band was almost dead at 5:45pm w/AU-like CX; WONW-1280 Defiance OH ID c/w © 10:03pm. Good luck in the New Year at the dials! Equipment: RX SX-110 Hallicrafters, TRF, 2' loop (alta-zimuth), 100' LW. 73.

COMPARES HIS HQ-180A & HQ-150

DALLAS LANKFORD - 3505 Evelyn Circle - Ruston, LA - 71270 -Dec. 30, 1980

Last night while I was tuning around the BCB more or less simultaneously on my HQ-150 & HQ-180A, I became curious if there is any difference in hearing power between these two classic Hammarlund receivers on the BCB. The HQ150 was fed by a 100' LW & the HQ180A by a homebrew loop (the front end of a Radio Shack TRF). It was not a very good night for splits, but the poor to fair LAs on 575, 655, 775, 834, 1025, 1125, 1205 & 1525 provided excellent test conditions for comparing sensitivities, selectivities & dynamic ranges of the two RXes. No IDs were tried for, though I heard a R. Cayman ID on goth RX-es while comparing them on 1205 kHz. Various bandwidths & selectivity options were tried with each RX on each of the above splits until I determined subjectively the clearest listening settings. For example, on 834 (R. Belize) the clearest signal on both was obtained in the widest selectivity positions with the 4 khz het nulled by the slot filter of the HQ180A & by the Q-multiplier of the HQ150. On other splits, narrower selectivity positions were generally used. As far as my ears could determine, there is virtually no difference in hearing power between the two RXes. In both cases, signals faded into the noise-EFpollution simultaneously and reappeared simultaneously. And in both cases, signal clarity was about the same. The HQ180A seems to be a hotter RX - the garbage between the 10 khz U.S. channels is stronger than on the HQ150. But unless you like to DX slop, the greater HQ180A sensitivity will not provide you with any signals not equally audible on the HQ150. In fact, there is something to be said for the seemingly lower gain of the HQ150 on the BCB. 1 live within a mile of local KRUS-1490 which causes my HQ180A to overload badly between 1460 & 1510 khz. And with the HQ-150/loop, fair reception is possible on 1480 & 1500, (a feat not possible on the HQ180A/loop). It may be that a loop with higher gain could occasionally be useful with the HQ150, but around 1:15am 12/20 I got a very clear reception of Dakar-765 w/the HQ-150/loop. Programming was the usual low-key AA male voice chanting, presumably, morning prayers. What more can I say? Best DX to all for the New Year.

DAVE TRIES HARDER!

DAVE SCHMIDT - 42 Chelwynne Road - Castle Hills - New Castle, DE - 19720 12/19 This one should be a shortie, but that's better than nothing, right? To DX (heard/reported): 11/17- WINN-1240 2:21-2:39am w/c/w mx, popping atop the din nicely at times. 12/5- WCII-1080 1:18-1:34am, loud w/c/w mx and doing a job on WTIC, heard about four nights in a row, then gone, maybe some antenna problems? 12/15- WAWA-1590 1:25-1:38 on their DX TEST, nicely atop when on w/soul mx & IDs. I got word WSWW was also ETing at the same time w/TT but it went unID although the tones were noted. That evening, WAIK-1590 5:19-5:30pm w/MoR, ABC SX, then s/off, in a rare Sunset session for me. One lone verie, a v/1 from WINN-1240, which is #1,039. I can appreciate GEORGE SHERMAN's comments in his 12/15 Muse. 1 too can remember the days when KXLF-1370, KGA-1510, KDON/ KEN0-1460, KWIZ-1480, KXLY-920 were regulars before their s/offs on MMs. Remember the MMs when everyone was complaining about the ETs from KTYM-1460 with their EZL mx? In 1966, I believe, my first RX was a car radio w/a homebrew power supply! That brought in about 400 verified catches for me. I got a used HQ-180 in 1968 & caught KORL-650, which was the highlight of the time for me (still is, hi!) I still enjoy listening. Sure, there are a lot more ANers & NSPers but there is still a lot to be heard, you just have to be there at the right time and try a little harder. All the rest of my notes have gone into DDXD. Many stations in the East run PoP TESTs in the months of Jan-April so when you hear the various pitched tones coming from all over the dial, stick with one and you might have someone who usually doesn't run after midnight or have an f/c. I'll be doing at least three in this area this year (WILM, WNRK, WCHE.) That's about it, so 73's! (Clue us in on those dates, David! -ERC)

ARE YOU ENJOYING YOUR DX? WHY NOT TELL US ALL ABOUT IT IN A MUSING SOON?

EARRY J. HAYES - 9 Henry Street - Wilkes-Barre, PA - 18702 EST I am saddened by the death of JOE BRAUNER. Joe & I have been good pen Pals in the early 70's but lately we got away from writing each other. I knew Joe only by letter, but through that medium we talked about our common interests of DXing, photography & hiking. He will be missed. In this month of December I sort of got away from DXing a little bit. Time was spent mainly on art work & a few sessions at trying my out-of-practice hand at international DXing. I even have been doing some SW listening, trying to train my ear for the sound of European signals. This effort has been rewarded by one of those strange SW type openings.in the upper BCB range in the late evening of 12/18. At 11:15pm I was dialing around on my Zenith-Trans-Oceanic & I came across WDR-1593, easily seperable on that RX. 1 quickly fired up my HQ-180 & enjoyed about 45 minutes of excellent reception from West Germany. This is the first time that this station was heard on their new frequency. Mx was popular vocals w/typical SW-type rapid fading. Numerous other signals were noted in the upper band at this time including a strong one on 1503.1, I didn't note tha language. Also someone was doing a number on WKBW on 1521. Strangely no Monte Carlo was noted all during this time. Other DX during December: 12/5- WLET-1420 GA s/ off, anthem @ 5:29pm. 12/7- 4:25pm WGWY-1390 Charlotte, MI very strong for a new one w/ID & mention of Jackson & Lansing in ads. I tried for needed WKAR-870 @ 4:30 & got them w/NPR programming & $\overline{I}D$ at that time w/nice signal. Although these were in early luck wasn'twith me at MI s/off time. I tried for Benton Harbor on 1060 but once again was unsuccessful. 1060 is not my channel. 12/10- UnIDs were noted on 735 & 745. The 735 w/SS talk, the 745sounded only like a carrier. I did not note times on these, however it was early evening. 12/19- Up in Gouldsboro tonight & I noted HJLQ-1520 R. Minuto hogging the chanhel to itself, no WKBW heard, this at 9:40pm. The static then started so I knocked off for the night. Farewell for now.

