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CPC Test Schedule

WVNS VA 670 Jan. 31 0000-0200

From the publisher ... This issue of DXN is so tight that it probably squeaked as you pulled it out of your mailbox! I had to put four pages of IDXD on hold until next week, so be patient. There's some really hot DX listed in IDXD, with TA's penetrating far inland, so take note and hit the dials.

Unconfirmed test ... IRCA's Lynn Hollerman sent us a listing of a test as follows: Saturday, January 24, 1998 - WHNZ-570, St. Petersburg, FL 8:00pm-?? EST. She listed the source as the NRC, but NRC CPC Chairman Bill Hale has no knowledge of any such test, and as far as I'm concerned, if it doesn't go through Bill, it's not an NRC-arranged test. Of course, arranging a test a week before DXN publication so that you have to read about it AFTER it happened is worse than useless, so I'm going to regard this listing as a not-so-nice hoax on Lynn and us.

Canadian Mail woes ... Continuing feedback indicates that some Canadian NRC'ers have been receiving the "missing" DXN issues from December. Let's give it a little more time so that any issues still lurking at the bottom of the pile can be delivered, and if you are still missing issues of DXN, please wait until after February 1 to request replacement (if you made an earlier request, please re-request after that date). And may I say that if Canadian Postal workers are treated as poorly as are teachers in Ontario, you can expect more interruptions in DXN delivery.

On the positive side, I've received reports indicating that delivery in England is timely, a day or so after the publication date. And I've had to replace only a few mangled copies in the past few months.

Universal ... If you haven't received your copy of the Universal Radio catalog, send a note to Fred Osterman at 6830 American Pkwy.-Reynoldsburg, OH 43068-4113, or <<dx@universal-radio.com>>, or visit the web site at <<http://www.universal-radio.com>>.

World Of Radio Schedule ... as of January 13, 1998 from Glenn Hauser: On WWCR Nashville,

Thu 2130 9475 [for Dec, Jan, Feb], Sat 0700 5070 AND 3210, Sat 1230 5070, Sun 0730 5070, [Mon 0400 3215 has been suspended], Tue 1330 15685. On RFPi Costa Rica: Fri 2000, Sat 0400, 1100, 1800, Sun 0200, 0900, 2300, Mon 0700, Tue 1900, Wed 0300, 1000—on 15050 AM in 1500-2400 period, 7385 2200-1200, 6980-USB 0000-1200, 21465-USB 1200-2400. On WGTG, Georgia, UT Tue 0500 on 5085-USB. If the tape arrives before Monday additional unscheduled times may occur, such as UT Mon 0600 on 5085-USB or on 9400 Sat, Sun daytime. If the tape does not arrive until Tuesday, backup time is UT Wed at 0600. All times and days UT. Subtract 6 hours from UT for CST. W.O.R. is a listener-supported, public-service program about communications around the world, especially, but not limited to, Shortwave Broadcasting. Look for separately distributed rundowns of topics in each half-hour edition, or on our website:

<<http://www.grove.net/~ghauser>>

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DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the January 17, 1948 DXN: Although operating on 1430 kHz rather than the announced 1473 frequency, the January 5 DX program from HHGM, Port-au-Prince, was heard by many members, including Ted Saling, Estacada, OR.

25 years ago ... from the January 24, 1973 DXN: An answering machine was added to the Boston Publishing Committee's inventory ... WMWM-1090 Wilmington, OH reported over 50 reception reports from 20 states and Canada, from Nebraska on the west to Massachusetts on the east, Florida on the south, and of course Canada to the north.

10 years ago ... from the January 18, 1988 DXN: Brian Vernon reported a number of mid-east loggings in IDXD, including 1189-Yemen, Al Hiswah hitting Hungary-1188, on December 20, 0204, and 1197-Iraq, Nineva, with some interference from BBC and VOA, on Dec. 7, 0229.

Domestic DX Digest

West: Bill Hale phantom2@eze.net

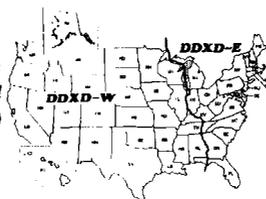
6124 Roaring Springs Drive - North Richland Hills, TX 76180-5552

East: David Yocis DavidYocis@aol.com

97 Clinton Ave. - South Nyack, NY 10960-4603

DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-hr. ELT

(Division line is between East and Central time zones)



DDXD-West

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- I've noticed the FCC is assigning some of the new X-Banders with unused, sequential calls, beginning with WAXx and KAXx series. I'll bet some, if not most, will be changing before too long.
- The storm really hit some broadcasters hard out east. More stations being reported off appear below in "Ice Special". Thanks to William Demmery at the web site listed below for daily updates on the situation, and to JJR for directing me there. I realize this is "east" stuff, but just in case... Somehow, my 35 degree low temperatures here seem trivial in light of this tragedy. Tom Reiser <reisert@aol.com> adds (1/14): "I just checked on the status of CBM in Montreal and they are still off air on their AM frequency and have been for most of the past week due to a power failure on the South Shore of the Saint Lawrence River. They probably will be off air for up to two more weeks at least on AM. They are operational on a temporary FM frequency in the Montreal area and also through their web site at <http://www.radio.cbc.ca> as well. They are devoting 24 hours of programming until the ice storm aftermath ends to coverage and it has been very interesting to me to be able to listen by real audio as I have a friend in Saint Jean in one of the worst hit areas."
- My appreciation to those of you who arrange your loggings in the divisions seen here. To you others... Grrrrr!
- Thanks to John J. Rieger for CPC stamps! Letters are out!!!

REPORTERS

- FA-ID Frank Aden, N7SOK Boise FRG-7 4-foot box loop or old Chevy P/U + new Sony radio <wvll23a@prodigy.com>
- SA-MB Shawn Axelrod Winnipeg ICR-70, Drake R8 + 4' unamplified box loop/Quantum Loop/145' long wire/100' indoor wire <saxelrod@mb.sympatico.ca>
- LB-MO Louis Buehler Winfield DX-390 on a lazy Susan
- RD-IA Rick Dau Iowa City Sony ICF-2010 <iowarocker@hotmail.com>
- PMG-CO Patrick Griffith Denver GE Superadio III with Sony AN-1 antenna <NONNK@webtv.net>
- TJ-SD Terry Jones Plankinton Radio Shack DX-350 + Select-A-Tenna
- BK-CA Bob Karchevski Sunnyvale Radio Shack 12-655 <karchev@nortel.ca>
- JEL-MO Jeff Lewis Kansas City Sony SW ICF 7600G + Select-A-Tenna
- CR-CO Craig Rathbone, N0BSA Denver Sony 2010 & Hammarlund HQ-140X + KIWA loop <dxer@aol.com>
- JJR-WI John J Rieger South Milwaukee FRG100, Drake SW8 + Kiwa loop, MFJ959B tuner/preamp <johnrieger@webtv.net>
- PR-OR Pat Roberson, KG7HT Portland Sangean ATS 909 with a Select-A-Tenna <kg7ht@aol.com>
- DS-TN Doug Smith Pleasant View
- RS-MO Randy Stewart Springfield Yaesu FRG-100, Sanserino 15" amplified box loop <jrs555t@wpgate.smsu.edu>
- PT-WA Pete Taylor Tacoma
- EW-NE Ernie Wesolowski Omaha
- JW-CO John Wilkins Wheat Germ Drake R-8 + 4-ft box loop
- INet Chip Kelley @ <<http://www.metronet.com/~chipk/Oklahoma/OKradio.html>> or rec.radio.broadcasting newsgroup* or William Demmery @ <http://www.entrenet.com/mizar/> **
- CBD Canadian Broadcast Directory <http://www.interlog.com/~jmckay/>
- Ed.-TX Editor North Richland Hills



SPECIAL STATION STUFF

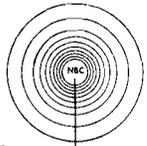
- 600 WMT IA Cedar Rapids - Per week-to-week monitoring, I've been able to find out that this guy // WMT 96.5 Mix 96 And-A-Half Sundays 0100-0650 and Mondays 0100-0500. The format on the FM side is a hybrid of AC (Michael Bolton, Celine Dion, etc.) and Top 40 (Wallflowers, Sarah McLachlan, etc.), although, during the overnight hours, it leans more towards the AC, so that accounts for the music that DAB-MB heard some weeks ago while trying for the KGEZ test. (RD-IA)
- 870 KIRK MO Bethany - 1/5 0628 - // to FM. Didn't know AM was on. I called, then transmitter went off 2 minutes later. (EW-NE)
- 910 CKLY ON Lindsay - "The application by Centario Communications, the new owners of CKLY-AM in Lindsay Ontario, have won approval to move the station to the FM dial. The station will simulcast for 3 months, and then will cease operation on the AM band. The new FM operation will be on 91.9 MHz, channel 220B, with an effective radiated power of 14,000 watts." (CBD)
- 1060 KTOZ MO Springfield - Follow-up to last week's report: they're using a "longwire" rather than a vertical now, and operating the transmitter at half-power (250 watts instead of 500). They say they can get out around "12 to 15 miles" with this, while admitting it provides "zilch" in terms of gain. (RS-MO)
- KKDS UT South Salt Lake City - 1/8 0100 - Legal ID by female as... all new All-American Classics, great music from the past on KKDS-AM in South Salt Lake, and into Beach Boys' Barbara Ann. [Barbara Ann? I always thought it was Barber Ann! hi - Ed.] Apparently they've dropped the Kids format. (JW-CO)
- 1190 (KBCCO) CO Boulder - 1/12 - Has been silent for the past few days; reason unknown. First noted off 1/3. (JW-CO)
- 1340 KVSN WA Tumwater - Now here; ex: 1500 (PT-WA)
- 1350 KTLQ OK Tahlequah - Slogan is OK Country and remains // KEOK - 101.7. (INet)
- 1360 KHNC CO Johnstown - 1/12 - NOTED BACK ON the air after being off since 30 November. Drat. (JW-CO)
- 1380 KKWK MO St. Louis - Will change calls to this as part of ownership change as Emmis donates station to Northside Seventh Day Adventist Church. The church has hired Mark Kasen to serve as GM, and he's bringing in his buddy Orion Horton as one of the talk show hosts. (INet*)
- WHEW TN Franklin - Now 13-80 La Ley, Spanish-language MOR. DJ taking many local phone calls and asking the callers which Atlanta-area Spanish-language stations they've listened to. I think he was saying La Ley is co-owned with one or two of the Atlanta operations. At the end of each call, he'd ask *Que es el command?*, to which the caller was supposed to shout *La Ley!*, which means *The Law* -- as unusual as a name for a Spanish-language station as it would be for an English-language CHR or country outlet... (DS-TN) [This e-mail report was dated Dec 5, but not delivered to me until Jan 9. Gives a new meaning to the term "lost in space" - Ed.]
- 1460 KDMI IA Des Moines - 12/31 2345 - Noted this date and others with SS-language REL programs in the evening. Seems to be just an hour or so per night. Noted tonight with SS to midnight, then into EE program. (JW-CO)
- 1530 KXTD OK Wagoner - 1/8 1830 - OC finally ended after six months on all night. CE called me. The problem: welded contact on relay. Studios are in Broken Arrow. My muse on this will appear shortly. (EW-NE)
- 1580 KFDF AR Van Buren - Slogan is Sports Radio 1580. Still // KPBI-1580 Greenwood. (INet)
- 1650 KGXL CA Costa Mesa - 12/29 2049 - Good signal, with show tunes // KGIL-1260, per announcements. Legal ID at 2051: 1260 AM KGIL Beverly Hills and 1650 AM KGXL Costa Mesa. Have seen some reports that call is "KGS�", but sounded like KGXL to me [and everyone else, as that's what it is, hi - Ed.]. California #95, passing Colorado (94), in second place behind Texas with 136. (JW-CO)
- KGXL CA Costa Mesa - 12/31 0636 - ID sounded like KGIL, with Music From Broadway to Hollywood. (EW-NE)
- KGXL CA Costa Mesa - 1/3 0807 - Fair signal, with show tunes and several KGIL IDs. New!! (SA-MB)



- KGXL CA Costa Mesa - 1/4 1912-2105 - From loud and clear, to complete signal loss, with both 10 kW and 1 kW signals. Slight KXBT-1640 slop until KXBT reduced power to 1KW. Dual ID (KGIL & KGXL) before the hour, all other times it's KGIL 1260 & 1650. (BK-CA)
- KGXL CA Costa Mesa - 1/8 0006 - Fair, with moderate fades but coming right back, with show tunes, using KGIL ID most of the time. Mention of 1260 KGIL Beverly Hills-KGXL Costa Mesa and KKGO-FM. First time heard here. Again at 0700 with solid KGXL ID. It isn't often that I can hear the West Coasters this late in the morning. (TJ-SD)
- KGXL CA Costa Mesa - 1/13 2215 - Poor, but readable in summer-like QRN and local TV buzz. Porgy & Bess excerpts with Mel Torme. IDs as 1260 KGIL. Promo at 2245 mentioning that KGIL is now available at two spots on the AM dial. KBXT-1640 no good tonight; swamped by DFW airport station (WQO767). New log. (RS-MO)

