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DX CALENDAR DX CALENDAR DX CALENDAR

All times Eastern Local Time

Tues. Mar. 25 0200-	KGVO 1290 Missoula, MT	5 kw U3
Mon. Mar. 31 0230-0300	WDLB 1450 Marshfield, WI	1/.25 kw U1
Mon. Apr. 7 0300-0400	KVBR 1340 Brainerd, MN	1/.25 kw U1
Mon. May 5 0000-	WIXE 1190 Monroe, NC	.5 kw D1
Mon. May 26 0600-0800	KRIZ 1230 Phoenix, AZ	1/.25 kw U1

KGVO-- special IDs will begin at 0206. Reports go to Tom McGinley, Program Director, KGVO, Drawer M, Missoula, MT 59801. Arranged by Tom Blossom for NNRC.

WDLB-- this is a 24 hour station, but they will broadcast special Top 40 type music, with frequent IDs. Also the hour will be dedicated to NNRC, with frequency information being given over the air.

KVBR--programming will be TT, march music, possible CW IDs. Verie signer will be Mark W. Parsons, CE, KVBR, 1340 Ramsford Bldg, Brainerd, MN 56401. Arranged by Skip Dabelstein for NRC.

HAVE YOU DONE YOUR PART?

The Membership Committee is looking for people to contact prospective members of IRCA to give them information on the club and to invite them to join. Can you afford to send out a couple letters a week to interest someone who likes DXing? Who knows, you might make a new friend. Write Mel Hickman, 7409 S.E. 82nd, Portland, OR 97266 for information.

CPC Results and FLASH TIPS..

Jon Orren reports that **KURB-1510**, Mountlake Terrace, WA will change calls to **KAAR** at sign-on at 0600 PDT (0900 EDT) on April 1.

Jon also reports that the Seattle Times of March 12 reported that the three-way frequency switch between **KTW**, **KYAC**, and **KUUU** could occur in mid-May. There still is some time, then, to log these stations on the present frequencies.

KAZM-1470 was heard by Bruce Portzer (WA) March 3 with ID and TT under **CJVB** at 0330 EDT. The station was on an hour later than listed, since Arizona has stayed on Standard Time.

According to Dave Ball, mail from Canada has been sporadic in recent weeks because of rotating strikes and walkouts by the Public Service Alliance (PSA) of Canada, including post office mail sorters. Toronto's main terminal and airport postal terminal were out for a couple weeks. Although mail carriers and truck drivers were not on strike, they refused to cross PSA picket lines.

All Foreign Logs, rubber stamps, stationery, etc. which have been ordered from HQ have been sent out. If you haven't received what you ordered by the time you read this, let Grant know at once.

Those who want missing copies of DX Monitor, please send an updated list by page number and issue number. We'd like to clear up the last remains of the second-class problems which might still remain as soon as possible.

BROADCASTING

(as compiled by the Worst one)

WQTE 560	1/2-D	Monroe, Mich.	requests WHND
new 560	1-D 1/4-N	St. Anthony, Nfld.	CP
KATB 570	5-U	Agana, Guam	start operation
new 590	1/2-D 1/4-N	Sussex, N.B.	granted CJCW
new 670	10-U DA2	Musgravetown, Nfld.	" CJNW
new 710	10-U DA1	Clareville, Nfld.	" CKVO
new 710	1-D	St. Matthews, S.C.	" WQKI
new 740	1/4-D DA	Martinsburg, W. Va.	" WRNR
WMIX 940	5-D	Mt. Vernon, Ill.	to 5-D, 1/2-N DA-N
KTWO 1030	10-U	Casper, Wyo.	to 50-U DA-N
new 1090	5-U DA-N	Bozeman, Mont.	CP
WBON 1160	1/4-D	Barceloneta, P.R.	start operation
CFNS 1170	1-U DA1	Saskatoon, Sask.	to 860, 10-U DA2
new 1290	10-U DA2	Matane, Que.	granted CHRM
new 1310	10-U DA2	St. Paul, Alta.	to DA-N
KEWP 1380	1-D	N. Little Rock, Ark.	granted KDXE
CKCB 1400	1/4-U	Collingwood, Ont.	to 1-D, 1/4-N
new 1410	10-U DA2	Port Hawkesbury, N.S.	CP EE
KBOX 1480	5-D 1/4-N	Dallas, Tex.	to 5-D, 1-N
KAMX 1520	1/2-D	Albuquerque, N.M.	to 1-D, 1/2-CH

All powers in kw. From the March 3 and 10, 1975 issues, and the CRTC via Glenn Hauser.

Geomagnetic Indices

Mar. 5-11 23 15 3 2 6 39 40

There was a major geomagnetic disturbance which began late on 9 March. Solar activity is expected to remain very low after March 16. Only occasionally are radio conditions expected to be near the quiet level during the next few weeks.

The Inside Story —

- * Charley Keleher's and Mike Worst's last hurrahs as CDXR and WDXF Editors
- * Netherlands Antilles: Radio is Scriptural--Paul A. Gardner
- * A & K-Index Equivalency-- DXWW II
- * A Club for Fanatics? -- An Editorial
- * What the Newspapers are Saying

Next week marks the end of the weekly issues for another season. The publishing schedule for the rest of Volume 12 is as follows:

March 29	April 26	May 24	July 5
April 12	May 10	June 14	August 2

Deadlines to get material to the various editors is generally about a week before the date of publication. See announcements at the head of each column for exact deadlines.

eastern dx roundup

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DEADLINES: 4/7; 4/21; 5/12; 5/26

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630 CFCY PE, Charlottetown, 3/3 hrd fairly well at 0300 thru WPRO. Has not been noted since 2/14 tho was regularly hrd early Feb. when perhaps ant out of whack. Nx 0300-0305, AN jock Stu Lucke has deep voice, plays MOR mx, some c&w SSS. Has contest "Phrase that Pays" often. (RLF-NY)

NEJL PA, Scranton; 2/17, this one DID ID on ET at 0229 but very weak. (RLF-NY)

640 AFI CA, Los Angeles in very well 2/27, with Cuba off air! 0300 ID. (RLF-NY)

770 WABC NY, New York City noted off in passing frequency 3/3 0345. (RA-VA)

940 WTON TX, Belton, 2/14 1309, good sigs and all alone. Surprising. (RJN-KY)

950 WRYT MA, Boston, 3/3 only readable 0600 s/on (w/SSB) in last chance session here. WRYT covered up 2-3 other SSBs. (TRS-NJ)

WPEW PA, Philadelphia; 3/1 noted on air w/ET-TT-OC 1730+ & off at 1750 recheck. Back on 1945-2005+; all this noted during unproductive SSS session. 3/3, noted again testing 0530-0550, 0615-0620 t/out, using OC-TT-mx. Noted w/OC 1230+, s/on approx 1250, about 5 minutes of GM Wexler and Mayor Rizzo welcoming back on air, into "solid gold" format. WRcer Geoff Fox has 1800-2200 time slot. Stn should do well if "solid gold" WCAU-FM-98.1 is any indication; WPEW plays even more '50s and early '60s than 'CAU (so far). No clues yet as to possible SF.... they are pushing an AN man. (TRS-NJ)

+ 3/3 hrd ETing w/ID after mx at 0153 then off. First def. reception since went silent. They were due back on RS 3/1 but didn't make it. Sig was poor, so may be a few more days yet. Muddy audio, too. (RLF-NY)

WAG MI, Detroit usually the dominant behind WEX until 1945 PC in March. (RLF-NY)

CHER NS, Sydney on 2/24 way atop and dominant until 0207 s/off after nx, was heard 4 or 5 times other nights, calls self "cheer radio". Also hrd same time 3/3 but not as clear then, w/WAU-WBFF QRM. Has Wfld items in nx-casts. (RLF-NY)

CHRS NB, Campbellton hrd 2/28 0100 nx w/local items thru 0107 s/off w/both anthems. In briefly again 3/1 at 0115 so is on later weekends. Fairly good sig at one point. No chance in eve. when WEX was still on. (RLF-NY)