A C.P.C. SUGGESTION

PETER HUNN - 649 South Henderson Road - D-524 - King of Prussia, PA - 29406 Here's a suggestion for you folks who are thinking of arranging a CPC TEST with a localized, small power radio station. Take on the role of public relations person & indicate to the station's GM (the one person who is painfully aware of his station's small coverage area) that you'd like to prepare a brief PRESS RELEASE detailing the results of the (proposed) TEST. Many small newspapers & "shoppers' guides" will welcome a bit of "ready-to-go" copy! When the story deals with something of local interest (such as the area's own broadcast station) the item is sure to be printed. Once the article (no matter how brief) hits the pages of the paper, it confers status on the radio station, and may serve to quiet any of the standard "flea-powered" or "peanut-whistle" jokes about the mentioned broadcast facility. In other words everybody is happy because the story is of a positive nature & speaks of one's town being recognized by someone far away. The NRC looks good too! The following may be used as a model for anyone who so desires to give this idea a try: <u>WNBZ</u> in <u>Sar-</u> ac Lake , a station that enjoys serving listeners in the Adirondack area, recently discovered a distant audience as well. During a routine overnight technical adjustment broadcast, the station was heard by "DXers", or long-distance radio reception enthusiasts, as far away as <u>Ohio</u>. One <u>PA</u> EXer who received <u>WNEZ</u>, said: <u>it was coming in rather well</u>. <u>WNBZ</u> is an AM station at <u>1240</u> on the dial. A successful implementation of this plan can only serve to make the station management grateful to the NRC member who arranged the TEST.

REMEMBERS WHEN WLW USED 500 KW

AL EDWARDS (no address given) (KALAHEO, HAWAII-HQ) Dec. 18, 1980 To feed my CR88, I changed the 40" square solenoid loop to a 48" spiral loop (DX NEWS Nov. 24). There are much deeper nulls (25-30db) on looal stations & the directivity is better on DX. In the evening, I've been picking up a Mexican on 1430 - judging by the signal strength it must be 10kw or more. "Obregon" mentioned - could it be XEOX w/a power increase? It's in & out with KARM. Transworld Radio-800 is excellent here from 0300 GMT (12 hours before SSS) until s/off @ 05 15 GMT (1915 LT). On MM @ 3 LT, during one of KGU's rare times off the wir, I IDed XEABC-760. Also KYRY-1500 when KUMU was off once. I finally IDed XEG-1050 u/KPOI-1040 slop. Before SSS 1 also IDed KPOD 1240, probably before they went to night power. On Dec. 15, a new W. Samoa on 1521 was noted, no EE used. It carries same program as 1404 but has four times the signal of 1404. 1062 is no longer heard - wonder if 1251 replaces 1062? Measured signal strength here is 40 uv. I've been trying to 1D one or more on 620, 660, 700. 750. 890. 950. 1340. 1450, 1490. I'd like to fill in the following but it's hopeless because of local NSFs: 550, 590, 650, 830, 940, 970, 1040, 1080, 1270, 1490. 1 never hear any Alaskas here, I wonder why? Others report them but nothing here. I'd like to log WLW - the first station I ever heard as a kid - first on a crystal set & then a Crosley, a line my father sold. I remember the time when WLW was testing w/500kw in the 30's - people in the Mason area didn't have to turn on their lights - the XR did it for them. Of course, the modulation was hard on the eyes. I recall seeing the station then - the final console

(Al Edwards, con'd.) contained two five-foot high, 50 kw copper-jacketed watercooled tubes. I agree with GEORGE SHERMAN and GENE MARTIN (Dec. 15 issue) in their Musings--too many unnecessary stations & too much over-modulation. We sure could take lessons from some other countries the way we have in some other countries the way we have in some other fields. The FCC has really botched 'everything--apparently they give in to everybody on technical matters. One consolation--things will get worse before they get better. 73's.

A HARD WORK SKED FACES SIDNEY_

12/21/80 SIDNEY E. MARSHALL - 7224 Pam Drive - Millington, TN - 38053 DX continues to be great here with several unusual openings well before sundown at my location. I was quite surprised to have WBT-1110, NC, in like a local, for almost 30 minutes, at 3:50pm on 12/17. That's almost two hours before sunset here. Looking at my work sked for the next four weeks after Christmas it looks like DXing may have to take a back seat & therefore Musings from me may be scarce during this period! New ones heard during the past week are as follows: On 12/15 @ 8:07pm KRUS-1490, LA in w/ID, spot for muffler shop in Ruston, & mx before being covered. This is GYer #67. Then on 12/17 KEXS-1090, MO, in very strong at 5:20pm for several minutes, with spot for food store, WX, ID, mx, & spots for fried chicken outlet and farm implement company. A few minutes later, on 1140, KNAB, CO, boomed in like a local at 5:52pm with spot for furniture store in Burlington, report on highways in Colorado, mx, ID, then into reading of letters to Santa Claus. Then on the morning of 12/18 another new one from Colorado as KHOW-630 came in @ 7:44am with spot for cffice equipment company, ID, WX & into mx. On 12/19 @ 6:20pm KIIZ-1050 TX, in with market report, spots for Western Auto and furniture store in Killeen, ID, & mx. They had a super signal for almost five minutes. Another SRS catch on 12/20 with WDLM-960 IL, in from 7:31am to 7:36 w/ID, NX, WX for surrounding area, & into GOS mx. With these newies my station total now stands at 865 heard. I will see you again when time permits, so till then, good DX.

MORRIS HAS A NEW POSITION IN AMARANTH_

MORRIS SORENSEN - 11-260 Furby Street - Winnipeg, MB - R3C 2A9 Dec. 19, 1980 On Dec. 15th. about a week after 1'd completed my Winnipeg daytime bandscan, I found myself out at the U. of Manitoba with a bit of time on my hands, so I decided to do some tuning on the HQ-180 in the UMDX Clubroom. Despite some problem with spurious signals from Winnipeg locals I managed to log a few daytime catches not noted at home. These included KMAV-1520 Mayville ND, KEHG-1480 Foston, MN, KKAQ-1460 Thief River Falls, MN, & KFNW-1170, Fargo, ND all apparently covered by TVI in my apartment. I might have heard others too if I'd have had more time. Otherwise the big news here is that I've accepted a teaching position at Amaranth Elementary School (on the West side of Lake Manitoba) commencing Jan. 5th, 1981. It will be a relief to settle down at a permanent location and have steady employment after months of travelling around looking for work. Meanwhile I'm off to Kirkland Lake to visit my parents over the Christmas holidays and hopefully a little snowmobiling and DXing I hope all the Club members have had (by the time they read this) an enjoyable holiday season. 73.