ICE STATION ALPHA

- 630 CJET ON Smith Falls - 1/9 - OFF THE AIR due to ice storm (and still off as of 1/14). **
- 730 WJTO ME Bath - 1/13 - Reported OFF THE AIR due to ice storm. **
- 800 CFFX ON Kingston - 1/12 2200 - REPORTED OFF THE AIR. Tim Pekkonen, of the Belleville ON area, reports that CFFX-960 is off the air in the wake of the recent ice storm. We hadn't thought to scan for Kingston-area stations, on the assumption that the storm hadn't really affected that region. Guess we were wrong. CJAD, Montreal QC, should be back on the air at 800 kHz by midweek, according to John McKay of LeBlanc and Royle Telcom Inc., the firm which is now constructing a temporary tower for them. The temporary setup will be a 1/4-wave omnidirectional tower broadcasting approximately 10 kW. Mr. McKay indicates that the nominal four-tower array should be rebuilt within a few weeks. In the meantime, CJAD will have presented three unique DXing opportunities to the MW-DX community: (1) via CFRA-580, Ottawa; (2) at 1410 kHz temporary; and (3) at 800 kHz with a temporary tower. ** [Editor's note: This "Mr. McKay" is the webmaster and chief sponsor (towers, which should be doing a land office business, hi) on the CBD.]
- 850 CKVL PQ Verdun - 1/9 - OFF THE AIR due to ice storm (and still off as of 1/14). **
- 870 WLAM ME Gorham - 1/13 - Reported OFF THE AIR due to ice storm. **
- 940 CBM PQ Montreal - 1/9 - OFF THE AIR due to ice storm (and still off as of 1/14). **
- 970 WZAN ME Portland - 1/13 - On-air, but unable to switch to night pattern. **
- 1410 CJAD PQ Montreal - 1/11 0700 - CJAD Back on the Air on 1410. Michael Black reports that CJAD, Montreal QC, was back on the air late yesterday afternoon, at 1410 kHz. As of this morning, they are reaching downtown Ottawa with weak but generally on-top signal. They are using the former CFMB-1410 transmitters (CFMB moved to 1280 last year). **



ktfi radio - dial 1270

UNIDs and UNID HELP

- 1280 UNID MN Minneapolis - 1/11 - Fair signal, in a mess, with AC music and an ID as Your World. Your Music. 12-80 AM (K???) Minneapolis St Paul. Has there been a format / call change here??? (SA-MB)
- 1510 UNID ?? - 12/29 0350 - Station playing OLDies under KGA, in KDKO null. ID sounded like ??AD 1510 AM. (CR-CO)

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 1270 KTFI ID Twin Falls -12/13 0205- Heard the entire 1/ 2 hour with voice and Code IDs. Good signal with lots of local splatter from KRRF. (CR-CO)

TIS & OTHER STUFF

- 890 WNEN689 CO Denver 1/13 - The Colorado Rockies' TIS at Coors Field is temporarily being used to provide traffic info related to the National Western Stock Show & Rodeo being held a couple miles away. (PMG-CO)
- 1611.7 UNID ?? - 1/10 1757 - Poor signal, on the longwire only for audio, with info on a talking house. This is the third frequency used around here this month. Puts big HET on 1610. (SA-MB)

- 1640 WQO767 TX Dallas/Fort Worth - 1/11 0722 - Poor, fading up under KXBT with airport info. The 1680 station was stronger, as it usually is. (SA-MB)
- WQO767 TX DFW Airport - 1/12 0445 - Departure info with gates. Heard nightly. (EW-NE)
- 1680 WQO767 TX DFW Airport - 1/12 0445 - Arrival info with gates. Hrd nightly. (EW-NE)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 550 KTRS MO St. Louis - 12/31 0620 - Sports news. New call here. (EW-NE)
- KFYR ND Bismarck - 1/8 0100 - With Ai News. Local weather at 0105 (-55° windchill). Good signal over QRM, but severe KLZ-560 slop. (JW-CO)
- 650 CKOM SK Saskatoon - 12/13 0410 - Lots of OLDies music, under WSM. We Love Playing Your Favorite Songs. (CR-CO)
- 810 WHB MO Kansas City - 1/10 0055 - C&W music, ID, NBC News, then more music on The Farm. Fair, at best. Usually under KGO. (JW-CO)
- 830 WXTO FL Hialeah - 1/5 0707 - Under WCCO, with SS REL. Pattern change eight minutes early. Received on day pattern. (EW-NE) [Editor's note: this is correct spelling of this city, as opposed to what is in the Log.]
- 890 KVOZ TX Laredo - 12/29 0755 - Way over WLS, with EE ID for eight stations in their network. SS // 1210. (EW-NE)
- 900 WWLK KY Eddyville - 1/5 0740 - Fair signal out of the pile, with ID: 900 WWLK. Church calendar and ad for Christian Supply House in Paducah. Weather; GOS; frequent IDs. (LB-MO)
- 940 KFRE CA Fresno - 1/8 0005 - Area weather, program notes, ... on Hot Talk 940 KFRE and into Jim Bohannon Show. (JW-CO)
- 1100 WCGA GA Woodbine - 1/3 0730 - Weak, in the mess, mostly under WTAM, with sign-on as WCGA is owned and operated by Cox Broadcasting ... etc. C&W music. (LB-MO)
- 1210 KUBR TX San Juan - 12/29 0804 - SS // 890 with Radio Christiana. (EW-NE)
- 1250 WGL IN Fort Wayne - 1/7 0724 - In and out of the jumble, with ID: All yap and no rap on the talk station, Fort Wayne's WGL. Sports news. (LB-MO)
- WEMP WI Milwaukee - 12/16 0300 - Very weak under several stations with the slogan Your Oldies Station. New. (CR-CO)
- 1270 CHAT AB Medicine Hat - 1/8 0003 - Area weather, call ID and Chat said as a word. Medicine Hat's New Country. Poor, in QRM. (JW-CO)
- 1330 KWLO IA Waterloo - 1/8 0719 - Fair, in and out, with Stars 1330 News, followed by the news and Stars 1330 weather for the Waterloo, Cedar Rapids area. Weather, NOS. 0735 funeral notices with ad for funeral home. (LB-MO)
- 1350 KGHF CO Pueblo - 1/ 2 0030 - Good, with NOS music. (TJ-SD)
- 1540 KPAD TX Fort Worth - 1/12 0450 - Over KXEL, with SS. ID in EE. (EW-NE) [They should have been IDing as KZMP on this date, but may have had some old carts still in the mix - Ed.]
- 1550 KKLE KS Winfield - 12/29 0232 - Kansas Jayhawk Radio Network. Basketball game between Ohio State and Kansas. ID as KKLE and KLEY. Fair signal, under KSFT. New. (CR-CO)
- KQWB ND West Fargo - 12/16 0200 - CNN Radio News and then into NOS music. (CR-CO)

0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

- 620 KBZS CO Grand Junction - 12/20 0935 - Newstalk 620, The Buzz. Call-in talk show about gardening called On The Garden Line. (CR-CO) [That's the Jerry Baker show. Don't recall the network, though - Ed.]
- 680 KWKA NM Clovis - 12/14 0800 - Your Station For Oldies, KWKA. Weak, under KNBR. (CR-CO)
- 720 KSAH TX Universal City - 12/27 0816 - Under WGN, in SS. (EW-NE)
- 770 KATL MT Miles City - 12/29 0829 - Over/under Kkob, with weather and talk. (EW-NE)
- 860 CBKF2 SK Saskatoon - 12/29 0902 - In FF on day pattern. (EW-NE)
- 880 KGHT AR Sheridan - 12/29 0838 - Over/under CKLQ, with ID and GOS music. (EW-NE)
- CKLQ MB Brandon - 12/29 0835 - With news and weather. ID over KGHT. (EW-NE)
- CKLQ MB Brandon - 1/10 2330 - With ID and C&W music. (EW-NE)

900 KJSK NE Columbus - 12/2 0814 - Sports and weather for Nebraska. *Newstalk 900* with a weak signal. New. (CR-CO)

950 WZDB IL Chicago - 12/17 1022 - Fair with *That's the latest One-On-One Sports Flash* heard. Unsure about this one until a local ad at 1041 mentioning *La Grange* clinched it. (RD-IA)

980 KMBZ MO Kansas City - 1/3 0846 - In and out, with weak signal. Static and QRM. Promo for program *Talking About Your Health on KMBZ with Mike Mainshanan(?)*. (LB-MO)

WONE OH Dayton - 1/3 0855 - Weak, in and out with QRN and QRM, with ad for *Ovaltine*. *Star 98 Weather*, then *Star 98, the Super Star of Music*. Promo for *Starlight* dance at the Dayton Art Institute. ID as AM 980 WONE. (LB-MO)

1080 KNBK ND Langdon - 12/6 0856 - *KNBK Farm News*, with farm news and weather for ND. Weak under KRLD. New. (CR-CO)

1140 CHRAB AB High River - 12/29 0849 - With weather and ID. Over KSOO. (EW-NE)

1190 KVS VKS Beloit - 12/6 0844 - Ad for furniture store in Beloit and weather, and then the grain report. Strong signal. (CR-CO)

1200 KYOO MO Bolivar - 1/3 0829 - Weak, under SS station, presumably WLXX. ??? on AM 1200, 99.1 FM KYOO. Promo for *Bluegrass Gospel Program* on Sunday mornings. (LB-MO)

KFNW ND Fargo - 12/23 0920 - AM 1200 *Radio For Growing Christians*. With the *Family News in Focus Program*. Strong signal. (CR-CO)

1230 KZZR OR Burns - 1/2 1400 - C&W and *It is 11 o'clock, this is KZZR Burns*, then into ABC News. Pretty good signal for this time of day. (FA-ID)

1450 WFMB IL Springfield - 1/7 1031 - Fair, with QRN, with ad for *Rob Rodding Auto*, ad for salesman at WFMB, ad for *John Deere*. *Sports Radio 1450* slogan. Promo for ESPN program that afternoon and into *The Fabulous Sports Babe*. (LB-MO)

1530 WJGG IL Elmhurst - 12/17 0818 - Fair, with ... on the morning show on WJGG AM 1530 ... (RD-IA)

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

540 WDAK GA Columbus - 1/7 2100-2106 - With NBC News and CL into One-on-One Sports. Excellent, alone on channel. Very rare due to null in their night pattern toward our direction. (JEL-MO)

580 WTCM MI Traverse City - 12/28 1848 - Fair, under WIBW's KSU basketball broadcast, with *Detroit Lions* football. NOT the CBS radio feed, as I heard the voice of *Jim Brandstetter*, who has done games for the Lions and *U. of Michigan Wolverines* for many years. (RD-IA)

590 WOW NE Omaha - 1/9 2152 - Good signal, with C&W music and frequent *Radio Ranch* IDs. Also ad for *Superadio III*s being sold by the station. (PMG-CO)

610 KZSS NM Albuquerque - 1/9 2019 - Good signal, with *Personal Achievement Station* and *Achievement Radio* IDs. Replaced by WDAF during fades. (PMG-CO)

630 CHLT PQ Sherbrooke - 12/28 1748 - Good, with FF station. No ID heard, but the Log lists this as the only FF station on 630. (RD-IA)

640 CFOB ON Fort Frances - 1/9 2309 - Oldies music, ads. Announcer's name sounded like *Vaughn Webb*. Way under semi-nulled KFI, but managed to hear ... on AM 640 CFOB Fort Frances for a new one. Ontario #13. (JW-CO)

650 CKOM SK Saskatoon - 1/6 2052 - Over WSM, with C&W music, news and ID. (EW-NE)

690 KHEY TX El Paso - 1/6 2059 - Excellent, alone on channel, with legal ID and mention of One-on-One Sports. Very rare here, due to night pattern null in this direction. (JEL-MO)

CBF PQ Montreal - 1/10 1730 - Noted OFF due to ice storms, but on later at 2140 with many *Quebec* mentions. (JJR-WI)

730 KSVN UT Ogden - 1/8 (no time) - SS/EE ID wafting in over QRM: *Esta es La Mexicana KSVN*; *This is KSVN Ogden-Salt Lake City* and into Mexican music. (JW-CO)

CKDM MB Dauphin - 1/9 2241 - Very good signal, dominant on frequency, with very little fading for at least 1 hour despite their north facing pattern and 850 mile distance. C&W music and *Cryin', Lovin' or Leavin'* telephone request show with 800 number. *Today's hot new country*, 7-30, CKDM. (PMG-CO)



750 KOAL UT Price - 12/31 1830 - Over WSB, with local news and several IDs. (EW-NE)

CJVR SK Melfort - 12/28 2225 - Good, under WSB, with local weather and mention of *Saskatoon* in ads. (RD-IA)

CJVR SK Melfort - 1/10 2304 - Over WSB, with news, weather, ID and C&W music. (EW-NE)