970 WFLA FL, Tampa on 3/2 0103 underneath. (RJN-KY)

980 WWSB CA, Los Angeles on 2/17 0229 w/nx. In clear when loop in certain position. Noted later on that morning also. (RJN-KY)

1010 WDJV TX, Amarillo on 2/15 0248 u/mess. Only caught short wx and the words "in Amarillo". (RJN-KY)

WJUL GA, Atlanta on 2/16 0303 ET-TT. Caught ID w/lousy audio only after waiting for what seemed like a year...hi! (RJN-KY)

1050 *WNYC* NY, New York City on 3/3 off and testing @ 0218-0220+ w/TT-OC & ID. (RA-VA)

1070 WNET NC, Greenville, 2/22 noted on HR-10 portable unusually late at 0220-0830 w/mx, IDs, TCS, and ads for local trailer park, o/WAMS w/WYW nulled. Fair to good sig. (TRS-NJ)

1090 CHRS PA, St. Jean on 3/1, way atop at 1902 s/off. (RLF-NY)

1100 *WJNE* OH, Cleveland on 3/3 0221-0225 ET-OC w/several IDs noted in succession @ 0222-0223. (RA-VA)

1120 WST DC, Washington at 1745 2/11 hrd s/off u/WKX. Poor sigs. (RJN-KY)

WGLE TX, Cleburne on 2/14 at 1821 w/nx. Poor sigs in WKX null. (RJN-KY)

1130 **WNSI** IA, Mt. Pleasant on 2/10 0359 hrd short period on top during DX TEST w/march mx and ID. Faded quickly. Hrd only for a couple minutes. (RJN-KY)

1140 WRCX KY, Hawesville on 2/14 1828 s/off w/SSB. Rough w/other crud on freq. (RJN-KY)

WWSA FL, Miami on 3/2 0041 w/ET. IDs were all 1 hrd. Fairly strong when jammer was nulled. (RJN-KY)

1190 *WAME* IL, Donelson on 2/10 0425 ET. Strong. (RJN-KY)

WAG MI, Fort Wayne, 3/3 noted w/SSB TCs, so s/off apparently 0200...making CHTK that much harder here. At 0108 TC given as "12:08 a.m. 1:08 in Ohio....". (TRS-NJ)

CHER PE, Charlottetown on 3/3 was not a very good signal on RR RS so apparently their DA is adjusted now. Weak and fady, still playing MOR w/girl ancr (Marilyn McPherson) and nx just before the hour. Is 10 kw since 2/6 but nowhere as strong a sig as in late Jan., when 1 kw non-DA. They were on 2/24 too, but vy weak then, too. They're RSP now. (RLF-NY)

1210 *WCAU* PA, Philadelphia on 3/3 off and testing most of AN w/TT-OC. (RA-VA)

1240 WBSB NY, Freeport was noted dominating the freq on 3/3 from 0145-0207. Rock 'til 0200; Nx-ix 0200-05. Then more rock. Believe the show was called the "Chuck Stevens" show. (ELK-CH)

1300 WJOD MI, Grand Rapids on 2/10 0500 s/on w/SSB. Good sigs. (RJN-KY)

1360 **WLYN** MA, Lynn noted in well on DX 3/3 behind WSAI and (Green Bay?) w/TT and banjo mx 0231-45. (ELK-CH)

+ 3/3 DX noted w/3 code IDs & voice ID atop WSAI (using LD) at 0233. (TRS-NJ)

+ 3/3, on as sked. Fair thru WJAY etc w/WRC silent. CW IDs every 5 min came thru well. (RLF-NY)

+ 3/3 WRC TEST heard easily 0230-0245 s/off. WRC mentions, TT-IDs, Bluegrass mx & code IDs @ 0231, 0236, 0242 $\frac{1}{2}$, & 0243. Switched to 400w FSA @ 0236. WRC off. (RA-VA)

1330 *WJHL** AZ, Parker was RSP hrd on their DA. All C.F.A.(?) and unID Gospel (Presumably WAOK). (ELK-CH)

+ 3/3 test tried but not heard. (RA-VA)

1390 *WFAA* VA, Arlington on 3/3 ET-OC, voice & SIDs. This in passing @ 0305-0306. (RA-VA)

1450 WTCU NY, Campbellsville on 3/1 1359 hrd u/local WJVA null during day. A feat..hi! (RJN-KY)

1460 WPKX AL, Phenix City 3/3 0320-0325, alone on frequency at this time w/fairly good signal... plenty of c&w w/SID @ 0324. (RA-VA)

1470 **WAZL** AZ, Sedona 3/3 0246-0305 tune out. Bits of varying TT, some 1 kHz & one possible code ID @ 0252. Heard nothing else on sched. TEST. Tentative report sent. Severe QRM from WJBO & another station, but no sign of WSAW. (RA-VA)

+ DX TEST not hrd here. (RLF-NY)

+ Was surely the one noted here 3/3 w/TT 0330-45. Too much CHOU/WOHU for positive ID, but fairly certain hrd AZ ID at 0330. (ELK-CH)

1490 WJLR PA, L'Anonciation was logged w/cl mx 3/3 0041-0100. Nx then, and s/off 0103 $\frac{1}{2}$. Definite ID. Fairly good and dominant. I guess they must be on the air now, huh? Hi! (ELK-CH)

WJCH PA, Levittown, 2/24, on unusually early (for them) w/ET-multistep TT oscillator up to 5 kHz, on low power t/in 0025, went to day power 0153+. Only thing readable thru OC was unID French Canadian, any ideas?(TRS-NJ)

1500 **WJFM** MS, Quitman on 2/17 0414 on DX spl. (RJN-KY)

1510 **WJUT** NY, Brewster, 2/10 0205 good sigs and alone on DX spl. Long IDs. Only trouble was occasional WJAC CC. (RJN-KY)

WJSD SD, Milbank (note spelling) per v/l has.... full power of 5 kw, a pre-sunrise power of 1 kw, and FSA of 100 w". I don't understand it. V/s is Denny Comfort (yeah!), mx Dir. Address is Box 66. (ELK-CH)

1540 *WCHN* ON, Toronto on 2/18 0200 loud, IDing as CHIN-FM, apparently ET using FM pgm source for test, seemed RS for awhile. Not noted since. (RLF-NY)

1550 *WJFM* MA, Newton in w/excellent sig 3/3 on ET 0249-0308. Cat Stevens album followed by OC. (ELK-CH) (ran out of paper! sorry...mm)

WJMT CT, West Hartford, 2/26 0030-0050 tune out. WJRC TEST tried but not heard, CBE alone on freq. (RA-VA)

1580 *WBRP* FL, Ft. Lauderdale loud 2/17 on ET 0243. (RLF-NY)

1590 **WJAB** NY, Auburn; 2/24 DX not conclusively hrd, only some weak TTs (if that) 0200-0230. (TRS-NJ)

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THE LIST:

1460 WJAN MI, Big Rapids on 3/3 0118-22 w/TT. Perrot they were still on EST, and wasted time listening until the first ID. (ELK-OH)

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***** DROUGHT TO YOU THIS WEEK BY:

- (ELK)-Ed Krejny/Middleburg Hts. OH/
(RA)-Ray Arruda/N. Dartmouth MA/SX-122 & SX-1
(TRS)-Tom Sundstrom/Willingboro NJ/HQ-150 & SB-620; SPR-4; SX-2, 2 LMs, 1 CB omni
(REF)-Bob Foxworth/Mineola NY/HQ-150 & SB-620 w/AA Loop; GPR-90 w/Lowwire.
(RJN)-Richard J. Hall/Louisville KY/SX-99 & 3' Spiral loop
I see that bi-monthly time is here again, which means that one-a-month isn't far behind! Keep an eye on the column heading.... I will list deadlines at least 4 ahead. I look for some bi-monthly items, as the material can "pile up" on the bi-monthly checks! I will ask again: PLEASE list regular checks at the end of your reports, separate from the other items. Also, put your initials at the end of each tip. Remember: It is not dead in the summer...it's just sleeping! It will all eat to all last!

central dx roundub

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A (LAST) TIP OF THE HAT FROM JCK TO:

- JA - JIM ALBRECHT, 3313 N. Weil St., Milwaukee, WI 53212 (Sony CRF-5090)
FLB - PHIL BOERSMA, 15570 Cleveland St., Spring Lake, MI 49456 (RF-1600, 60' LW)
JCB - BILL BOONSTRA, 18724-148th Ave., Spring Lake, MI 49455 (Sony TRN-3000w, falling down 45' LW)
JDF - JAY FLORIAN, WDX9KIK, 300 E. Main St., Round Lake, IL 60073 (Panasonic RF-5000, 70' LW)
JCK - Soon, ex-Editor, me, Charley Keleher, Fort Wayne, IN (XCR-30, etc.)