MIKE REAPS A HARVEST IN DECEMBER MIKE CSORBAY - R.R. #1 - Canfield, ON - NOA 1CO

Hello again everybody. As luck would have it, the last time I typed out a Muse & had it all sealed up ready to send to ERC, I turned on the DX machine & logged five new at sunset, my best sunset showing for about a year! Here goes: 11/28 was the day in question, & I logged CHRS-1090 PQ, WYTL-1490 WI, WQBX-710 VA (#650), WAVL-910 PA & WBRJ-910 OH. 11/29 brought WGNT-930 WV © SSS, & a pleasant surprise, KGLC-910 OK, w/unbelievable signal for a 1kw. Ten minute reception report sent. That was it until 12/6, which brought me WKKQ-1060 MN 3 4:37pm w/"Super-Q" ID, & another surprise, KSD-550 MO \odot 5:08 to 5:15pm w/local NX, report sent (pest WGR semi-nulled). 12/7 earned me another five newles, two from an AM session, which were WKVL- \sharp 550 TN from 1:17-1:20am w/M & F DJs IDing as "KVL" & the legal ID, & WHDH-850 MA wmention of NX, PSA, & mx by B Streisand 3 1:52am. WKBW-1520 noted off but too much WCKY-WLAC slop & rare silent spells produced KONA w/new c/w format. Then I logged WAKY-790 KY w/mx by ABEA C 4:49pm, & WTAB-1370 MC & WGOH-1370 KY w/s/offs following one another @ 5:25pm. 12/8 brought in WHFB-1060 Ml @ 4:19pm w/mx by Neil Diamond and ID @ 4:23pm, folo by WEET 1320 VA very good in pest CFGM semi-null w/c/w mx, ID as "Wheat" (phonetically), local ads & entertainment guide. 12/12's newies were logged at SSS & shortly thereafter, w/WKZO-590 MI appearing w/EZL mx at 4:13pm, folo by WDBC-680 MI very good in pesty CFTR null w/Popular Science spot & "Great Sound of the North, WDBC Escanaba" ID @ 5:55 till CBS NX @ 6. WKBR-1250 NH showed up o/CHWO @ 6:38-6:43pm w/many local ads & T-40 mx. The AM of 12/14 brought me WAJF-1490 AL, one of my most wanted stations, for GY #99. Interestingly enough, #100 GY showed up at SSS 12/14 on 1490 as well, being WPAK-VA w/ID by F after NFL scores & into NX @ 5pm. The last I've logged so far this month are WFIN-1330 OH w/local ads & T-40 mx, and my first daytimer on 1050, WPAG-MI, on 12/15. That's all, gotta scoot! Log at 670, even.

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Sorry 'bout my absense from Musings, etc. but I've been too busy lately even to DX, but with 16 (paid) days off for the holidays coming up, perhaps I can do something about it. Anyway, I've been forced to make a lastminute decision re my annual "Christmas in Latin America", so I'll be taking an extensive motor trip into Mexico, including Monterrey, Mazatlan, Guadalajara, Leon, Distrito Federal, Veracruz, Matamoros & everything en route between them. Early next year we should have a computerized "XE" list for NRC & an "XH" list for WTFDA, hi! DXer gear for the trip will be a Realistic "portavision" 16-100, AM-FM-5" TV the size of a photo-kit bag! And a possible "What-DJ's-moved where" list for IRCA, hi. All three bands are DX quality, it runs 25 hours on "D" alkalines, & it weighs only 3 kilos! It's reasonable at \$160 from Radio Shack. I saw MORT MEEHAN only last September at the NRC Convention; we were discussing RALEIGH BISS, another mutual friend who passed on a few years ago. And the beat goes on. 1962 does not seem that long ago to me; now my NRC membership is older than many of our members! Station profile: Radio Aeropuerto-1085. This small station is located at the entrance to the Tontontin International Airport in Camayaguela, Honduras, Tegucigalpa's twin neighbour just across a nearly dry river. The studio has no live mike, & the "DJ" just plays caetridges & LP's. He also runs pre-recorded flight announcements over the airport PA system, so the station really earns its name. The call sign is HRWCV, & station personnel don't necessarily know it offhand! Aeropuerto's tower is in Tegucigalpa, on higher ground. Think of these things the next time you listen on 1085 kHz. By the way, this and all Comayaguela stations are owned by Cuban refugees! 73.

HERE AREAWO MUSINGS FROM ANOTHER NEW MEMBER - WELCOME!

CHARLES J. BELZA - 9313 Monroe Avenue - Brookfield, IL - 60513 12/3/80 Well this is my first Muse, as I have just become a member. I am 33 years old & I have been into MW BCB DXing off & on for a long time. At one time in the late 60's I had about 100 stations and about 20 QSLs but, I lost them all in a flood. Now thanks to your Club I hope to get back into DXing again. I work nights from 3am to 11:30am so I have to do my listening during the day except I have Fri. & Sat. nights off. I really enjoy the Club magazine and all the articles and later I may contribute. The several radios that I use are: 1, a Star Roamer from Allied Radio, 2, an Allied Radio R-100A complete with a crystal calibrater & meter. 3, this was a bargain, a neighbor about four months ago sold me for \$15 a Hallicrafters S-76 communications radio and does it pull in with my 50' LW! If anyone out there knows anything about any of my radios, let me know, especially the S-76 and and other help would be welcomed. So before I take up too much space, time to say 73's and keep up the DXing. 12/20/80. (second report). I've only been a member since 11/80 so I thought that I would let you know something about me. I've just gotten back into BCB DXing after a lapse of about eight years thanks in part to NRC. I've not logged many stations as yet as I work nights and must log in the daytime. Any help on daytime receptions? The only time I have is at Fri. & Sat. nights when I am off. I have several radios as mentioned above. My 50' LW is N/S. Just two weeks ago I got a new receiver, a Hallicrafters S-76 for only \$15. It's been modified some, but it is a great radio. If anyone knows anything about these RXes & how they compare & receive & such & can give me any help in getting me going on my loggings esp. in my area please feel free to write to me. Until next time.

HOBBIES INTER-MINGLE

KONSTANTINE RYCHALSKY - Box 87 - Beacon Falls, CT - 06403

IX. Very saddened here by the news of former Beatle John Lennon's slaying. Up & down the AM/FM dials today 11/9 many many stations are paying tribute. I myself wasn't interested in DXing 'em. 1 would confess it wasn't until 1964 when the fab four hit the air waves that I first tuned up & down the AM band locking for a song. I recall WINS' Murray the K programs. It wasn't until 1967 that I was curious to one day log as many call letters as possible. I junked the idea due to the growing list. Ironic it was in 1970 when the Beatles broke up that I began DXing for SSLs. The two hobbies intersect through station promo items...such as 1964 WQAM-560 45rpm of Beatles' visit to Miami; 1964: 45rpm of station's "Beatlefish" jingle titled "Music City/KFWB Beatles"; 1969 45rpm of KYA-1260 John Lennon 'Peace' talk; & WMCA button during Paul McCartney's death hoax titled "Paul lives, WMCA swings". I would like to hear from anyone with similar items. Newest arrival was the 24 NRC Log. Only one word for it - X-CELLENT! As public affairs to the local squadron here for the Civil Air Patrol, USAF Auxiliary, a recent news item will be released to all CT AM stations plus a few NYC stations too! So you see it's being put to good use. Another example of two hobbies intersecting. This project along with the holidays has forced me to take a temporary shut-down of the "AM History Encyclopedia"! It will start up after the New Year at 1320 kHz. Also too, as an experiment I shall contact all 540 kHz stations for history requests. Latest QSL is a v/l from WMLB-1550 (ex-WEXT) for call change. I'm working on cleaning up 89 reports that never answered. DX: 12/6- At 4:45pm WSNG heard in Waterbury, CT (20 minutes N of here) but the signal no go here. So another DXpedition soon. Wishing all a fruitful Year and no lemons. 73s for '81.

