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Temp. Editor: WDXR for issues thru 1/13 will be done at HQ. See WDXR for deadlines.

New Editors: (See President's Report for details) Bill Lipis, P. O. Box 325, El Cajon, CA 92022, will handle WDXF eff. Jan. 6 issue with deadline 7 days prior to pub., Saturdays, until otherwise announced. Bill replaces Standby Editor Carol Schweiger who will now be ready to handle the next resignation should it be required.

Misc.: Bruce Heimburger advises by phone that there will be no 12/30 EDXF; reports were left at college; please mail reports for the 1/6 and 1/13 issue to his home address, 817 Rawlins St., Port Huron, MI 48060. John Zondlo has no CDXF this issue as mentioned last issue; reports for 1/6 issue go to his home address, 6617 Maryland, Hammond, IN 46323. Father Jack, Rick Evans, and Nancy Gantzer will have normal schedule.

DX Meeting

The last DX Meeting of 1972! H. John Clements, 24836 Walnut St., Newhall, CA 91321, will host a DX Meeting on Saturday, December 30, 1972, from noon until about 10 PM PST. Please be there; refreshments will be served. This is a DX meeting, not a drinking party; please, no alcoholic beverages. To get there: Take Interstate 5 North to the Lyons Avenue exit and then go away from Denny's to Walnut St. Then left to 24836 Walnut St., Apartment H. Jeff Brasier, Northridge; Don Erickson, Riverside; and hopefully many others will be there. Bill Connelly, this is in your backyard! -DEE via HJC

Flash Tip

Courtesy of Jerry Monroe by phone, comes this important flash item: Radio Paradise, 1265 kHz, in St. Kitts is now on the air with all English and announcing 50kw. Jerry reports a good signal but with fading. They are, he says, mentioning that PJD2-1295 in St. Maarten is changing owners and format and hope to get some of their listeners. They expect to soon have a half million listeners and estimate a potential audience daytime of 5 million and nighttime of 50 million. NOTE: Jerry says they are mentioning that the first writer from each area (state, prov., etc., probably) will receive a special certificate. A weak but badly fading carrier was heard the evening of Sat., Dec. 23, in Riverside, the night Jerry called. Jerry feels it is possible that this was their first day on the air; they are, incidentally, still conducting tests but expect to be regular schedule shortly. Here's your chance to get a special certificate by being the first in your area to send a reception report. PLEASE make those reports accurate, complete, and neat. Air mail from USA is 17¢.

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NEW MEMBERS!!!

Rolf Bloedorn - Postfach 26 - D-6301 Allendorf - WEST GERMANY (BRD) (via NRC)

Robert Calhoun - P. O. Box 362 - Scottsbluff, Nebraska 69361 (assumed CH 73)

Bob Corley - P. O. Box 1557 - Corsicana, Texas 75110 (assumed CH 73) (continued page 2)

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DX CALENDAR

Mondays	0530-0542	WTSO	1070	Madison, WI	10kw/5kw	U4	IRCA/DF & NNRC/GV
Mon. -----	0230-0300	WCPK	1600	Chesapeake, VA	1kw	D1	NRC/Jim Poterba
	0300-0330	KLEB	1600	Golden Meadow, LA	1kw	D1	NRC/Ernest Cooper
	0330-0400	WLMG	1600	Sag Harbor, NY	500w	D1	NRC/Ernest Cooper
Sun. Dec. 31	0000-????	WJVA	1580	South Bend, IN	1kw	D1	NRC/Chris Cross
???????????????		WSBS	860	Great Barrington, MA	250w	D1	NRC/Wes Boyd
Mon. Jan. 8	0000-0530	WGNG	550	Pawtucket, RI	1kw	U2	NNRC/IRCA
	0300-0400	KDDA	1560	Dumas, AR	500w	D1	IRCA/Karl Forth
Sun. 14	0130-0400a	WJDX	620	Jackson, MS	5kw/1kw	U2	NNRC/Gene V.
Mon. 15	see note	WBTX	1470	Broadway, VA	5kw	D1	NRC/Wes Boyd
Thu. Feb. 8	0200-0300	WPCF	1430	Panama City, FL	5kw	U4	NNRC/Gene V.
Mon. 12	0100-0200	KOTA	1380	Rapid City, SD	5kw	U2	NNRC/Gene V.
	0200-????	KWHN	1320	Fort Smith, AR	5kw	U2	NNRC/Gene V.
Tue. 13	0400-0500	KGHL	790	Billings, MT	5kw	U2	NNRC/Gene V.
Mon. -or- 19							
Tue. 20	0300-0315	WKIG	1580	Glennville, GA	1kw	D1	NRC/Dave Schmidt
Sat. 24	0300-????	KLCL	1470	Lake Charles, LA	5kw	U2	NNRC/Gene V.
Mon. 26	0330-0458	WDEL	1150	Wilmington, DE	5kw	U4	NRC/Dave Schmidt

Others: WRAN, WCER This is everything received through 12/23/72.

NOTE: It seems some members of the CPC still think 3 or 4 weeks is enough advance notice to ask of a station and still get widespread publicity. One CPC member, who still spells it DX Callendar complained because a station didn't give him the 3 weeks notice he asked. He received the info at the very last minute; how did he advise HQ? By surface mail; took 4 days or the last bulletin would have provided notice to a majority of the membership. PLEASE: Request at least six weeks notice so that our friends in NRC and NNRC may be advised of these programs. And always use air mail which rarely takes more than 2 days and sometimes arrives from the east in one day.

CPC Write-ups Please turn to page 15 for this issue's CPC Write-ups. If you notice any errors, please advise HQ promptly so we can keep DX Calendar as accurate as possible. Please mark 'CPC Information' on the outside of the envelope.

NEW MEMBERS!!! (cont'd from page 1)

Houser Crain - 317 S. Sangamon - Lincoln, Illinois 62656 (via WSPD, Shel Swartz)

Gilbert Frank DuVal - 124 Balz - Station #2 - Charlottesville, Virginia 22905
(via KPAB, WCFL, WWVA, WKBW)

Steve Elder - 345 W. 44th Street, Apt. 8 - San Bernardino, California 92407
(joint membership with Bill G. Powers)

Keith Hansen - Route 2, Box 807 - Boring, Oregon 97009 (CH 72, National Radio Club)

Cadet Michael Lukza - P. O. Box 1104 - U.S.A.F. Academy, Colorado 80840

(via Communications Handbook and How to Listen to the World)

Eldon Luoma - 10653 137 A Street - Surrey, B.C. CANADA (rejoins; joined 9-23-70)

Patrick J. Monaghan Jr. - 152 Hawthorne Avenue - Pocatello, Idaho 83201 (via KNBR)

Bernard Myer - 2739 Connaught Avenue - Halifax, Nova Scotia, CANADA (via WOAI)

Bjorn Olsson - Box 2259 - S-902 50 Umea, SWEDEN (via KOMO, WRTH)

Carl E. Parsons, Jr. - 76 Riverside Blvd. - Thornhill, Ontario, CANADA (via NRC)

James C. Reda - 372 Dravo Avenue - Beaver, Pennsylvania 15009 (via WGY)

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Recent Board of Director Ac. tivity

<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Erickson</u>	<u>Evans</u>	<u>Hauser</u>	<u>Northam</u>	<u>Wood</u>	<u>Worst</u>	<u>Result</u>
5.2-5	O	O	F	A	O	F	DEFEAT
5.2-6	F	F	F	A	F	F	PASSED
5.2-7	F	O	O	A	O	F	DEFEAT
5.2-8	F	F	F	A	F	F	PASSED
5.2-9	F	F	F	A	A	F	PASSED
5.2-10	F	F	F	A	F	F	PASSED
5.2-11	F	F	F	A	F	F	PASSED
5.2-12	F	F	F	A	F	F	PASSED
5.2-13	F	F	F	A	F	F	PASSED
5.2-14	F	F	F	A	F	F	PASSED

Key to Symbols: O=Opposed; F=Favor; A=Abstain

Board of Directors: Donald E. Erickson, Richard C. Evans, Glenn Hauser,
Michael B. Northam, Dr. Richard E. Wood, Michael G. Worst

- 5.2-5 I propose that, in accordance with Proposal 4.1-58, taped verifications be fully accepted as having equal status to written verifications for (1) all IRCA contests that award points for verifications, (2) achievement awards and (3) DX Records. The effective date of this proposal would be that date approved by the Board, except in the case of IRCA contests, which date should be all new contests begun after the approval date. Submitted 7 October 1972 by Larry B. Godwin.
- 5.2-6 Confirm the appointment of Michael Hogan to Graveyard DX Records Editorship.
- 5.2-7 I propose that the IRCA purchase an additional 100 unbound copies of the IRCA Foreign Log from Donald Erickson. This would cost \$32.00. Additionally, and at my discretion, the logs would either be collated and stapled by a printer at a cost of \$31.08 or collated by hand, then stapled professionally. This latter would represent a saving of approximately \$12.00. Maximum cost would be \$63.08. Submitted 10 October 1972 by Father Jack Pejza.
- 5.2-8 Confirm the appointment of Carol Schweiger to the post of Standby Editor.
- 5.2-9 Resolved, that the Ready Verifiers List be deleted from the DX Monitor, effective immediately. Submitted 8 September 1972 by Richard C. Evans.
- 5.2-10 Resolved that the IRCA open a checking account at the Boulder National Bank, and close its present checking account with the Crocker National Bank. Submitted 15 October 1972 by Larry B. Godwin.
- 5.2-11 Resolved that checks over \$25.00 require 2 signatures of the authorized check signers of the IRCA. Submitted 15 October 1972 by Larry B. Godwin.
- 5.2-12 Approve for referendum to the general membership the convention bid for the 1973 IRCA Convention submitted by San Jose, California.
- 5.2-13 Approve for referendum to the general membership the convention bid for the 1973 IRCA Convention submitted by Hammond, Indiana.
- 5.2-14 Confirm the appointment of Nancy Gantzer to the post of Eastern DX Roundup Ed.

Commentary

no vote card from Director Northam, hence his abstentions.

Bruce Portzer, as DX Records Editor, and Percy Kesteven, both as Achievement Awards Committee Chairman and President, were in agreement with 5.2-5. Rick Evans, both as Contest Manager and Director, disagreed strongly. He felt that taped veries are completely different from written ones. Also, he points out, the person who tapes a station for an ID for a contest has a distinct advantage over one who listens and writes for written proof. The President suggested that, because the membership as a whole had approved 4.1-58 in a club-wide referendum, the Board should concern itself with the reasonableness of the proposal i.e. whether or not taped veries can be applied to all aspects of IRCA operation. Director Wood disagreed, replying that he had been elected on a 'ticket' opposing taped veries. Director Erickson made no comment on his vote. Since this topic is likely to be one of continuing interest and debate among the members, I would respectfully refer concerned parties to Bylaws Article IX and Article XI. Details of possible further action are found therein.

Don Erickson purchased several hundred unbound copies of the Foreign Log immed-

ately after printing. Father Jack suggested that we purchase some to replenish stocks in anticipation of orders to come. At that time there were about 65 unsold copies left from the original printing and binding of 200. Larry Godwin recommended voting against the purchase suggesting instead that we let stocks deplete further and the demand becomes clearer. As of November 29th we had sold 156 copies.

Larry Godwin is dissatisfied with service at Crocker National, hence 5.2-10. For the interest of the members, authorized cheque signers in the IRCA are the Publisher, Secretary-Treasurer, and President.

Positions Available

It was with genuine regret that I received the resignation of Allen Denny. Allen has done a superb job for the Club in the past year. His information has been timely, accurate, and well presented. If you are interested in compiling lists of stations carrying the various sports, you may be interested in this opening. The work usually involves writing to each team in a league sport (no small job with the NFL, AFL, CFL, NHL, WHA, etc.) and obtaining a list of the stations carrying play by play description of their team's games. This information is then compiled into lists such as the ones Allen has done. Apply on the IRCA Application Form. Deadline for receipt of applications is January 26, 1972.

Miscellaneous

Pending Board approval, Bruce Portzer is appointed Questions and Answers Editor.

Pending Board approval, Bill Lipis is appointed Western DX Forum Editor.

Rick Evans has brought up a very important possible change in the IRCA Government. He suggests that the Club adopt the policy of staggered Board terms. There would be four members for two years, then three members elected the following year for their two years and so on. This would continually bring "fresh blood" into the Board of Directors while there would be a certain sense of continuity. Implementation would be a problem at first, but this could possibly be overcome. It might be preferable to a new President addressing a new Board every two years. In the case of a Board vacancy, no election would be required. The Elections Committee Chairman would pick the next person off the vote list. In the case of a "three man year", the person placing fourth at the last election would fill the vacancy such as the one created by the resignation of Lynn D. Brooks some time ago. The Chairman of the Board would be selected each year for a one year term. This is an interesting suggestion. I would urge members to write in comments in DX Forums. If you wish, you may send longer dissertations to the President for distribution to the Board. This material is not in the form of a proposal, it is still in the "idea" stage. The Board has already discussed it in their monthly letter. Some reactions include the expense of elections that such a system would create, the work, and the comment that only rarely is a Board composed of 100% new members. Counter-reactions indicate that even though we are not on the system, there will be three of four elections of one sort or another during this fiscal year. WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Respectfully submitted,
November 12, 1972

Percy R. Kesteven
Percy R. Kesteven, President

NEW MEMBERS!!! (continued from page 2)

John R. Sally - 29926 Truman Avenue - Wickliffe, Ohio 44092 (via David Kable, KNBR)

Howard F. Snure, Jr. - 4211 Villa Lane - St. Clair Shores, Michigan 48080

(via a library reference book)

Bradford and Matthew Wall - 25776 Walker Street - San Bernardino, Calif. 92404

(rejoin as joint members; joined 10-4-69) (see WDXF for Brad's current add.)