IS THIS GOING TOO? 1440 THIS WY, Bluefield rose above the mess 3/5 2031 w/annct, "THIS Radio will be a thing of the past April 1st." This station was mentioned in a Wall Street Journal article last summer (read by me on the Antrak, coming back from Seattle) as an example of the evils of multiple ownership. The unique calls stand for Hiram Ike Schott, who, some time ago, built the city of Bluefield singlehandedly, or almost so. As a result, many of the businesses of Bluefield, including THIS-AM-FM-TV, have been owned by Mr. Schott's descendants. The gist of the article was that supposedly no station personell could conceivably express any opinion which countered that of the Schott family, without fear of reprisal, and thereby the citizens of Bluefield were deprived of that diversity of opinion so necessary in a modern age. It is likely that that the owners felt it was not worth a legal battle to keep the station, and sold it, and a call change is forthcoming(JCK)

- 560 WJZ CO, Denver 3/10 0425, fair w/spots, oldies RER (FLB)
590 WJH MI, Ironwood 2/24 1727, good o/WOW with MOR RER and ads, a surprise because no WJZO (JDF)
600 WJY NY, Albany 2/23 2108-19, fair-good o/u WJZO w/end of CBS Rk, Rk giving temp. at Albany Airport, instr. MOR. WJZO/ WJY/Cuban usually dominate here, so quite a surprise (JA)
660 KOWH NE, Omaha 2/25 1945-2000, good o/WNBC w/soul Rk, religious message, and s/off ment. 94.1 FM. Closed w/trumpet solo(JA)
680 WFR VA, Saint Joseph 2/3 1755, good o/GPTR. mps w/C&W Rk, jingle, ads, gone at 1805 check (JDF)
690 WTKX LA, New Orleans fair 2/20 1834 w/a Cash Ball and promo, had frequent IDs up to 1845 (JCB)

- 730 WMTG KY, Vanclieve 2/21 1714, fair o/WFMW, WJMV, KWRE w/Wx, then s/off w/SSB(JDF)
WPIT PA, Pittsburgh 2/25 1840, in like a local w/C&W. Easterners were really bombing in early this evening (PLB)
740*WMBG*VA, Williamsburg 2/17 0259, u/heavy GRM w/C&W Rk and ID, very poor signals(JDF)
920 KDHL MN, Faribault nicely atop 3/9 0649 w/TC, ID, polka Rk. Killed by WTCW s/on 0653
960*WRFC*GA, Athens 3/10 0035-48, on ET (JCK) w/Wx and Rk reports, may have been their TT. GRM from KMA, in good till 0100 s/off (JCK)
WHYL PA, Carlisle 3/9 0600, s/on for AM-FM, powers and locations given (JCK)
970 WWSW PA, Pittsburgh exlnt 2/20 1850 w/rock Rk and real estate ad, hrd till 1900(WCB)
980 UnID At 1855 w/ST and DJ talking about the xr on the blink. Up to 1900 w/no ID, some C&W Rk (WCB) (You mean there's a chance WONE might have been off, and I missed it? Date?-Ed.)
990 KWAR TN, Memphis 2/11 1730-36, good o/WCFL slop w/Mutual Rk, then "All Gospel, All The Time" promo (JDF)
1060*WRMP*FL, Titusville 2/24 0159, good, all alone w/jingle then nothing, I think it was end of ET (JDF)
1070 WIMA VA, Charlottesville 2/3 0603, thru WTSO, WCIR w/CBS Rk, then Rk and RER (JDF)
1090 KAAT CO, Denver 2/25 1859, fair thru KAAV with Rk, then ID, first time hrd here (JDF)
WBAL MD, Baltimore weak on 2/20 at 2312, over KAAV (not WCPL, JCK, hi), hrd local Rk report and frequent IDs (WCB)
CKKW ONT, Kitchener-Waterloo 0410-17 3/10, good o/UnID Tter w/C&W, TC 0414. This stn has not been on for long (PLB)
1150 WJBO LA, Baton Rouge 2/12 1750, fair w/RER Rk and spots, thru KXLR (JDF)
1170 CFMB?ONT, Cornwall tentative u/WVA/KVGG w/RER Rk, 2324 2/25. That I hrd calls starting with C at 2324, but can't be sure. Definitely not KVGG or WVA, is CFMB on yet?
1190*WHBT*TN, Nashville 2/10 0239-0309, (FLB) good o/KLIF, on ET with MOR oldies, one ID hrd 0306 (JDF)
1230 WJEB OH, Cincinnati 0314 2/10, fair o/mess with ad for store in Covington, KY, then Rk
1240 WZKR TN, Fayetteville 2/6 1748, (JDF) fair o/WDDC-WJBU w/spots, promo, then local Rk (JDF)
1270*KI*IL*WY, Gillette 2/22 0223-30, fair-good o/u WY2. Noted this f/c in passing, listed as 33 in list (JA)
1310 CHGB PA, La Pocatiere 2/21 1744, fair o/WJFB-WDOB-WJBA w/PT talk and MOR Rk (JDF)
WJAM AL, Marion 2/20 1729, fair u/WJBA-WJFB w/s/off, no 33R hrd (JDF)
1330 WFIN OH, Findlay fair 2/20 1800, w/s/off, a few IDs (JCB)
1340 WRIT WI, Milwaukee no longer NST as of Dec. 1974, SP is WJ 0100-0600, per call to program director (JA)
1350 WQAD AL, Gadsden 2/7 1730, fair o/UnID s/off, w/C&W, RER, Bicentennial PSA, Rk, Rk
WJLB AL, York 2/12 0830, fair, (JDF) o/WJLB w/s/on, then "Portals of Prayer"
OKLB OH, Cuyahoga good 1830 2/25 (JDF) w/WK, 37 degrees at OKLB (FLB)
WKIX VA, Portersouth 2/24 0300, fair to good w/RER, soul Rk, thru WJLR (JDF)
1370 KWRT MO, Moonville 2/3 1744, fair o/WJTB with s/off, no 33B (JDF)
1390 WAPR FL, Avon Park fair to weak 2/22 2014, w/"Brothers Radio" promo, then jazz Rk to 2030 (WCB)
1400 WWSL AL, Decatur 3/1 0255-0300, fair w/local and national Rk and Rk, ID, RER Rk(JA)
*WGIL*IL, Galesburg 2/10 0014, very poor on BK, code ID and RER Rk, code ID and RER Rk hrd u/WJLB and WJCE RM (JDF)
WJLB MI, Detroit 2/10 0013, fair-poor, on top of GY w/Flack Church type program (JDF)
WJBT PA, Erie 0027 2/10, poor, in mess with calls, then lost (JDF)
387 1430 WION HI, Ionia 2/22 1755, fair, briefly o/WJWB w/Local spot (JA)