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DICK'S LOGGING 'EM FROM ALL DIRECTIONS DICK TRUAX - 3003 Gleeson Lane - Louisville, KY - 40299

Greetings from theBluegrass once again. I hope everyone had a nice holiday break - I know ERC did as he went to Florida! DX has been a bit improved lately so on with the show. 11/29- KXVQ-1500 OK s/off @ 6:26pm all alone. Then on 11/30 KCGS-1600 AR w/lD & c/w mx @ 5:42pm; KCTO-1540 LA s/off @ 6:31pm o/unn KTIA s/off. 12/3- WSHY-1560 IL w/ID & c/w mx @ 5:32pm. 12/7-KGCG-1590 IK s/off @ 6:26pm. 12/14- WYFA-1580 NY on abruptly w/ID & Big Band mx @ 12:01am, then faded or went off by 12:05. Thanks to a tip from CRAIG HEALY who phoned in the WEJJ TEST for 12/29, I heard them on 12/15 @ 12:08am w/a code ID & again @ 12:20 with another CID. No other audio heard other than tones during that period. 12/17- KFMJ-1050 OK s/off @ 6:18pm. 12/19- Thanks to a tip from RICH LEVIN, I caught KRBC-1470 TX like a local w/ID & mx @ 7:47pm, they were still in like a rock three hours later. Quite AU CX tonight though not much else new logged or even noted. Present log totals 1130, 1 would like to break 1200 this season if possible. More as it happens.

WIBA-1310 TESTS THE LAST MONDAY

GARY HOUDEK - Munden, KS - 66959

It has been a long time since I last Mused. Back on May 5th at 6 am a station on 930 signed on and said it covers 20,000 square miles. With a weak signal, I thought I heard Virginia and N.C. No ID heard. Then on June 3rd KRGI-1430 Grand Island NE using full power during a tornado in their city @ 11:23pm. Recent DX includes: Oct. 10, CJOC-1220 Lethbridge AB 8:25-8:30am w/ c/w mx, nice signal. Oct. 27- 3:15-3:30am many IDs for WIBA-1310 Madison WI testing; will continue broadcasting at 5 am. Nov. 3 - WXOK-1460 Baton Rouge LA ID heard for the first time in much QRM @ 6:30pm. That same evening CFOR-1570 good signal @ 6:50pm. Nov. 13- CKDM Dauphin, MB 8:45-9pm w/a REL program, good signal. Nov. 24 with local KMBZ not heard CKRM-980 Regina SA came in @ 1:28am. The same morning CKY-580 Winnipeg was heard w/a weak signal when local station WIBW Topeks was off the air @ 1:47am. Dec. 2- WNDE-1260 Indianapolis 5:30am, very good signal. It sounded like a local station. My verie from WIBA-1310 informed me that most QSLs are from Northern Europe. Next is Canada & finally odds & ends from the U.S. The station tests the last Monday of every month with directional antenna & non-directional every 3-6 months, always between 1 & 4am. When I heard WIBA it was testing non-directional. Other veries include v/ls from WKBW-1520, WSLM-1220 Salem IN & KTRC-1400 Sante De NM test. That's all now.

> WANT TO BE ON WPTF-680'S DX SHOW? KA4DAP

BILL COLEMAN Jr. - 114 Circle Drive - Rocky Lount, NC - 27801(919-443-3551 I thought I'd send in a Muse to wish all (11pm-4am daily.

DXers everywhere in the world a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year! For those avid radio freaks, like myself, send a dollar bill off to Don Britton Enterprises, P.O Drawer G, Waikiki, Hawaii 96815 for some unusual plans, schematics catalog. In Catalog #81, just received, it offers plans to build a ten watt FM stereo XR, & a carrier-current AM XR, also plans to build your own studio, etc. It has lots of good plans in it, why not send a dollar for their catalog today? I'd like to remind DXers that the DX Program is still going on over WPTF-680, Raleigh, NC, 50,000 red-hot watts (directional to East mostly), tune in every Sunday night @ approximately 9:02pm EST. Mike Blackman, NXman at WPTF hosts the first few minutes of the show, & has had people like Bob Grove of Brasstown NC on it with a telephone interview about DXing. He also has had GRANT MANNING of Radio West. Then GLENN HAUSER with his World of DXing Show. Great stuff on each program, & I usually try and record it each Sunday, in case some of you would like a copy on cassette who can't receive WPTF. WPTF has an in-state-only Wats line if anyone would like to get in touch with Mike Blackman, newsman, and the number is 1-800-662-7979 (Only in North Cerolina). Best time to call is in the afternoon before 5pm EST. He'd like to have interviews with DXers anywhere. Tell him I sent you through this Musing. 73s, good DXing in 1981 for all.

GREG MONTI - 1110 Fidler Lane #1424 - Silver Spring, MD - 20910 12/15/80 Here we are a good way into the season & not too much DX happening. Local noise levels contributed to that a lot, plus not being available for DX at either sunrise or sunset. Anyway, here's a daytime bandscan from the North side of the Nation's Capital. 540 WDMV, 550 WSVA/WHLM, 570 WGMS, 580 WHP, 600 WCAO, 610 WIP, 630 WMAL, 660 WNBC, 680 WCBM, 690 WGMS/WMAL intermod product, 700 WLW!, 710 WOR, 730 WPKX, 750 WBMD, 780 WABS, 800 WCHA, 810 WYRE, 860 WAYE, 880 WCBS, 900 WLMD, 920 WPTX, 930 WFMD, 950 WCTN, 980 WRC, 1000 WIOO, 1010 WSID, 1050 WGAY 1090 WBAL, 1120 WUST, 1190 WANN, 1210 WCAU, 1220 WFAX, 1230 WITH, 1260 WWDC, 1280 WHVR, 1300 WFBR, 1310 WEEL, 1320 WGET, 1340 WYCB, 1360 WEBB, 1370 WKIK, 1390 WEAM, 1400 WWIN, 1420 WKCW, 1430 WNAV, 1450 WOL, 1460 WPRW, 1470 WTTR, 1500 WTOP, 1540 WDON, 1560 WSND, 1570 WTOW, 1580 WPGC, 1600 WINX. Actually, MM's aren't so bad here. Most of the locals are off. WMAL and WOL are not problems and Baltimore stations are nonexistent at night. Belated holiday greeting and 73's and good DX to all this Winter.

DON'T FORGET TO TRY FOR ALL THE SPECIAL TESTS ON PAGE 1 AND SEND REPORTS IN TO THOSE STATIONS. PAILING TO HEAR ANY, PLEASE BE KIND ENOUGH TO SEND A THANK-YOU.

