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an entirely different opinion. Of course, we have some first rate foreign DXers such as Dr. Richard E. Wood, Neil Kazaross and Pat Martin who regularly tune stations most of us will never hear. But we also have a few who just enjoy listening to certain stations. IRCA is made up of people who have many occupations, own various types of receivers and are in many stages of DXing. I don't think we should publish a lot of material that will separate the "men" from the "boys". I don't even understand most of the technical material already published in DXM but I know others find it useful. We are all interested in doing better in the hobby and if we have the ability to build our own equipment that saves us some money, but unfortunately I have to order mine already built. Even some DXers who own computers have doubts about a computer's usefulness in DXing, and I don't even own one. As far as time zones are concerned, IRCA is an "international" radio club with members in other countries besides the US and Canada. I know members in these countries wonder why a club with headquarters in Washington has loggings in Eastern Local Time. Richard Evans pointed out one problem in using GMT/UTC was that s/offers, ETs, etc. would not change during the summer months. Many of us don't DX that much during the summer months anyway. I soon remember to tune in "DX Party Line" on HCJB, which is broadcast at 0230 GMT at 2130 after DST goes in effect instead of 2030. I think we will find it isn't that much of a problem to use UTC. The main problem in changing to UTC could be that many members of the club aren't familiar with it through shortwave listening. So few people send in forums it is sometimes difficult to tell what the majority of IRCA is interested in. 73 from Mississippi.

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Following the hurricane on my map with the assistance of CNN and checking through the North American Radio-TV Station Guide, I was able to monitor the stations serving their communities with the latest news and emergency instructions. To my surprise, WBT had a normal format and would mention the hurricane only in the news and weather. While the hurricane was off NC, WBAL & WBZ were providing their areas with excellent coverage and taking phone calls discussing hurricane Gloria. On Sept. 28th I discovered to my surprise a lot of stations from Canada rolling in like gangbusters in the early afternoon. Hope this is a sign of good things to come this winter.

## Cast a Vote on Silent Night!

Radio Doings  
January 30, 1926  
via Jim Hilliker

### SILENT NIGHT—YES

Los Angeles, Calif., January 10, 1926.  
Listeners-In Club,  
Radio Doings.

Dear Sir:

Just a few words in behalf of Mr. Elmer Jones' little article in the "Radio Doings" of November 29th in regards to some of the more powerful stations, such as KFI, KNX, KHJ and a few others having a silent night so we poor DX fans could at least yet a chance to try for distance.

I say "Atta boy, Elmer," he has the right idea and I hope he has started something that will bring the topic up for discussion through your great little "Red Book".

I have listened in over a number of large and small sets since reading his article and they all have fore or less trouble with interference.

Now what chance have we local bugs got trying to tune in KSL, KOA, KDKA or any station between 300 and 450 meters with all these locals broadcasting in full blast.

I am also in favor of the voting blank he mentioned.

Come on, you DX fans, now is your chance to speak up for your rights, for I know our reliable "Red Book" will be kind enough to give the topic discussion room in their great book.

That's all. More power to the "Red Book of Radio," a dollar's worth for a nickel.

CHARLES J. MALKUS,

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FOR the first time since any of us on the Pacific Coast got to be radio fans the question of a silent night is to have public discussion. On Thursday, February 11, the Radio Trade Associations of Southern California are to have their monthly banquet and the sole topic of discussion will be "A Silent Night." The banquet is to be held at the Alexandria Hotel and everybody interested in the radio industry is going to try to be there. It will probably be the biggest turnout radio in the west has yet known. Dealers from every part of the state will be on hand to air their views.

Of the many hundreds of letters received by Radio Doings every week, covering every variety of radio topic, full seventy per cent. are devoted to the question of a silent night. It is the burning question of the hour in radio and the opinion of the public will for the first time have an opportunity to make itself known and to a certain extent felt.

The Radio Trades deserve a lot of credit for their courage in publicly tackling this ticklish question. You know, radio to a large extent is very much dependent upon the broadcaster and his willingness to furnish the programs that are sent over the air. Well, when he shuts down for just an hour his expenses keep on just the same and whatever little source of income he may have ceases. It takes plenty of gumption to take a chance of earning the ill-will of those you are dependent upon. That's why every fan should get busy and fill out a ballot. Last week they came in by the mailbag full, but we want just as many opinions by the morning of February 11 as we can possibly get.

Until February 11, Radio Doings is going to publish the coupon that is printed below. Every radio owner and every radio dealer should fill out one of these blanks and make his opinion felt. The whole proposition is a question of "The Greatest Good for the Greatest Number." Radio Doings has so right to take sides. We are for what all the folk want, or rather most of the folk, and that includes the radio owner, dealer, wholesaler and manufacturer, and last but by no means least, the broadcaster, who has furnished us with ten thousand and one nights of every variety of entertainment and without whom a radio set would be like a yacht on the Sahara Desert. Get that last idea, and when you vote don't forget to consider the other fellow has a side as well as yourself—but by all means vote the way you think you should.