1440 KHOG AR, Fayetteville 2/16 1858-1900, poor with talk show, then s/off, ment. 1 kw, used "Arkansas, Land of Opportunity" slogan (JA)
 KOKY AR, Little Rock 2/24 1943-45, poor with soul Mx to s/off by program director. Mentioned return of "soul express" at 6 AM (JA) (next one out of order-sri, Ed.)
 1430 WENO TN, Madison 2/25 1919-22, good w/spots ment. Nashville, Madison, and ID, C&W Mx
 1450 WHTC MI, Holland 2/18 0944, u/KFIZ, / (JA) w/Mutual Nx and ads, first time hrd due to WVON here before (JDF)
 WJPA PA, Washington 2/25 1747, good for about 2 mins., o/KFIZ w/Wx, R&R Mx, faded quickly (JDF)
 1460 WPON MI, Pontiac 2/24 0058, fair o/WBNS OC, w/MOR Mx and local Nx (JDF)
 WRKR WI, Racine, these are the correct calls; as of 2/3, no more WRAC (JA) (Okay, Jim, sorry I doubted-Ed.)
 1480 KBOX TX, Dallas 2/24 0146, fair o/WRDW w/K-Box promos, C&W request show (JDF)
 1500 WGEN IL, Geneseo 2/18 1728, o/WDEW w/address and s/off w/SSB, much wanted (JDF)
 WBFN MS, Quitman, 2/17 0401-30, on DX, o/KSTP w/MOR Mx, TP, IDs (JDF)
 1510 KAGY LA, Port Sulphur 2/8 1746, good o/UnID w/s/off, no SSB and no WLAC (JDF)
 WJCO MS, Jackson 2/28 0840, good o/WLAC with jingle, Wx, C&W. 1st time heard, despite closeness (FLB)
 WPUT NY, Brewster 2/10, fair-good on DX, o/CJRS on 895 watts but u/CJRS on 50 and 4.2 watts, played R&R Mx and jingles, I hrd them from 0200-0245 (JDF)
 KMSD SD, Milbank 2/24 0100-0130 tune out, over CJRS w/ET and a program about the late Hank Williams, 4 IDs hrd in this hour, didn't mention power or first day of broadcasting (JDF)
 KSTV TX, Stephenville 2/8, fair o/KROB s/off and WMBX, but still no WLAC, w/Nx at 1800, then s/off 1815 after C&W Mx (JDF)
 1530 KNIE WY, Cheyenne finally hrd 3/10 0157, with "Music For Him" stuff, UPI Nx 0200, Wx and s/off 0207 w/SSB (JCK)
 1540 WCOX AL, Camden, 2/12 0600, thru KXEL, w/s/on and Nx, this a psa? (JDF)
 1580*WRSF* FL, Fort Lauderdale 2/17 and 2/24, 0203, good on ET, w/TT and IDs every 3-4 mins. Said they were on from 12 to 6 AM local time (JDF)
 WKIG GA, Glennville 2/17 0233, u/WRSF ET, with ET-MOR Mx played and frequent IDs (JDF)

930 JUCA AB, Edmonton 2/11 0312-0330 w/MOR mx & talk program between songs. Phone 425-1550. Poor w/WXY, YOGA. KHJ off for studio maintenance. (JAB-JA)
 960 *KLAD* OR, Klamath Falls 2/3 easy on DX test OC 0325, s/on 0330, MOR mx, TT. Klnt o/KABL, KOOL. (JAB-JA)
 990 KKIS CA, Pittsburg is now AN, SP unknown.
 1020 KDRA PA, Pittsburgh 3/4 0645 w/nx, (JAB) wx, sports, spot for Chevy; good. (RB)
 1040 WFO IA, Des Moines 3/3 0650 w/wx, "dairy tips for farmers", IDs, good. (RB-JA)
 1050 CHUM ON, Toronto very good 1/20 w/rr mx, SID promo for the CHUM "Ultimate Holiday" super cruise, 0412-00420, o/KED. (JAB)
 1070 JFAK BC, Victoria 3/3 solid copy 0414-0435 toned down rock format & triple spotting at times. (RH-JA)
 1110 KRLA CA, Pasadena on MMs, SP might be SM instead of SM, as hrd off twice at that time since they started carrying Kitecap. (JAB-JA)
 1210 WJAU PA, Philadelphia 3/3 0543 w/nx in quite good for a change. (RH-JA)
 1220 JFCC AB, Lethbridge 3/3 0705 w/ID, local nx, time check, very poor. (RH-JA)
 1230 WYJC OR, Medford 3/9 0235 in good o/the mess for a short while w/rr & slogan "another first on WYJC". (RH-JA)
 1230 KOOS OR, Coos Bay 3/9 0235 in thru the mess w/sports rpt. & ID "K-O-O-S, Coos Bay". Good Oregon 1230 skip was noted throughout the rest of the evening. (RH-JA)
 1240 KBUE CA, Susanville 3/9 0300 good o/the mess of ROAD & several others. There was no sign of a listenable KKEY strangely enough, the ground wave must've been clobbered by the good skip ex. (RH-JA)
 1240 KOAD CA, Lemoore 3/9 0300 in u/KBUE nx w/s/off. (RH-JA)
 1300 *WHAZ* AZ, Window Rock on r/c 2/26 0244-0245. AZ on MST, so check was 11:44-11:45 local time. (JAB-JA)
 1330 KPOK OR, Portland 3/5 0615 w/wx, nx, IDs, fair. (RB-JA)
 1370 WSPD OH, Toledo 2/3 poor w/Ed Burn's Truck Driver Show. C&W mx, PSA, promo 0305-0320. (JAB-JA) 3/3 w/Farm Mx 0545, lost to CHPC at 0600. (RH-JA)
 1370 CHPC BC, Parksville 3/3 0302 w/nx // CHUE, in like a semi-local. (RH-JA)
 1380 *KNUL* AZ, Parker 3/3 test not hrd, but stn playing MOR mx on and off, hrd 0300-0500+. No IDs hrd. (JAB-JA)
 1400 *KNIV* AZ, Phoenix 2/3 f/c 0209-0220, IDs every 2 min. Probably a r/c. (JAB-JA)
 1410 *KL30* OR, Portland 2/12 on ET w/TT 0440-0500. ID at 0445 & 0500. Klnt o/ everything. (JAB-JA)
 1440 JFGO ON, Ottawa a surprise 3/3 0440-0503 w/rr mx. Nx 0440-0450. Fair w/CHPC.
 1470 *KAZM* AZ, Sedona 3/3 in solid w/only (JAB) slight fading on DX test. 0303-s/off at 0416. Infrequent IDs, 1000 cycle tone, inst. mx. CJVB/KBCZ ORN. Semi-local KNDE came on w/ET 0340 and was buried by KAZM. (RH-JA) On test 3/3 0200-0321 OC at 0200. Klnt s/on 0300, then mx. TT 0305-0315, then mx. (JAB)
 1470 *KNDE* CA, Sacramento testing during KAZM test 0315 3/3. (JAB-JA)
 1470 KEBA WA, Centralia-Chehalis 3/3 w/s/off 0203 after nx and wx. Fair o/KAZM OC, KNDE, KEBC, CJVB. (JAB-JA)
 1540 WPTR NY, Albany very good 1/6 w/SID & rr mx, requests at 456-1540. O/KEES 0420-0450. (JAB-JA)
 1560 KMAA SD, Aberdeen 3/5 0708 w/wx, nx, time check, livestock rpt, very poor buried u/KKHI slon. (RB-JA)

PER THE LIST: 1st Sat. KSIM-1400-MO T (JA)

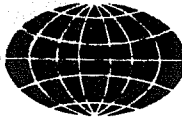
 Strange the way things work out. The first and last things typed in this column were Jim Albrecht's initials. And now, Jim Pogue will be doing the honors. So adios, amigos, and hope to see more of all of you. In its own way, doing a column is an experience; right now, I'm a little sad. 73-Charley

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 540 JBAQ BC, Ueluellet 3/3 0453-s/off 0500 re-laying CHU w/EL mx. (RH-JA)
 930 *KOGA* BC, Ogallala 2/11 0332 w/ID out of nowhere saying on for ET. (JAB-JA)

Well, it looks as if there's been a lot of DX'ing going on in California, hi. WDXRs have been comprised of reporters from CA, WA & BC lately. Isn't there a state named Oregon out here too? Let's here from YOU for the next issue of DXM. 73

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DX is starting to taper off for the season, judging by the number of reports rx'ed the last couple of weeks. Richard Eckman reports: "WWV said K index was 0 all day 3/8 but TA cx were only fair at SSS w/several low band Iberians and the usual high band TAs making it in w/fair-good signals." Nothing unusual noted here 3/8 either, other than the 50 kw domestics being a bit more obnoxious than usual. Don Moore noted great LA cx 2/18 & 2/19; ye ad found LA cx good 3/11 evening, even WBAP was fighting it out w/an unid IA. The low K index seems to agree with the 4-week cycle of DX as good TA/TP DX was reported in early Feb., Jan. Dec., etc.

ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- 755 t PORTUGAL, Lisboa II assumed to be the one here w/lite mx 2319 3/8. Good level w/no fading. Recheck at 2330 revealed only severe TVI. (Eckman, Philadelphia)
- 818 ANDORRA, Sud Radio finally def. ID on this one 2350-2359 3/8 w/NA played at 2358. Fair-good level but TVI and het always bothersome here (Eckman)

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 834 c BELIZE, Belize good w/ID & nx by YL 0505 3/12, relig message 0508, then prob s/off, but faded u/TVI (Portzer)
- 840 c PANAMA, Panama strong and all alone w/R. Libertado ID & address as an Aptdo. in Panama 0500 3/12 (Portzer)
- 980 h ECUADOR, Rio Bamba, R. El Prado ID noted 0112 3/10 past TC; cumbias. Good signal (1950 kHz) for distance and listed 300 watts (Schatz, near Hamd)
- 1010 c PERU, Lima booming in w/R. America ID 0822 3/10, ment'd they were playing Chilean mx (Portzer) --- R. America hrd w/mx 0830 3/11. Bombing in, no XPHL and only a tad bit of KOMO slop. Many mentions of "Música de Chile". (Bytheway, Seattle)
- 1200 VENEZUELA, Caracas, R. Tiempo already audible 2220 2/22 while the entire path was still in daylight. Of course the sun was at a very low angle above the horizon at all points (Stanbury, Ontario)
- 1209 + CUBA, Holguín, Reloj Nacional noted here 01h0 3/10, only 1 kHz from nominal! (Schatz) (Amazing! How much did it cost you to mail them the new crystal? bp)
- 1307 t HONDURAS, Tegucigalpa, "R. HRLH" ID 0131 3/10, matching listed 1290 kHz. "Pop" mx (Schatz)
- 1350 MEXICO, México, D.F., XEQK, La Hora Exacta good w/continuous talk & TCs every minute 0955 3/10. One of the few stns outside Cuba that can be used for item #40 of the scavenger hunt (Portzer/Bytheway, Seattle)
- 1436 t EL SALVADOR, Cojutepeque, "YSHF" slow calls caught in passing 0115 3/10 thru bad Kelkboom QRM (Schatz, Miami)

PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 640 FIJI, Lautoka was surely the one here 1008-1100 3/10 during KFI SP. Programming was a mixture of c/w, rock, folk & gospel w/what appeared to be requests and/or dedications & occasional ads, all in FR. Mention of Samoa 1035 & poss. ment. of Lautoka. At 1058 ancr said: "That was the last song on our psm ... it's 2 before 11 ... at 11 a summary of news." then chime mx. Still hrd thru KFI s/on 1059 but KFI SID & nx 1100+ wiped out anything that followed. Had good sig on peaks, w/a few deep fades, usually o/GND. Local ORN & "mushy" audio made readability rough, tho. At one point they overmodulated at the beginning of a spot & then seemed to crank down audio level to compensate (or overcompensate). Could be the best bet for this country (Portzer/Bytheway, Seattle)

DOMESTIC FOREIGN ROUNDUP

- 1180 FLORIDA, Marathon, VOA s/on w/Yankee Doodle 1129 3/8 o/u TUN/WLDS, then SS psm. Note that this stn is still on Standard Time, even tho the rest of the TC is on Daylight Time (Portzer, Seattle)

VERIFICATION

- 1493 BYELORUSSIA, Gomel. R. Moscow FS vfd my reception of 1/6 w/card specifying this location & letter which reads in part "you hrd the closing of a R. Moscow English-language broadcast to Great Britain, followed by a Russian-language broadcast beamed to Europe." The fact that they peaked while in RR led me to believe the earlier psm was not in EE as listed. Note that this is a new xr site; at least it is not listed on any freq in WRTH75. Country #117 (Stanbury, Crystal Beach)

In counting the votes on my proposed divisions of DXWW I find the "nay"s win, accounting for about 60% of the votes cast. Almost everyone prefers last names after items, instead of initials, so future columns will be similar to this one.

If there are several DXers in a particular city, you might consider forming a phone network for Monday mornings. Depending on the chances of awakening others in the household, some DXers might only want to be "call outs", whereby they can call others but others can't call them (unless they want to risk the consequences). Those who don't have to worry about waking up someone else can call one another or be called by the "call outs" as often as is necessary. It's an excellent way to exchange tips, as indicated by the numerous Portzer/Bytheway loggings of recent weeks.

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CUN/. 73 and best of springtime DX. bp



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News from the World of DX:

DX PROGRAMS: A number of DX programs on SW include some MW info; especially interesting, however, is Radio Finland's, which at least in the winter, included tapes of North American and Latin American stations heard in Finland, and during Arctic DX-peditions. It's currently scheduled every Tuesday at 1415Z on 15185 kHz, i.a. (Glenn Fauser) (Glenn, would you please supply us with a current list of DX Programs? Tnx., Ed.)

PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA: The following newsworthy item, which appeared on cumulative page 105 of 21 April 73 DXWW, was inadvertently omitted from the Foreign Log, Vol. II, and should have appeared on page 96. We reprint it here with the invitation to photocopy this entry and enter it in FL-2:

1525 China CPR. The superpower Sinkiang (Official spelling XIn JIang in CPA, ed.) is thought to be the noted here with surprising consistency the last week in March, as I was home three days that week, ill, and able to DX evenings. Details as follows:

- 3-24 - a carrier only noted around 2325, not enough for audio. I spoke to Page Taylor on the phone then, and he noted similar.
- 3-25 - At work, no DXing
- 3-26 - Signal noted with man in assumed RR quite good, at S-6, briefly at 2310. This when the sun just beginning to hit the local horizon here.
- 3-27 - Audio very poor, in and out 2315 to 2340: just able to pull audio.
- 3-28 - Back to work, though not ready yet, no DX
- 3-29 - Audio in fair at 2330 first attempt(local WTHE slow turning excitator off) and peaked 2340 to 2346, then gradual fadeout. Signals fairly well copiable at peak, moderate short-term fading, random, from one second to another, over a probably 30-dB range, quite rapid variation in level. Average signal level stayed pretty constant over the 6 minutes they stayed in, however.

3-30 - Signal noted in weak again, 2335. It came up fairly rapidly at that time and was in fair; well 2335-2343 with man speaking, as on 3-29. Girl spoke 2343 to 2343:15, then, again into music. Again 2 selections noted, not quite as bouncy as those heard 3-29 but in Far East style, nonetheless. Signal faded around 2347 to 2350, gradually. At best, not quite as good a reception as 3-29.

3-31 Despite intensive monitoring for the whole 2315-0000 period, not a trace of even a carrier noted this date. Nothing noted since either, though often not at home.

The TV sweep buzz lands on 1526-plus and with the downstairs set turned off, radiation from the neighbors set provides a marker, very weak, and by tuning down from this, I can spot 1525 very accurately. I did BFO checks on 3-29 and 3-30 and on both dates found the one strong carrier, and what probably was another very weak carrier almost exactly on frequency, along with it. No evidence was noted of the low 100 or 150 Hz het that was noted so prominently on the 10-12 -72 reception. No trace of a second audio was heard on on any reception. SAE determinations were inconclusive due to the short-term fading noted. I have lengthy tapes of both 3-29 and 3-30 receptions on hand. Neither reception was nearly as good, or clear, as the fantastic 10-13-72 signal which was heard by Grant, Bailey and Merriman, besides myself. (Bob Foxworth) (We keenly regret that we failed to observe this outlet more closely during 70-71 and 72-73 sojourns in the Philippines. However these frequencies were measured:

060471 1 525 001 unknown
061873 1 524 981 with SAEs, unknown

Each measurement was probably of a distinct station, with the second suspected to be the frequency of the Soviet noise jammer commonly noted here. We would very much appreciate a PFM by anyone who can receive this PRC outlet. Ed.)