KLASEK PLITZES CANADA AND FOREIGNS! TERRY A. KLASEK - 9720 Vickie Place - St. Louis, MO - 63136 No phone - sorry! Recent DX has been exceptional! In a two day period I en-

joyed a cold front that brought Canadians in like a ducting action. Most of these stations have verified, but many are still in the works. Recent QSLs include: CBT-540, CBK-540, KSD-550, CKUA-580, CBN-640, CJOB-680, CBU-690, CBX-740, CBH-860, CBO-920 (while WGNU-920 was on the air), WBM-940, CBW-990, CBY-990, CBE-1010, CFRB-1010, CBA-1070, CBD-1110, CBI-1140, CHL0-1570, CBJ-1580, & also the following: R. Moscow-600, Belize-834, R. Rumbo-525, & TWR-800. I still have a stack of Canadian and foreign reports out, & as you all know waiting is tough going. Recently I wrote to Radio Missiones LT-4 in Argentina asking them for one of their pennants for my collection. Imagine my surprise when the pennant arrived in only 22 days! The kicker is that for some reason known only to the people at LT-4 they also sent me a nice v/q, & I did not send them a report! There are some people who would count this QSL, and not report the true facts. (Not in the NRC, Terry! -ERC) Now remember that you heard it direct from the loony's typewriter. I hope to see a nice number of NRC members at my GTG in Feb. 1981. The date has been changed to Feb. 22 as the Monday following the meeting is a holiday & this makes it more time for DXers who live further away to attend. (President's day is the THIRD Monday of Feb., no?? -ERC)(Feb. 16). I would also like to challenge RICH EDDIE now. As many of you know RICH has been a member of NRC for a good many years with over 1,000 MW stations verified. Yet, have you seen any Musing from him? We want to hear from you soon, Rich! Good DX & 73's to all my friends in fhe NRC, you too, ROGER GIANNINI-hi!!!

A QUARTET OF VERIES IN ONE MAIL!

KARL V. JETER - 3590-C Clubhouse Circle Eest - Decatur, GA - 30032 12/21/80 This Muse in the holiday season finds me a little less richer with the passing of JOE BRAUNER, and thus saddened. I had been corresponding with JOE for the past few years, & his letters were always rich in his DX experiences - both past & present - and a pleasure to read. Just last year he sent me a photo of himself in his wheelchair, in front of his "shack" with its impressive array of RXes. JOE was very unselfish with his DX knowledge, & recently he sent me some photographs of past DX Conventions and get-togethers which for me were fascinating. I know I am not the only person who will miss the letters of this marvelous man, who although I never met him, I feel as if I knew him quite well. Onward to some interesting DX of late: MM 12/15, strange, while listening for WAWA TEST, I heard not they, but WSWW, also in WI, ETing! No complaints, hi, when I heard them ID @ 2:16am. Eve of 12/13 brought a couple of goodies, both on 1480; KBEA heard 5:50pm w/*Newsradio 1480" IDs & later, KTHS heard © s/off © 5:50pm w/SSB. 12/12, w/the TRF this time, someone on 910 © 6:45am IDing as "Kick-91"; thought this might be KIKK, but the time zone doesn't match - any ideas? Shortly after, WPLA-910 bagged at 6:52cm w/grocery store ad & Fla. Employment Service ad. Back to 12/11, again on 910, WLAS heard brief-ly at 7:32am. WQSN-1450 heard 12/8 2:50am w/MYL format. Finally, 12/7, CKNS-930 heard again @ 1:41am, this time they had a promo for a program on CKNR-1340 (nearby Elliot Lake) which threw me at first. On 12/15, upon opening the mailbox, it seemed like old times: FOUR veries were there, from WANE-1070, WT15-1110 KWFT-620 & KYOK-1590, all v/ls. Other veries in Dec: KNIN-990 v/l, WCUB-980-TEST, MEGR-1440 v/l. Speaking of veries, here are my Top Ten state totals: GA-137, TN-89, AL-87, NC-59, FL-56, SC-49, KY-48, MS-45, TX-40, OH-37. A few non-South totals for veries: MO-26, AR-24, ON-17, IL-33, & NY-17. That's about it for now. I hope the holidays were fun and safe for all! 73's!

DOUG BEARD - R.R. 1 - Springville, IA - 52336

12/25/80

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KCJJ-1560 does indeed operate w/FOUR watts ND from LSS to SSS-Bakersfield. 11/30- Coming home from the in-laws', I first heard 4-watt KCJJ about 20 miles W of Iowa City, during a moment of quiet on 1560. By the time we reached the I-80 & 380 interchange, they were quite strong, well o/WFAD/WQXR. This was about eight miles from their TL. (?? -EHC) They disappeared into the jumble about ten minutes later on 1-380. 12/1- 5:57pm at home, I heard PSA and call letters. I called KCJJ, NxD said it was they, 32 miles w/4 watts! 1560 was quiet at the time. WQXR is to blame; they are challenging KCJJ's wish to operate during their former SP. WOXR uses their day pattern until SSS-Bakersfield, which gives them good secondary coverage into the Midwest for about three hours after SSS, & they're afraid KCJJ will cause interference. The 4w is for test purposes; it represents what KCJJ plans to radiate to the E with their proposed DA. I do not know whether the proposed DA is their current night pattern posed DA. 1 do not know whether the proposed DA To they would be using 4w ND. or a new, third pattern. NxD didn't know how long they would be using 4w ND. I would add to GLENN HAUSER's Sunday Night/MM article the following (all Sunday eve): 8:00-8:50 (variable) Perspective (ABC) - KXEL-1540; 8:30-9:00 New Orleans Jazz Club program - mostly Dixieland - WWL-870; 9:05-9:30 Meet the Press: WHO-1040. The jazz program is unique on my dial.

A note in from Anthony Lagattuta, ex-NRCer, says that WWDE-1490 will become WPEX on 1/5/81, will go c/w, and be AN. Phone is 804-625-4555. This will not affect their FM station. For veries, write to Jim Stevens - Tower Box 101 -2101 Executive Drive - Hampton, VA - 23666. Our thanks to Anthony for this.

12/26/80 TONY FITZHERBERT - 116 Devon Road - Chalfont, PA - 18914 Hi. Summary of our drive up I-95 to visit our NE relatives, listening to all the local radio en route. WCRV putting out great CWM, WERA w, deep null W, heard w/usual assortment of everything (VAR-FMT). Over to WBRW w/ NX @ 15 & 45, & heavy Somerset County programming. Cousin Brucie on WRAN (he owns it) & M net. WKMB "Stirling Country" w/ABC SX. WBIO is still silent, & on 1300, WGRC w/MYL. After WVOX got us thru The Bronx (land of instent urban renewal) w/SS, here's WGCH w/"Sounds of Your Life" w/M SX & NRC's own CHRIS LUCAS wishing that he had not brought his heavy jacket as the WX turned warm, hi! WNLK in my old home town w/A SX & usual MoR, WMMM w/very pleasant upbeat POP (used to simulcast w/FM WDJF w/CLA/BBD). WDJZ still that call w/superb BBD/NOS & Ai. I noted 15-FIF advertising oldies FMT but playing DIS (yech!) WLIS clustered MoR & A1, WHJJ w/oldies, MARK CONNELLY covered Beantown RX but the epitome is at 7:45am Sunday on WILD when Bishop Perdue, also known as "Prophet Perdue" preaches. (To his chickens?? -ERC) Seriously, WNTN is the best OLD station i've ever heard. Most egotistical personality I've heard on RX is preacher on WROL (Christian Voice of NE) during AM Drive from "Barnstable -on-the-Cape" w/"Producers in Braintree Highlands", also heard on WICE, blah, blah.. On to ME, WBVD indeed covers Beverly-Danvers & little else. (They cover Provincetown too! -ERC) WKXR belts out VAR & M net, WNBT is the "Sound Alternative" (1490: PA?? -ERC) WKBR w/C/T-40/KoR "Makes Manchester Someplace Special". WSME IDs as Stereo 92, w/T-40, WCSH still no call change, WDC1 is M net & "Glory 16", WLOB's three-tower array next to the Maine Turnpike is silent, & WOXO, as I thought, is FM for WXIV-1450, my supreme Chalfont GY achievement (they never verified). WKXA-900 is now A1/NX/TLK, WABK is Ai/POP, WFAU (FM simulcast) is C/CWM. I visited storefront studios of WRXV-1530, now CWM w/NX & NBC from 7-9am. My siz-year-old son, Kevin, & I enjoyed talking with Tim, pleasant, enthusiastic AM man who has roots in Philadelphia. WRNV is still 1kw, ND, looking to fund approved 10kw D-3 - I hope the CWM helps them. Furthest report Tim knew about was from Concord, NH. Slogan is 15-RXV & "Comfortable Country". To continue, WBNC is very BBD/NOS, WKXA is a member of new ME Info RX Net, w/WJBQ & WLAM (who else?). WPOR is still CWM - IDs as AM-15, XR in middle of Back Bay packs a wallop, even on 1490. Surprise in Biddeford was WESX-1230 w/XR next to Salem Harbor, bouncing signal up the Maine Coast, & WOCB-1240 likewise. WVNH IDs as AM-1110 is back on the air w/MOR & heavy NH NX. WCAS s/off epic w/folk singer playing abbreviated SSB on harmonica. Anniversary Muse next time. 73.