880 KJOJ TX Conroe - 12/31 1815 - With *Dr. Laura*. (EW-NE)

CKLQ MB Brandon - 1/5 2229 - Weak, getting beat up by WCBS. ID as 880 CKLQ. (LB-MO)

CKLQ MB Brandon - 1/10 2330 - With ID and C&W music. (EW-NE)

910 KLCN AR Blytheville - 12/16 1745 - Fair, in very tight WSUI null, with CLs heard twice during one of those *Radio Gets Results* ads, then gone at presumed power cut. Just my second logging here on 910 since WSUI went 24 hours in April 1988. (RD-IA)

940 WMIX IL Mount Vernon - 1/10 1800 - Fair, with nice full ID into power drop!!! CBM off due to ice storms. (JJR-WI)

WIDG MI St. Ignace - 1/10 2200 - Very poor, with *Saturday Night Oldies Show*. CBM off & XEQ nulled. (JJR-WI)

WCPC MS Houston - 1/10 1805 - Good, with full ID. Basketball game, two local ads, ID & TC. CBM off. (JJR-WI)

950 WIDB IL Chicago - 1/6 2051 - In and out several times, with 1-on-1 Sports and ads. 2100 ID: *The new Sports Place in Chicago, One-on-One Sports, AM 950, WIDB Chicago*. (LB-MO)

970 WLKY KY Louisville - 1/10 2317 - Fair, with *News Channel 32 10 O'clock News* on *News 970 WLKY*. (JJR-WI)

WFUN OH Ashtabula - (no date or time) - Fair, with lots of QRM. Oldies music. ID as 97 WFUN. (LB-MO)

990 KRMO MO Cassville - 12/26 1748 - Atop briefly, with mention of *southwest Missouri* in local ad. CLs heard at 1759 during possible sign-off. (RD-IA)

1030 WSFZ TN Memphis - 12/17 1855 - Strong, in KTWQ null, with a local sports talk show with *The Sandman* as the host. Talk about Tennessee football, *Sports talk 1030*. (CR-CO)

1130 KLEY KS Wellington - 12/22 1915 - *Kansas Jayhawk Network*, with call-in show about Kansas sports and an ad for the *Kansas Lottery*. New. (CR-CO)

1140 CHRAB AB High River - 12/26 1929 - Fair, under WRVA, with local weather: *Currently in Calgary ...* (RD-IA)

1190 KMYL AZ Tolleson - 1/6 1836 - MoYL music, recycling PSA, frequent AM/FM IDs, e.g.: *From Palo Verde to Rio Verde*, it's the *Music of Your Life* on 1190 AM and ... 105.3 KMYL. Easy, with KBCO off. (JW-CO)

WOWO IN Fort Wayne - 1/5 1649 - Talk show to 1659 ID: *News Talk 1190 wo-wo* (said as a word), *WOWO Fort Wayne's Number One* and into ABC News. Nice mid-afternoon reception in absence of local KBCO. (JW-CO)

KKOJ MN Jackson - 1/7 1813 - In briefly, with local weather and call ID. (JW-CO)

KOOO TX Dallas - 1/6 1900 - Legal ID as *KOOO Dallas-Fort Worth* noted in QRM, then CNN News. Needed for call change. Ex: *KDFX/KGBS/etc*. (JW-CO)

1200 WBCE KY Wickliffe - 12/26 1745 - Fair, after KFNW power cut, with sign-off, including station address. (RD-IA)

1210 KLDI WY Laramie - 12/14 2330 - Several local and national ads, and then back to *Art Bell*. Strong, over KGYN. (CR-CO)

1250 KHIL AZ Willcox - 1/11 1700 - Heard C&W under KWSU that I suspect is KHIL. I had heard them a few weeks ago and kept hearing the *Kay-Hill* ID, but did not have the new NRC log at the time to figure out who it was. (FA-ID)

KIKC MT Forsyth - 1/12 1700 - Caught KIKC under KWSU while in truck using new SONY radio. (FA-ID)

KENU UT Roosevelt - 1/8 2200 - C&W music, *Hot Country*. No ads noticed. New. (FA-ID)

KKDZ WA Seattle - 1/10 1800 - Came up with KKDZ Seattle. Mostly rock and teen oriented. (FA-ID)

1280 KRRF CO Denver - 1/7 2145 - Fair-to-good signal, with local sports talk program and ads for Denver businesses. ID as *12-80 Ralph*. (SA-MB)

1330 KLBO TX Monahans - 1/3 1856 - Up, out of the pile, with promo for ?? talk program. ID as *1330 KLBO Monahans*. (LB-MO)

1370 WCCN WI Neillsville - 1/10 1740 - Good signal with NO6 music and full ID. (SA-MB)

1410	KOOQ	NE	North Platte - 1/11 1720 - Fair signal with Oldies music. ID as <i>Oldies Radio North Platte.</i> (SA-MB)
1420	KTOE	MN	Mankato - 1/11 1833 - Fair signal, with local ads into Linder Network Farm Wrap-up. Haven't heard AM 1420 KTOE in years! (JJR-WI)
1450	WRCO	WI	Richland Center - 1/10 2200 - Poor, with ID in mess. Haven't heard this 10 times in 30 years! (JJR-WI)
1480	WADR	NY	Remsen - 1/11 1833 - With fair signal, over others. Oneida County mentions and weather on <i>Star 1350, 1480 and 1550.</i> Satellite NOS, unneeded. (JJR-WI)
1510	KFNN	AZ	Mesa -12/29 2045 - Ad for <u>Glass Doctor</u> and traffic reports. Business radio. Strong in KDKO null. (CR-CO)
1550	WEVR	WI	River Falls - 1/10 1725 - Fair signal, under WHIT, with AC music and WEVR ID. (SA-MB)
1560	KCJJ	IA	Iowa City - 1/10 1829 - Poor, way under WQEW. Call letters into ads. Satellite AdCon. (JJR-WI)
1600	KCRG	IA	Cedar Rapids -12/28 2235 - <i>News radio 1600</i> , with weather and back to ESPN Sports. Strong in KYGO null. (CR-CO)

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

* indicates record-holder from North America

1230 kHz:

KOZI	WA	Chelan	Pete Taylor	Tacoma, WA	118
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1340 kHz:

WLEW	MI	Bad Axe	John J. Rieger	South Milwaukee, WI	251
KWLM	MN	Willmar	John J. Rieger	South Milwaukee	389
KVSN	WA	Tumwater	Pete Taylor	Tacoma, WA	32



DDXD-East

Deadlines for DDXD-East are on Tuesdays.

A number of stations in the upper Northeast U.S. and in Canada, especially in the Montreal area, have been affected by the big ice storm about which you've all no doubt heard by now. Several members in the area are braving the power outages to keep us informed.

Meanwhile, in warmer regions, new reporter *Ted Powers* brings us the latest from his Caribbean cruise.

STATION NEWS

810	WSYW	IN	Indianapolis - Is no longer Radio Aahs; now they're " <i>810 Real Country.</i> " Playing a mix of 70's and 80's C&W. (RCP-IN) [It'll be interesting to see what becomes of WJDM when Radio Aahs goes completely under, reportedly this month. - DY]
1230	WENY	NY	Elmira - 1/12 - Adds "The Ken Hamblin Show" per program today. The show has moved to the new American View Radio Network. (DP-HI)
1360	WCKY	OH	Cincinnati - 1/3 2135 - Noted with Cincinnati vs. Grand Rapids IHL hockey game, ID at the end of the post-game show as WCKY. Ex-WAZU. (DB-VA)
1430	WWLO	FL	Tallahassee - 1/3 - Now airs "Smoke This!" live 1206-1400 per program today. The show is on the appropriately-named Cigar Connoisseur Radio Network out of WFLA-970. Station uses the slogan " <i>Hot Talk 14-30.</i> " (DP-HI)
1440	WJAB	ME	Westbrook - Last <i>DX News</i> listed it as WJAE, and so have a few reporters, myself included. Last verie says <i>WJAB</i> , so that's that. (SM-MA) [The Log still has WJAE, and I've seen no changes. - DY]
1450	WHIM	RI	West Warwick - 1/12 1332 - Now noted with Radio Disney stuff after 32 years of C&W. I was a DJ for them in the 80's when they were on 1110 kHz. (DG-RI)
1460	WCMB	PA	Harrisburg - 1/5 - New format as of this date is OLD // WWKL- 99.3 FM, ID as " <i>Kool 99.3, Good Time Oldies.</i> " (SK-PA)
1600	WQVL	DE	Dover - Still ID's as WKEN; was off and on the weekend of 1/4, and actually on 1610 kHz the evening of 1/6. Have a feeling this one isn't going to last too much longer. (DB-DE)

THE GREAT ICE STORM OF '98

690	CBF	PQ	Montreal - 1/11 2100 - Has been on the air but much weaker since 1/8. The Cuban has been on top most of the time, and CBF is not // CIBC-860 tonight. (DB-DE)
940	CBM	PQ	Montreal - 1/8 2215 - Not heard since this date, although some CBC news was heard 1/9 2330 or so; victim of ice storm. (DB-DE) + 1/14 - Presently off the air on AM due to lack of power. Operating on their new FM frequency of 88.5 MHz, and also on 93.5 MHz instead of CBC-FM programming. (GM-PQ) + 1/16 2203 - Noted on the air with CBC Radio One programs // CBL- 740. (DY-NY)
990	CKGM	PQ	Montreal - 1/14 - Went off the air yesterday and is not back yet, probably due to generator problems. Back on by 1/15. (GM-PQ)
1410	CJAD	PQ	Montreal - 1/6-7 - Has been broadcasting here, using former CFMB facilities, instead of 800 kHz, after their tower collapsed during the ice storm in the Montreal area. (DP-PQ) + 1/14 - Temporarily operating here as they lost their four towers. Expected to be here for 2-3 weeks. (GM-PQ)

KBFS AM 1450
StarStation

UNID and UNID HELP

530	UNID	-	— - 12/29 0727-0732 - Male announcer, then female in Asian language, fair to good signal. CIAO? (M]W-MA) [Probably. - DY]
730	UNID	-	— - 1/5 0100-0130 - One on One Sports over, under CKAC. Very fadey, too tired to stay up longer. (SK-PA) [WVFN has been reported lately. - DY]
800	UNID	-	— - 1/11 2330 - ID " <i>Your favorite inspirational radio, 800 W—, Philadelphia.</i> " Poor with CJAD off. (GM-PQ) [WTMR. - DY]
930	UNID	-	— - 1/7 1700 - Choral SSB and off. No daytimers in this time period or the next; only pattern/power changes possible at this time not already accounted for are WYUS, WIZR, WCNR. (RJE-PA)
940	UNID	-	— - 1/11 1727 - Financial phone-in show under, over WIDG. Part of ID heard as " <i>Super Talk 940,</i> " lost in rumble while CBM was off. Poor. (GM-PQ) [Maybe WINZ? - DY]
1100	UNID	-	— - 1/7 2017-2024 - Possible station testing, playing Billy Paul's "Me and Mrs. Jones," a Carpenters sound-alike, and disco version of "Never on Sunday." Was atop WTAM, transmitter going on and off. Abruptly disappeared 2024 in midsong and did not appear again until 2100 tune-out. (SK-PA)
1350	UNID	-	— - 1/3 2214 - GOS, mention between songs sounded like " <i>Willis Broadcasting Network, Brother ...</i> " (DB-VA) [WGPL? - DY]
1400	CKCB	ON	Collingwood - Re: SK-PA's presumed logging of this in No. 12, this station moved to 95.1 MHz FM over a year ago. Verified this the other day when I was north of Toronto; FM heard no problem, but certainly nothing on 1400. Maybe Steve heard WWWS Buffalo with an ad for something in Toronto? (NjW-ON)
1470	UNID	-	— - 1/5 0700 - Part of ID, " <i>This is WLPK Lite 96 FM.</i> " (SK-PA) [There's a WLTK-96.1 in Broadway, VA, so maybe WBTX? - DY]
1480	UNID	-	— - 1/3 2145 - Someone with hockey game including South Carolina, over/under NOS " <i>Your Stars Station.</i> " One of them had CNN news at 2200. (DB-VA) [Stars is probably WADR. Didn't know they played hockey in South Carolina. - DY]
1560	UNID	-	— - 1/9 2338 - ETH talk by man under WQEW. (DB-DE) [Not WRHC in SS? - DY]
1650	UNID	-	— - 1/1 0751 - Sounded like opera or maybe classical music, much noise but fair signal in brief fade-up. (RCP-IN) [Sounds like the show tunes on KGXL. - DY]

LOGGINGS: 0000-0800

570	CKGL	ON	Kitchener - 1/14 0041 - Crime Stoppers promo, multiple ID, good. (GM-PQ)
820	WBAP	TX	Fort Worth - 1/1 0030 - Good with "Salute to Talk Radio" and ID as " <i>Talk Radio 820 WBAP.</i> " Rare here with CHAM-820 and local CFJR-830 splash. (MS-ON)

830 WCRN MA Worcester - 1/7 0100 - Presumed with ID as "Carter Broadcasting," which owns WACE/WROL. Religious programming, very choppy signal with WCCO only poking through occasionally. (SK-PA)