Mr. Adele Wolfe - P. O. Box 174 - McDermott, Ohio 45652 (via Andy & Lib Anderson)

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Bill Coleman, Jr. - P. O. Box 5807, N C S U Station - Raleigh, N.C. 27607

Larry B. Godwin - 2985 E. College, No. 6 - Boulder, Colorado 80303 (correct ZIP code)

William H. Lee - still in Chanute, Kansas - bulletins returned by postal error

Robert A. Schneider II - 2706 Redbud, Apt. 8 - Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Randy Seaver - 755 Coleman Court - San Diego, Calif. 92154 (change in postal add. only)

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Sixteen participants, including the four judges, were noted largely in the pages of the bulletins. Ten were from California: John Clements in Newhall; Bob Karchevski in Daly City; Al Lehr in Livermore; Arthur Peterson in San Pablo; Charles Taylor in San Diego; Paul Welka in San Jose; plus judges Grant Manning and Father Jack Pejza in San Diego; Ralph Sanserini in Huntington Beach; and Jay Murley in Newport Beach. Alberta contributed two: John Oldfield in Edmonton and David Oliphant in Medicine Hat. Rounding out the list were Parker Moore in Vancouver, B.C.; Pat Martin in Astoria, Oregon; Credo Bisquera in Waianae, Hawaii; and one from the "east", Dave Rogers in Norman, Oklahoma.

Grand prize winner was Art Peterson with 54 points, with Bob Karchevski in second place with 50. The best of the judges' scores was 36, ranging down to 22, with none competing for a prize. (One conclusion drawn from this is that San Francisco Bay Area DXers free of mountainous interference have an easier time of it than their counter-parts on the Southern California coast. This, of course, does not take into account their more sobered efforts to conscientiously hear something through the splatter). Winning third prize with 20 points was Parker Moore, with the decision of the judges that David Oliphant takes the fourth prize!

The gear used by contestants varied tremendously. Most used loop antennas, with or without amplifiers. Art Peterson used a Hammarlund HQ-180A as a primary receiver, with a Bendix MN-26C as a standby, and a Worcester SM-1 loop. Bob Karchevski used a National NC-183-D, backed up by an array of auxillary equipment, hooked to a home-brew 68" box loop without pre-amplification. All four judges used Sanserini loops, though Grant Manning's version of Southern California's tinkertoy undoubtedly included this month's array of special features. Surplus equipment was much used, particularly ARB's. Standby equipment useful for logging parallel broadcasting included such novelties as a National NC-125 with Q-multiplier hooked into an ancient NRC loop. At least one HQ-180 was in use among the judges. But in Vancouver, however, Parker Moore used a Philips mantle radio (P-145) with Q-multiplier and antenna tuner hooked up to an old-fashioned hundred foot longwire. At least two vast Beverage arrays were available during contest periods: neither the California nor Nebraska arrays produced an entry.

One question mark appeared in the entries: do you log stations that were fading in just before the end of a block -- or signing off just after the start of one? The rules said a five minute reception was required: if five minutes were heard -- and most of it was in the interim period between blocks, it could still be counted if the judges agreed that part was logged within the block in question. Quite a few stations were involved, with time blocks scheduled 0800-0930, 1000-1130, and 1300-1430 GMT. October 2 saw JOBB fade in at 0929, a feature noted only by the judges. October 9 saw KGU sign off at 1003 or fade out at 1002, depending on the version accepted. No one claimed Peking-1040 at 0930, fade-in time in Southern California on 10/15. But KHVH signed off at 1000:30, was counted by Peterson (and one judge internally) and accepted.

The toughest stations have to be those claimed by only one contestant or judge. In the 825-845 kHz block on 10/2: Art Peterson's JOQK, 1120-1125, and Bob Karchevski's Radio Malaysia from 1400-1407. In 750-770 on 10/9: Grant Manning's North Korea-765 at 1115 and Jay Murley's JOPB (running parallel with powerhouse JOUB 10 kHz away) at 1025, prior to Peking's fade-in, burying the weaker Jap. The 1020-1040 dial segment on 10/15 showed Credo Bisquera logging Honiara's VQO in the Solomon Islands and Art Peterson's Chinese at 1030. Poor conditions on 10/23 hurt the contest and increased the number of solitary reports, even of the often-heard stations. Karchevski alone heard (1) the last nine minutes of KYAK before their 0859 sign off, (2) Verkhoyansk at 1300 GMT, (3) Peking-645 from 1425-1430, and (4) the North Korean powerhouse in two of the three time blocks. (Bob heard it in all three; but was prevented from a clean sweep of three exclusives by a judge who also heard it shortly before 0930 in the first period). Known for his ability and location to rack up the down-unders, Pat Martin alone picked off 2YC from 1046 to 1051. (continued on the other side)

(continued) 10/30 featured 870-890 kHz. Nobody heard anything reportable in the first block: everybody was skunked! The second (wee small hours block) showed a pitiful 3 contestants: one of them a judge logging Colombians and masochistically wondering whether conditions for TPs could get any worse. All three would hear Wonsan, but only Peterson picked up JOGB and JOHK. Now 1300-1430 GMT, the sunrise shift, never attracted many contestants anyway. It had its own special judge, Ralph Sanserini. On 10/30, after miserable conditions earlier, this one opened up like a firecracker. 890 was a magnificent log jam that paid off to those who sat through it and looped carefully. Peterson came out of this one segment with 20 points and Karchevski with 18, with Peterson showing exclusives on Urumchi-880 and HKLB and Karchevski scoring alone on Adak-890 and Radio Fiji.

The commonly reported stations, with five or more listings, were JOBB-830 in 1000-1130 on 10/2; KFQD, KGU and JOUB in 0800-0930 on 10/9; JOUB and Peking-760 in 1000-1130, 10/9; KHVH in 0800-0930 on 10/15, with Peking-1040 in both of the following blocks: 1000-1130 and 1300-1430; and KORL in 0800-0930 on 10/23.

We've noted how 10/30 went from miserable to superb as the night wore on: 10/9 was the other way around. The third block noted Pat Martin, Grant Manning, and Ralph Sanserini each having to strain for one solitary logging: JOUB in Akita, Japan, on 770. Two hours before, it had been gangbusters for six listeners!

Now to future contests. SCECPDX, meeting at Seavers' in Imperial Beach over the Thanksgiving weekend, decided to abide by Karchevski and Pejza's suggestions that the three time blocks be made consecutive. A few stations were logged by some contestants in 0800-0830: the judges felt that all but KYAK could be logged in 0900-0930. So... the next contest will run 0900-1030, 1030-1200, and 1200-1330 GMT. It was also felt that additional provision has to be made for entries from inland states and provinces: contestants from Pacific areas whose receptions are blocked by mountains, from the Fraser Valley to San Bernardino-Riverside will continue to have problems. One suggestion has been made to automatically double the point scores of those living in states or provinces that don't border the Pacific, but no firm conclusion has been reached. We have concluded, however, that all judges ought to report their catches to the columns -- if only because this author's reception of JOPB-760 hadn't been noted elsewhere.

Was the contest a success? The number of entrants was poorer than expected. But conditions were poorer than expected, too ... and next fall should be better, if sunspot trends have any validity. The contest did boost the number of TP reports... and some of the loggings were rather exotic indeed. Consider...without the contest, we might not have seen reports on Fiji or Malaysia!

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One wonders where it all started. In the early days of DX, a listener had either heard all the countries on the air or he hadn't. How many didn't really matter. In those days, a DXer could actually expect to hear all the countries on the air, given a bit of luck and some perseverance. By the early 1930's, however, the DX hobby was hit by a socialization process; a process which brought about the concept of DX clubs for mutual aid and whatever-else-have-you. This was the beginning. By this time, it was no longer an easy thing to hear every country due to more stations, more powerful stations, and longer schedules. Then the idea of keeping country totals and qualifications for definition of countries for DX purposes became the rule. The country quest got its greatest impetus from the ham operators who frequently staged DX-peditions to areas where there were no operators to get more "countries" heard. The ham definition of countries is, of course, a far cry from, for instance, that of the United Nations. There are hams who can make a reasonable justification for having worked 380 such "countries".

This points out one obvious problem immediately, namely, the number of countries one has heard depends in great respect on what country list he uses. A DXer who belongs to three or four DX clubs may well have a wide variety of total "countries heard" over a range which may well exceed ten from highest to lowest total. It's almost a shame the League of Nations never made it big in 1919 or maybe the whole silly business of DX countries would be governed by the acceptability standards of that august body. But, alas and alack, that is not the case, with the result being that the whole idea of DX countries is a simmering cauldron of controversy, confusion and gross inconsistency, just waiting to boil over into a major conflagration.

To explore the whys and hows of this phenomenon, let us investigate the most commonly-accepted (and yet most differently-interpreted) criteria promulgated by the various DX clubs concerned with Medium Wave DX for the delineation of DX countries. Basically, these criteria come under four major headings, so we will deal with them accordingly. One such is political sovereignty. As one would expect, that nebulous term means many things to many people. By chance, the DX enthusiasts of some prior decade decided that the United Kingdom would be divided into the countries of England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man; and that the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics really exists as the name implies, as a series of individual republics. These same people chose to consider the U.S. as only one country, and Canada as only one. True, the distinction is a matter of degree, but why should it be ?? For a hobby which boasts of verifications of reception as its hallmarks, the imprecision of the foregoing is indeed strange. By the same token, these folks chose to count the Netherlands Antilles (Bonaire, Curacao, Aruba, and Sint Maarten) as one, while counting the British West Indies as separate entities (i.e., Grenada, Anguilla, Antigua, British Virgin Islands, St. Vincent, etc.). Ah, consistency! The political realities of the two groups are quite similar -- the autonomy granted the individual islands is not particularly large.

A second example is that such things as protectorates, territories, and dependencies of a given country shall be counted separately for DX purposes, assuming that they are not adjacent geographically to the parent country. This one is the only one to which glaring contradictions are not immediately evident. It could get fantastically interesting when the Antarctic is opened up a bit more.

A third criterion is geographic separation. A country (politically speaking) may count for two or more if one part of it is separated from the rest (or the others) by a body of water measuring not less than fifty miles in distance, or by land on all sides which is (again, politically) an entirely different country. This one boasts the only known specific restriction in country lists -- namely the Hawaiian island of Kauai. That is one very glaring inconsistency. This allows West Berlin, Guantanamo Naval Base, Kaliningrad, etc., to qualify as countries and ostensibly allows the Netherlands Antilles to be separated also. This is part of how the Isle of Man and Northern Ireland could really be counted as two separate countries justifiably. A myriad of Pacific island groups would have to be dealt with by exception (the Kauai way) assuming that they were to sport MW stations. (continued on the other side)

The fourth major delineation is one which has no great number of applications, and that is that when a country occupies space on two continents, it shall count as two countries -- Asiatic and European Russia, separated by the Urals. But what about the small area of Egypt which is east of the Suez?? And where should the division between Asia and Oceania (which isn't a continent anyway) be drawn??

Well, it also happens that circumstances crop up which don't quite fall neatly in place as above. For instance, what about the areas of Israeli occupation in the mid-East?? And we cannot forget the unending confusion surrounding the various emirates, amirates, and trucial states in the Persian Gulf area. All of these, however, pale in comparison to the biggest fly in the ointment -- International Waters. Many DXers count a nebulous "International Waters" as a country. This would presumably be fine if all of the stations in international waters were located in the same general part of the world, or even in the same ocean. But what possible justification can be made for including Radio Veronica, Radio Caroline, Radio Huaraki (New Zealand), and the proposed station off the California coast as one country?? Or, on the other hand, how can you justify or possibly divide the large bodies of water in the world into different areas so that one can count the pirate stations located there to be counted as several separate countries when, in fact, none exist??

The whole subject becomes progressively sillier by the day. There appears to be no easy answer, because DX is still to a great degree an individual hobby, and is, in many cases, governed not only by criteria arbitrarily set by DX clubs, but on the individual DXer's own particular codes or beliefs. Many DXers who have gotten to the point of having to really work to hear new countries can sympathize with the recent comments of one international DXer who declared that he didn't care about countries, or totals of any kind any longer. His log was sufficiently large that the prospects for growth were not at all great, so he came to a decision to confine his DX activity to noting and reporting changes in stations and data for his particular geographical area. Several other veteran DXers, whose accomplishments are well known have unofficially and individually gravitated toward DXing in a manner which is useful in promoting new developments in equipment design or scientific studies of various physical phenomena. Perhaps there are the only answers. Perhaps the veteran DXer must, of necessity, in this day and age, become a totally altruistic listener, devoting his time to helping others to log what to him is "old hat".

Maybe, though, -- just maybe -- there is another answer which can be universally accepted by DXers for measuring achievement. Even now, it is often more telling to judge an accomplished DXer's authenticity by what others have heard which he hasn't, assuming essentially similar circumstances. Or better still, DX might possibly reach the point where comparisons and competition between individual DXers would mean less than we take it to now. Let each one "do his thing" and not try to compare it with others unless their outlook is exactly the same. But even then, how can we completely ascertain that radio waves exist at all?? The mind boggles.