ERNIE'S BEEN DOING LOTS OF VISITING

ERNIE J. WESOLOWSKI - 1416 Pasadena Avenue - Omaha, NE - 68107-1100 HAPPY NEW YEAR! Not much DXing since my trip to Jamaica. I visited the two relay stations (5kw) in Montego Bay, of JBC-700 & RJR-550. They relay the two stations out of Kingston. JBC is owned 100% by the government & RJR is owned 51% by government & balance is private. Each has an FM relay in Montego Bay. I was offered \$400 for my portable recorder/radio. Only about ten U.S. stations were listenable there - different than I thought. KAAY-1090 furthest West; WCKY-1530 furthest North. I flew directly over the center of Cuba both ways with direct flight from Dallas. 1 want to thank STEVE McIN-TIRE of Des Moines for showing me around the city. Also CARL MANN of Cedar Rapids, MARK STRICKERT for his time in guiding me to the XRs of WMAG, WGN, WBBM & WMBI & visit at studios of WJJD-1160. The latter will need to add two more towers for night operation with testing to begin about March or April; regular 24 hour service to begin about July 1. Thanks also go to ROBERT KRAMER for staying two nights, and the visit with KARL FORTH. A few late veries arrived from KWXI-1470, WANE-1580, KBER-1560, KDSJ-950 & WMTS-810. 73's.

TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

EVAN RUDOWSKI - 257-43 149 Road - Rosedale, NY - 11422

212-528-9029

Hi, folks. Is this the first rhyming Musing? Sorry it's late: "Twas the night before Christmas / And up in my den / My mother was yelling / I was at it again / She was really engry / She hated the noise / She knows not a thing about radio's joys / It's been bad enough for the past bunch of years / But now I'm afraid that I've brought Mom to tears / She claims that this Christmas I've made her quite deaf / With the static and noise from my new TRF / DX has made me a monster, she thinks / So she's drowning her sorrows / (I drove her to drink) / Oh, I've even removed an original oil / To cover my walls with aluminum foil / Yes, we NRCers must seem a sad lot / With phones in our ears our family's forgot / So from one member who's made his relatives wrecks / Merry Christmas to all, and to all good DX!

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR NEW JOB, MARKI

MARK CONNELLY - 30 William Road - Billerica, MA - 01821 Dec. 18, 1980 A number of changes here lately: I'm starting a new job at LTX in Newton, MA, still in the field of Automatic Test Equipment. Those of you who used to call me at Teradyne will be informed of the new work phone situation. The famous Pinto car radio is now defunct: I'm trying to repair it, but I'm hampered by the potted modules made only by Philco. Signal-tracing & parts-swapping is no simple matter. The result: no more sunset drivetime DX for a while. Anyway, my new job is inland, so I'll never get the calibre of TA DX 1 used to

(Mark Connelly, con'd.) hear on the way home from Teradyne, when I drove within sight of the ocean. I put an old junk radio in the car along with an FM converter; so, while DXing has suffered, I'm enjoying good album-rock instead. How many members DX from the car? Write about it if you do. Two little-discussed aspects of mobile DXing: 1. ID lost to overpass bridge. 2/ TV birdy type QRM from traffic-light electronic controllers & from employee-card-activated parking gates. A recent event that shocked us all was the murder of John Lennon. All DXers have been exposed to his music on the radio during our tuning sessions; even those of us who aren't rock fans have to agree that his contributions were on a higher artistic level than the bulk of pop mx & that his works will shape the music of the future. On Sun. Dec. 14, from 2 to 2:10pm EST, a period of meditation for Lennon was observed widely: this, of course, effected many broadcasters. WRK0-680 & WCAS-740 ran OC, WLYN-1360 had Lennon songs, but at only about 5% modulation, talk stations WEEI-590 & WITS-1510 had special documentaries. Most pop mx stations (even MYL WXKS-1430) ran Beatles mx. Of course, there were stations that didn't give a hoot: these included several w/FB games & some w/"Beautiful Muzak". (Did WRKO observe Arthur Fiedler's death?? -ERC) WPR0,630, a pop station, crassly went shead w/"More Music" hypes, ads, and non-Beatles mx. WPRO gets the Insipidity Award for putting advertising money ahead of all other considerations. As the new year starts, be on the lookout for the flurry of call sign & format changes typical of a year's start: Report changes heard. 73.

WE WELCOME A NEW MEMBER WHO PROMISES TO BE ACTIVE 12/24/80 WHEELER CONOVER - R.R. #8 - Box 344 B - Manchester, KY - 40962 606-598-5763 I want to Muse today for the first time. 1 sent my dues off earlier this morning. As for me, I'm Wheeler Conver, a 15 year old sophomore at Clay County High School in Manchester, where I do a good job with some crazy classes. I'm sort of beginning to do a good job on the BCB - about 210 stations heard and 17 veried with a Panasonic RF-2800 & a new model TRF. I agree with GERRY THOMAS that the new TRF is sort of backward. I use a 50' antenna & hope to build a loop soon, I hope to be in the NRC for a long time & I plan on being a contributing member of the Living NRC. Bye for now. 73 de EWC.

FORMAT CHANGES IN ORRY-GUN

503-485-8049

PETER A. NOLAN - Box 1524 - Eugene, OR - 97440 DX slips to oblivion again this week in the face of finals. As of 12/1, KPAM-1410 switched from a failing T-40 format to contemporary Christian. Locally, KASH-1600 has apparently completed its transition format (filching their FM's T-40 tapes) and is now "16-K", an undistinguished mix of very soft rock and crossover country, about half each, that ought to insure the station no listeners until the next format change. Why SRO does not sell the station to someone who knows what to do with it is beyond me. Speaking of failures, per a non-DX friend WVAB-1550 is also off the air, broke; it's been a good year for that. By my calculations, this makes Virginia Beach, VA the most populous city in the country to have no AM radio outlet, surpassing Jersey City NJ & Yonkers, NY. Trivia, trivia. More in a week when I have some DX.