970 WESO MA Southbridge - 1/6 0700 - TC, ID, news, briefly atop WINF. (RJE- PA)
WINF VA Waynesboro - 1/5 0700 - News, ID, weather atop channel, "News Radio 970, WINF." (RJE-PA)

1090 WILD MA Boston - 12/20 0743 - ID in ads in partial WBAL null. First time heard on regular schedule. (DB-DE)

1240 WJEJ MD Hagerstown - 1/9 0650 - Weather, promo, ID. (RJE-PA)
WVOS NY Liberty - 1/9 0640 - Ad, ID, no sign of usual WIOV, WSNJ. (RJE- PA)

1460 WBUC WV Buckhannon - 12/29 0740 - C&W music, contest to name artist on upcoming song to win a dozen donuts, more C&W. (DB-DE)

1560 WQXY KY Hazard - 1/5 0000 - "Your news and information station, WQXY Hazard," during WQEW fade. Finally ID'ed this station after three years of hearing "Oldies 1560" non-ID's. (SK-PA)

1590 WAKR OH Akron - 12/24 0303-0305 - Local news mentioning Summit City and Akron, ID, barely above the hash and only briefly. (MJW-CT)

1640 KXBT CA Vallejo - 12/24 0312-0324 - Music, possibly R&B, and two clear ID's at 0315 and 0323. Extremely poor, but on my plain-vanilla SR-3, I'll take it. (MJW-CT)

LOGGINGS: 0800-1600

550 CHLN PQ Trois Rivières - 12/28 1539 - Fair to good in FF with talk show // CKAC-730. (MS-ON)

640 WNNZ MA Westfield - 12/28 1532 - Good with Boston weather into program called "Gun Talk." (MS-ON)

940 WGFP MA Webster - 1/11 0800 - News, weather, ID. Fair-poor with CBM off. (GM-PQ)

1010 WOLB MD Baltimore - 1/1 1548 - Ad for tickets "brought to you by the WOL News-Talk network." Briefly over, then back behind WINS. (SK-PA)

1320 CKEC NS New Glasgow - 12/28 1550 - Good with ad for Jean Depot, program announcements mentioning "here on 1320 CKEC," into heart disease message. (MS-ON)

1330 WFFG FL Marathon - 1/10 1405 - Marathon HS basketball game, ID 1420 as "News-Talk 1300" and full ID at 1430 as "WFFG, News-Talk 1300." (TP*Caribbean)

1480 WCFR VT Springfield - 1/2 1000 - Fair with news, weather mentioning Springfield temperature, local ads including Bookmarker Bookstore in Springfield. (MS-ON)

1500 WTOP DC Washington - 12/30 1324-1332 - Business report, ID; fair to good and very usable at midday, except for WNRB-1510 splash. (MJW- MA)
WKIZ FL Key West - 1/10 - Never heard though ship came within 100 miles of Key West on two occasions, day and night. (TP*Caribbean)

1540 WNWR PA Philadelphia - 12/20 1235-1239 - Talk show, with ads mentioning Philadelphia. Poor to fair in midday mix with WDCD. (MJW*CT)

1570 WFLR NY Dundee - 12/27 1503-1508 - Local news with report of bird count in "WFLR listening area," then "Finger Lakes forecast" on "Country 1570, WFLR." Fair, but briefly on top of the many others. (MJW-CT)

WBUX PA Doylestown - 12/27 1435-1441 - "WBUX Weather Center" forecast, ad for carpet store. Barely there in the hash. (MJW-CT)

1600 WKWF FL Key West - 1/10 1355 - Talk show on NFL playooofs, ID 1358 as "Number One in sports in the Florida Keys" and 1359 as "One on One Sports, Key West." Excellent, local-level reception at 410 miles per ship's navigator. (TP*Caribbean)

WAQY MA East Longmeadow - 12/28 1259 - Fair with rock music, promo mentioning thousands of rock's greatest hits in station's archives, ID as "Rock 102, Springfield's only classic rock." No mention of AM heard. (MS-ON)

LOGGINGS: 1600-2400

540 WDAK GA Columbus - 12/20 2354 - Promo for Christmas Appreciation get-together, local ads, "Columbus spells sports talk WDAK, the Sports Monster," into national sports talk show. First time ID'ed here; wonder how many times I assumed I had WQTM when it was really this. (DB-DE)

560 WFRB MD Frostburg - 1/2 1605 - Fair with news, ads for Burger King and others, weather, ID "560 WFRB." (MS-ON)

WHBQ TN Memphis - 1/2 2129 - ID "Sports 56 WHBQ," Tennessee vs. Nebraska football game. Good to fair, no sign of usual WIND. (RCP-IN)

580 WCHS WV Charleston - 1/9 1825 - Sports call-in, way atop normal WHP. (RJE- PA)

590 WLVA VA Lynchburg - 1/9 1830 - ID, news, "The Lake, WLQE and WLVA." (RJE-PA)

600 CIQC PQ Montreal - 1/9 1840 - Promo, weather, and ID. (RJE-PA)

610 WRUS KY Russellville - 1/1 1739 - Dr. Dean Edell show in progress, ID 1756, ABC news at 1800. Great signal, first time heard. (RCP-IN)

620 WHEN NY Syracuse - 1/9 1835 - Sports call-in, ID mostly under WJWR. (RJE- PA)

650 WRPT MA Ashland - 1/10 1613 - Talk show over weak C&W, network ads ending at 1617 with "AM 650, WRPT," back into talk show. Milestone here, as first North American log for me from any location other than WSM! (DB-DE)

WKKQ MN Nashwauk - 12/29 1746 - Wynona Judd song, very poor in WSM null. (RCP-IN)

680 WINR NY Binghamton - 12/17 1724-1733 - ID, ad mentioning Johnson City, blugrass song. Fair, well in front of others. (MJW*CT)

710 WFNR VA Blacksburg - 12/28 1718 - The "710 WFNR three-day AccuWeather forecast," followed by sign-off message: "WFNR serves the New River Valley. From the entuire team at Travis Broadcasting, have a good night." Very good to 1720 signoff with no SSB, new. (RCP-IN)

800 WLAD CT Danbury - 1/11 2359 - Talk show, "800 WLAD" ID, poor. (GM-PQ)

830 KOTC MO Kennett - 1/6 1830 - Signing off, "Join us again tomorrow on Classic Country 830, KOTC Kennett, Missouri." Poor but steady signal. (SK-PA)

850 WRBZ NC Raleigh - 1/6 1719 - Ad for Nicoderm CQ weather for "850 the Buzz," then back to Pat Mellon broadcasting from the third floor men's room. Many references to "The Buzz." Good, steady with some lightening QRN. (RCP-IN) [Definitely sounds like a class act. - DY]

870 KPRM MN Park Rapids - 1/4 1706 - Denver vs. Kansas City football, ID "You're listening to KPRM Park Rapids, it's 18 degrees." Poor in WWL null; haven't heard this one in over a year. (RCP-IN)

900 WLSI KY Pikeville - 1/1 2029 - Promo for Trading Post program Monday to Friday 0905 "on Solid Gospel 900, WLSI." Over, under SS station, probably Mexico, with no sign of CHML. (SK-PA)

940 WINE CT Brookfield - 1/12 1630 - End of ad cluster, network ID as "WSTC Stamford, WINE Brookfield-Danbury, WNLK Norwalk." Fair over WKGM with CBM knocked off the air by ice storm. (AR-ON)

WIDG MI St. Ignace - 1/11 1707 - ID "Your sports connection, 1240 WCBY, 940 WIDG." Hockey game, Detroit vs. Washington. Poor-fair with CBM off. (GM-PQ)
+ 1/12 1800 - OLD, ID on the hour as "WIDG St. Ignace-Mackinac- Cheboygan, Cool 94 AM." CBM off. (AR-ON)

WKGM VA Smithfield - 1/11 1607 - Religious program "The Calvary Hour" with GOS music, ID "WKGM, the Ministry Station." CBM off, good. (GM-PQ)
+ 1/12 1615 - Religious programming, ID as "Christian 940, WKGM, the Ministry Station." CBM off. (AR-ON)

950 WGTA GA Summerville - 1/8 1805 - SID, then C&W music. (WM-MD)

WQBE WV Charleston - 1/1 1720 - Promo for (basketball?) game involving West Virginia "on Hot Talk 950, WQBE." Then back to national financial talk show, with host saying he'd be in Charleston on March 7. Fair, atop. (SK-PA)

970 WRKN MS Brandon - 1/1 2055 - End of religious program giving address in Palm Springs, CA, then possible religious newscast, mentioning march for Jesus. Call letters plainly heard at 2105. Just over WWSW, then back behind and gone by 2110. (SK-PA)

980 WTRY NY Troy - 1/13 2358 - Talk, ID "Oldies 98, WTRY." Poor. (GM-PQ)

990 WHOO FL Orlando - 1/4 2154 - "Big Bad John," "five decades of unforgettable music on WHOO, 990 AM,," into BBD song. (DB-DE)

WDCZ NY Rochester - 1/13 2251 - Promo for station web site, ad. Fair with CKGM off. (GM-PQ)

CBW MB Winnipeg - 1/13 2258 - CBC Radio One ID, program promo, news, weather for Manitoba and western Ontario. Fair with CKGM off. (GM-PQ)

- CBY NF **Corner Brook** - 1/13 2312 - Classical music // CBA-1070, poor. (GM-PQ) [Distinguishable from CBW? - DY]
- 1000 WCCD OH **Parma** - 1/1 1730 - Signing off, "Owned and operated by Salem Broadcasting. The grace of Jesus Christ be with you all." Gave different address than the one in the Log, but it went by too fast. Atop but very fadey, then WMVP/CKBW mix took over. This is my UNID from a few weeks ago. (SK-PA)
- CKBW NS **Bridgewater** - 1/3 1946-1948 - C&W with male DJ, ID, intro of Shenandoah song. Fair, tangling with WMVP. (MJW-CT)
- 1040 WJHR NJ **Flemington** - 1/5 to 1/9 1630-1650+ - Now heard on regular schedule daily in this timeslot. (RJE-PA)
- WUSL NY **Avon** - 1/7 2356 - Talk show, under, over WHO. CNN Headline News followed by weather, "News Talk 1040 AM." Fair. (GM-PQ)
- 1080 WKGX NC **Lenoir** - 12/30 1752 - Fair, program ending with host giving program announcements "on the Lenoir (Hills?) Super Station 1080 WKGX." (MS-ON)
- 1110 WNNW NH **Salem** - 12/28 1757 - Fair with SS ballad into EE sign-off with mentions of 5,000 watts in Salem, NH, and executive offices at 462 Merrimack, Methuen MA. (MS-ON)
- 1180 WJNT MS **Pearl** - 1/2 2051 - "This is the Bruce Williams Show on Westwood One," several WJNT ID's, then into news at top of hour. Poor in mix of WHAM, Cuban. New. (RCP-IN)
- 1190 WRSL MS **Bay St. Louis** - 1/3 1942 - One on One Sports, call ID. Mixing with WOWO's similar format, which made it tough to ID. New. (RCP-IN)
- 1250 WPRZ VA **Warrenton** - 1/1 1605 - Ad for Harvey Fox in Warrenton, mention of James Dobson ministry. Atop for this, then back into the mix. (SK-PA)
- 1310 WYUR MI **Dearborn** - 1/7 2336 - "WYUR is Your Radio Station, designed with you in mind." Poor but atop. Last logged as WDOZ. (SK-PA)
- 1320 CKEC NS **New Glasgow** - 12/30 2121-2123 - Weather, then ID: "CKEC, New Glasgow," fair but quickly gone. Unusual to hear Canadian giving city of license. (MJW-MA)
- 1360 WKYO MI **Caro** - 12/7 2343 - Song "Country Is," ID "Your favorite country on WKYO." Poor but steady, with only faint backgrounders. (SK-PA)
- 1400 WBAT IN **Marion** - 1/7 2358 - Promo for Weather Channel/WBAT forecast, "Indiana's Work Force." Then CBS news, atop big jumble. (SK-PA)
- WALZ ME **Machias** - 1/6 1905 - ID heard in the mess, "here on WALZ," poor. (GM-PQ)
- WICK PA **Scranton** - 1/6 1858 - NOS instrumental music, ID, poor. (GM-PQ)
- 1480 WTOY VA **Salem** - 1/5 1754 - Mixing with WADR, DJ ending his show saying goodbye, local WISL barely atop. Presumed off 1800. (SK-PA)
- 1500 WFIF CT **Milford** - 1/2 1630 - Fair with weather, man mentioning "WFIF weather update." (MS-ON)
- 1550 WXVA WV **Charles Town** - 1/1 1700 - ID "AM 1550 WXVA Charles Town-Martinsville-Winfield," then NBC news. Behind WKBA sign-off, then in the clear. (SK-PA)
- 1560 WCNW OH **Fairfield** - 12/26 1711 - "Radio Rosary" program, "sponsored by Ladies for Mary's Rosary" with Cincinnati address, over/under WQEW. (DB-DE)
- 1570 WPEP MA **Taunton** - 1/6 1627 - "You've found WPEP, Taunton," financial talk show. Fair. (GM-PQ)
- WNCA NC **Siler City** - 1/3 2147 - Basketball game, "George Matthews basket ball," ad included phone number of 632-4455. (DB-VA)
- 1590 WSMN NH **Nashua** - 1/6 1620 - Oldies music, legal ID, fair-good. (GM-PQ)
- 1600 WXYM VA **Saltville** - 1/9 1710 - ID, C&W, promo, briefly atop WWRL, WVBV. (RJE-PA)
- WVBV VA **Virginia Beach** - 1/9 1700 - ID, jingle, sometimes atop WWRL. (RJE-PA)
- 1640 KXBT CA **Vallejo** - 1/6 2351 - As good as ever heard here, with "Solid Gold Soul" slogan and UC:OLD music. (DB-DE)
- 1650 KGXL CA **Costa Mesa** - 1/6 2353 - Good signal with WJDM-1660 splash, man talking, end of ID including mention of 1650 and KGIL-1260. (DB-DE)

TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS

- 530 TIS NJ **Wildwood** - 12/31 1059 - Noted new TIS on top of frequency with events calendar from the "Greater Wildwood Tourism and Development Authority." Very poor, muddy audio. First noted while in Rehoboth Beach 12/18, now a regular at home. (DB-DE)

- 1610 UNID - — - 1/5 0020 - "Then turn left on the Auburn ramp" jumped out of heavy flutter. (SK-PA)
- 1630 UNID - — - The Cheyenne station is not the one testing here with old rock 'n' roll per response to my letter of inquiry. They say they'll be on, perhaps, by spring. (SM-MA)
- 1684 KA90078 1/11 2332 - Fair with ID repeated in medium-speed code, followed by long dash. Frequency only approximate due to MER beacon on 1685 kHz. Where is this station, and what is it doing? (RR-ON)
- 1690 Pirate - — - 1/1 2054-2139* - Mostly instrumental, big-band/swing music (one vocal at the end), repeated RFM ID's in EE and FF. Signal was good here (S5-S7) with WCMQ-1700 slop. (JA-NY) [Niel Wolfish alerted me by e-mail that R. Free Massachusetts was rumored to be broadcasting here that night, but I didn't hear a thing down here. - DY]
- 1710 WTEM MD **Bethesda** - 12/26 2307 - Noted third harmonic of 570 kHz 12/25 and 12/26 with sports programming; not noted since. (DB-DE)

CORRECTIONS

In No. 12 — The reception of CHCM-740 by Marty Waters should have been listed as being from Scituate MA rather than Wallingford CT. Also, in no. 13 Bob Karchewski pointed out that I accidentally omitted crediting Steve Kennedy in the list of reporters.

REPORTERS

JA-NY	John Arthur	Belfast NY - Yaesu FT767GX, 170' LW
DB-DE	Dave Braun	Wyoming DE - R-5000, Quantum loop, 500' LW
DB-VA		On the road in Falls Church VA - Superadio III
RJE-PA	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell PA - Car radio and whip
DG-RI	David Gardiner	Providence RI - Local news
SK-PA	Steve Kennedy	Coals Township PA -
WM-MD	William McGuire	Cheverly MD - DX-380
GM-PQ	Gilles Michaud	St. Laurent PQ - Sony ICF-2010, Kiwa filters, SM-2
SM-MA	Stan Morss	Boxford MA - HQ-180A, Space Magnet
DP-HI	Dale Park	Honolulu HI - Station news
DP-PQ	Denis Picard	Trois Rivières Ouest PQ - Local news
RCP-IN	Bob Pote	Greenwood IN -
TP*Carib	Theodore Powers	Columbus GA - On the seas west of Cuba, Sony 7600-G
RR-ON	Rob Ross	London ON - Collins 651S-1, 80m dipole
AR-ON	Andy Rugg	Cornwall ON - HQ-180, Radio West loop
MS-ON	Morris Sorensen	DX'ing in Brockville ON - YB-400
MJW-CT	Marty Waters	Wallingford CT - Superadio III
MJW*CT		On the road in Middletown CT - Car radio
MJW-MA		On the road in Scituate MA - Superadio III, car radio
NjW-ON	Niel Wolfish	Toronto ON - UnID help

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Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELT, subtract 5 hrs.

Welcome to a delayed version of IDXD. Since the last column was sent at the end of December, I have been having great difficulty getting my new computer to access my e-mail server. For three weeks I was off-line, and more than 500 e-mail messages (most of them DX-related) accumulated. Thanks for your patience, and my apologies to any whose e-mail submissions have not been acknowledged, and those whose queries have gone unanswered. I received a large amount of interesting stuff from overseas DXers, but I have had to dump a lot of that to get out from under the e-mail avalanche.

My computer started making a grinding noise yesterday (like a truck without a muffler!), and I feared the worst, but it turns out it was only dust buildup in the fan, and only cost \$26 to fix on the spot. I'm also learning some new cut and paste techniques, which means that sharp eyed reporters may spot a missing logging or two which got cut and not pasted. Sorry about that. To save time, within each logging, the dates are not in their usual chronological order.

We welcome some new reporters this time: Jim Cross from Cincinnati, Brett Saylor from State College, PA, and Mike Bates from St. Paul, MN. I think Doug Smith is new to IDXD as well. We also have some reporters who have been absent from IDXD for a while - welcome back! In all, more than 20 reporters from all over the country.

In addition to the regular loggings, I am including comments from many reporters who testify to the incredible propagation conditions that prevailed at the end of December, in which TA's could be heard well into the mid-West. In Hard-Core-DX (an Internet mailing list) there were reports of TA's heard in the North West and in Honduras.

OVER THE TOP DX

We haven't run this department since we last heard from Brian Vernon:

1521 CHINA Urumchi, DEC 26 1957 - heard an IS (only once) that sounded like CRI (i.e., Urumchi) under the Saudi. The antenna was a loop, and the receiver was a Drake R8A. I hope to try for this again in the next day or two with a Beverage aimed over the Pole. Bruce Portzer in Washington State mentioned that NRK 1314 was at its best level since the mid-80's. I believe the above log is the first of China on MW from East Coast North America since a Kazaross log in the mid-80's...maybe someone can confirm this? (By the way, India 1566 has been doing quite here well recently.) [Burnell-NF]

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 531 FAROE ISLANDS. Utvarp Foroya, Akraberg. DEC 29 0705-0730 - On with open carrier, producing huge het against CIAO and Turks & Caicos. Later followed by interval signal on xylophone, ID by man in Faroese, presumed Anthem, followed by talk (news?), and religious music. Faded by 0730. CIAO nicely nulled and RVC not very strong this morning. NEW STATION, NEW COUNTRY. [Stephens-AL] DEC 27 0705-0718 - a BIG carrier came on at 0705, xylophone IS started at 0713, then Scandinavian-language talk by man (sign-on) at 0715 was followed by religious music at 0718. Almost as good as when I heard this in Harwich, MA in January. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 531 ALGERIA Ain-el-Beida, DEC 23 2358 - Man in AA. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 531 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, DEC 20 0455 - // 603 & 684 with romantic SS vocal, then SS talk by man; poor to fair with R.V.C. - 530 in loop null. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 549 ALGERIA, Les Trembles, DEC 20 0457 - AA string music, then AA male vocal; good. Connelly*H-MA + DEC 27 0723 - FF teletalk. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 558 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, DEC 20 0458 - // 603 with SS vocal & piano; fair. [Connelly*H-MA]□
- 567 IRELAND, RTE R.1, Tullamore, DEC 20 0111 - C&W female vocal; very good. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 0459 - Guns 'N' Roses version of Dylan's "Knockin' on Heaven's Door"; good. [Connelly*H-MA] + DEC 20 2242 - Christmas music, EE religious talk by man. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 23 0030-0100 - with Christmas songs; WHY? 560 phased. [Musco-CT] DEC 28 0436 - in with pop music including Imagine by John Lennon. "Radio 1" ID at 0500. Also mentioned Dublin and Ireland. best signal of all TA's logged tonight. [Rigas - IL]
- 576 SPAIN, RNE5, Barcelona, DEC 20 0459 - // 585 with SS talk by woman; poor to fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 585 SPAIN, RNE1, Madrid, DEC 20 0110 - excited SS talk by man; good. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 0459 - SS // 576; loud. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 585.06 TUNISIA (t), DEC 20 2239 - 60 Hz growl against Spain-585. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 594 MOROCCO, Oujda, DEC 20 2237 - // 612 with AA vocal; mixing with presumed Portugal, slopped. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 603 SPAIN, RNE5, Sevilla / Palencia, DEC 20 0455 - // 684 & others: man in SS; good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 612 IRELAND, Athlone, DEC 20 0502 - EE news by woman; fair over others. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 612 MOROCCO, Sebba-Aioum, DEC 20 0102 - // 819 with AA news; LOCAL-LIKE ! [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 2234 - male AA vocal, strings; very good and 100% dominant. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 23 0140 - Presumed, Strong carrier on the frequency with bits of audio, sounded like Arabic talk, [Bates-MN]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS Tenerife. All alone and stronger than 620 with a talk show with two men and a woman 12/31 2335-0005. Time pips on the hour with 5 short and one long and 15 seconds of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed reindeer." Country #50 [Musco-CT] DEC 20 2015 - bits of SS talk; hetting NJ/ME-620 on pre-sunset fade-up. [Connelly*Y-MA] JAN 14 0308-0405 - Heard with distinct parallel program to strong 684 and very weak 585 kHz, featuring vocal music, pips at 0400, ID as Radio Nacional de España, news, then more music after an ID at 0405. Now that the NJ station is no longer SP, it is possible to hear this one, and I am going to count it as country #53 heard. [Renfrew-NY]

- 639 SPAIN, RNE1, La Coruna et al., DEC 20 0504 - // 603 with SS news by man & woman; good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 648 SPAIN, RNE Badajoz JAN 4 0400 - Fair; Radio Nacional de España ID into news // 855. [Conti-MA]
- 657 SPAIN, RNE5, Madrid, DEC 20 0505 - SS news by woman; through WFAN slop. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 675 NETHERLANDS, R. Ten Gold, Lopik, DEC 20 0506 - oldie "Ma Belle Amie" by Tee Set (1969); to good peak. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 684 SPAIN, RNE1, Sevilla, DEC 20 0456 - SS talk // other RNE's; fair to good with WRKO looped. [Connelly*H-MA] DEC 22 0115-0130 Unusually strong, with audio, in SS in KFEQ null, American pop music followed by SS conversation between a man and woman. I have heard at least a carrier nightly since. [Bates, MN]
- 684 SERBIA / SPAIN, DEC 20 0108 - Slavic and SS programs at about equal strengths. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 684 YUGOSLAVIA Belgrade, DEC 29 0305 - Phased up over the very strong RNE Seville. Both were almost equal in signal. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 693 AZORES RDP Terceira DEC 28 0257 - Poor signals in slop but could get some PP talk and bits of music. NEW station!!! NEW country!!! [Axelrod-MB]
- 693 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC, Droitwich et al., DEC 20 0507 - BBC EE news mentioning rescue workers at the scene of a plane crash in Greece; fair to good level. [Connelly*H-MA] DEC 24 0434 - Very strong with BBC news and talk. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 702 unID JAN 4 0255+ - Poor; classical music, not // COPE-Spain frequencies, possibly Germany or Slovakia. [Conti-NH]
- 711 WESTERN SAHARA, Laayoune, DEC 20 2229 - emotional male AA vocal, then AA talk; alone on channel, to good peak with WOR phased. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 28 2243 - Clear for once with Berber music. Usually much carrier, little audio. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 729 SPAIN, RNE1, Oviedo et al., DEC 20 0510 - // 855 (& other RNE's) with SS telephone interview; fair with CKAC looped. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 738 SPAIN, RNE1, Barcelona, DEC 20 0511 - fast SS talk by man; through CHCM/CBL slop. [Connelly*H-MA] DEC 28 0156 - Poor signals but // 855 NEW!! [Axelrod-MB]
- 747 BURKINA FASO, Ouagadougou, DEC 20 2227 - // 4815 with mellow folk vocal & guitar; over Canaries-Spain. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 747 NETHERLANDS, Flevoland, DEC 20 0513 - cool tunes & excellent signal: Irish fiddling, followed by Dutch talk. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 756 GERMANY, Deutschlandradio, Braunschweig/Ravensburg, DEC 20 0105 - // 1422 with "Suspicious Minds" by Elvis Presley; LOUD ! [Connelly*rw-MA] DEC 19 0315 - Nice signal with typical German instrumental music. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 756 SPAIN, R. Euskadi, Bilbao, DEC 20 0106 - SS news by woman, starting to get through the generally more dominant German. [Connelly*rw-MA] JAN 3 2050 - Good over Germany; rock/blues music, 2100 Radio Vitoria ID into news. [Conti-MA]
- 765 SENEGAL, RTS Dakar JAN 3 2040 - Good; man in French, north African music. [Conti-MA] DEC 20 2222 - teletalk on thinly-modulated carrier; strong signal, well over Switzerland's classical music. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 765 SWITZERLAND, RSR, Sottens, DEC 27 0045 - classical piano; excellent. [Connelly-B-MA] DEC 19 0142 - Strong with soft classical music featuring piano. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 774 SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, DEC 20 0104 - SS news; slopped by WABC. [Connelly*rw-MA] DEC 28 0223 - Poor signals with Spanish music that was // to 855. NEW!! [Axelrod-MB]
- 774 EGYPT Abis, DEC 30 0141 - Egyptian mx, female vocal [Dangerfield-PA]
- 783 SYRIA Tartus, DEC 30 0107 - Good with Koran. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 783 SPAIN / SYRIA, DEC 20 0103 - SS & AA talk mix; in tough CFDR/WBBM slop. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 792 SPAIN, SER, Sevilla, DEC 20 2218 - SS teletalk; poor to fair through slop. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 819 MOROCCO, Rabat, DEC 20 0102 - // 612 with AA news by man; over Egypt. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 819 MOROCCO Rabat, DEC 21 2151 - Woman in AA who seemed to be // to other Moroccans at the time.. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 837 AZORES, RDP, Pico da Barossa, DEC 20 2215 - PP vocal; under Canaries-Spain. [Connelly*Y-MA] JAN 3 2210 - Good; futebol // 9570. [Conti-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, COPE synchros, DEC 20 2215 - SS talk; atop Azores. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 846 ITALY, Rome, DEC 20 0101 - II news; fair to good in tight phase null of WEEI-850. [Connelly*rw-MA] JAN 3 0039 - Up with men talking, followed by what seemed to be a women's choir. Dangerfield-PA] JAN 4 0105 - Good; news briefly in English about Italian