SOUTH AFRICA, Republic of: Some domestic MW services in English and Afrikaans have been temporarily reinstated, because some elderly listeners didn't get FM receivers in time. The reactivated stations are in Capetown, Johannesburg, and Port Elizabeth (Gerry Wood, Radio RSA "DX Corner", 2-26, via Glenn Hauser). Among the frequencies would be 557, 639, 656, 827, 1034, 1043, and 1178, if I figure this out right. Some of the Eng/Afk channels previously in use were recently listed as re-laying Lourenço Marques, so previous language services may not match (Glenn Hauser). It is rumored that when Mozambique obtains independence in June that Lourenço Marques Radio will cease to function. The SABC will then introduce "Happy Day Radio" in South Africa, on the mediumwaves only. (an unidentified South African source, in NASWA Flashsheet, mid-Feb, via Glenn Hauser)

SWAZILAND: Swazi Music Radio has been heard on 957 kHz, not 1367 kHz (Gerry Wood in Radio RSA "DX Corner", 2-19 via Glenn Hauser).

REPUBLIC OF CHINA: Following is an excerpt from a letter dated 25 February 75, from Lee Shin-feng, pres. of BCC: "In response to your letter dated Jan. 5, 1975, may I take the pleasure to clarify the relationship between Chung Yang Kwang Po Dien Tai and BCC as the following: In Chinese "Chung Yang Kwang Po Dien Tai" (Zhōng Yāng guāng bō diēn tái in CPA, ed.) means "the Central Broadcasting Station". The Central Broadcasting Station, the former top administration of a nation-wide radio network, in addition to operating of programs of whole nation scale by itself, operated many provincial stations which in turn controlled district stations in each respective province.

When we moved to Taiwan, the Central Broadcasting Station, combined with its Taiwan Provincial Station, was reorganized into the Broadcasting Corporation of China in coping with changing situation. It continued to use "Chung Yang Kwang Po Dien Tai" to broadcast to the China mainland because the people in mainland were so familiar with and friendly to that call sign. However, when the Communist set up its "Central People's Broadcasting Station" (Zhōng Yāng rén mín guāng bō diēn tái, ed), we changed our call sign to "the Voice of Free China" (qu yǔ zhōng guó zhī shēng, ed) in order to make it clearly differentiated from the Communist station.

"The Voice of Free China" is also used in our overseas broadcasts while BCC is used in the provincial network. Therefore, in a nutshell, both CYKPD and VOFC are call signs used by BCC, depending on the occasion as to

what area the broadcast is projected. The staff of the station may change while the status and the role of the organization are to remain the same." (ed.)

A and K-index Equivalency

(A brief summary of an article by Alan Thompson, entitled "A" and "k"-Indices: Some Notes published in Bandspread No. 55, of 22 May 1973, passed along by Glenn Hauser): Magnetic intensity is generally measured in y units which take into consideration three elements, magnetic intensity's downward vertical component (Z); magnetic intensity's vector horizontal component (H) and magnetic declination (D). The records of these elements are examined and the largest of the three ranges (r) is taken as the basis for K. Each observatory has a table assigned giving the K figure which corresponds to the lower limit of r. The figure appropriate to the lower limit of K=9 varies between 300 and 2000y. Roughly, very low latitude observatories (outside the belt of the equatorial electrojet) would use K=9=300y; and an observatory in the auroral zone, in the most disturbed areas of high latitude would use K=9=2000y. Typical tables of the lowest value of r corresponding to a K-index are:

K	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Lowest value of r in y units	0	3	7	15	27	48	80	140	240	400
	0	5	10	20	40	70	120	200	330	500
	0	8	15	30	60	105	180	300	500	750

The data I use, and which has appeared in NU is, of course, the "400" scale, which is that used by the Fredricksburg, Boulder, and Anchorage observatories. Apparently for standardization purposes, these observatories use the same scale even though the geo-magnetic latitudes are considerably different. The British Hartland observatory uses the "500" scale; the Scottish Eskdalemuir observatory uses the "750" scale for its K-index calculations. Alan's explanation derives from a standard work on the subject, Ionospheric Radio Propagation by Kenneth Davies, which is recommended to those who want to get more deeply into the subject.

More interesting material, namely What is SWNS? by C.M. Stanbury II, Mediumwave in Belgium by Alfred Maitriaux, Focus on PRC by ye ed, and PFMS from Ronald F. Schatz, Arthur W. Peterson, and ye ed. Stay tuned to DX2WW for more DX Gnuus. 73 *Charlie*

IN NETHERLAND ANTILLES, RADIO IS SCRIPTURAL

By Paul A. Gardner; Variety, 18 Sept. '74
(Contributed by Glenn Hauser)

Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles. Long time ago, a haven for pirates, Bonaire now holds the western world's most powerful radio transmitter (500 kw). It's owned and operated by Trans World Radio, whose missionary station beams through it and two shortwavers, 260 kw and 50 kw, respectively, to North Central and South America, Europe or both sides of the Iron Curtain, and the Middle East.

Not only does nonprofit TWR beam religious broadcasts into the Soviet Union, in Russian and Armenian, but it actually tapes programs in Polish government studios with the aid of government technicians. That coup was achieved in 1965 by Stanislaw Krakiewicz, prez. of United Evangelical Church of Poland, who persuaded the authorities to cooperate on the ground that TWR broadcasts are non-political, adhering strictly to a policy of airing only Bible teaching.

TWR does not attack Communism nor, for that matter, the Roman Catholic Church, although it is "evangelical fundamentalist," according to several of its personnel with whom this reporter talked while visiting sunny Bonaire. In fact, said Duane Skipper, chief of English mail, many letters are received from priests and nuns requesting literature and Bibles. One missionary added that recently "a high Roman Catholic official" came to look at the station and get some Bibles and other material.

Jamming in Early Days

Any jamming by unfriendlies? Variety asked production manager Dan Harvey, ex-commercial U.S. radio and tv (ABC). "Only in the very early days," he said, "when we hadn't the staff to monitor adequately. That was when our station was in Tangier; it operated until 1959, when Morocco nationalized radio and our Indiana-born president Dr. Paul E. Freed, now at our Chatham,

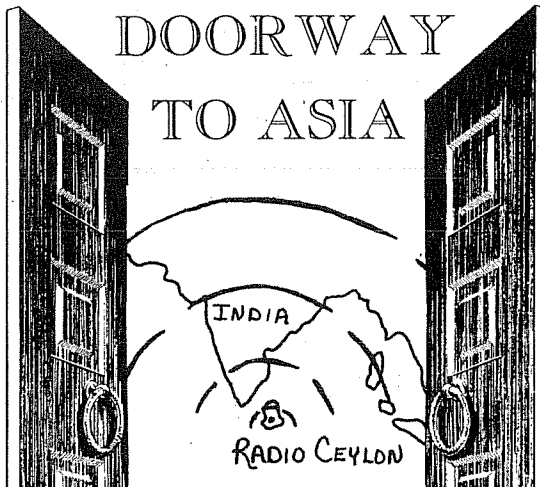
N.J. headquarters—moved it to Monte Carlo. Its transmitter building was originally put up by Hitler as headquarters for a Nazi radio network that never materialized. A third station is being built in Swaziland, which will cover all Africa south of the Equator. The Monte Carlo station, 200 kw, covers North Africa and Europe, as well as the Middle East.

"In '56 we learned that two programs we carried, in Czech and Estonian, were being jammed. Turned out that they contained political comment we didn't know about. The comment was edited out and the jamming ceased. However, the Moslems don't like our broadcasting the Christian message to their lands. We learned from our Beirut studio recently that there are stiff penalties in some Arab countries for those caught requesting or receiving Christian literature. We still get a lot of requests for it, though." TWR also has studios in Spain, France, Holland, Brazil and Canada.

Pol Propaganda Out

Paul Free once made a trip to the USSR and talked with authorities, although there'd been no jamming there. Their attitude, says Harvey, was "Why waste time and money jamming Trans World Radio? We stamped out religion long ago." U.S. authorities look at it differently, though, and TWR gets good cooperation from Voice of America.