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540 WARO PA Canonsburg noted on 12/3 w/oldies RR mx and few spots,
1648-1700 s/off signal good. (GWJ-MD)
550 KPYR ND Bismarck 12/8 1930-1935 good o/nulled WGR w/CBS nx.(NG)
570 WFAA TX Dallas heard w/WKBN off the air, very little signal
fading 0240-0330 12/11. (JMo-NY)
KVI WA Seattle 12/4 0350 tentatively the one looping NW
w/contemp rock, very weak and killed by YVLX s/on.(JMP)
590 WEEL MA Boston heard w/ID and nx fair 11/30 0359 u/WROW.(ECT)
600 WFRM PA Coudersport hrd 11/27 w/ID, ad and mx from Gilbert
O'Sullivan at 1903. (ECT-NY)
630 KXOK MO St. Louis 12/9 occ. o/CKRC w/IDs, wx at 0246, not
much else noted. (JMP-PA)
WPRO RI Providence w/ID and program "Focus" 12/3 heard at
0405, fair. (ECT-NY)
CKRC MAN Winnipeg 12/9 0300 strong almost all morning, usually
o/KXOK, in WMAL null; had rock format, temp. was
19 below! (JMP-PA)
640 CBN NFLD St. John's in on a strong night for Maritimes, CBNM
o/CBL on 740, CBT atop all on 540, ect., ID and CBC
programs 12/8 1700. (JMP-PA)
680 KNBR CA San Francisco 12/8 2100 rare evening appearance o/WRKO
w/"This is KNBR, San Francisco" and then NBC net nx.
790 KGHL MT Billings new state here, f/c really strong (JMP)
w/little QRM, two good IDs, tone between, 0245-0300
12/4. (JMP-PA)
WEAN RI Providence 11/22 0432 fair w/mx, wx and ID. (ECT-NY)
850 WKIX NC Raleigh heard o/the mess w/a plug for a car dealer in
Raleigh 0150 12/7. Also hrd testing MM 12/11 at 0300.
880 WRRZ NC Clinton in WCBS null, had s/off 1715 12/5, (JMo)
quite a bit of programming heard before this though,
giving indication of the quality of the signal. (JMP)
900 WBRV NY Boonville 12/10 s/off 1630 w/instrumental America,
poor w/CHML nulled. (NG)
950 WKAZ WV Charleston Rock format K-A-Z Music 0145 12/7. (JMo-NY)
960 WFTC NC Kinston 12/3 0025 way o/Roanoke w/TT, f/c per the list.
1010 CBR ALTA Calgary I assume this to be the one noted. (JMo)
w/s-off w/GSQ 0307 12/4 u/WINS/CFRB and looping NW.
1050 WGAT VA Gate City noted 12/3 1713-1715 s/off w/messy (JMP)
signal due to heavy QRM from others, a spot noted at
1712. (GWJ-MD)
1080 WPNS WV Hurricane 12/3 1710 strong after WEEP s/off in WTIC
null, rock format and several spots, for rpt.
S/off 1715. (JMP-PA)

1090 WMWM OH Wilmington DX Test heard here not as strong as you think it would be, but still heard 0320 12/11, C&W mx. (JMO-NY)

1100 WWWE OH Cleveland 2309-2326 12/2 in w/a very fine signal. Ex-WKYC, ID's as "3W-E--The Midwest sports giant". (JMR)

1110 WTBQ NY Warwick 1200-1215 12/2 in w/a weak signal and unbelievable QRM from WHLI. (JMR-NY)

1290 KOIL NE Omaha hrd w/many IDs rock format and many plugs for the Omaha area 0237 11/27. (JMO-NY)

1310 KNOX ND Grand Forks on ET closing down at 0232 11/27. (JMO-NY)

1360 CKEC NB Bathurst 12/9 strong s/on o/WDRG, brief amnt and into Nx Roundup. This a total surprise, as "The Big D" usually is on top here. (JMP-PA)

1400 WILI CT Willimantic testing 12/11 0108 t/in-0113 w/TT, good o/WJET, etc. (NG)

WPAY OH Portsmouth 12/11 0136 ID and spot for Holiday Inn of Portsmouth, good for a minute then gone. (NG)

1410 WPOP CT Hartford w/RR mx and several IDs 11/21 was hrd from 0330 on. (ECT-NY)

1420 WLNA NY Peekskill noted 6 days before the DX test on afternoon of 12/6. Finally found out that this one has been my UNid u/WCOJ for the past few months. Strong w/WCOJ nulled 1530 w/wx rpts from local high school meteorology class. (JMP-PA)

WHK OH Cleveland 0004-0019 12/2 fair signal w/much QRM&QRN.

1440 WHHH OH Warren 2353-0000 12/1-2 good signal but fading. 0000s/off. (JMR-NY) (JMR)

WKLV VA Blackstone strong s/off 1659 12/7 100% readable, and very little WAAB, w/WHHH nulled. (JMP-PA)

1460 WCMB PA Harrisburg 2129-2149 12/2 weak signal, fading, noise, QRM--you name it, it had it. (JMR-NY)

1530 WHYP PA North East this one, one of my most wanteds, finally showed up 12/9 w/s-off 1644 o/WCKY-read by YL anncr., inviting to tune to FM. (JMP) (Format is C&W-NG)

WMBT PA Shenandoah noted on 12/3 1341-1353 w/good signal w/semi-local WCTR nulled. Polish Polka Program w/many local spots noted. (GWJ-MD)

1540 WSMI IL Litchfield real surprise here w/strong s/off, 100% readable, inviting to tune to FM-106, read by Don Budd, 1730 12/9. (JMP-PA)

WRPL NC Charlotte 12/9 1715 s/off read by Pat Patterson, 100% readable. (JMP-PA)

WABQ OH Cleveland o/WPTR/CHIN w/s-off, black-type format, 1700 12/9. This completes Cleveland stns for me. (JMP)

1550 KKHI CA San Francisco o/KKJO w/classical mx and male anncr, 0450 12/9, long wanted here. (JMP-PA)

WRIZ FL Coral Gables w/a test, mx, tone, and ID "WRIZ, Coral Gables-Miami" 0130 12/7. (JMO-NY)

WYNX GA Smyrna strong o/WRIZ 12/8 1721, was way u/them 1723, had spot for Transmission repair co. then C&W. (JMP)

KKJO MO St. Joseph poor signal all alone but very weak, just one ID, rock format, 0330 12/9. (JMP-PA)

1580 WDQN IL DuQuoin s/off just 2 minutes later than rest of the pack, coming thru in the clear plugging 95.9 FM, 1747 12/5. (JMP-PA)

WAMY MS Amory noted 12/3 w/rel. mx and s/off at 1745 no SSB noted, but very detailed ann. Sked f/c last week in good at listed times. (GWJ-MD)

1580 WPMP MS Pascagoula noted on 12/3 w/fair signal w/MoR vocal and instrumental mx. 1753-1800 s/off w/SSB. (GWJ-MD)

It's sort of a short column this week. EAST--are you out there??? I hope you're enjoying a happy holiday season, wherever you may be. Besides listening for all the special AN stations Christmas Eve, don't forget to listen New Year's Eve for all the "happy" announcers. Vote for Hammond in '73!!

HAPPY NEW YEAR

CPC Write-ups

WTSO will use MoR & voice IDs through at least the end of the year. Reports to: Mr. Sherman Stern, CE, WTSO, P. O. Box 44, Madison, WI 53701. -IRCA/Dave Faulkner & -NNRC/Gene Vonderembse, NNRC President & CPC Chairman

WCPK, KLEB, & WLNG are all scheduled to air their program on a MM when WWRL leaves the air while a new power line is being erected near the transmitter. This may have happened already. See previous issues for addresses. -NRC/Jim Poterba & Ernie Cooper
WJVA seems tentative; their monthly program, per a letter from Mr. Cross, seems never to have been heard at the scheduled time. It isn't suggested you lose any sleep looking for this program.

WSBS info was originally sent as tent. for sometime in late Dec. Shel Swartz says Wes Boyd informs him that the date will be Mon. Jan. 8. More details when available. WGNG may be an NNRC program or an IRCA program or both (or neither?); info came from Tom Sundstrom who seemed to credit to Shel Swartz; vice versa, Shel was crediting to Tom. More importantly, reports go to the CE, WGNG, Box 55, Cumberland, RI 02864.

KDDA reports to Alan W. Eastham, General Manager, KDDA, P. O. Box 215, Dumas, AR 71639.

WJDX will use TT with frequent IDs; both 1kw and 5kw ND will be used. Reports to: Mr. Floyd Kinard, CE, WJDX, P. O. Box 2171, Jackson, Miss. 39205. -NNRC/Gene V.

WBTX times are uncertain; they could be 0000-0100, 0100-0200, or 0330-0430 EST. Programming will be a mixture of Top 40 instrumentals, C&W, big band, and maybe polkas. TT of various frequencies (400, 1000, 2500 Hz) will be used and there will possibly be code IDs. Also voice IDs, local wx rpts, phone numbers, and perhaps calls on the air. Reports to: Mr. Keith Vollnogle, CE, WBTX, P. O. Box 337, Broadway, Virginia 22815. -NRC/Wes Boyd

WPCF will have a 15 minute f/c followed by 45 minutes of mx, frequent IDs, and mention of NNRC. Reports to: Mr. Reed Kinney, Asst Eng, WPCF, P. O. Box 1430, Panama City, Florida 32401. -NNRC/Gene Vonderembse

WDEL will use big band music, cycle tone, and dial tone. Test will continue until RS starts. Reports to: Mr. Joe Jones, WDEL, P. O. Box 1269, Wilmington, DE 19899. Mr. Jones is a long time member of NRC. -NRC/Dave Schmidt

CHANGES OF ADDRESS (continued from page 4)

- David Shapiro - YMCA Room 424 - 101 Locust Street - Des Moines, IA 50309
- Kevin L. Slater - 755 N.W. 23rd, Apt. 2-B - Corvallis, Oregon 97330
- Charles A. Taylor - DeLeon Apartments - Calle Nueva - Sorsogon, Sorsogon - H-318 PHILIPPINES

Broadcasting Information (as compiled by Mike Worst) from the Dec. 4 issue

WPBC	980	5kw	Richfield, Minnesota	granted WY00
WFLI	1070	50kw-D	1kw-N	Lookout Mountain, Tenn. to Lookout Mountain-Chattanooga
WOXF	1340	1kw-D	250w-N	Oxford, North Carolina requests WCBQ
KHFH	1420	1kw-D	500w-N	Sierra Vista, Arizona requests KPAT
KPAS	1490	250w	Banning, California	renewal denied
KBBC	1600	1kw-D	Centerville, Utah	requests KLAT

Geomagnetic Indices The indices for the week of December 13 through December 19 are: 25 08 17 24 10 06 06. Not particularly encouraging for TA DX on the West Coast. On the other hand, TP reception on Xmas morning, 12/25, was apparently excellent to at least some spots. Jay Murley phoned that Tarawa-844 was coming in between S9+10dB and S9+40dB!

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 Deadlines: Fridays. Send reports here for 1 more week, then to P.H.
 for 2 weeks. See my DXF last week for the complete story-Brh

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Karl Bartlett - 26 Commonwealth Ave. - Boston, MA 02116

Greetings, knob twisters & dial watchers! After 12/15 we DXers will be in for a tough time, since stns only have to ID at intervals of 60 min. or less...but most broadcasters must really appreciate this FCC move. I see no reason why FBIS & other organizations should not receive DXM, since most members do benefit from the FBIS volumes. IRCA members hurry up & send info for IRCA phone book. Tnx to Gregg Alinson, Keith Mehl, T. Saltmarsh, S. Swartz, P. Tremblay, & B. Zaslowsky for SCs. Dave Schmidt, perhaps WFEA did QSL in the past, but nowadays they don't even answer a ppc--and that's rudeness if I ever saw it. DXers, write or call 617-266-1221 2200-2300. 73 and peace.

Quentin K. Brown - 59 Kenilworth St. - Ottawa, Ont. K1Y 3Y5

Lots of foreign DX still reported, I really liked LMA's YVQO-640 & XEFW-810, that's diggin' for 'em! Tnx to FJP, the DXWW is an excellent column. When I joined the IRCA 5 yrs ago there was a fad to log the stn w/your own initials. I could never do that as a 'WQKB' didn't exist, they're awful call letters for a radio stn. But I see A. Hecker found a most suitable replacement, KQWB-1550. Most appropriate as my initials are occasionally mistyped as 'QWB' & that off-centered 'K' is omitted. Best of luck to Carol & Nancy on their new editorships. J. Oldfield: I saw the 7½ pence BBC 50th year stamp, not as attractive as other issues from the U.K. Aside from a splotch of purple the picture of a color camera was in black & white! Tuping credits are sometimes not given so hearty thanks to whomever typed the SPR4 review & the ready verifiers list. Veries: v/f-ORTF-1375 (St. Pierre), v/l-HIJB-830, HJJX-650, HCFA-540, v/q-ZDK-1100, RNE-854 & v/ppc-ZIZ-555. Only need 28 more stns to hit 1000. (Good luck & good goin'-Brh)

Jordan Roderick - 48 Orchard Farm Rd. - Port Washington, NY 11050

Hello again everybody. Cx here are getting like they are supposed to be. I got 5 new stns on 12/2 & I even think I got the tiniest bit of that new stn on Saba. Totals are 219/146, 27/27, 4/3, 2/2. I strung a new 150' antenna & it is working beautifully. One question this time: how in heaven's name do you get WCAU, WWRL, & WJJD to QSL? At this point each has gotten 6 or 7 letters. It's down-right frustrating too, when you consider that some stns that are not supposed to QSL, like WNDR, have-and on the 1st letter too. Another note of interest, I am getting full credit in school if I manage to get a 2nd class license. That has to do w/the FM stn we are trying to start in my high school. 73s to all and may all your pests have transmitter failures.

Charles Berman - 2901 Ocean Pkwy. - Brooklyn, NY 11235

Hello there. How's DX been coming along? After about 2 mos. wait, I finally received KSL's verie (v/q). Another verie came in WSM (v/q). Also applied for my 20 States Achievement Award. For those interested, I think I made a slight error in the 12/9 EDXF. I said if KSL was the 1st to verie I would apply for 20 states immediately. Turned out WSM veried before KSL did so I put them on my application first. PRK-is my format oday? By the way, I will start working at Grossinger's Hotel tomorrow (12/24/72). Sent in a rpt to WRKO w/RP. No reply yet! Am writing this rpt from Teaneck, NJ on Sun. nite 12/10. Last MM, pulled in KFI beautifully! No time to write a rpt to them-was dead to the world. At 0230 you would be too, hi! Looks like I'll get them again on MM 12/19, no school that day. Finals coming up-hafta go now. 73s.

Geogre Mihalik - 209 James St. - Blasdell, NY 14219

Hi gang! Cx here have been fairly good w/many new stns hrd. Finally got KFAB on 1110 for new state. 12/4 was a very good MM, w/WITM, WEAW WSPR-DX, WGBI, WPLB being hrd. Best catch in Nov. was KLTR @ s/off on 1580. Recent veries: KAAAY, WGY, WNOE. Totals now 207/30/4/10. 73s.

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Gregory Spencer - 700 Clark St. - Martins Ferry, OH 43935

Hi! Local WKWK moved to Medical Tower Bldg, Wheeling, WV 26003. First day of operation from there was chaos. Playing tapes at wrong times, failure to plug in the network news, etc. Doubt if many DXers can hear this flea powered stn. I have a SC from KDKA listing their top 40 hits since '55. First SASE gets its. Also might get ahold of some WKWK SCs. Recent veries: v/q-WSPA, WGST, WIP, WSJS, WFBR, WTVN, WHAS, WETE, WFBC, WMBS, WFLI(test), WHIO, KYW(test), WCPC, WCCO, WBJC; v/l-CKOC, WJAS(test), WWST, WFAW, WHK, WROS(test), KWVL, WBRC(test), WFBM, CHLO, WXIT; v/pp-WJPA. 73s & keep that dial trucking!