- parliament and prime minister, then news in French, Notturmo Italiano ID, // 6060. [Conti-MA] JAN 3 0039 - Up with men talking, followed by what seemed to be a women's choir. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 855 SPAIN R.Nacional de España, DEC 29 0307 - jazz vocal by woman, //585, fighting bad domestic slop. (684 was in a bad fade at this time, but earlier it had been in well with Spanish talk). These RNE stations all seem to have rather low modulation, at least this far inland... [Stewart-MO] DEC 29 0250-0310 - Presumed, fair, but fadey with mix of instrumentals and Spanish vocals, "Radio Nacional" ID and time pips at top of hour, followed by Spanish talk (presumed news). NEW STATION, NEW COUNTRY. [Stephens-AL] DEC 20 0100 - pips, "R. Nacional de España" ID, SS news by woman; good. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 0520 - country-influenced instrumental in the style of Floyd Cramer, then man & woman in SS; LOCAL-LIKE: better than Boston's WEEI-850 ! [Connelly*H-MA]
- 864 EGYPT, Santah, DEC 20 0101 - Koranic vocal; good, over others. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 27 0035 - Koranic male vocal; over Spain and others. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 873 SPAIN, SER R. Zaragoza, Zaragoza, DEC 20 0058 - woman with SS teletalk show. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 882 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC Wales, Washford, DEC 20 0057 - man with sports report; well over Canaries-Spain with WCBS phased. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 891 ALGERIA, Algiers, DEC 20 0056 - group AA vocal (actual frequency 890.95); there was a growl from another station on 891.0. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 1922 - early fade-in, hetting WBFS. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 23 2320-2330 - with flute and lute music and a man with chanting. [Musco-CT]
- 909 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC, Moorside Edge et al., DEC 20 0055 - EE talk; to fair peak. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 945 FRANCE, R. Bleue, Toulouse, DEC 20 0616 - // 1206 with light music, then man in FF; good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 954 SPAIN, R. España, Madrid, DEC 20 0053 - SS teletalk and joking; excellent. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 963 FINLAND, R. Finland (YLE), Pori, DEC 27 0630 - woman said a few words in Swedish, then a man spoke in Finnish; very good, the best signal I've ever noted from this one. This was still coming through quite well when re-checked at 0736 UTC. [Connelly-B-MA] DEC 29 0735 - Poor; man in definite Scandinavian accented language, but not enough for verifiable ID. [Conti-NH] DEC 28 0700-0730 - Amazed to get this one, with "Ylesradio" ID, talk in presumed Finnish (news?), followed by music program which sounded semi-operatic at times (such as what you might hear on a "cultural" music station), although these guys, like Norway, still love their Christmas music, as I heard "White Christmas" soon after the presumed news. S7 signal. NEW COUNTRY, NEW STATION. [Stephens-AL]
- 963 PORTUGAL, R. Renascenca, Seixal, DEC 19 2335 - PP talk dominant. Bits of AA music mixed in at times, possibly from Tunisia. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 981 ALGERIA Alger JAN 4 0020 - Huge signal; African music. [Conti-MA] DEC 19 2333 - reverberated male pop AA vocal with flutes, drums, & strings; very good. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 0527 - AA vocal & flutes; very good, overpowering CBV/WTRY-980. [Connelly*H-MA] + DEC 20 1928 - already pushing a good signal by CBV/WCAP at this early time. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 999 SPAIN, COPE, Madrid, DEC 20 2015 - bits of SS; het against CKBW an hour before sunset. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1008 CANARY ISLANDS Radio Los Palmas Dec 28 0216 - Poor signals with Spanish music. NEW!! [Axelrod-MB]
- 1026 SPAIN, SER synchros, DEC 20 0050 - fast SS talk by man & woman; over others. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1044 MOROCCO, Sebba-Aioun, DEC 19 2348 - Berber music; at monster level, way over Spain. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1044 SPAIN, SER synchros, DEC 19 2347 - SER SS newstalk; under Morocco. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1044 TANGIERS. Radio Medi Un, Sebba-Aioun. DEC29 0500-0530 - French talk and Euro-disco, along with sounders and many "Medi Un" mentions. Poking through heavy WHO splash and paralleled with 9575 short-wave. NEWS STATION, NEW COUNTRY. [Stephens - AL]
- 1044 MOROCCO RMI Sebba-Aioun Dec 27 2348 Fair signals with lots of AA music NEW!! (Axelrod-MB)
- 1053 UNITED KINGDOM / SPAIN, DEC 20 0043 - EE & SS talk evenly mixing. [Connelly*rw-MA] DEC 25 0630 only brief bits of audio, but parallel to 1089 when heard. ("Talk Radio 10 53 89") [Smith-TN]

- 1062 DENMARK, Kalundborg, DEC 20 0531 - man & woman in Danish; good. + DEC 20 0614 - US soul music, Danish talk; good. [Connelly*H-MA] + DEC 20 1928 - hetting daytimer WJLT-1060; early fade-in. + DEC 20 2211 - just a big open carrier at this time; other stuff (Italy ?) way under. [Connelly*Y-MA] + DEC 24 0517 - blues-rock version of "Santa Claus is Coming to Town"; absolutely BLASTING in ! + DEC 26 2207 - man & woman with news in Danish; very good, about 10 dB stronger than the 1060 stuff. + DEC 27 0740 - probable children's program: young girl reading a story in Danish, then sound of school bell. This and 1314 were still audible at 0800 UTC. [Connelly-B-MA] DEC 27 0600 - Fair to good; man in Danish with news headlines, rock music. [Conti-NH] DEC 27 2300 - with a woman in presumed newscast. Poor with splatter. Per an e-mail message, I found the address on rec.radio.shortwave, 1062 kHz signs-off at 2210 or 2215 UTC. The person responding, Erik Koie of Radio Denmark, suggested that I listen before 2215 or after 0400 when I assume they s/on. I probably had Philadelphia. Drat, well at least I got a verie signer and a tip on 1062's operating. [Musco-CT]
- 1062 TURKEY, TRT Diyarbakir JAN 3 2355 - Tentative; Middle Eastern style music; and JAN 4 0245 with Koranic recitations, presumed Turkey with no parallels found for positive ID. [Conti-MA]
- 1071 SPAIN, EI, Bilbao, DEC 20 0038 - rock music (// 1197), SS talk; sliding past CBA. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1080 SPAIN, SER synchros, DEC 20 0042 - // 1044 with SS newstalk; blowing right through WTIC with no phasing needed ! [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1089 ALBANIA, Durres, DEC 23 2150 - most likely this with a Balkans-style female vocal; over Talk Radio some of the time. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1089 UNITED KINGDOM, Talk Radio synchros, DEC 20 0047 - man & woman with EE teletalk; good. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 1922 - early fade-up, QRM'ing daytimer WILD. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 22 2215 - two men noted discussing something but have yet to pull any decent audio. Heard quite often. WBAL is the problem and not WTIC. [Musco-CT] DEC 27 0040-0107 - EE Fair OM Hosting phone talk in program at tune-in 0040 UTC. Tx to YL on Phone at 0051 and said. "and now to London". Mentioned London again at 0056. Tone @ 0100 into news read by OM/YL with Brit Accent. Talk Radio ID @ 0104 UTC. Gave a phone #...but I missed it...and no tape running!! Then DJ said...And now a Call from Yarmouth here on Talk Radio". Tx to YL from Yarmouth at 0105-07. [Ross-ON] DEC 22 0538 -fair w/London traffic & many "Talk Radio" slogans. And much louder on DEC 25 0630. [Smith-TN]
- 1089 unID JAN 4 0230+ - Classical/opera music under Talk Radio-England, not // Albania-6100/6145, possibly Russia. [Conti-MA]
- 1098 SLOVAKIA / SPAIN, DEC 20 0048 - Slavic & SS talk mixing; low growl present. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, DEC 20 0534 - // 855 with SS teletalk; fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1116 SPAIN, SER synchros, DEC 20 0535 - // 1044 with fast SS newstalk by man; poor to fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1125 Croatia HRT Deanovec Dec 27 2329 Poor signals but clearly // to 1134; NEW!!(Axelrod-MB)
- 1134 CROATIA, HR, Zadar, DEC 27 0017 - Slavic talk by man; good. [Connelly-B-MA] DEC 27 2222 - Poor but copiable signals with man and woman talking in Slavic language. NEW station NEW country. (Axelrod-MB) DEC 28 0417 - briefly heard w/Croatian talk and pop music program. Fading. [Rigas - IL] DEC 27 & 28 2355-0100. Pretty strong with acoustic guitar-based folk music. Some almost sounded like gypsy music. Brief announcements and talk periodically in Croatian. 3 pips at top of hour, ID of "Hrvatska Radyo", and presumed news. S9 and even audible on my Panasonic portable hooked up to the randomwire. NEW COUNTRY, NEW STATION. [Stephens-AL] JAN 13 0255 - in brief check heard Allman Brothers Band "Jessica", fair signal. [Renfrew-NY] DEC 27 0141-0203 - Croatian Fr-Fr String Folk Mx and local vocals @ 0141-45. More string Folk mx with lots of Mandolins 0145-48. Peaked nicely at 0148-52 with lovely Mandolin Mx. YL tx Croatian into more local Folk mx. 3 Time pips at 0200 into News read by Om...by QSB very bad at ID/News Time!! New Country # 34. [Ross-ON]
- 1134 CROATIA/SPAIN - I believe that I recorded 1134 Spain or Croatia between 2335 and 2400. The signal faded up to very readable about 4 times in the 1/2 hour, but, of course, was almost gone at 24:00. However, at 24:00 I did hear 3 tones, all fairly slow, with the third longer than the first two. I actually thought I was hearing Spanish, but am not as confident on listening to the tape. Music was classical sounding. Do the tones ID the station? Did I indeed receive a TA (finally)? Also, is there a parallel short-wave station for either of these, in case this ever happens again? [Cross-OH] (The three pips are likely Croatia, as I have heard it here. They ID as "Hrvatska Radio" but usually in a low voice. The music on this station is quite