MOTHBALL MEMORIES CHAPTER CLVIII - "The Thames Broadcasting Corporation" (Pt. 1)-by PETER HUNN.

As a result of a 1935 FCC authorization, the Thames (pro-nounced the way it is spelled, as opposed to the British "Tems") Broadcasting Corporation constructed a 100 watt standard broadcast station at New London, Conn. The new station, WNLC, operated on 1500 kc; and was installed by Prof. Daniel Noble. Prof. Noble had directed the operation of the (then defunct) University of Connecticut station WCAC. The transmitter house was at the city pier in New London with the self-supporting tower fastened to the top of the small building. (I believe that the owner of the CP for WLNG purchased the tower of the 500 watt daytime Sag Harbor facility). One interesting feature of the old WNLC antenna/ground system is that the ground was actually a copper screen. Part of it was apparently in the salt water and part of it was grounded to nearby railroad tracks.

WNLC's studios were located in the Mohican Hotel in downtown New London. The station even had a very early singing jingle: "W-N-L-C...Fifteen Hun-dred...Kill-o-cycles...in the Mo-hican Hotel...W-N-L-C". Mr. Gerald Morey, principal of Thames Broadcasting Corp., a licensed radio engineer, was always looking for ways to better his broadcast service. In an allocation shift, WNLC moved from 100 watts at 1500 kc/s. to 250 watts on 1490 kc/s.

In April of 1947, a 20,000watt station on 99.5 mc. was added. Unfortunately, this WNLC-FM went the way of many high power but low listener FM stations in the 1950's, and was deleted. When television became a reality. Mr. Morey hoped to gain permission to build a station at New London on VHF Channel 3. However, after complicated allocation shifts, Ch. 3 was assigned to Hartford CT, & was built as WTIC-TV. Thames Broadcasting Corp. was granted a CP for Ch. 26 WNLC-TV, about 1952-53. Although Mr. Morey still owns the "proposed TV XR site" in Montville, CT, WNLC-TV was never constructed. Channel 26 in New London is still vacant today.

TO BE CONTINUED, NEXT ISSUE.

GEORGE HAS DONE WELL AT SSS ON 730 & 740

GEORGE WALTON - 314 High Street - Easton, PA - 18042 12/26/80 Hello everyone. DX has been very bad here as CX are poor, plus usually at this time of the year I lose a little interest in the hobby. This condition always passes after the first of the year happily. The GTG at RAX ARRUDA's was very enjoyable. I had a good time especially discussing South American DX with NEIL KAZAROSS. My only surprise at the GTG was that 15 pizzas could disappear so fast! In the rig department I have added a GE Superadio to the shack thanks to my wife, but 1 have yet to do any real DX with it. I've just been using it for FM. The FM reception is great so I hope AM doesn't disappoint me. As for the early arrival of DX NEWS dated 12/15, 1 received mine on 12/11. Not bad! The next issue dated 12/22 arrived here on 12/23! Verie is now in from the WAYC TEST. The owner is a ham radio operator. Nice v/c and a CM. On the local front a nut from Allentown broke into the studios of WSAN, while they were on the air, and grabbed a mike and started complaining about their switch from rock to country. The police quickly arrived to take him away, but it was something I would have liked to catch on tape. Anyone hear it? It happened at about two in the morning on a Saturday. Some new catches are on 11/23 WEVA Emporia, VA, WGTL Kannapolis, NC, WKAR, East Lansing, MI, 11/27- CBH in Halifex, NS. On 12/3 WPKX-730 in Alexandria, VA. WCLE-1570 in Cleveland, TN & WENO-1580 Chattahoochie, FL. Naturally all these were caught at SSS. Does anyone out there have any luck with 730 or 740 at sunset? All of the sudden I've been logging a lot there. On 12/7 WFMC in Goldsboro, NC and WPAL in Charleston, SC were heard. Also WQIZ in St. George SC were in very good u/WGY. WLOR in Thomasville GA was also heard on 730 that day. On 12/8, a rare MM session for me, 1 logged two new ones before I fell asleep. They were CJKL-560 in Kirkland Lake, ON and WFEC-1400 in Harrisburg, PA. with local pest WEST off the air. ERC, did you ever verify WEST? (Yes, in 1936 when on 1200 kc/s) -ERC To HARRY HAYES, I am also constantly trying for WKZA-960. Glad to hear that you finally got them. Maybe I'm next. On the morning of 12/27 WVSC was heard testing on 990 from about 1:47 to 2. Also WUEZ in Salem VA was on. The only thing I heard from them was three SIDs about ten seconds apart, not much to send a verification report on. I hope ERC had a good time in FL.

GREAT AURORAL CX ON MM 12/22

ERNIE COOPER - 5 Anthony Street - Provincetown, Taxachusetts - 02657 12/30/80 A couple more thoughts on Florida: There are no waiters there; only waitresses, and all E-W roads are as straight as an arrow. You'd not know if your steering wheel had a problem for miles! Now, back to the Wonderful World of DX. 12/10- Old old friend WNBZ-1240 heard ending an ET @ 1:59am, on top, nostalgic report sent - and ignored. WKBW was back on today, but off again on 12/11. Had our f/c list shown KMAV-1520's r/c correctly as the Second Thurs. I'd likely have added them today, but it is listed as second Friday; that's wrong! WKBW was on Friday. On 12/11 unn WCDL-1440 was TTing 12:56-2:02 w/IDs only on the hour. WBAX-1240 peering through @ 2:30 ID. 12/22- A very AU MM, & HJAS topped 1400 & YVJJ 1450 much of the morning, both were reported. There was also an AN SS on 1385, very fadey, unIDed. Unn WXRF topped 1590 most of the AM too - they're AN. 12/23- No less than THREE SSes were fighting it out on 1310 today, & a report taken on XEHV, the leader of them. They must drive their local listeners bananas (taccs?) w/that screamed "ACHAY - VEE!" after ev= ery selection! But it sure is a boon to DXers! One of the other SSes was HJDG, R. Rio, but not enough for a report. 12/24- Still AU, XEHV in again, & on 1320 WLQY "Lucky 13" & MYL fought it out w/WVOJ, as they did on Cocoa Beach days. Unn WHHY noted on 1440 w/WFTQ on OC 2 2:07am. PM- I never thought it possible but WTOP was kayoed by the AU & 250w (CH) WLWL was logged on RS, & s/off at the strange time of 5:20pm; reported. They left unn WDEN in then. 12/25- I've been asking for an AU for Christmas for years; I thought surely this is the year - but nope, it ended somewhere between 6pm 12/24 & 1am 12/25, rats, so no in FF. SM exciting 12/25 AM DX. PM, CHPR-1110 on top till their 5:30 s/off. 12/28- West Springfield MA on 1490 is now WQXQ, "15-Q"natch, and AN-6, rr. MM 12/29- Somebody tested most of the AM on 1340 today, & the calls sounded like WMHI or WMHH - even on the tape, hi. Who is this? No sign of WIBA-1310 here. 1240 was a combo of WGBB/WCOU/WBAX today, so WGBB is still AN, but much weaker. WCKY-1530 was heard to s/on @ 2:43am w/SSB, evidently they are silent for the PA r/c's on the last MM. PM, AU is back and "Musica de Venezuela" topped 1470 3 5:30pm, but unID. I went instead for the FF on 1210 o/an SS, w/WCAU dwarfed, but didn't get an ID, but it is likely the Dominica outlet. 12/30- WQXQ-1490, ex-WNUS, dominated this spot today and a report was taken. Unn WSLR was burying the two L.Kingles there, WHWH & WNIS, w/no sign of WZIX. My thanks to these phoners: PAUL MOUNT/BILL COLEMAN/TIM DAVISSON/TONY FITZHERBERT/RAY ARRUDA/KEN ROMSTADT! Thank you all for a very fine Musings section this week! C U N 7.