Jim Poterba - 949 Queens Dr. - Yardley, PA 19067

DX has been picking up lately, & I'm getting awfully close to the 1000 hrd mark, Hi. TA cx seemed to pick up slightly the 1st week of Dec.- Algeria-529 was noted here for the 1st time. This one is easy once you null the beacon "IHT;" at least in this area. On this subject, does anyone know where "IHT" is? And "INT?" Both are regulars here, around 530-534 kcs., as closely as I can figure. Some veries of late: v/l-WSYR, WROV, WSVS, WLSH, WCPK, KING, WLAC, WHOM, WJNL, WTHM, WFAX, v/q-WMAL KOAM, WNNJ. WQQW, WGBS, v/f-WCRV. This gives me 305 veried now. Goal for this season: 500 veried. Re: our latest controversy over govt. membership: I have to agree w/Rick Evans and Dave Rogers in that as long as the govt. pays, there's no reason why it shouldn't receive the bulletin. When it starts getting something for nothing, though, we have a different story... Tim Saltmarsh: Do you know if WFTN is going to verie rpts of their Test? If not, I'll send a ppc w/my next report. 73s for now & lets make it HAMMOND IN '73.....

George W. Jensen - 4604 Anntana Ave. - Baltimore, MD 21206

Reception here has really been lousy the past several days due to electrical interference of an unknown nature. The Balt. Gas & Elect. Co. strikes again. Recent veries are as follows: v/q-KOMA, XEG, WHGR, VOA (Marathon1180), CBEF; v/c- WBTM; v/l-WDSL, WENC, WIXE, WAVS, WEYY, WPED, WPHM, GBS(Gugana), WCIR WLLL, WOKO, WJAS, WSXN; v/CM-WQIZ; & v/r-WQBA. Seasons Greetings to all & a Happy New Year full of Peace and the best of DX. P.S. has anybody received a verie from the WRIZ Coral Gables test of Sept???

Raymond Arruda - 6 Wilbor Ave. - N. Dartmouth, MA 02747

Hi everyone. A hearty welcome to new Dartmouth member, Wade Smith. Still waiting on WGTR as it's been a month now since I sent them a rpt. On the WSDL Test, I sent a tentative rpt on about 5 mins. of real sketchy copy as I did hear a pretty certain ID u/WQXR OC @ 0226 & then some instrumental music. Acording to CPC Results in 12/2 DXM, none seem to have heard the test & it is believed that it wasn't on. I'll wait on that one. Maybe I'll get some kind of answer from the stn. MM 12/11: KRKT not tried, WSUF not on, WMWM hrd and reported, WLNA not heard due to local WBSM, & WTSO not tried. Merry Christmas to all.

There will be no EDXF next issue according to Bruce Heimbürger by phone.

The XEROK Story We finally have the story on XEROK or at least enough to explain why their call change wasn't heard a few days after they were heard using it (XEROK) by Dave Shapiro in Des Moines. Al Lehr, by phone, reports that he heard them using XEROK on 12/6; he feels, also, that they are using lower power now than at one time (when they used to cover PJB); some of us had felt PJB was using higher power. Frank McCoy, Baton Rouge, hrd XELO playing RR mx at night and saying they were switching to an all rock format beginning Dec. 4; On Dec. 6, Frank hrd XEROK IDs and all RR. Larry Cowles, Tucson, mentions there was talk of a format change eff. 1/1/73. They also talked of a call change and mentioned that a heavy rock format that didn't work had been tried a short time earlier. This was heard by Larry 12/12. Larry suggests that a big change is to come on Jan. 1 and that a call change, to XEROK or something else, is also possible. -DEE

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

850 IA KLEU Waterloo, Regular daytimer here, first hrd 11/19(CWD)
 1030 WY KTWO Casper, weak u/WBZ OC 2320 12/11. WBZ OC off at 2325
 but still poor w/R&R oldies. ID 2330 "This is clear
 channel KTWO, Casper, Wyoming". (TJ) Good with ID
 and into rock music 0105 12/11. (DP)

1300 MD WFBR Baltimore, Nx 0210 12/11, bombing in. (rce)
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540 ONT CBEF Windsor, 2020-2030 12/1 in FF, ID 2030 then lost to
 XEWA; just o/XEWA 2325-2331 12/6 good ID 2330. (TJ)
 550 ND KFYZ Bismarck, fair o/KSD w/R&R and Wx rpt for the "Capitol
 City". Also PSA for St. Johns Lutheran Church.
 2329-2345 12/5. (TJ)

580 KS KSAC Manhattan, fair w/PSA's and ID as Voice of Kansas
 State University, 1756 12/6. (SW)
 590 MI WJMS Ironwood, finally heard fair w/music 1727 12/6. (KDF)
 UT KSUB Cedar City, fair o/u WOW 12/7 2053-2104. (JDP)
 600 CA KOGO San Diego, 12/11 0338 w/PSA not reportable u/WCAO(RSK)
 MD WCAO Baltimore, 12/11 with a promo for a night of solid
 gold, good over everything. (RSK)
 660 SC WESC Greenville, 12/2 1668 w/local spots C&W format, fair
 signal, bad WMAQ slop during music. (RSK) (JDP)
 670 ID KBOI Boise, s/on and clx mx 0815-0830 12/10 fair o/XETOR
 690 BC CBU Vancouver, good signal during Nx and Land-Marine Wx
 0300, then s/off 0310 11/20 w/O Canada. Hrd two
 nights in a row, CMBC/XETRA QRM.(REZ) Good signal
 o/WPTF slop w/marine Wx forecast 0305 12/11, s/off
 0310. Prov. seven. (DP)

710 PQ CKVL? Verdun, in FF 0604, 11/14 came in out of nowhere,
 antenna shift? No ID hrd before 0622 fade-out. (TJ)
 730 MO KWRE Warrenton, 12/1 1715 w/local spots fair some WGN slop
 NM KDAZ Albuquerque, good and all alone on 730 w/some///(RSK)
 SS Mx, then s/off 11/22 & was half EE and SS. (REZ)
 PA WPIT Pittsburgh, 12/1 1648 w/rel. program, fair s/off 1700
 740 ALT CBX Edmonton, fair w/KCBS QRM & others, prg same///(RSK)
 most of the time as CBR w/CBC prg s/off 0300 (no
 news 11/2. (REZ)
 CA KCBS San Francisco, good w/Wx o/CBX 0159 12/11/ (DP)
 CO KVFC Cortex, weak to fair w/R&R Mx 2130 11/24 o/KSSS
 and others. (REZ)

780 NV? KCRL? Reno, w/long string of instr. mx and no IDs 0832-
 0857 12/10. Is this KCRL? (JDP) (Sounds like it to
 me, Jerry. It definitely ain't WBBM, hi.-rce)

860 MO KFYO Clayton, dominating w/Nx 1802-1812, woman announcer
 12/10. (rce)

920 MN KWAD Wadena, 11/20 C&W music, 0715 (CWD)
 950 WI WERL Eagle River, s/off 1716 poor, just after local WGRT
 went off at 1715 12/10. (rce)

980 SAS CKRM Regina, poor/fair o/u WONE w/spot for restaurant on
 Trans-Canada highway and mentions of "RM 98" 0140
 12/11. (KDF)
 CA KFVB Los Angeles, fair to weak u/KMBZ w/all Nx, can be
 heard here often, 0540 11/24. (REZ)

990 MAN CBW Winnipeg, good with Nx 17/7 230802315. (JDP)
 1000 NM KKIM Albuquerque, 11/29 s/off with SSB 1857. (CWD)

Why not each week update your reference books, such as the NRC Log
 with the call changes shown in "Broadcasting Info"? No problems then!

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CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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- 1060 AZ KUPD Tempe, fair w/no sign of KYW, only WNOE w/RR music
2400 11/22. (REZ)
TX KAMA El Paso, 11/28 s/off in SS 1900. (CWD)
UT KRSP Salt Lake City, 11/24 "Crisp Radio" Nx and s/off
1910-1917. (CWD)
- 1070 ONT CHOK Sarnia, s/off 0130 12/5, mentioned will return at
0500. (TJ)
CA KNX Los Angeles, excellent 0245-0315. 11/23 with news,
no sign of WIBC. (TJ)
- 1090**OH**WMWM*Wilmington, xlnt on DX Test w/C&W music 0302 12/11.
(DP) Good on test w/C&W Mx 0301-0324 12/11 (rce)
12/11 on DX Test C&W Mx good, fady though, (RSK)
- 1100 OH WWWE Cleveland, noted w/new call 2115, 11/30. Many promos
for sports. ID as Three W-E. (TJ) x-WKYC xlnt with
NBC news. ID's as 3W-E. (RSK)
- 1150 KS KSAL Salina, fair o/WIMA u/Nx Wx 1708 tune in, poor until
fade out at 1720 12/5. (TJ)
- 1180 NY WHAM Rochester, good o/unID Mexican w/MoR Mx, talk show
2114-2159 12/7. (JDP)
- 1260 SD KWYR Winner, 12/10 1759 w/Wx s/off 1800, fair, (RSK)
- 1270 ALT CHAT Medicine Hat, 12/4 0233 hrd while trying for WSPR
test w/Nx, quite strong, v/l in week. (RSK)
ILWEIC**Charleston, 12/4 w/ET OC ID w/rock type promo,
strongest station at the time, o/WSPR. (RSK)
MAWSPR**Springfield, on DX test 0240 came in right after
WEIC ID, seemed to be using an OC, taped & rptd. (RSK)
MO KUSN Saint Joseph, 12/3 1759 w/Wx s/off 1801 in fairly
good o/everything, surprising for 1270. (RSK)
NY WHLD Niagara Falls, 11/19 s/on 0700 w/SSB. (CWD)
- 1300**SD**KOLY?*Mobridge, weak ET 0122-0132 11/21, missed ID but
caught South Dakota at very end of test. (TJ)
- 1310**ND**KNOX**Grand Forks, ET 0115-0130 12/4 good to excellent.
Good ID 0016 then another stn pur carrier and tone
on--no ID from second tester. (TJ)
VAWHBG**Harrisonburg, good w/ET w/tone from 0106 tune in to
0115 12/7. ID at end of test "WHBG Harrisonburg VA
...will return at six am". (TJ)
- 1360 FL WKAT Miami Beach, 12/11 w/phone in show, unreportable. (RSK)
- 1370 FL WCOA Pensacola, 12/8 0101 w/NBC Nx, really a wierd echo
cause WSPD had the same Nx, o/u WSPD. (RSK)
IN WTTS Bloomington, s/off w/NA 12/7. (TJ)
- 1380**VT**WSYB**Rutland, fair/good w/TT ending 0030 followed by ID
12/9. (KDF)
- 1410 MD WHAG Halfway, 460 watt psa w/s/on unn. used SSB barely
readable. (RSK)
MSWBKN**Newton, 12/11 0112 w/ET ID fair u/WING. (RSK)
- 1420 IL WINI Murphysboro, Very poor w/ID on what sounded like a
s/off 1730 12/5. (KDF)
NYWLNA**Peepskill, extremely poor on test 12/1 0133-0200 off,
0200 ID only one hrd, but tone noticed throughout,
at one point, sounded like code ID, under WHK. (rce)
- 1440 ONT CFGO Ottawa, 1754 12/10, bombing in with RR. (rce) (DP)
ND KILO Grand Forks, good signal o/CFGO w/CBS Nx 0100 12/6.
- 1450**AZ**KVSL**Show Low, 12/4 TT 0235-0245. (CWD)
- 1460 TX WACO Waco, on AN 12/11 for bad Wx (46 deg. & freezing rain)
0243-0255 fade-out, poor mixing with WBNS. (rce)
- 1480 MN KEHG Fosston, s/off 1730 12/10, poor. (rce)
PA WTRA Latrobe, poor at s/on 0604 12/11. (KDF)

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1490 IL WZOE Princeton, good 1700-1815 w/Nx and MoR Mx in w/WOPA.
(left blank in errpr-rce) (TJ)

1500 GA WSEM Donalsonville, rel. pgm 1740 12/10, poor, no sign
of usual KSTP. (rce)

1510 IA KIFG Iowa Falls, fair w/WLAC looped, in after local WJRC
s/off at 1732 until s/off at 1746. 12/6. (TJ)

1540 MS WSWG Greenwood, 11/26. Rel. Mx 0725 Promo for Downtown
Carnival. 0730 (CWD)

1550**FL**WRIZ**Coral Gables, poor u/KXEL slop w/ID and into TT,
0120 12/7. (DP)

IL WJIL Jacksonville, 12/3 1746 w/end portion of s/off, not
reportable. (RSK)

ND KQWB Fargo, fair at s/off u/KKJO w/promo for "FM 98" and
SID 1745 12/10. (KDF)

1570 IA KJFJ Webster City, good w/end of sports & ID 1715 12/6(KDF)

SD KVRA Vermillion, L&C w/"Wx Vane" 1755-1800 s/off 12/6(KDF)

1580 GA WCLS Columbus, 0020-0025 11/23 fair w/Pop Mx, ID as
"W-c-L-S", sounded like WLS ID. (TJ)

IA KCHA Charles City, fair w/s/off 1730 right after WKKD
finished SSB 12/9. (KDF)

NE KAMI Cozad, poor w/ad u/CBJ 1800 12/11, unn. (KDF)

1590 IN WNIR Indianapolis, x-WGEE, 12/10 1715 w/s/off no SSB (RSK)
fair 1400-1615 12/3 w/C&W Mx.(When did they change
calls from WGEE?) (TJ) (Don't know for sure, Tom-rce)

NE KTCH Wayne, Fair w/SID o/u WAKR 1745 12/6. (KDF)

WI WQTC Two Rivers, xlnt w/s/on o/WAKR 0700 12/9. (DP)

1600 NE KRFS Superior, Good at s/off w/SSB 1815 12/6, on tape,
CL's sound like KRFL. (KDF)

NCWKSK**West Jefferson, ET 0000-0015 11/19 good w/WWRL. ET
had variable tone w/ID every three minutes. (TJ)

OH WBLY Springfield, 12/9 1715 w/s/off no SSB good signal(RSK)

PER THE LIST:

1st WED:	KANE-1240 LA (CWD)	3rd TUE:	WEAS- 900 GA (CWD)
2nd MON:	WGON-1400 MI (DP)	3rd FRI:	WBBK-1600 GA (CWD)
	WAGN-1340 MI (DP)	4th MON:	WFLN- 900 PA (CWD)
	WCAZ- 990 IL (DP)(rce)	4th WED:	KPAR-1190 NM (CWD)

A TIP OF THE HAT THIS WEEK TO:

CWD - CARL "SKIP" DABELSTEIN, 3300 N. 56th St., Omaha, Nebraska 68507

rce - RICK EVANS, Box 2048, Gary, Indiana 46409

KDF - KARL FORTH, 630 S. Ardmore, Villa Park, Illinois 60181

TJ - TOM JASINSKI, 31 S. Eastern Ave., Joliet, Illinois 60433

RSK - ROBERT KRAMER, 3406 W. Pierce, Chicago, Illinois 60651

DP - DAVID PETERSON, 800 Humboldt Ave., Winnetka, Illinois 60093

JDP - JERRY PEEK, 1160 Myrtle St., Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544

SW - STEVE WAYMAN, 12 E. Oak, Villa Park, Illinois 60181

REZ - ROBERT E. ZOLLER, 11615 Grand Ave., Omaha, Nebraska 68164

Best DX session here in a long time was a 12 hour span from 1600
CLT 12/10 to 0400 CLT 12/11, with seven new stations in. In fact,
it's been thirteen months. Totals here now 1270/690 49/48 8/6. The
East Chicago mailbox is now closed, and all mail forwarded from there.
Would those using the old box please start using the new one. No
veries in this past week. When will the election be held for the
new BoD member? Seems like it's overdue! Glad to see the proposal
on replacing the Chairman of the Board passed. Must go. 73.