- varied, from Classical, to rock to Balkan folk. No SW parallel that I know of, but the most consistent TA for me this season. If this one is coming in strong look for a parallel on 1125 kHz. - Jim)
- 1134 UNID, DEC 29 0234 - pop music, sounded like American r & b in English, but no announcements between songs. At 0302 I noted weak talk by man, but language unknown. [Stewart-MO] DEC 22 0603 weak male & female with news. Presume Croatia. [Smith-TN]
- 1179 SPAIN/CANARY ISLANDS, SER synchros JAN 3 2340 - Fair; telephone talk // 1044 over unID Middle Eastern music station. [Conti-MA]
- 1179 SWEDEN. Solvesborg, DEC 27 2302-2330 - with Christmas carols 2302-2330. [Musco-CT] DEC 23 2147 - man in Swedish with a documentary about the history of Islamic fundamentalists and the Ayatollah Khomeini; good. + DEC 26 2013 - fading in with talk by woman, interlude of classical violin music; fair with WHAM phased. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1179 SPAIN // CANARY ISLANDS, SER synchros, DEC 20 0031 - SS talk; loud & dominant, someone else under with pop music. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1197 SPAIN, EI, Vitoria, DEC 20 0040 - // 1071 with "Woman" by John Lennon; poor, in mix with likely Virgin R., UK. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1206 FRANCE R.Bleue, Bordeaux DEC 29 0745 - Fair; French nostalgia. [Conti-NH] R. Bleue, Bordeaux, DEC 20 0616 - // 945 with light music, then man in FF; fair. [Connelly*H-MA] + DEC 27 0640 - // 1377 with old-fashioned FF vocal, FF talk; to good peak. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1215 UNITED KINGDOM, Virgin R. synchros, DEC 20 0028 - Steve Winwood's "While You See a Chance"; to good peak, well over Spain. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 1927 - rock squeezing between WPHT-1210 and daytimer WRIB-1220; reception almost 2 hours before sunset. [Connelly*Y-MA] + DEC 27 0013 - "Sledgehammer" by Peter Gabriel; excellent. + DEC 27 0640 - '80s hits including "Is She Really Going Out with Him ?" by Joe Jackson and "Money for Nothing" by Dire Straits; good. [Connelly-B-MA] NO DATE 2240-2315 - noted with rock music. [Musco-CT] DEC 28 0355 - rock music, "Virgin 1215" ID at 0400, news and more rock music at 0402. Fair signal, fading. [Rigas -IL] DEC 28 0100-0130 - Stronger than my logging previously in the week, with usual pop/rock mix, plenty of "Virgin" sounders/slogans, talk by male DJ about "Top Songs of '98" contest or program. Plus for the Virgin Radio website. S9 when in, followed by long, deep fades. NEW COUNTRY, NEW STATION. [Stephens-AL] DEC 27 2302 Poor to fair on peaks with English rock music. New station (Axelrod-MB) DEC 22 0512 - weak with UK-accent talk & rock music. Again at similar strength DEC 25 0600. [Smith-TN]
- 1215 UNID, DEC 29 0246 - there were actually TWO carriers or hets here, one of which was producing audio of some sort of pop music, barely making through the domestic sloop. [Stewart-MO]
- 1216.15 ALBANIA, R. Tirana, Fllake, DEC 20 2207 - the off-channel station first spotted by Al Merriman is definitely here. Middle Eastern type music; in with a big signal, clobbering UK & Spain - 1215. The identity of this was established by Mauricio Molano in Spain. He heard the interval signal and a R. Tirana ID at 1800 UTC, also on DEC 20: about 4 hours before my reception. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1251 HUNGARY Marcali, DEC 29 2157 - On top of the Libyan during the early part of the evening with pop music. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1251 LIBYA / unID, DEC 20 0023 - AA music over unID talk that was most likely Portugal or Hungary. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1278 FRANCE, R. Bleue, Strasbourg (t), DEC 20 0019 - "Earth Angel" by the Penguins, seemed // 1242 but the sloop on that channel was bad enough that a definite match couldn't be made. Ireland also possible here on 1278. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1287 SLOVAKIA (/ CZECH REPUBLIC ?), DEC 20 2204 - Slavic-type music & big carrier; atop SS station. Tough at times with heavy sloop from CHRM (FF) on 1290. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1287 SPAIN, SER synchros, DEC 20 0019 - // 1044 with SS talk; in mess of other signals. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1296 SPAIN, COPE, Valencia, DEC 20 0018 - SS talk barely over a big jumble of others. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 2202 - SS news by woman, some synchro-echo; over others. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1305 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, DEC 20 0017 - SS teletalk; over unID music station that may have been Poland. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1314 NORWAY, NRK, Kvitsoy, DEC 20 0015 - man in Norwegian, then Eric Clapton's "You Look Wonderful Tonight"; excellent at S9+35 (slightly better than adjacent CKEC-1320 and much stronger than WLOB/CHGB/CIWW-1310). [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 2201 - woman with news mentioning France; good. [Connelly*Y-MA] + DEC 26 2010 - light music; fair an hour before sunset, then noted LOUD at 2048 UTC with C&W music. [Connelly-B-MA] DEC 28 2150 - Fair to good; light music, then news headlines in Norwegian. [Conti-NH] DEC 28

- 0300 - Norwegian talk by man, mention Norsk, pop music at 0303. Fair signal. My first ever TA logging in 15 years of MW DXing. [Rigas - IL] DEC 27 & 28 2200-0800 - Coming in starting an hour and a half before sunset, and lasting all evening. Same recent mix of US and Brit pops, plus Christmas tunes, Norwegian announcements by male host, sounders, ID, and news at top of hour. Signal a S8 to S20 over 9 all night long. Even audible on the Panasonic portable. NEW COUNTRY, NEW STATION. [Stephens-AL] DEC 28 0145-0400 - US rock music (incl. Christmas) with talk between by DJ in presumed Norwegian, poor with fair peaks. Also noted very strong 12/29, all evening from 0000-0500+ with greatly varying readability (at times like a local) - my first BCB TA DX! [Saylor-PA] DEC 27 2200 IN before sunset with a monster signal. Never been this strong before. Lots of Norwegian talk (Axelrod-MB) Dec 28 0208 Still in with good signals. Never had this one last so long in all my years of DX'ING. (Axelrod-MB) DEC 27 0021-0038 - Norwegian Poor-Fair Female with rock mx 0021-24. Male DJ spoke Norwegian @ 0024. Into Rock song..."I just want to Fly" by Band. "Sugar Ray" @ 0025-28. OM DJ spoke then into Queen's..."Bohemian Rhapsody" till 0035. Then into more Rock mx 0035-38. Some real nice peaks in audio at times. New Country # 33 on AM BCB. [Ross-ON]
- 1323 GERMANY, Voice of Russia relay, Wachenbrunn (t), DEC 20 at 2201 - most likely this with bits of talk; crushed by monster-level CKEC-1320. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1332 ITALY, Rome et al., DEC 20 2200 - II talk included ID "RAI" (pronounced as "rye"), then news started with the greeting "Buona sera"; excellent, better than WRCA/WWRV-1330. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 16 2222 - Good with pop Italian music and vocals. Is becoming one of the early regulars. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1341 NORTHERN IRELAND, BBC, Lisnagarvey, DEC 20 0012 - to fair peak with man & woman in EE. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 27 0009 - man with news/talk in EE; poor to fair. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1349 MAURITANIA, R. Mauritanie, Nouakchott, DEC 20 0010 - man in AA at low audio level on strong carrier; in slight CKAD-NS sloop with WOYK-PA in phase null. [Connelly*rw-MA] DEC 20 2159 - AA talk by man; absolutely HUGE signal. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1359 SPAIN, Arganda, DEC 20 2015 - presumably this hetting WLYN/others about an hour before sunset. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1377 FRANCE, R. Bleue, Lille, DEC 20 0545 - mellow FF vocal music; good, about equal to St. Pierre - 1375 in strength. [Connelly*H-MA] + DEC 20 1926 - this & St. Pierre were hammering WKDM-1380 with big hets on daytime reception. [Connelly*Y-MA] + DEC 27 0640 - // 1206 with old-fashioned FF vocal, FF talk; poor to fair. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1386 RUSSIA-KALININGRAD, V.O. Russia, Bolshakovo, DEC 19 0005 - British-EE dramatic presentation; good. Greek music noted under, presumably Athens. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 2251 - EE religious folk group vocal (in a Celtic-influenced style like that of Steeleye Span), then British-EE talk by man; SUPER LOUD !! [Connelly*Y-MA] + DEC 26 2330 - good with EE talk mentioning "1386 medium wave". Audio from this appeared as early as 2015 UTC. + DEC 27 0006 - EE religious program; good. + DEC 27 0600 - just about blowing the house down with chime and ID "This is the Voice of Russia World Service". [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1394.9 ALBANIA, Durres, DEC 26 2046 - measured here about 100 Hz low of Netherlands - 1395.0 (which was causing a rumble). [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1395 NETHERLANDS, Lopik, DEC 20 2247 - Dutch talk by woman; good, alone on channel (1395.0). [Connelly*Y-MA] + DEC 27 0005 - woman in Dutch; fair. [Connelly-B-MA] Talk Radio, Lopik JAN 4 0440 - Good; telephone talk with strong het on low side assumed to be from Albania. [Conti-MA]
- 1422 GERMANY, Deutschlandradio, Heusweiler, DEC 20 0105 - // 756 with "Suspicious Minds" by Elvis Presley; excellent. [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 26 2129 - piano jazz; good. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1458 ALBANIA, R. Tirana, Fllake, DEC 26 2105 - east European language talk; over growl and CKRB sloop. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1467 FRANCE, TWR, Roumoules, DEC 20 2152 - LOUD with preaching in AA. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 29 2350 - EE, Good, man Hosting USA Religious/Gospel Pgm. ID as Trans World Radio by man and said. "This is David ??? Inviting you to join us for another B/cast". Mentioned the "Bible" and into Instrumental music. Peaked nicely during Gospel music at 2340-44 UTC. Religious talk and Gospel music till Fade out at 2350. Amazingly strong during peak!! NEW Station, NEW Country # 35 on BCB. [Ross-ON] DEC 27 2309 Fair signals peaking to good with Choral music and religious music. The HET on this one was huge. New station First France on MW!! [Axelrod-MB] DEC 16 2200 - Good with man in AA. Has rel. talks in EE an hour later. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1485 SPAIN, SER synchros, DEC 20 0603 - SS news; poor. [Connelly*H-MA]

- 1502 UNID - ANGOLA Benguela likely, DEC 30 0126 - Wild music but no announcements. TOGO possible but WRTH says not on then. Was definitely on 1502, not 1503. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1503 POLAND Stargard, DEC 22 2035 - Fair with man in Polish. Rarely heard here, or maybe not on much. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1512 BELGIUM Wolvertem, DEC 22 2102 - Good signal with a woman speaking in British accented EE and News. [Dangerfield-PA] DEC 20 2147 - EE talk about 1984 was atop first, then Saudi Arabia took over. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 14 2232 - Very strong with woman doing news comments in American EE. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1512 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA, Jeddah, DEC 20 2148 - AA chant broke atop Belgium; tough at times with a virtually-unnullable blob of short-skip slop from WNRB/WNLC-1510. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 27 2248 - Poor signals with AA music and talk. New station [Axelrod-MB]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA, Duba, DEC 20 1915 - AA audio and a powerhouse het against WWKB/WGAM two hours before local sunset. + DEC 20 2145 - AA male vocal at a fast tempo, with strings & percussion (similar to Greek dance music); good with WWKB phased. [Connelly*Y-MA] + DEC 26 2005 - AA news by man; fair through some local WNRB-1510 splatter with WWKB/WGAM-1520 in phase null, not a bad signal an hour before sunset at a receiving site 25 km inland. This is usually the first TA to fade in pre-sunset, except in summer when Mauritania (1349) leads the pack. [Connelly-B-MA] JAN 3 2030 - Fair; talk in Arabic and string instrumental // 9555 and 9870. [Conti-MA] Duba, DEC 29 0300 - no sign-on announcement, anthem or anything, just started right up at 0300 with Koranic chanting. Weak but clearly audible in KOMA-1520 slop by using USB mode. [Stewart-MO]
- 1530 SAO TOME E PRINCIPE, VOA Pinheira DEC 27 0300 - Weak under WSAI; Yankee Doodle IS and news in English // 7340, 7415, and 9575. [Conti-NH] JAN 4 0435 - Fair; Portuguese program // 5745. [Conti-MA] DEC 21 & 22 0259 - noted at s/on at 0259. I didn't hear Yankee Doodle either time but a nice tape made with WSAI giving IDs and a man comes up and says: "This is the VOA....." WSAI phased down a little but still strong. [Musco-CT]
- 1530 unID (actually about 1528 or 1532 kHz), DEC 20 2010 - a het of about 2 kHz (maybe a bit less) was noted against the big 1530 jumble (Vatican/WDJZ/WSAI/others) on the car radio near the beach. This was probably the Middle East anti-Saddam clandestine. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1530 VATICAN, R. Vaticana, DEC 20 0002 - classical music, applause, then announcer in II (I think) mentioned Rossini as the composer; excellent with WSAI phased. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1539 GERMANY, ERF, Mainflingen, DEC 20 1925 - already in at this time, QRM'ing the WADK/WMYF/WDCD-1540 jumble. + DEC 20 2143 - choral music; tough WDCD slop [Connelly*Y-MA] + DEC 26 2138 - classical music, FF-sounding talk by woman; to fair peak. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1544 ALGERIA - CLANDESTINE, Tindouf, DEC 20 2141 - group vocal; fair. [Connelly*Y-MA] DEC 28 2239 - Good with Berber singing and shouting. [Dangerfield-PA] DEC 27 2323 Poor signals but assume it was this one with AA talk and music. NEW!! (Axelrod-MB)
- 1548 KUWAIT, VOA, Kuwait City, DEC 19 2354 - strong with VOA EE talk, then female vocal of "I'll Be Home for Christmas". [Connelly*rw-MA] + DEC 20 1925 - pre-sunset fade-in, sliding past daytimer WNTN. [Connelly*Y-MA] + DEC 26 2350 - male VOA EE announcer talked about jazz. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1557 unID, DEC 19 2356 - pop-rock vocal under open carrier, SAH resulting. Tough WQEW slop. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1566 INDIA, AIR, Nagpur (t), DEC 19 2350 - woman talking, two different languages used (one sounded like EE); poor, under Iran and WQEW slop. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1566 IRAN, IRIB, Bandar Abbas, DEC 19 2350 - Koranic chanting; over probable India; poor, in WQEW phase null. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1575 SPAIN, SER synchros, DEC 19 2349 - // 1044 with SS news and excerpts from public speech. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1575 UNID, JAN 5 0229 - Middle East type music with some vocals by a woman, announcements by a man and woman. Faded before 0300. VOA-1548 was super at this time. UAE and Egypt have stations on this frequency but both low power. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1584 CEUTA, RadiOle, DEC 19 2349 - non-SER SS talk; mixing with Spain's SER synchros. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1584 SPAIN, SER synchros, DEC 19 2349 - // 1044, 1602 with SS news. Synchro echo was evident. Signal over/under Ceuta. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1602 SPAIN, SER synchros, DEC 19 2347 - // 1044 with usual fast-delivery SER network SS news; over others with WUNR phased. [Connelly*rw-MA]