If you fail to vote, "hold your peace forever afterwards," as the lawyers say, and don't write us any more complaints. Everybody vote! And be sure that your ballot reaches here by the morning of February 11.

SILENT NIGHT BALLOT	
Put a Cross in the Square For or Against	
FOR A SILENT NIGHT	<input type="checkbox"/>
OPPOSED TO A SILENT NIGHT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Name _____	
Address _____	
Business _____	
Send Your Ballot To: SILENT NIGHT EDITOR Radio Doings, 527 Van Ness Building Los Angeles, Calif.	

### INTRODUCTION OF THE STATIONS IN THE RANGE 1600-1800kHz

kHz	Station Information
1644	Hachinohe JFS, 50w
1660	Otaru JHO, Hakodate JHD, Nemuro JHU, Hidaka, Ogi JFD, Tohata JFN, Karatsu JHS, Fukuoka JFO, all 500w
1670.5	Kushirokou, Erimomisaki (Erimo), Esanmisaki (Esan), Matsumae (Matsumae), Yagishirijima (Yagishiri), Shakotanmisaki (Shakotan), Tappizaki (Tappi), Ohmazaki (Ohma), Shiriyazaki (Shiriyazaki), Todogasaki (Todogasaki), Kinkazan (Kinka), Inubouzaki (Inubou), Hojimasaki (Nojimasaki), Hachijojima (Hachijojima), Irouzaki (Irou), Hegurajima (Hegura), Hagimishima (Hagimishima), Takobana (Takobana), Wakamiya (Wakamiya), Mishima (Kamitsushima) all 50w
1675	Nemuro JHU, 50w
1693	Niigata JHF, Ogi JFD, Obama, all 50w
1697.5	Choshi JHC, Nakaminato JHA, Misaki JFC, all 500w
1699	Nemuro JHU, Atsugishi, Kushiro JFZ, Hiroo, Hidaka, Muroran, Esashi, Iwanai, Yoichi, Otaru JHO, Rumoi, Wakkanai JFY, Esashi (different station from former), Monbetsu JH2, Abashiri JHW, Hakodate JHD, all 50w
1702	Kasumi JFI, Tanabe, Nachikatsuura JHI, Miyatsu, all 50w
1722	Aburazu JFP, Shimanoura, Ushibuka, Usuki JHG, Kagoshima, all 50w
1725	Ajigasawa, Miyako JHT, both 50w
1728.5	Kuji, Katsuura, Misaki JFC, Odawara, Chikura, all 50w
1738.5	Sakata, Ajigasawa, Aomori JHM, Hachinohe JFS, Oga, Ishinomaki JFU, Shioyama JHQ, Iwaki JFW, Ohhata, all 50w
1746	Kamaishi JFT, Ohfunato JHP, both 50w
1768.5	Shimonoseki JFK, Senzaki, Karo, Hamada, all 50w
1772	Iwanai, Esashi, both 50w
1775	Tachlura, Karatsu JHS, Fukuoka JFO, Narao, all 50w
1778.5	Muki JFB, Tsuda, Fukaura, Tosashimizu JHL, Hassai JHE, all 50w
1782	Hamada, Karo, Senzaki, all 50w
1785	Aomori JHM, Ohhata, both 50w
1788.5	Fukuoka JFO, Karatsu JHS, Tachiura, Nomo, Kamoise, all 50w

- NB: 1. Stations on 1670.5kHz are shipping weather ones, and others are coastal stations.  
2. Coastal stations are for the telecommunication with the fishery ships.  
3. Three alphabets stand for the call sign. Stations which do not have call sign are called with "place name" plus "gyogyo". The word "gyogyo" means "fishery".  
4. Words in parentheses are call designations.  
5. Verifications are cards or letters.

## Court Orders Radio Station To Stop Blasting Fire Tower

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THE FAR EAST RADIO CLUB

Garberville,  
Humboldt County

In an unusual ruling, a radio station has been ordered to cut power drastically because its transmission tower bombards occupants of a nearby fire lookout tower.

The fire lookouts were being exposed to unsafe levels of radio frequency radiation from the antenna of station KERG, 87 feet away on Pratt Mountain in southern Humboldt County, state officials said.

The Federal Communications Commission initially ordered the 100,000-watt station to cut power in half, then ordered it to go down to 2000 watts until the fire season ends October 1, officials said.

The station had erected a copper screen shield, which substantially reduced radio waves — but not enough to meet state occupational health and safety standards, said Jim Miranda of the state Department of Forestry.

United Press

Above, via Pat Martin  
Left: San Francisco Chronicle  
September 27, 1985  
via Robert Wien

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