Not only is political propaganda banned from TWR, but doctrinal heresy too. Asked if Oral Roberts' was one of the 37 religious outfits carried by TWR aside from its own broadcasts, Harvey said that Roberts had never applied (nor has Herbert Armstrong of "The World Tomorrow") but that, if his program were broadcast, "probably more of the content would have to be cut out than would go on the air. Our policy is: a very positive scriptural message. If there's any argument about the Scriptures we'll take it out."



Radio Ceylon is one of Asia's most powerful and popular radio stations. About five years ago this station began broadcasting a Gospel program in Tamil produced by The Lutheran Hour's India office. Today millions of persons are reached with the Gospel by these broadcasts, and hundreds of letters, many from non-Christians, are received each month.

Radio Ceylon is just one of about 700 stations around the world which carry the Good News of Jesus Christ in 46 languages to millions of persons in 125 countries. You can help The Lutheran Hour continue to reach the millions of unchurched people through you or your group's sponsorship of one of these stations. Sponsorships start at as little as \$150 per year, and co-sponsorships are available.

Some of the stations available include:

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TWR, Monte Carlo, Monaco	535.00* —
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TWR, Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles	3,180.00 —

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From this, it's clear that TWR is BIG business:
--Glenn Hauser

March 22, 1975

Even Billy Graham gets the chop at times, says Harvey. TWR carries his "Hour of Decision" from Minneapolis, but "around July 4, for instance, his message may be geared to hitting, on a spiritual level, the social and moral ills of the American people. We have an international audience which might misconstrue some things because of their particular culture, so if he gets too strongly Americanistic we take it out. I understand Dr. Graham approves. (Harvey, interjected Duane Skipper, knows Graham personally and has been to his home.) We're thoroughly behind Billy Graham. He's so thoroughly evangelical."

Eagle-Eye Editing

Everything is rigorously monitored before it goes on the air, said Harvey, not only for quality, as befits a superpower station, but for content. We're guests of the government here. Also, we're getting into fields where others would like to broadcast, so we're careful not to give them a chance to object. We never have any complaints about content and rarely about quality. Sometimes we have to update a tape; some U.S.-made broadcasts come by ship. We're careful not to editorialize on newscasts; we read everything off the Associated Press wire. We have a few deejay programs—disks plus comment like "Music and You," but we don't play music whose rhythm overshadows the words."

(Despite that "rigorous monitoring," this reporter caught an unscriptural pontification on the one full TWR broadcast heard, in the home of two of the missionaries. It was an hourlong discourse by rich-voiced Dr. Joel Nederhood on a Dutch Reformed Church program. During a moderately subtle attack on the wisdom of clergymen in supporting civil rights demonstrations lest they be taken to represent their church and the advisability of any church members' doing the same, Nederhood stated flatly, "Righteous indignation has no place in Christianity." ("Christ thought it had," the reporter interrupted. "Remember how he scourged the money changers out of the temple?" There was a pause, then the host said, "Well, anyone can make a mistake.")

From Harvey, Skipper and the missionaries all three met are engineers, their wives secretaries and from visits to both the handsome studio-office complex and the transmitters, about four miles away, some facts were learned.

Main studio is about 25x50, with two smaller ones and three announcer booths. Visible and audible from the control room above the big one was a male-female quartet singing very well in Portuguese. It consisted of two Brazil-born Americans and two others who knew no Portuguese and had to learn the lyric sounds by rote. Everything is taped, even newscasts a few minutes ahead, because of hard-to-pronounce names.

The "antenna farm" comprises 29 steel towers; tallest is 760 feet. Three languages can be put on the air simultaneously. TWR does simulcast satellite-telephone originating Stateside and relayed to Bonaire. A big Boston church held a mission conference that was satellite-broadcast by TWR.

Bonaire medium-wave service is full-day in English, part-day in Dutch, French, Norwegian, Portuguese and Spanish. Shortwave service consists of North American and international latter in Arabic, Armenian, Czech, Russian, Serbo-Croatian and Spanish. Its broadcasts to Europe and Mideast complement those from Monte-Carlo because of the differences in time.

(retyped verbatim, and forwarded by Glenn Hauser, who notes:

1. TWR is far from being the world's most powerful radio transmitter.
2. The Swaziland station is now on the air.
3. TWR-Bonaire does have have a MW program in Norwegian, Saturdays at 2130-2145 GMT. It might make it to Norway occasionally, but one wonders how large an audience it can possibly reach.
4. Missionary stations which restrict their news to (USA-originated) AP wirecopy are contributing absolutely nothing toward international understanding)

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Greetings great chasers of weak radio signals. I've been able to squeeze in time at the dials lately and have really enjoyed the opportunity. Latest veries in is v/l KFOC and one is expected soon from WBFN. Dave Thomas called to tell me of his latest verie from the Russian on 1525 kHz! Station is located in European Soviet Union. I recently joined the Antique Wireless Association, Inc. This is a great organization for those interested in vintage receivers. Well, I must close for now. I just hrd the call of a new TN grave-yarder and must try for a report. 73s.

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Happy 11th Anniversary IRCA! I hope our fine club has many more years! Also, many thanks to all the people in charge of the IRCA for doing such a great job. DX cx at the present are at a good level, but as the warmer weather moves in, so does the QRN. But at least you don't have to go out & shake 3' icicles off your antenna! Last week when near-by tornados caused destruction to parts of the SE, many new stns were added to the log as they were staying on past their normal s/off times to provide emergency info. Many thanks this week also go to Mr. Don Erickson for the great selection of electronics magazines he sent me. I also purchased more than 600 IRCA Report Forms from him. If Don ever gets out of work, he can always go to work in a packing and shipping department. I say this because of the nice way he packed by books and report forms. According to the current issue of the Vane Jones log book it says that a new 10 kW daytime only stn is to begin operation soon in nearby Chattanooga, TN. It is supposed to operate on 1190. (Now I can see why it will operate daytime only.) I haven't hrd a word about any new stns going on the air around here, but will keep everyone informed as to when they do. I'm planning on ordering a new WRTH soon. I hope that this one is put together by some UNICN book-binders, instead of being put together w/"fly-paper." The last issue fell apart after about a week's use. Well that's enough for now, so 73, Good DX, and again let me wish everyone a Happy 11th Anniversary!

Eric Fader - 23-35 Bell Blvd. - Bayside, NY 11360

Hi group. By the time this gets into print, depending on whether I got the go-ahead from "higher authorities", the 1975 "American Top 40" station list may already have been typed up for appearance in this eminent DX publication, and possibly in the NRC too. Collect info on days/times of broadcast of whichever stns you either know or suspect carry AT 40 and, if the list ever gets out, compare them. Any changes sent to me, if enough of them, will hopefully appear in an updater. The list will have been prepared from a slightly outdated master list from Watermark, Inc., and compiled by frequency by yours truly. So between old info & my mistakes there will be changes. 73. (Eric: I don't know about AT 40 stns in MI but WKNR is now WNIC w/MoR mx-Brh)

Fred Prechtl - 6128 Glade - Cincinnati, OH 45230

Greetings. Checking back through my DX records, I find that I've been quite successful DXing on "local" frequencies. On 1360, while local WSAI was on my statistics are 10/8. On 1480, while local WCIN was on, it is 10/7, and on 1230, while local WUBE was on, a mere 4/2. Been working 1530, trying to null WCKY, but w/little success. Although I can null them to some degree, & get some weak signals u/'CKY, nothing is identifiable. There are lots of "goodies" on 1530, if only I could null them out completely. Perhaps if I "hang in there" long enough, I may ID a few of them. SS skip DX, when 99% of my DXing is done, has taken a turn for the worst in the latter part of February, so I haven't hrd but 2 new stns in the past 2 weeks. SR DX is hopeless w/these PSAs.