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WESTERN DX FORUM

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Editor: Carol Schweiger- 41 Lawndale Road- Stoneham, Massachusetts 02180

Deadline: Wed., 10 days before publication. New Ed.: Bill Lipis

Bill Harang- 811 Nevada Ave.- San Jose, CA 95125

Greetings! Latest DX includes KHSJ-1320, Ven. on 1200 and Japan on 890 & 870. It seems like the EC members don't understand our view on having the convention in San Jose in 1973 (That's not necessarily true-CS). We fully understand the EC's view on having the convention in San Jose in 1973. We ask you to listen to our view w/ an open mind. I feel it is fair to tell the members that San Jose bid for the 73 NRC Convention. According to the information we hear, the NRC leaders felt the bid was "unsuitable." We apparently haven't seen the whole story published in the DXM yet. (Bill- please look for my report at the end of the column to explain the editing-CS) If San Jose loses the IRCA's votes, it shows the WC has been totally rejected by both NRC & IRCA. When you vote for the convention site, the San Jose Convention Committee hopes you listen to both sides without a prejudice mind and take all this into consideration when you vote. 73's & Best of DX!

Albert S. Lobel- 4545-55th St.- Apt. 6- San Diego, CA 92115

(714-286-3668)

Hi! to all. I will soon be renewing my IRCA membership so a re-intro is more than likely in order. I am 25 years old, married, and I am a student at San Diego State University majoring in geography. I have been an IRCA member for two years. I have heard 35 states, 7 provinces, and 6 countries. The recent DX get-togethers held in S.D. were great (both the one at my place and R. Seavers). A good time was had by all. I realize San Jose helped San Diego get the convention of '72, but let's be fair to the east and vote for an east coast city, San Jose maybe in '74. Many DX'ers have written to me in the past- I would like to hear from more. It's okay to telephone me any evening between 2130-2230 Pacific Time also on the 1st MM between 0500-0630 Pacific Time. NO COLLECT CALLS ACCEPTED! 73's and good DX to all!(Please read my report below-CS)

Wm. Larry Cowles- 362 W. Marcus Drive- Tuscon, AZ 85706

Hi to all again, latest veries: KLAC KTRN KRMG KLOK KCHY KNOW KJJJ. Some DX as of late, mostly SSS. On 10/19 heard KPQ374 on 1622 kcs., remote for KTOT Big Bear Lake, CA called station and eng. said only 75 watts. Said he would verie but nothing yet. Does anyone count these in there totals? Found SofM, Vermont very interesting but wonder why Burtis Dean WVMT cahnged verie policy. I have a verie for a DX test he did for the NRC Sept. 13, 1964, signed by him. Does any one have any verie info or recent signers for: KLIP-1220, KSOP-1370, or KINN-1270. Would like to have veries from these-Bad! To MM you noted in 10/21 WDXR that KTKT was in like a local; possibly a pattern ch. All note: The CE at KTKT sometimes runs the 10kw. with regular pgm. and makes minor adj. on MM. As they are NSP this is the only chance as he is also MM DJ. Later...

John F. Schneider- Rt. 5, Box 988- Sonora, CA 95370

My last report got lost somewhere in the confusion, so here goes again. This is my first report to WDXF, so will intro myself. I'm 23, DX'ing since 1964 from Sonora, Bay Area and Menominee, Mich. I've worked for KVML here for over a year, but will shortly move to KEWT, Sacramento (KRAK's FM). Started in Radio 1966. Totals to date 588/170, 39 states, 4 countries-- trying hard for No. 40, hi. Rcvr is a Sony portable. Have enjoyed IRCA bulletins so far, as they've been quite helpful. More later, 73's (Welcome, John to the WDXF-report often-CS)

DX Meeting Please don't forget the DX meeting in Newhall, Calif., this coming Sat., Dec. 30. If you plan to attend, please let John know, if convenient; his address and phone number are on the front page. Anyone driving through Riverside to the DX Meeting? If so, please let DEE know; ride need--will pay gas. Phone is 714-687-5910. 24 hours for DX gab or DXM tips. -Don Erickson

George Kesteven- 3524 Benton Dr. N.W.- Calgary Alberta, CANADA

T2L 1W8

Hi everybody. Have been doing some DXing here lately for a change, hi. New Stations here include KRVN, KOL, KOMA and KGEZ. Have wanted the latter for a long time and finally got enuf for a report. I have been using a Phillips Stereo with a 4 foot box loop. The stereo is fairly sensitive but is somewhat lacking as far as selectivity goes. By the time this is printed it will be Christmas holidays. Hope to get a lot of DXing done during the holidays. Well that's about it for this time. Have a Merry Christmas everyone. 73.

Carol Schweiger- 41 Lawndale Road- Stoneham, MA 02180

Firstly, I would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays! Secondly, since I am fairly new to this job, the job of editing is quite difficult. In the previous reports of this section, certain things may have been deleted from them. This is only because I feel that those things should not be printed in WDXF. I thought the DXF was a place where you could tlak about your latest DX and other things related to DX. I hope this hasn't offended anyone; so from now on, when you report try to stick to DX if possible. Latest veries; WAKR, CFTR, and CFGO. Everyone have a Happy Holiday and good DX to all; 73's.

Bill Hardy - 303 W. 10th St. - Aberdeen, WA 98520

No GOATBPSLC here. Reason? October coincided with the political season, which caused untold extra work for me. Even Christmas, with all its ads, won't be that much work, since I had to check and double-check all political ads after I typed the logs. Give one candidate the wrong number of ads, and I could conceivably go to jail! So finally, I got caught up on typing up Special Features. Now everybody's happy but the SC's, hi! In case you sent for the KHOK-KGHO-KUGR SC's I offered in Aug., I lost the KUGR SC's so will fill your requests when I find them; please be patient! OKAY Minn.: Where is WYOO-980 REALLY located? Richfield or Minneapolis? Please listen for a LEGAL (top-of-hour) ID. BYB frequency section says Minneapolis; other sections say Vancouver, WA, to Portland, OR, recently. Now, if I can break away from work (and typing) long enough to DX! May Christmas bring each of you a silent period from your favorite NSP pest! 73.

CPC RESULTS - FLASH TIPS

Please see front page for flash on Radio Paradise-1265, via Jerry Monroe, Alden, NY. Roughly Sunnsareeni, Huntington Beach, Calif., reports Brunei-895 at 1400 GMT and carrier from Indonesia-998, also 1400 GMT. Jay Murley, by phone as the above two, had noted a really powerful Tarawa-844 sig. But translated to Riverside, it was just carrier and weak audio. FJP's upcoming article on Horizon Blocking will do a lot to help your publisher prepare excuses for rotten DX, hi! All CPC programs were on per sked except WPAC/WSUF, definitely not on; WPAD, no reports one way or the other. Few WC flash tippers so no positive word on KRKT for 12/11. WLNA-1420 good sigs 0035, 0040 12/11 by Tom Sundstrom (TRS). On per sked--Dave Schmidt (DS). WMWM-1090 all morning 0106, 0510 w/C&W mx, IDs between each record by Alan Merriman (AM). 0145+ w/ exc. sigs by TRS. 0030-0345 by DS. 0254-0307 by Ron Musco (RM). WMCS-1400 in Machias, Maine, hrd weakly 0008 12/16 w/ID, 0013 w/TT, by RM. Call by RM to stn said no other callers. KNOE-540 exc sigs 0145-0200 & 0212 12/18 by TRS. Not hrd by RM; just XEWA. WCWC-1600 for NNRC exc. 0215 by TRS w/calls from Sundstrom, Jim Poterba, Ron Musco, Dan Myers, Rick Evans. Hrd good by AM. In vy well exc. for KATZ QRM 0301-0337 by DS. 0212 by RM w/WRL off. WCHV-1260 for VDXA/NNRC 12/18 hrd 0235-0245 on lkw by TRS. 0304 w/gd sig by AM. 0246-onward w/QRM f/R. Capital in SS by DS. Not hrd by RM. WEKR-1240 exc sigs by Bill Feidt. Exc sigs 0332-0346 w/Xmas mx by AM. *** Misc.: Skip Dabelstein rcvd ltr from KTGO-1090 saying new PD caused them to fail to be on per sked. Skip is trying to re-arrange for 0200-0230 CST, 0300-0330 EST 1/29; will add to DX Calendar next issue. Members wishing to supply DXM info daytime can reach DEE at 714-688-5050 1200-2000; WATS-line calls only, please; it sometimes takes a while to reach me in the plant. More misc. flash tips on bottom page 26.

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WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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Temp. Editor: Don Erickson, c/o HQ. NOTE: Andy Hecker advises that he will be back after the January 13th WDXR so please continue mailing reports for all issues thru 1/13/72 to DEE. Deadlines: Thursdays except Sat. 1/6 for the 1/13 issue.

Contributors: (The numbers in parentheses are the number of items submitted)

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(5) RX: AIWA 4-band portable w/built-in antenna
(CAB) Credo A. Bisquera - 86-123 Kakaiapola Street - Waianae, Hawaii 96792
(9) RX: ARB Navy Surplus Ant: Ralph Sanserino loop
(DGC) Dave Christensen - 3434 39th West - Seattle, Washington 98199
(3) RX: Super TRF Ant: built-in loop stick
(PRK) Percy R. Kesteven - 13112 - 134 Street - Edmonton, Alta, CANADA T5L 1V8
(2) RX: Drake SPR-4 Ant: Worcester SM-1 Space Magnet

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- 670 KBOI ID Boise 12/4 MM 0202 w/nx, ID, s/off; good reception. (CAB)
690 KRCC OR Prineville 12/7; listening to Extra Music, I tripped and fell on this one ETing w/TT & MoR mx. (PRK)
860 WDMG GA Douglas in the clear w/C&W mx w/CFPR nulled 0332 12/9. (GA)
890 WLS IL Chicago MI 12/11 0557 w/nx, wx, ID; some QRN, fair. (CAB)
990 KRKT OR Albany 12/11 0347 per CPC sked; signal clear but subject to much fading. (PRK)
1010 CFRB ONT Toronto on top QRM w/nx 0632 12/11. (GA)
1110 KFAB NE Omaha MM 12/11 0608; semi-local KIPA off; nx, wx 20-25°, ID, C&W mx; new; poor signal. (CAB)
1120 KPNW OR Eugene 12/4 MM 0430 w/nx, wx spot for Mark Hughes Mercury-Lincoln followed by RR mx; some fading. (CAB)
1140 CKXL Alta Calgary w/KRAK off 12/11 0458; poor w/oldies RR; 0500 Drake-like ID, "Ladies and gentlemen, you're listening to Dr. Dan (?) on CKXL Calgary." Spots for Ford Brothers Restaurant. (GEA)
1230 KDAC CA Fort Bragg 12/13 0110; my first graveyarder! Slow fade, QRN, nx, ID taped, fair signal. (CAB)
KMOR UT Salt Lake City on top the heap 0603 12/11 (call sounded like KVOI??).
1250 WREN KS Topeka w/local spots 0725 12/11. (GA) (GA)
1260 WAIL LA Baton Rouge s/on 0659 12/11. (GA)
CFRN Alta Edmonton s/on 0701 12/11. (GA)
1310 KDIA CA Oakland testing aux xmtr 0558 12/11 & s/on 0800 12/11. (GA) 12/14 0425 semi-local KNUI off for some reason. Nx & sports, QRN, long fade. Fair signal. (CAB)
KLIX ID Twin Falls s/on w/SSB 0759 12/11. (GA)
1350 KRNT IA Des Moines 0558 12/18 w/SSB (instrumental) & s/on o/QRM, w/good sigs. Think they had CBS nx 0600, and RR following nx. (DGC)
1390 KGER CA Long Beach 12/4 MM 0228 w/soul gospel mx, female vocalist, QRN, slop from local KPOI; fair reception. (CAB)
1400 KSLY CA San Luis Obispo all that was hrd after KRE off 12/11 0448; adult rock & mention of 34°. (GEA)
1440 WROK IL Rockford 0623-0636 w/RR; poor sigs, but o/KPUR & the JJ. (DGC)
1490 KCID ID Caldwell w/ s/on, no SSB, 0745, RR till 0800 and net nx. Very good, o/KVOG & QRM. (DGC)
1520 KOMA OK Oklahoma City WM 12/6 0225 w/RR mx, ID, TC, o/unID, fair. (CAB)
1540 KXEL IA Waterloo WM 12/6 0215 w/MoR mx, TC, o/KPOL & spot for "Checkmate," followed by ID; new, poor sig. (CAB)
KBES WA Bellevue thru KPOL & KXEL using Ben Veio's azimuthal loop 2111 12/4.
1550 KQXI CO Arvada s/on 0801 12/11. (GA) (GA)
WOKJ MS Jackson loud & strong all AM; ann. 0645 12/11. (GA)
1570 CHUB BC Nanaimo 12/11 0403 fair w/nx & wx; 0405 plug for "CHUB Newstips pay cash." RR. (GEA)

Please keep those reports coming to DEE; likely no section next week since we're using everything thru deadline for that issue, 12/30, and then some. If WDXR is to continue, there will have to be better support.