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	CBTpu	G.D. LeDrew E	RC	1155	YSCFlu Gil Lopez Baiza SPo/RC
550	KFYRq	u/u CE	PM	1230	KOALqu u/u Tech Mgr WH
	CFJC1	Vern Gollmar CE	PM		WBLJ1 Werner Wortsman P KJ
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590	WCABp	Ernie Griswold PD	SPO	1240	WNNC1 David Lingafeldt KJ WVOS1 John Carlini CE KR
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	KLBJpu	u/u	WH		KAKZIm Larry E. Means CE RC/WH KTLOI Ken Wilkins CE NZ
600		Gary Shirk TSu	KR	1260	WHTT1m David F Gleason GM
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610		Int"1 Relations	HH		KGBXcb u/u GM CG
010		Pat Nugent Promo Dir James P. Schmidt CE	KJ PM	1270	WDLA1m Philip G. Vessey CE KR
620		Steve Gruel GM	RC	1280	XERRTpu u/u RC WCPMp J.P.Mills GM ERC
		Howie Soule DoE	GW	1290	WCPMp J.P.Mills GM ERC WIRK1b J. Henry Fenton CE KR
	WDNCh1	n Ed Best CE	SPo	2200	WJBR1m David Mackensie CE
630	CKRC1	Stan Kubicek	PM		WDECpu J.A. Longworthy GM KJ
660	KHOWr	John J. Webber ChOp	pm	1320	WAMR1 Greg Cohane ERC
600	KCR0qb CBUq	u/u Tung Conloon	RC	1330	XERPpu u/u RC
	WROMf	June Carlson John Steadman CE	PM GW		WDLW1u Duncan Stewart MxD
	CHYRq	u/u	KR	1340 1350	WGAU L.P. Brooks HW
		Bill Platt GM	RC	1350	WSMB1 Don Kern M CG KSHYpu Ramona Hams WH
800	WJATP	James Slanson CE	ERC	13/0	XEFHlu Rodolfo Arias Ortiz G.
	CJAD	Ernie Mott CE	HW		KEROL J.R.Curtis P CG /rc
		Ric Rogers PD		1380	KERO1 J.R.Curtis P CG /rc (KTSMgu) Chris Russel PD RC
910		Mike Soar	PM	1390	XEVpu u/u RC
820	WATTON	Freeman Kelly Eng Dir Dave Dybas E	RC SPo		KFMLpu u/u CE RC
830	KBOApu	R.G. Shaw	WH		WYXIlu Windy Miller GM KJ
850	WKIXq	Gregory Rogers CE	KJ.	1400	KCEY1 Bill Croghan CE WH
	WMAG1	Gregory Rogers CE Bill Willbourne GM	CG	1400	
	WYDE1	u/u CE	NW		WMCS1 Stephen L. Cochran ERC WJLD1 Chester A Alexander KJ
000	WIVKp	Milton Jones CE	SPo		WSGCpu Mickey Palmer AM KJ
860	KONO1 TGJ 1	George Lag DoE	NW		CKCB1 John Nichols PD
		Raul Robles R. Butler PD	RC	1410	(KTCSpu)Dave Highes PD RC
920	XEMB101	Pedro Rocha Reyna Ger	RC	1450	WKCQ1 James J. Jackson KJ
	XEOK 1	Francisca Arredondo T.	RC	1460	WACO u/u CG
	KYST1m	Dave Wenger Jr. GM	RC	1470	WJDY W.H.KLIVE CE HW WBIGF W.G. Barnes CE SPo
050		Roy E. Henderson P	KJ	1480	WBIGF W.G. Barnes CE SPo WJLE1 Alvin Byars CE KJ
950	KNFT1 WYWY1	Philip Dee Roberts AM	RC		WYFC O.E. Lauson E HW
		Thomas C. Simpson SM Tom Armshaw SM	KJ	1490	WDBQq Loyd Berg CE KJ
970	WWSWp	u/u Eng Staff	SPo Spo		KJIN1 Rick Purcell CE KJ
980	WRCug	u/u	SPo	1500	WOPI1 Paul Culp GM KJ
		Emeruwa O Rose DJ	SPo	1500	WTOPq u/u/ (Congrats) NZ
	4VCPSpu		ERC	1510	WDENpu u/u PD KJ
990			c/ds	1530	KGAlqm Kevin Culberts DJ RC WVFC1 J.B. Nelson PD RA
010		Harold Showman	KJ	1550	WTYN1 Thomas C. Simpson KJ
035	WMOX pu	Edna Beachy QSL Mgr	RC		KEDD1m Nelsom McCarty CE WH
050	WHGI 1m	Tom Barclay OpM	SPo RC		WYNXP L.N.Polk SM
	KFMJ1	Johnny Bridges CE	RC	1560	KING
	CEANT	Alain Ayotte CE	ERC		(KRCB) pu Gregory Crossman KJ
0.00	WADC1	Jim Henkel CE	KJ	1580	WFSPpu Arthur W George P HH WORGpu M.W. LaBoone CE KJ
060	4VRD1n	Alexandre Charles Abell		1000	WEDERS -
		Dir. Gen	ERC		WAXUUL Bill Barr APD SPO
	WNOF 1m	James M. Dart P Captain Humble PD	RT	1590	WDCI Barbara Stetson Tfx M
070	WKOK 1	John W. Keller VPoE	HH	1600	WGIVpu S K Lineberger CE SPo
080	WKJJlu	Bruse Clark CE	RC		WXVIIu William Block ERC
	WVCG1	Mitch Wein CE	KJ	EDG	Contibutors
	WSLG1	Robin Coco CE	RC	ERC#	
	WENRpu	Sidney Kean VP & GM	KJ	PM- D	ICK Carr NW= Neil Wolfish
110	WUHN lub	Don Kelleher		SPO-St	ete McClure DS+= DDXD Ed teve Ponder RT= Rich Toebe
		Robert Boutin GM	RC	KR= K	on Rychalsky NZ= Neil Zank
L40	R. Cade	na Nabana pu u/u	RC	HH= Ha	ank Holbrook SM= Stan Morss
	KMMZ1	Lynn A. Osburn CE	WH	KJ= Ka	arl Jeter WH= Unknown
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