- 1611 VATICAN CITY, JAN 1 0558 - Very strong with woman in Italian, then the familiar Vatican IS. Dangerfield-PA]1467 FRANCE, TWR Romoules JAN 3 2107 - Fair; Joy to the World classical music interlude and Arabic program. [Conti-MA]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 535 GRENADA, GBC, St. George's, DEC 27 0722 - pop female vocal "What Will I Do Without You?"; fair. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 555 ST. KITTS & NEVIS, ZIZ, Basseterre, DEC 20 2352 - soca music with steel drums; to good peak. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 580 JAMAICA, R. Jamaica, Galina, DEC 13 0527 - dance music, Carib-EE DJ; over SS station (WKAQ or YVMJ) with WTAG phased. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 590 CUBA, R. Rebelde, CMHI, Santa Clara, DEC 20 0500 - clear ID "desde la Habana ... Rebelde!"; over VOCM with WEZE in loop null. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 590 CUBA, CMBF R.Musical Nacional, Santa Clara (?), DEC 31 0220 - dominant with Saint-Saens 2nd Piano Concerto during classical music program called "Festival CMBF;" ID 0228 "CMBF, Radio Musical Nacional." I've heard classical music looping southeast here before, but this is the first time I've IDed it... they seem to run this network sometimes rather than listed Rebelde. A tremendous improvement, I'd say! [Stewart-MO]
- 600 UNID MEXICAN, DEC 31 0136 - briefly surfaced in domestic garbage with typical nortefa-sounding stuff (lively accordian-accompanied music), but couldn't get an ID on it. [Stewart-MO]
- 610 COLOMBIA R. Diff. Nacional, Bogotá DEC 28 0300 - Cultura, nacional, and de Colombia mentions, accordian and romantic music, through difficult WGR null. [Conti-NH]
- 620.57 UNID MEXICAN, DEC 31 0200 - I'm still hearing this one putting a loud het on 620, but its low modulation makes IDing it difficult. Mexican music and Spanish talk looping southwest. [Stewart-MO]
- 640 CUBA R. Progreso DEC 28 0245 - Fair in strong het from 639; "la onda de la alegria ritmo" ID, salsa music // 890. [Conti-NH]
- 660 MEXICO, XEFZ, Monterrey JAN 7 0206 Out of news into complete ID: "Estás escuchando XEFZ, R. Seis sesenta, Monterrey, Nuevo Laredo, Grupo Alegria," etc. Into commercials and then romantic music. My third XE on 660 (after Mexico City and Tampico). [Swearingen-KS]
- 750 VENEZUELA, YVKS RCR/Radio Caracas Radio, DEC 31 0253 - fair mixing with WSB, Spanish talk and what sounded like an "R-C-R (ehray-say-ehray)" mention. Faded enough around 0300 that no ID possible, if there indeed was one. Around 0340 they were playing a program from Radio Exterior de España. If this was YVKS, 1st time heard by me. [Stewart-MO] (I'd count it, as you heard their main slogan - Jim) DEC 20 2225 - Caracas SS newstalkshow, mixed with CKGB/CBGY. South Americans weren't too strong tonight. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 780 VENEZUELA, YVOD Ecos del Torbes, San Cristobal, DEC 31 0306 - logged through parallel on 4980 short-wave, with Spanish talk and tropical music. Weak, so checking parallel only real way to positively ID this in mix of other signals. New log! [Stewart-MO]
- 790 MEXICO XERPC Chihuahua CHI, DEC 4 0101 - Canned ID: "En la ciudad de Chihuahua ésta es XERPC Radio Ranchito, 790 kHz, 5000 wats de potencia". The same ID was interspersed with ads and repeated twice more in the next 1.5 minutes. Ads for Gasolio, Restaurante Mirage, others. Fair in QRM. [Wilkins-CO]
- 820 MEXICO "Lobo", Mexicali, DEC 25 2356 - heard with distinct "Lobo" slogans, no call letters noted. [Renfrew*CA]
- 820.2 unID, DEC 20 2351 - 200 Hz high-side het against WNYC, on south wire. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 840 unID's, DEC 20 2350 - a real "pig pile" here with EE (WHAS and/or St. Lucia), PP (Brazil), FF (Haiti), SS (Cuba?). Nothing was even close to being dominant in this mess. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 859.8 unID, DEC 20 2348 - 200 Hz het on low side of CJBC. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 860.3 unID, DEC 20 2348 - Colombia? Bits of Colombian-style accordion music, 300 Hz het on high side of CJBC. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 870 NF(?) CUBA R. Reloj, unID site; 1218-1230 on Dec 18, checking for the 870 Key West TIS (continued wishful thinking), had a Reloj outlet that I don't recall hearing before, mixing at least equal level with WWL. Usual time sounders, man with news and ID's. [Krueger-FL]
- 880 ECUADOR Radio Catolica Nacional, HCRP1, Quito, (TENTATIVE!), DEC 31 0144 - Heard in s/off sequence: 0144 YL as if in inspirational talk, 0145 YL gospel singer w/children chorus in a gospel style song (quite long), 0151 YL/OM speakers in an announcement, heard possible "Catolica" and "Ecuador", 0154 Ecuadorian National Anthem (instrumental) to 0155 then carrier abruptly cut after the antihuman end. Always w/WCBS QRM. No sign of the "Catholic Kids" which used to be there reciting The Rosary just before s/off, making it easier

- to ID. The plaintive, "Santa Maria! Madre de Dios!..." cutting through WCBS, made it much easier to ID. Boy! I wish they had a parallel like they used to! [Funkenhauser-ON] (maybe the kids grew up and now work for the QSL Dept. - Jim)
- 880 MEXICO unID, JAN 9 0120 to past 0300 - good at times but mostly under WCBS etc. Prior to 0130 had a newsmagazine show mentioning Coahuila & other Mex. states. Then a 1/2 hour of US pops (Fleetwood Mac, John Denver et al.), with a promo 0140 for upcoming sports pgm "Fuego Terminado" on "8-80 A-M, la señal de deporte." Faded into mud at top of both 0200 & 0300 hours, so no IDs, nor even any good mentions of location. [Stewart-MO]
- 895 ST. KITTS & NEVIS, VON, Bath Village, DEC 20 2346 - mellow Caribbean-style vocal; poor to fair. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 930 MEXICO? unID SS station, DEC 4 0012 - Loops SW/NE, ads which gave 5 digit phone numbers, so probably Mexican rather than US. No other details pulled out of QRM. [Wilkins-CO]
- 950 CUBA R.Relej, unknown city, JAN 9 0109 - very good atop frequency with usual Relej format (news/clock-ticks/cw-ID-every-minute). [Stewart-MO] DEC 19 1450-1504 - Huge, local signal--much stronger than ever before on this freq--parallel 940, et. al. Usual format, except that the woman announcer had a very squeaky chair. No trace of R Metropolitana, once dominant here. [Krueger-FL]
- 954 CUBA Radio Relej, JAN 5 0414 - Relej outlet has been noted here the last two nights. Will probably move back. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1000 COLOMBIA HJAQ/RCN Cartagena, JAN 9 0114 - outrageously loud with RCN programming // equally good Barranquilla-760. This has been a pest for several years now; hard to believe it's only 15 kW. [Stewart-MO]
- 1039.61 COLOMBIA (t), DEC 20 2345 - het against WHO/others on 1040, but still not much useful ID material on this bird. Barranquilla is suspected per audio extracted last summer. Can anyone help on this? [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1060 CUBA, CMDX, Baracoa, DEC 20 2344 - SS political talk; dominant. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1060.3 unID, DEC 20 2344 - 300 Hz high-side het against Cuba. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1080 VENEZUELA, Mundial 1080, YVNR, Maracay, DEC 27 0023 - reverberated ads for a business "en Maracay"; over YVQJ and SER-Spain with WTIC in phase null. [Connelly-B-MA]
- 1080 MEXICO XEDY Cd. Morales, DEC 31 0328 - Heard on high side of frequency with "Radio Gallo" Ids. [Renfrew*CA]
- 1129.6 unID, DEC 20 2342 - het against WBBR, on south wire. Maybe Colombia? [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1290 MEXICO XEAP Cd. Obregon SON, DEC 12 0330 - Slogan wafting through QRM: "Desde la tierra del pedado (?) y cabellosa (?), Radio Norsteña, esposo la mera duena" or something like that. Heard later with fuller ID, incl. call letter. New slogan, ex-R. Sensacion. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1290 MEXICO XEQIN, LV del Valle, San Quintin BCN, JAN 6 0209 - In a last day phone call with Tim Hall, he tipped me off to this one being audible during the hour before their 7:00 PM PST sign off. Heard with good signal, SS announcer, music. Then off to the airport to go home to Rochester. [Renfrew*CA]
- 1300 MEXICO XEXW Nogales SON, DEC 22 0200 - ID in QRM: "XEXW, R. Nortena, 1300 kHz, mil wats de potencia, con estudios y oficinas en ??? 127, esquina ???, Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. Una estación más de Organizacion (Radiorama?)", and into ranchera music. No sign of usual XEP, new catch Mexico #141, SON #25. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1321 unID, DEC 20 2340 - weak het against CKEC, on south wire. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1353.05 unID, DEC 20 2339 - carrier, has been noted previously. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1375 ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON, RFO St. Pierre JAN 4 0445 - Good; telephone talk in French // 162. [Conti-MA] DEC 22 0610 presumably them with loud dead carrier. [Smith-TN]
- 1460 MEXICO? unID SS station, DEC 10 0343 - Heard "AMC Radio, La Fantasia Musical" and snippets of music for the next half hour. Read somewhere that XEYC had moved to 1030 so maybe this is replacing them. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1470 MEXICO? unID SS station, DEC 7 1445 - Latin music with PST timechecks, looping SW/NE. Slogan is "La Zeta". Doesn't match anything on US/XE lists, i.e., nothing listed with a zeta in the call. In spite of this, I suspect KUTY, maybe relaying and FM station or with new calls. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1505 ANGUILLA, R. Anguilla, The Valley, DEC 20 2337 - Carib-EE sermon or political speech; poor. This doesn't get reported very often anymore. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1520 COLOMBIA Ecos del Palmar, Bogotá DEC 27 0500 - Tentative; anthem, mention of Bogotá, romantic music continuing past 0500, in difficult WWKB null. [Conti-NH]

- 1570 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, HIAJ, Santo Domingo (t), DEC 20 2335 - most likely R. Amanecer Internacional here with SS religion; on south wire that tended to null the mass of domestics arriving from the west. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1635 UNID Doh! Just heard that mystery 1635 KHz station again (the one that plagues me around the winter solstice every year). Noted tonight 2250 to the precise 2300:00 sign-off as noted on previous occasions. Very weak with deep, long fades, one peak had W talk in UNID lang briefly. Euros not strong at all (not even PCH making it in at the time), so suspect this may be in deep Latin America somewhere. Ideas anyone? I'd feel a lot better about life if someone else would hear this..... :-). Can anyone refer me to a capable Argentine-ish MW DXer for further investigation? [Crawford-FL]
- 1685 COLOMBIA, MER Mercaderes DEC 28 0215 - CW beacon with MER code Ids separated by a lone E, weak through an unID utility station. [Conti-NH]

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 738 TAHITI, JAN 4 1110 - With KCBS-740 testing, I heard a male announcer talking in FF. Believe station to be Papeete. Tape sent. New country for me after 15 years of trying for this one. [Jackson-CA]

UNIDS, QUERIES

- The unID SS station on 1530 heard by Randy Stewart is probably a station from the Net (Cadena) "PODEROSA" with stations at Ciudad Acuña (1570 kHz) and Hermosillo (1540 kHz). I don't know any Poderosa on 1530 kHz, but we have some contributors in Mexico DF. I will check it. BTW. ID on "Poderosa stations" are always as stated below: 1570.0 XERF - LA PODEROSA, Ciudad Acuña ID a la hora en punto: "Desde Ciudad Acuña para todo el mundo...la Poderosa..." [Jorge Garzón. E-mail: medidx@svq.servicom.es]

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