Editor: Bill Hardy - 303 W. 10th St. - Aberdeen, WA, 98520

"FISH CHEER" INDICTMENT CASE A federal grand jury has indicted John Nesci, former announcer at WOWI(FM) Norfolk, Va., for uttering "obscene, indecent and profane language by means of radio communication." And if Nesci wins his case, you may start hearing words on the radio that you can't even read in DXM.

The indictment does not specify the obscene, indecent and profane words "which have not been included in the indictment as same would defile the records of this court." (However, in a stroke of free speech, Broadcasting printed the word involved - in quote marks - in its October 9 issue! -ed.)

This is believed to be about the first case of a recording played over the air, rather than a spoken obscenity, being involved in an FCC or court attack on broadcast obscenity. The obscenity rule is covered not only by FCC regulations, but also by Section 1464 of Title 18 of the U.S. Code. Maximum penalties are a \$10,000 fine or two years in jail or both.

Since the indictment is not specific, it is assumed that the charge is based on the June 8th broadcast of a cut by Country Joe McDonald from the "Woodstock" soundtrack album of the "Fish Cheer and I-Feel-Like-I'm-Fixin'-to-Die Rag."

Nesci's attorneys say they have been allowed to hear what they term two "obviously edited" tapes of Nesci's broadcasts of June 8 and 9, 1972, and have a copy of Nesci's statement to two FBI agents who visited the station. In that statement, Nesci is reported to have said he did not "intentionally" broadcast the alleged "obscenity." The statement says Nesci had intended to air a version of the song from Country Joe and the Fish's "Greatest Hits" album, taken from the original "I-Feel-Like-I'm-Fixin'-to-Die" album, a studio-recorded version where the word "fish" is spelled out. However, the memo continues, he instead mistakenly played a cut from a two-record collection (also on the Vanguard label) using the recording featured in the "Woodstock" soundtrack album and a quite-different four-letter word. (None of my source material indicates whether or not Nesci permitted a spontaneous, more obvious word featured later on in the "Woodstock" version to continue onto the air. -ed.)

Nesci's attorneys note numerous complaints about "obscene, indecent, and profane language" are received by the FCC every year which, in almost every case, it fails to prosecute.

Nesci's attorneys conclude that the indictment is a case of "discriminatory prosecution," and that rather than the charges being aimed at obscenity, they are aimed at "inhibiting the expression of free speech" - mainly because of Nesci's anti-war stand and his broadcast over WOWI of the license numbers of unmarked police cars in the Norfolk area.

Three motions by defense to dismiss the case were denied in a pre-trial hearing November 6th, so it looks like Nesci will be going to trial on this case.

Since most IRCA members aren't lawyers, I'll point out that an "indictment" is merely a formal filing of charges, and that the case will now be tried. Nesci has been charged with broadcast obscenity, and not convicted. Don't make any predictions on the outcome yet. This case will be interesting.

(Information compiled from the 10/9/72 and 11/13/72 issues of Broadcasting, and the 10/14/72 and 11/4/72 issues of Billboard, with additional comment by Special Features Editor Bill Hardy. See also the blurb on p. 22 of the 11/4/72 DXM.)

KNAK-1280 TO "PROGRESSIVE MOR" SALT LAKE CITY -- KNAK, local top 40 station for several years, has switched to a progressive MOR format, according to Richard Booth, program director. The order for the format change came from management, he said, and came largely because the station will carry the University of Utah football and basketball schedule and progressive MOR music was thought to blend better with sports activities than rock music. -- from Billboard, 9/23/72. So who else rocks in Salt Lake now besides KCPX?

WLAC-1510 ROCKING DAYS WLAC Nashville, which has been a CBS affiliate with a news/talk format days, has shifted to contemporary rock, with an adult approach for the 18-35 age group. 50-kw WLAC continues its nighttime soul format. (Based on "Changing Formats" in Nov. 13 Broadcasting)

ANARC REPORT

(Note: the August-September issue of ANARC Newsletter was just received last week. Consequently, the news of ANARC is quite old. FJP)

Man of the Year

August Balbi was selected by the ANARC Awards Committee as 1972 ANARC Man of the Year. Balbi has been an active DXer since the early 1930's, and has been an outstanding contributor to the hobby for four decades. For the past several years, Mr. Balbi has been an active member of ASWLC; he lives in California.

1973 Convention

To date, only one bid for the 1973 ANARC Convention has been received, for the New York City area. Christian P. Hansen of Marblehead, Mass. has offered to host the next convention. The exact site of the bid has not been selected, but several college campuses are being considered. Any individual, group of individuals, or club interested in hosting the 1973 ANARC Convention is urged to submit their bid, including proposed dates, to ANARC headquarters as soon as possible. (Note: The Southern Californians comprising SCECPDX have submitted a bid. FJP)

ANARC Merit Award

Ferdinand S. Dombrowski of the Worldwide TV-FM-DX Association has been selected to receive the ANARC Merit Award. He headed WTFDA for several years and lives in Milwaukee. He is an advisor to ANARC.

Newark News Radio Club

NNRC has approved the formation of a local chapter for the Washington Correctional Center in Shelton, Wash. This is currently the only local chapter, but any group of members can form a local chapter.

SPEEDX

ANARC's newest member club has selected, as its two ANARC representatives, Bill Sparks of San Francisco, and Lynn Hyndmann, of Ft. Wayne, Ind.

NASWA

NASWA has published a list of verification signers received from shortwave broadcast stations during recent months. The 20 page list includes 289 stations, and updater sheets will be issued later. The list costs \$1.00; this can be paid by check, money order, or low denomination mint U.S. stamps. Orders for the Verifications Signers List should be sent to NASWA, P.O. Box 8452, South Charleston, West Virginia 25303.

William P. Eddings, 1921-1972

Bill Eddings, a founder of NASWA, died on August 23 after an extended illness. He was executive editor of FRENDEX, NASWA's monthly bulletin, at the time of his death. Bill will be greatly missed not only by members of NASWA but by DXers in general, as his contribution to the hobby was considerable. Edward J. Pyatt, 1152 Sells Ave. S.W., Apt. 11, Atlanta, Georgia 30310 has taken over as Executive Editor.

Radio Club of India

A copy of the second 4-page monthly newsletter of the Radio DX Club of India has been received at ANARC HQ. It states that RDXCI is the only club of its kind in that part of the world; it is anxious to receive help from members of older and larger clubs in other parts of the world. A sample copy of NEWSLETTER will be sent for one IRC; a six-month membership is seven IRC's. The club's address is Alek Dasgupta (RDXCI), GPO Box 2648, Calcutta 1, India.

1972 ANARC Convention

A total of 87 DXers attended the 1972 ANARC Convention at the Colonial Hilton Inn in Boston. Keynote speaker for the convention was Eddie Startz of Holland, former host

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of Radio Nederland's "Happy Station" program. Startz spoke on the growing number of super-powered SW broadcast stations, jamming, and the resulting problems caused by overcrowding. A special plaque was presented to him on behalf of ANARC.

A lengthy discussion was held on the possible adoption of a unified ANARC Country List. It was decided that a considerable amount of work remained to be done before a list which is satisfactory to all member clubs is arrived at. Gordon Nelson of NRC gave a slide presentation, and a panel made up of Don Jensen of "Communications World" (and NASWA), Woody Seymour of ASWLC, Morrie Goldman of WTFDA, Greg Raymond of the Realistic DX Club, Dan Ferguson of NASWA, and Bill Flynn of SPEEDX discussed the aims and purposes of DX Clubs. Steve d'Adolf made a presentation on utility DXing. Two interval signal contests--one for novices and another for pros--were held. Two films, "NHK Topics" and "The Effects of the Ionosphere on Radio Wave Propagation" were shown. Oliver "Perry" Ferrell of Gilfer Associates and Max Fuchs of the National Radio Company discussed new equipment on the market.

Equipment displayed included National's HRO-500 and HRO-600 receivers and a Gilfer display, including a modified Drake SW-4A and SPR-4, and Eddystone receiver from England, and a Barlow-Wadley from South Africa.

Letters from attendees and reports from club bulletins indicate that the planning and hard work done by convention hosts Jerry Berg, Steve d'Adolf, Chris Lobdell, and Mike Macken resulted in an outstanding convention.

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IRCA Foreign Log

Gilfer Associates' latest catalog includes the following writeup on the IRCA Foreign Log: "To the casual medium-wave AM radio listener, it seems impossible to receive signals from radio stations thousands of miles away. The medium-wave band is crowded and there are only a few places in the U.S.A. where every AM channel is not occupied at nighttime. However, by patient digging, distant stations can be heard from Latin America, Europe, Africa and Asia. This book is a compilation of DX reports to the International Radio Club of America between June 1971 and June 1972. Frequency-by-frequency and station-by-station, Father Jack tells what station when, how strong, and what program was being transmitted. Invaluable for anyone DX'ing the medium waves. 124 pages." The cost through Gilfer is \$3.25, but you can get a copy for only \$2.75 by sending your check or money order (no cash please) made out to IRCA to Father Jack Pejza, 3266 Nutmeg St., San Diego, Calif. 92104.

Incidentally, if you are unfamiliar with Gilfer Associates, they are probably the best source of DXing equipment and literature in this country. Your local radio supply house wouldn't think of stocking some of the items Gilfer has, such as ITU lists, books like the 1973 edition of "How To Listen to the World", Barlow-Wadley receivers from South Africa, Mosley SW antennas, etc. Write to them at P.O. Box 239, Park Ridge, N.J. 07656 and ask for their latest catalog. You can buy the IRCA Foreign Log for a better price through the club, but Gilfer is probably the only place where you can get many other items to help you in the DXing hobby.

Flash Tips and Misc.

(continued from page 22). Dave Schmidt tips: EC members needing KDAY-1580; KLOU is now off MM's 0259-0459, and KDAY was right behind them at 0300 MM 12/11. KRGO-1550 was the stn testing on 1550 around 0230; gave two very fast IDs. Alan Merriman notes several YV's on early; most signed on between 3 and 4 EST, 12/11. Then 12/18, he says: YV's everywhere after 0400 EST. Tom Sundstrom expresses disappointment at the high percentage of no-shows. While it continues to be a problem, I feel it is mild compared to mid- to late-1960's when up to 50% of the programs were not aired. Even the best arranging will net some no-shows (change in personnel; emergencies); but misunderstandings are often caused by carelessly arranging time/date and no reminder. Bill Feidt notes R. Perija-540, a YV, AN presumably for Xmas season per tip from AM. This DXM is going out sometime Tues, 12/26. Problems at work requiring as much as 16 hours in a single day plus lots more overtime expected will require next DXM to go out late in the week also. Your publisher's New Year's Resolution (authored by Bill Powers and Grant Manning) is to organize Toyland and PLAN AHEAD. Happy New Year!-DEE

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Geomagnetic Indices Nov. 29-Dec. 5 9 1 2 3 5 3 2
Dec. 5-12 1 11 5 2 2 2 6

A minor geomagnetic disturbance began late 12/12 and is continuing (12/13). The disturbance is expected to moderate through 12/14-15.

Listeners' Loggings--Latin America

- 540 HOU23 Panama, Penonome, briefly atop channel and quite a surprise with quick "Radio Mia", pronounced "MY-AH", 0125 12/5. Just about HJKA/YNTT slop. (JMP,E)
- 550 CMAN Cuba, Pinar del Rio, with news coverage of Chilean President Allende arrival in Havana from Moscow. Many heavy announcements noted, i.e., "Viva Cuba, viva Chile!" Many other Cubans noted with same, MM 12/11. (AMG,E)
- 555 ZIZ Leeward Islands, St. Kitts, finally after 6 weeks of trying, here with a fine signal for over an hour 0030-0130 11/25. Reported. Noted several nights since with all music program with record titles and TC given between selections. BBC news 0100. Country #35 for me. (LMA,E)
+Basseterre fair with British-accented DJ, playing several styles of music. Sounded as if it was a request programme. I could only hear it when WKRC-550 wasn't playing music. 0048 (12/8? Ed). Fantastic ID at 0100. Country #22. (RVM,E)
- 570 HIMS Dominican Republic, Santo Domingo s/on beneath YVLX with several "R. Cristal" IDs coming through, at 0900 12/4. (JMP,E)
- 570 YVLX Venezuela, Caracas s/on 0857 12/4 crushing what I believe was KVI-Seattle. Venezuelan NA and many "Radio Rumbos" IDs in the s/on procedure. (JMP,E)
+S/on with NA 0855 12/11. Announced AM and SW frequencies as well as 200 kilowatts; Radio Rumbos. (AMG,E)
- 575 TIWA Costa Rica, San Jose 12/8 0300-0315 with MoR SS music; poor signal. ID as Radio Musical. (JET,C)
- 625 TIRICA Costa Rica, San Jose, Radio Omega weak 0310 12/11. (AMG,E)
- 640 YVQO Venezuela, Puerto la Cruz, heard 0934-0946 12/11 with many ads for businesses in that city; Ondas Portenas IDs. CMQ easily looped. (AMG,E)
+Strong in CMQ null with many mentions of Venezuela, "Caracas" often, at 0310 12/8. (JMP,E)
- 655 YSS El Salvador, San Salvador 12/8 0340-0350, good level, very long ID at 0346 with many Radio Nacional and El Salvador mentions, in SS, with dirge type music. (JET,C)
- 680+ ??? UnID SS hetting all 12/11; heard Porlamar mentioned at 0825 so perhaps YVQF. HJAQ was reported on 680.26 in October; still there? (AMG,E)
- 690 XEN Mexico, D.F., Radio Sistema was heard with 5th Dimension hit, Wedding Bells and female in SS at 0432 11/30. Fair, under CBU. (ECT,E)
- 700 YVMH Venezuela, Maracaibo, unusual to hear R. Popular with so many other Latins on the frequency, not to mention WLW. This heard at 1930 11/16 with TC 3 minutes fast. Good signal, but only lasted a few minutes. Not enough for report. (LMA,E) (Could the time be EST by any chance? Ed)
- 720 ??? UnID, at least two SS stations in WGN null; no het though, at 12/8 0410-0415. (JET,C)
- 740 WIAC Puerto Rico, San Juan tentatively the s/on with anthem 0437 12/11; traces of SSB at 0438 also but no announcements audible. (AMG,E)
- 759 CM.. Cuba, "Radio Liberacion" very strong with IDs 0000-0001 11/17. (LBG,C)
- 800 PJB Netherlands Antilles, Bonaire good signal 1000-1030 12/10 in EE; TWR's "Focus" program. (SAY,W)
- 810 HJCY Colombia, Bogota heard for first time with WGY/WKVM mess 12/11 0200. (AMG,E)
- 830 XEVQ Mexico, Navolato, Sin. 0120 9/8, SS mostly under WCCO with hockey game. ID as VQ. (JLP,W)
- 834 ... British Honduras, Belize heard with EE at 0454 11/30 with soft music until 0500; news to 0505, TC (11:05), s/off with "Lands of God" and NA. Quite

- 834 ... audible under WCCO. (ECT,E)
- 840 HOL80 Panama, Panama heard with PSAs for water conservation; R. Libertad ID, identical to one heard on 1090, taped at 0800 12/11. Taped from 0754 to 0800 in which HOL80 IDed as well as "La Voz de Cuba" CMHW and a nice ID from WHAS on equipment test. Interesting! (AMG,E)
- 840 ... Windward Islands, St. Lucia, Castries, heard 0948 getting progressively weaker nearing the hour; ID at 0959 as Radio Caribbean International and announcing frequency as 840 kcs and 357 meters. HOL80/CMHW mixing under. 12/11. (AMG,E)
- 940 WIPR Puerto Rico, San Juan, with news coverage of P.R. 12/11 1008-1025 over/under YVNN. Seemed like a solid news format with TCs between news items. No ID noted. (AMG,E)
- 940 YVNN Venezuela, Punto Fijo in and out of WIPR with Radio Punto Fijo IDs and distinctive chimes 12/11 1008-1025. (AMG,E)
- 970 XEJ Mexico, Ciudad Juarez, Chih. finally got an ID after several tries 9/8 0100, male announcer on top for about 10 minutes. Caught XEJ and Chihuahua clearly. (JLP,W)
- 1000 YVOB Venezuela, San Cristobal a pleasant surprise 12/11 at 0903 with "Radio Tachira, la popular" and soft spoken ID by femme as "Radio Tachira, primero en sintonia." (AMG,E)
- 1025 HOU Panama, David taped with La Voz del Barú ID at 0245 12/11; later between 0420 and 0425 it was heard announcing sked of lunar module activities. (AMG,E)
- 1040 HJ CJ Colombia, Bogota is the one now using a slogan which sounds much like Sao Paulo ID on this frequency. Radio Tupa or Tupay or very similar heard SM 12/10 0906. This one formerly used "Radio Melodia", but that slogan has migrated to Bogota on 730. Barranquilla here is still R. Tropical, I believe, and Sao Paulo is R. Tupi, with accent on final syllable, and not Tupan as indicated in WRTH. (GM,C)
- 1040 HJ AI Colombia, Barranquilla heard with R. Tropical ID at 0735 12/11. I did not a "Radio Quince" ID later at 0807, which used to be the old slogan. (AMG,E)
- 1047 ??? UnID 12/10 0512-0531 with SS MoR music; very low level; 1-2 minute deep fades; very low level and much static. (JET,C)
- 1059 CMKG Cuba, Baracoa per list, heard carrying Allende's arrival 12/11. (AMG,E)
- 1100 ZDK Antigua, St. John's, 0100-0130 12/9 with very strong signal over nulled WWWE, countdown of the week's top 40 soul hits, ID 0130 "From Zed-D-K, the first family of soul". (NG,E)
- 1110 YVQT Venezuela, Carupano heard with a Radio Carupano ID at 0928 12/11; SS music. Announced that s/on is at 0855 GMT during Christmas. (AMG,E)
- 1130 XEHN Mexico, Nogales, Son. over and under KWKH for about 15 minutes 0110 9/8. No sign of KSDO; gave VW commercial. Male announcer. (JLP,W)
- 1159 CM.. Cuba definitely here; same programming as other Cubans 12/11. (AMG,E)
- 1175 YSCB El Salvador, Sonsonate, heard again 0325 12/11 but managed to tape several addresses in Sonsonate which were mentioned; WWVA is the pest here with its sideband splatter. (AMG,E)
- 1191 CM.. Cuba another drifter also heard 12/11 solving my UnID. (AMG,E)
- 1214 ??? UnID weak SS woman talking at 1047 12/9. (ESA,W)
- 1270 CMJG Cuba Camaguey. Might we have a transmitter replacement or overhaul here?? Noted over WXYZ with typical Reloj format; usually reported on 1268.8a, and the het against 1270 seems to have disappeared. Possibly a higher power too, since I never heard them as strong as on 12/3, when I first noticed this. (JMP,F)
- 1330 CM.. Cuba, unbelievably a "Reloj Nacional" station heard here 0744 12/11. Seemed a bit off frequency; no CM listed per WRTH'70 or 1/71 RFS list. (AMG,E) (CMJS, Ciego de Avila, 1 kw per new FBIS. Ed)
- 1340 XEAA Mexico, Mexicali, B.C. caught Mexicali and Baja mentions; tango type music 0145 9/9, on top off and on above the mess. (JLP,W)
- 1435 ??? UnID, very low level 12/12 0440-0445, SS music; lost signal at 0445. (JET,C)

- 1435 ??? Weak TT looped in NW/SE direction; no ID given, 1000 12/9. (ESA,W)
- 1440 XELZ Mexico, D.F. announcement at 1059 12/7; QRM from CFCP, KPRO, etc.(ESA,W)
- 1505 ??? UnID, very low level, SS music. Unable to ID 12/12 0345-0350. (JET,C)
- 1515 YNCE Nicaragua, Leon 12/12 0324-0335, organmusic, woman DJ with ID sounded like R. Progreso, steady signal, but low with much static. DJ sounded like a SS Dolly Holiday. Easy listening music. (JET,C)
- 1525TIEEAW Costa Rica, Turrialba 0309-0320 12/12 with news in SS, mention of Washington; music, like "Valencia" and MoR music. Signal had rather long fades. One R. Turrialba ID at 0315. (JET,C)
- 1530 XEUR Mexico, D.F. heard 0618-0700 12/11 with live nightclub program. Pretty raunchy music. (AMG,E)
- 1548 ??? UnID, suspect Costa Rica off frequency) 0220-0237 12/12. MoR music, looped to LA. Good level on carrier, poor on audio. Sideband slop from 1550. Man in SS before each record. Signal dipped at 0231 and I missed ID. (JET,C)
- 1550+ RIASF Costa Rica, Ciudad Quesada, heard 0628-0640 12/11; Radio Cima IDs and EST - 1 TCs. Noticed on the high side of 1550 causing a het. Could be ELK's UnID. Obviously drifting since reported by GH on 11/13 as being on 1548. (AMG,E)
- 1560 CMGB Cuba, Cardenas, 12/2 0710 with what sounded like local news read by 3 or 4 males, in the background a ticking sound could be heard. Strong, good with WPTR splatter. (TJS,E)
- 1560 XEVIP Mexico, D.F. with s/off announcements at 0601 12/11 with WQXR already off. "VIP Radio" ID, no anthem used at close. (AMG,E)
+With CBS news in EE 9/9 0300, into SS 0305, at times almost even under KPMC. (JLP,W)
- 1590 XEKC Mexico, Mexicali, B.C., 0155 9/9, SS rancho type music, under KUDU, some slop from KWOW. ID as "Mexicali" repeated 3 times rapidly. (JLP,W)

Trans-Atlantic

- 529 ... Algeria, Ain Beida for first time here 0000 12/8 with s/off including brief chant, several announcements, then into what I assume to be the Algerian National Anthem; strong for the next few nights, each time leaving someone very weak after they cut their carrier; suspect Beromunster, but this needs more work. (JMP,E)
- 647 ... The lowest frequency TA carrier (poor audio) ever noted here, after WSM s/off MM 12/11, 0658-0718, but taping of best portions yielded no BBC evidence. Lotsa KFI slop. On the 8th consecutive night of European reception in Denver, I was DXing on borrowed time, knowing the curtain might fall at any minute. (GM,C)
- 656 ... The most fabulous DXing frequency on the planet--the one place, if any, where Europe can be noted simultaneously along with Eastern Asia. A NE carrier, undoubtedly Murmansk, showing up here in the hours after North Korea-655 can be detected, the two separated by 90 degrees on the loop. Looping NW, I center on Korea, then when I loop NE, I have to re-tune one kc to find the other carrier on 656. This slight difference in the two carriers noted repeatedly the past week 0700-0900 period. Have taped bits of the NE carrier but there's nothing in these excerpts to justify claiming Murmansk. It will be a shame if some LA ANer discovers this spot is empty in SA and decides to shift here. (GM,C)
- 665 ... Portugal, Lisbon, delivering audio but not truly good, over period of 0625-0719 12/6, on the 3rd night of occasional TA reception here. Only a carrier by 0750. But this one hadn't been heard the two previous nights. A-index down to 1 on 12/5. This one seems to be AN no longer. LBG and I found TTing here several times 0220 and next two hours 12/8. The 0220 TT very loud here. Noted with decent audio in early evening, 2327 12/7. 8 minutes before sundown. Believe takes air at 0600. (GM,C)
+Fairly strong with pips at 0700 12/9. Believed the one with tone (equipment test?) and OC around 0324-0326 12/8. Apparently no longer AN. (LBG,C)
- The IRCA Foreign Log is waiting for you...use some of that Christmas cash to get one.

- 683 ??? Carrier with occasional faint audio from NE 0610-0620 12/6, some kind of high class music in clear portions. First noted by LBG much earlier in the evening. Have heard Spain here in previous years, but detected no Spanish clues in this reception. (GM,C)
- 719 ??? Something TA actually hetting WGN MM 12/11 0622, maybe Portugal. A sample of the extraordinary sort of TA reception this past week. NE carriers, either known or UnID, also found these nights at 1554, 1586, 1466, 1425 (MM), 1457, 1043, 1034, 1025, 935, 988, 881, 872, 782, 737, 728, 683. Some of these were receptions rather than carriers but am not going to report on all of them. (GM,C)
- 746 ??? Holland I suppose, escaping me again, but letting me hear a BFO whistle from NE 0732-0740 12/6. Finally got recognizable DD, male announcer on tape and gal vocalist, 0627-0631 12/8, but largely gone in 10 more minutes. A-index at 10. Been getting bits of audio for years, but never pinned down the Dutch evidence before. (GM,C)
- 755 ... Portugal, Lisbon, its carrier heard leaving the air at 0017 12/6; some audio there but unreadable. Noted again 0724-0730, in music but very weak. Heard earlier and later than every before. Carrier in well at tune-in 2303 12/7, 32 minute ahead of Denver sunset. Dakar-764 there too at same time and even better. Lisbon sunrise 12/10, SM was 0713 GMT, but it was still putting in a good carrier as late as 0810, and remained a BFO whistle as late as 0842. Portuguese time is based on 15° East, while Lisbon is 9°W, just the same situation as if Kearney, Neb. were on EST in the winter. Portugal should be in GMT time zone. (GM,C)
- 764 ... Senegal, Dakar its nightly s/off ranges between 0002 and 0004, and can be detected even when no audio is heard. Their nightly return is generally signalled here by the arrival of a het on YSKL-765 within a minute or two of 0545. Dakar reception indicates nothing about European reception. (GM,C)
+Had a fine signal at s/on 0600 12/8. I've heard this one with carrier and, at times, weak audio at sunset 2330-0000 s/off in late November and early December. (LBG,C)
- 818 ... Andorra/Morocco, La Vieja/Rabat. How often do you get two new countries in one taping? #49 and 50. A definite het against WBAP, and careful nulling brought in definite AA music about 0625 12/9. Called FJP to report the great news, then settled down to do some taping through the overriding slop from WBAP. Target in poorly at first but by 0638 audio level was up and everything was in FF. Male and female FF announcers, music western style, signal hitting S7-8. (AMG has written me that Andorra ought to override Rabat and that was surely happening.) Actually both Rabat and Andorra were fading in and out until this frequency degenerated about 0745. Rabat seemed to dominate after about 0720. Very Oriental singing at 0724 (I realize "Oriental" is not the best word, but weird and exotic anyway), same flavor in music across the half-hour, 0730. About one-third of the time, both were covered up by the 50 C&W slop from Texas (our strongest out-of-towner here) so it was very difficult to tell when either one faded down and was replaced by the other. At one time or another, taped such items as chimes, cuckoo calls, crowing rooster, and I suspect an Andorran origin for most of the auditory miscellany. The next night, heard muezzin chanting all alone 0539-0543 12/10 to clinch the Morocco station. This pair in-and-outing again at the same hours SM and MM 12/10 and 12/11 giving me hundreds of feet of tape waiting further analysis. (GM,C)
- 881 BBC England, Washford hetting WCBS and Cuba 0648-0715 12/6, was able to split of music fragments about 0710. (GM,C)
- 1025 EAJ8 Spain, San Sebastian excellent 0735-0740 12/11; "Radio San Sebastian" ID in clearly at 0737; the signal from this one was fantastic; unreal if 5 kw. (AMG,E)
- 1034 ... Portugal, Porto putting strong het on Haiti 0025 12/6. The het here is always a good barometer as to whether Europe may be coming in and it can be heard on something less than a communications receiver. (GM,C)

- 1043 DDR East Germany, Dresden, in briefly with GG announcements 0654 to 0700 fade on 12/11. First time this frequency has produced some audio here. (AMG,E)
- 1214 BBC England synchros performing below par 12/3-6 period, but were noted 0515-0711 12/4 and 0615-0706 12/6. Were never as good as in 1971 opening. (GM,C)
+Poor signal 12/12 0500. Lots of flutter, EE man talking. Some music but not near good enough for a report. (JET,C)
- 1214 ??? Male voice, strange language 0340-0350 SM 12/10. Also heard 24 hours before approximately at same time. But tapings across 0400 drew a blank both times. Tallinn a possibility. (GM,C)
- 1367 RNI International Waters, Radio Northsea International in nicely 12/11 0215-0225; EE rock with some oldies. (AMG,E)
- 1376 ORTF France, Lille, taped with FF announcements 12/11 0740-0745. (AMG,E)
- 1425 AFRS Greenland, Thule AFB was probably the carrier heard 0958-1105 12/11. Appeared to be some audio from time to time, but I'm not really sure if that was coming from the sidebands or the station. (AWP,W)
+Probably the one here with weak US pop recordings 0955 12/9. (ESA,W)
- 1457 ... Albania, R. Peking logged 12/6 from 0403-0431 tune-out. Strong signal but heavy sideband interference of course. They must have begun broadcasting almost immediately after turning on the carrier as there was no trace of a signal at 0358a. Regarding the point raised by ELK in the 11/18 DXWW, R. Peking's Albanian relays never ID as such except when carrying R. Tirana transmissions which I believe is never on this frequency. Generally, Radio Peking does as little to possibly indicate the location of its various transmitter sites. (CMS,E)
- 1554 ORTF France, Nice, fair signal 12/10, with clear ORTF ID at 0500, then into FF news, and afterwards pop-MoR music programme. Heard after CBE s/off. Country #20. (RVM,E)
- 1554 ??? UnID TA 12/12 0211-0216, tone about 1 kHz; very hard to tune in; very low level. much sideband splatter. (JET,C)
- 1586 WDR West Germany, Langenberg, fair but steady signal with GG talk programme plus some instrumental music breaks 0608 12/10. Country #21. (RVM,E)
+Very low level signal in the static 12/12 0140-0155, MoR music; never got any speech (some GG talk by a man 0202.) (JET,C)

Trans-Pacific

- 640 HLKC South Korea, Seoul tentative MM 12/11 1018, with male announcer in JJ(?) or KK(?) talk, over KFI. Much QRN. Poor reception. (CAB,HI)
- 650 KYAK Alaska, Anchorage 0022-0027 12/8, spct for our police volunteers, TC as 25 after 2 PM. (DJW,W)
- 655 ... North Korea, Pyongyang noted from 0859 to El Salvador s/on at 1200 12/6, rather weak each time checked. Pips taped at 1000 and heard again at 1100. This station usually at best here 1330-1400 winter mornings after YSS fadeout. Surely the most likely TP catch at this time for DXers eastward from Denver now that the Ecuadorian ANer is no longer here. There should be a loco cycle het on this station sometimes, originating with Verkhoyansk-656, but have never heard it. (GM,C) (The Russian apparently has moved to 655, according to reports earlier this season. Ed)
- 660 JOOG Japan, Obihiro, talk in JJ, anthem 1500, definite JOOG ID 1501 12/4; s/off fair. (DJW,W)
- 700 KBYR Alaska, Anchorage 1627-1634 fade out 12/7, news and weather (23°), TC at 0630. (That 23° was 17° warmer than right here! (DJW,W)
- 700 ... China? 1612-1616 12/7, YL in CC talk; then KBYR took over. (DJW,W)
- 770 JOUB Japan, Akita, NHK news in EE 0955-1000 12/11, then pips and J-O-U-B call signal; very good signal. (SAY,W)
- 820 HCLN South Korea, Kwangju, Hankuk Munhwa B/C Corp was in 1140-1205 12/11, with WBAP looped. Could hear Jap and China in background, but main signal was obviously Korean. In the 20 seconds leading up to the hour there was a very clear and distinct "H...L...C...N" followed by a conglomeration of pips from the other TPs on the hour. Probably a good verifier; I got a very friendly reply to a report to HLKU-1160 (another MBC station) several years ago. (AWP,W)

- 820 HCLN +Man in KK 1521-1530 tune out 12/9. American pop musical selections. Beginning to fade this late. (DJW,W)
- 830 JOBB Japan, Osaka?, weak under KIKI 1200, man in JJ 12/11. (SAY,W)
- 844 VSZL Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Tarawa noted as usual MM 12/4, 0750, with KOA off. Its signal was twice as strong as the 840 LA at that time. Heard again Wed. 12/6 with KOA on and critically nulled, NE/SW, 0802. Tarawa being hetted by someone and badly splashed by WHAS and KOA, about 12 miles from here. (GM,C)
- 967 HLSA South Korea, Seoul S7 with KBS at 1012 12/9, TT on same frequency. (Political jam?) (ESA,W)
- 1178 VOA Ryukyu Islands, Okinawa in pretty well 12/6 1345-1400. At 1400, I believe the IS melody was "Yankee Doodle." At any rate, the announcer (man) said "You've been listening to the voice of America from Okinawa." The signal immediately faded to nothing, hence indicating an antenna change. I believe the most favorable time for reception in North America is 1330-1400 when the VOA beams our way. (LBG,C)
- 1210 JOOR Japan, Osaka MM 12/11 with classical music, good signal 1119. Local KZOO off. (CAB,HI)
- 1240 JOLK Japan, Tokyo, SM 1637 with American rock vocal followed by male announcer in JJ. QRN. Fair. (CAB,HI)
- 1290 JOHR Japan, Sapporo MM 12/11 1125 with American female vocalist; QRN followed by male announcer in JJ. Good. (CAB,HI)
- 1375 ??? Faint carrier on NW-SE bearing 1130-1200 period, no audio, but may develop into a TP someday. Nothing heard on the 1475 former TP spot. (GM,C)
- 1435 ... Cambodia, Phnom-Penh, RNK was very probably the fairly strong carrier heard 1240-1305 12/11. No audio for sure, but carrier was looping south of Japan and Korea. I heard this station quite strong overseas. No pips came through on the hour. (Cambodia uses 4 long pips; 3 low, one high). This bears watching on good TP mornings. (AWP,W)
- 1560 ??? UnID Oriental with woman talking, then man. Heard about S4 0934 12/9. (ESA,W)

Verifications

- 610 HJKL Colombia, Bogota, Emisora Nueva Granada, inspecific v/l from Lucy Rodriguez C., Secretaria Gerencia. Report was mailed to Aereo 4984 per WRTH, but letterhead indicates their address as Carrera 6^a, N^o 35-29. (AMG,E)
- 640 HJBJ Colombia, Santa Marta, La Voz de Santa Marta, nice long detailed verie letter from Julio Sanchez Sierra in 16 days. Mint stamps sent. (LMA,E)
- 647 BBC England, veries for this and 881-Wales, 1052, 1295, and 1546; all v/qs and v/l from Miss V.R. Pressman. All the cards indicated time, date and freq. (AMG,E)
- 675 YND Nicaragua, Managua, Union Radio sent detailed verie letter in 25 days for mint stamps from Ricardo Arroliga, Gerenta General. Promised to send pennant later. (LMA,E)
- 823.5TGTO Guatemala, Guatemala, v/l from Jose Monteros L., Director, specifying 820. Address: 37 Avenida 1-15, Zona 7. (AMG,E)
- 830 HIJB Dominican Republic, Santo Domingo sent personal letter by airmail for 1 IRC. Letter in SS is specific. Verie signer is Pedro Ma. Santa P., Jefe de Operaciones de Radio. Used the IRCA Spanish report form for my report. Took 4 weeks approximately. (GWJ,E)
- 840 HOL80 Panama, Panama, Radio Libertad sent verie letter and pennants; v/s Luis Danielo Caballero, Director General. Address: Radio Libertad, La Voz de la Revolucion, Apartado 4950, Panama 5, Panama. He says they operate R. Libertad from Panama, HOL80 on 840 kHz; Chitre, HOL83, 770 kHz; David, HOL81-890 kHz, and Colon, HOL82, 1090 kHz. I sent a SS report with an airmail Panamanian stamp to the Administrador. (ESA,W)
- 1090 HOL82 Panama, Colon, v/l specifying 1090 from Luis Danilo Caballero, Director General. Nice pennant also. Address same as 840 kHz. (AMG,E)
- 1170 HJME Colombia, Maicao, R. Peninsula, very friendly letter in 10 days from Gilberto Leal Varela saying that very shortly they will change frequency, power and ID. This should shed some light on GH's mystery of 12/2 in DXWW.

- 1170 HJME +HJME has apparently left 1170 and has been replaced by another HJ. It is too bad that HJME did not tell me where they were moving to. Perhaps a switch with the UnID. It would seem I am probably the last to verify HJME here. (LMA,E)
- 1190 XEPZ Mexico, Cd. Juarez, Chih. returned my prepared SS verify card with my affixed Mexican airmail stamp. Signer was unreadable. (ESA,W)
- 1578 CSB5 Portugal, Porto, very nice v/q plus pc; unsigned. Address per WRTH. (AMG,E)
- Reporters
- AMG (32) Angel Garcia, Flushing, N.Y. HQ-180AC, SM-1
- AWP (3) Art Peterson, San Pablo, Calif. HQ-180, SM-1
- CAB (4) Credo Bisquera, Waianae, Hawaii ARB, Sanserino loop
- CMS (1) C.M. Stanbury II, Crystal Beach, Ont.
- DW (5) Dave Williams, Astoria, Ore. SPR4, 300' LW
- ECT (2) Ed Tafel, Syracuse, N.Y.
- ESA (8) Gene Allen, Vallejo, Calif. HQ-129X, 48" loop
- GM (20) Gene Martin, Denver, Colo.
- GWJ (1) George Jensen, Baltimore, Md.
- JET (14) John Tull, Kansas City, Mo. NC173, 36" FET loop
- JLP (5) Jim Pitts, La Puente, Calif. Zenith 7000 Transoceanic, 75' L-shaped LW
- JMP (5) Jim Poterba, Yardley, Pa. HQ-200 and SM-1
- LBG (4) Larry Godwin, Boulder, Colo.
- LMA (5) Larry Abraham, Bridgeport, Mich. HQ-180AC, SM-1
- NG (1) Nancy Gantzer, Fredonia, N.Y. HE-30, SM-1
- RVM (3) Randy Minnehan, Columbus, Ohio DX-150A
- SAY (3) Steve York, Beale AFB, Calif. R-383, 50' TV lead-in
- TJS (1) Tim Saltmarsh, Penacook, N.H.

Dis and Data

Angel Garcia wants to clarify one thing. The TV Oscillator Frequency List published here a couple weeks ago should be credited to Tom Sundstrom. The list appeared in his column in NNRC a couple months ago.

Tim Saltmarsh sends along a letter from the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Office of Telecommunications, in Boulder. Tim had requested that his name be added to the distribution list for the Weekly Radio Telecommunications Forecast. They wrote back to him that because of economical considerations, they have found it necessary to restrict the distribution of the weekly forecast to those who have demonstrated the need for such information. (Now if you can come up with a research project, such as a Science Fair project, or whatever, maybe you can persuade them to send you the forecasts...)

Gene Martin sends along the following report of a new TP

800 XEROK ???Sounded like five million watts and looped in the direction of El Paso, but it must be a TP anyway, because at 2:39 MST 12/6, announcer gave the time as 12:39, which would locate it 800 miles west of Baja. 0939 GMT. Mentioned something about "Rock", 24 hours a day, and a SS announcer came on to mention Juarez. Please forget and forgive my recent report on discovery of a DXing bonanza at 800 MMs.

(I personally haven't heard XELO using new calls as XEROK, but others have--although no one has officially reported it to this column--ahem. From what others have indicated elsewhere in the bulletin recently, there seems to be some question whether new calls are being used. If you have any definite loggings as XEROK, please let me know. Ed)

FJP Andy Hecker, no serious DXing was done at the Thanksgiving get-together in San Diego. We were too busy developing many other schemes. Now that Christmas vacation is here, maybe I can catch up on a lot of projects that I have left hanging. Please send in the CROP questionnaire of a few weeks ago, to help us get an idea of present feelings on offset printing. As DEE indicated in last bulletin, this is extremely important, as it will help determine the direction in which IRCA will move in the next few years. Pro or con, let me know as soon as possible. 73 de FJP.

The following letter was received by IRCA President Percy Kesteven a short time ago. He feels it is of general interest to the club membership and forwarded it to Special Features. We cannot substantiate nor discredit the claims herein, so we are throwing it out for discussion in the DX Forum. The letter is anonymous.

TO: All Radio Clubs & Their Members

FROM: An active DXer

I realize this letter may seem a bit strange, but I feel that it should be written and that hopefully the information contained herein may be of value to current DXers.

In a DX column, of a magazine, some time ago, I read about a young DXer who had a father in the armed forces of the United States. The young DXer stated that his father would not allow him to send any reception reports to radio stations in countries whose political beliefs and/or governments were "pro-Communist," and the young DXer wanted to know why he couldn't send such reports and if it was illegal. The columnist stated it wasn't illegal, but couldn't say why the young DXer's father wouldn't allow his to send reports to "pro-Communist" countries. At the time, I had no answer myself, but I remembered the article. Not so long ago, I applied to and was accepted into a branch of the United States Government. Among the many forms I was required to fill out was a form related to Communist Organizations and Publications. I was required to swear to an oath, under penalty of perjury, that I did not belong to or contribute in any way to any Communist Publication and/or Organization. I recalled the incident regarding the young DXer, and inquired about myself (since I have sent reports & return postage to Communist oriented countries), stating that I listened to such stations, and sent reports, further explaining the hobby of DXing. It took two (2) days for the government to ascertain that I was not a "subversive" and that it was only a hobby which I had begun prior to application for employment.

I was cleared for employment, and at the time of clearance, I stated the incident regarding the young DXer and his father's doctrine of no communications with any Communistic oriented organization and/or government. The interviewer surmised that while he didn't know all the facts, very probably the father would have been held accountable for his son's actions and while the father wouldn't be arrested or dismissed from the service, his son's actions could very possibly weigh against him (the father) in the future (e.g., promotions).

I am considering a career as an employee of the United States government and my past DX activities (relating to Communist countries) may be held against me in the future (they couldn't say for sure), but much would depend on my future activities: in short: while I am an employee of the United States government, it would be highly advisable if I was contemplating a career to avoid all contacts with Communist countries except in direct line with my work.

I believe this letter explains more than most DXers know, but rather than passing it along to club members without further confirmation, I ask that if you have persons you can contact regarding this fact, get their point of view.

I was upset enough to write this letter; perhaps, if substantiated by other authorities, it might do well to pass this information along. I ask only that if you believe you know who I am that you not divulge my name or location, as there is always the possibility that such revelation might be used against me in future employment as a federal employee. Thank you.

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WGAA-1340 SABOTAGED Two dynamite blasts destroyed the 258-foot tower of WGAA, Cedartown, Georgia, early the morning of Oct. 1. The station was back on the air at 6:15 that evening, using a temporary dipole tower arrangement. WGAA, normally 1 kw-D and 250 w-N, is using 250 w fulltime temporarily. The station was off the air at the time of the blast; no injuries were reported; federal authorities are investigating. (Based on Oct. 9 Broadcasting)