Paul R Mount - 471 Emerson Ave - Teaneck, NJ 07666

Happy Anniversary IRCA! I was hoping I could have my totals counted by now, but no such luck, trx to work. I have managed to DX a couple times a week anyway. Cx have been aurural often w/Colombians coming in. Per consistent receptions by area members, I felt all I had to do to hear WETE & WFBG was tune to that freq. Well now I've hrd both of them, big deal. This past year has been a great one, I have many fond memories that I can attribute to the IRCA in one way or another. Re-intro, I'm a jr. at the big Teaneck high school. I don't have much for future plans, though I'd sure like to get into radio. I started DX in 1970, seriously in 1973. As I found out about more aspects of radio/DX, I've gotten into SCs, CMs, T-shirts, airheqs, domestic DX, corresponding but not into DXing w/expensive equipment & I'm happy. Veries: v/r-WDKD, v/l-WJRI, WSAY, v/q-WPAR, v/ppc-WOKI.

Richard J Nall - 606 N Hite - Louisville, KY 40206

Just rejoined & started BCB DXing recently. Our local BCB bunch stimulated my interest w/several get togethers. Just a little re-intro: I'm 23 years old & started DXing SW in 65, BCB in 66, & get my ham ticket in 69. Got away from BCB in 69 tho. Was recently using an SX99 rx, but it was only on loan. Am looking for an HQ-140, 150, or 180. I did build a 3', 7-turn spiral loop which works just fine. Also traded some stuff for a fairly decent mono tape recorder. Still like QSLs but mainly keep tapes of DX now(cheaper, hi). Locally, we have about 7 other BCB DXers. Back in late 60s we were lucky to have 2 of us in town at same time, hi. Hello to Wayne Murphy who also lives in town & just joined IRCA. 73s & it is good to be a member again.

Charles Heffelfinger - 7011 18th St.

Tampa, FL 33610

Just heard my 1st new state since 73 on 2/24: KSMD in Milbank, SD conducting equipment & transmitter tests w/C&W. This is evidently new, not listed in NRC Log but in new White's log as 5 kW. This makes 33 states I've hrd. Now others look possible, maybe NE or WI. I've hrd WI on FM but not on AM!

Every regional channel sounds like a GY. Veries received since my last rpt are: KXYZ, WJLJ, KEYH, KCHR, WFUP, KPFA, WVOP, WCMT, WGHC, KTHS, & WJLE, all ppc's. After my KEYH rpt was returned "un-claimed", I found their QTH in the Houston phone book at the public library. QTH is 3130 Southeast Freeway. No zip code was listed, but they will get it anyway. Totals now at 1383/912, w/only 17 more to go, for my goal of 1400 hrd for this season. Unless SS cx improve, it doesn't look like I'll make it. 73s.

C.M. "Stan" Stanbury II - Box 218

Crystal Beach, Ontario, Canada LOS 1B0

As this is the anniversary issue (or the one after it depending upon our annual Canadian PO strike) a bit of history seems in order. Specifically, the Captain Glotz comic strip which ran in DX NEWS a couple years ago (w/Stan Kramer of Cranberry Beach as the arch villain, hi). It turns out that CG was a parody of YELLOW DOG's (an underground paper later comic book) parody, "Captain Guts". According to Diane Druchkow in SFR#17 "Captain Guts was originally Fillmore Grinchfotom, average mild-mannered statistician, who turns into tough-mean-clean-dirty-commie-pink-o-dope-fiend-hater, savior of America". Although you can't always tell from the content of DX publications, in many areas CG was more accurate than many realize. The content of much of the correspondence between DXers was then, and still is, astounding, hi.

Charles Gill - Box 84 - Springville, NY 14141

I am 44 years old, been DXing for several years. I also have a cassette recorder, would enjoy corresponding w/anyone who would care to. My total stns heard are not too great, don't see how some get so many stns, guess it's the little green man getting to me. I am disabled thus I spend a lot of time w/my Wards radio and my recorder. (Nice to hear from you Charles, report often!-Brh)

Also hrd on same night KSTP, KQV, & QFOF. Those last 2 I think I've hrd before, but not sure. WFOF is my first New England on a regional channel; only WBZ, WMEX, WTIC hrd previously. Last time I mentioned my rx wasn't getting 860-1220, but a day or two after I sent the report it cleared up, for reasons I am unable to explain, unless some dirt or something was clogging up the tuner and got jarred loose. Had been that way for several months.

Larry Flegle - 1004 E. Powhattan - Tampa, FL 33604
Happy anniversary IRCA. I hope this club continues to grow & become even more a leader in the DX field. I've been a member around three years now & have enjoyed every minute of my membership. When I was looking for a DX club to join I read several bulletins & decided IRCA was the one for me. On another subject, I sure hope I can get one WI test coming up. Latest veries in are: v/l-WBFF, WTMC. Totals are somewhere around 700/235. Plan to work on increasing my veries. If anyone has information about the early days of radio they will share please send photocopies. must close for now. 73s

Ray Arruda - 6 Wilbur Ave - N Dartmouth, MA 02747
DX has been OK as we head into March. MM 2/24: WAUB Test was tent. w/some variable TT & possibly code IDs. R/c from WCCR also hrd. KTHE Test not tried. Wed. 2/26 WEXT Test tried but not hrd from 0030-0050, just CBE. Don't think they were on. Completely forgot about trying for KPRO Test on SM 3/2. MM 3/3: tried for CHTN several times this morning but no luck as they just seem to elude me! WABC, WCAU, & WHN were all off the air at various times. KZUL Test tried but not hrd. On 1470 I hrd some bits of TT & one possible code ID from 0246 to 0259 EDT w/severe QRM from WOHQ & another stn, so I sent a tent. rpt to KAZM for their Test. No IDs, mx, or announcements were monitored in this time period. WLYN Test was on as scheduled & hrd easily w/WDRG off for short maintenance period. WLYN is pretty regular during the daytime here.

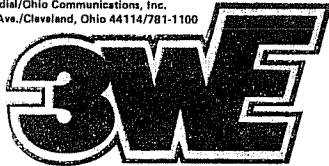
Correction department: MM 2/17 KORL was not heard, as this was a typping error on my part from a few weeks back. The 2 testing stns hrd that morning were WEJL & WBFF. Four real nice veries have come to my shack in the last 2 weeks, all v/l: WGIL Test which is far and away my best graveyard QSL, WCSI w/CM & SC for Test, WRVK for Jan. rpt of r/c, and a nice Test verie from WBFF. Received a nice letter & CM from Ron Musco concerning my tent. rpt of WSNQ Test. He was unable to verify my rpt because the program materials did not coincide w/the station log. Will try again next time Ron. 73.

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March 22, 1975

Editor: Michael G. Worst
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Effective by the time this appears your new WDXF editor will be Rich Heald, 17412 Rolando Ave., Castro Valley, CA 94546. His first column will appear in the 4-12-75 issue, so reports to him probably should get to him by 4-2-75.

HM3 Mike Hardester, USN, NAVREGMEDCEN, Psychiatry Service, Building 41, Room 413, San Diego, CA 92134

Howdy! Hope this makes the Anniversary Issue, but due to procrastination, it may be late. Anyway, HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IRCA. A short re-intro: I'm 25, single, on active duty with the Navy as a Hospital Corpsman. I've been in IRCA about 6 years. Besides IRCA, I belong to and attempt to support the following clubs as often as possible: ASWLC, ARDXC, DSWCI, LWCA, NASWA, NNRC, NRC, SPEEDX, & UADX. DX gear includes ARB, and a Barlow Wadley XCR-30. Also, BC-221-M frequency meter. Future plans are to add an SPR-4, and also Heath IB-1101 for precision frequency monitoring. Antenna at present includes omnidirectional longwire (bootleg type, hi), and SM-1. Besides work, I occasionally make it to Poway to assist with bulletin publication...a trip in itself! 73 and best of DX.

Bill Harang, 811 Nevada Avenue, San Jose, CA 95125

I have some advice for those IRCA members who may possibly go into broadcasting as a career. Last summer, former IRCA member Glenn Hobbs and I worked at a "cable-television-radio-station." We had the opportunity of working as DJs. All of a sudden, we got a new PD. This new PD got the job by claiming to be a Top 40 DJ, of KFRC at one time. Because of my knowledge, I knew this guy was a fraud. And he knew that I knew he was one, so the guy fired Glenn and I. Unfortunately, the management did not believe me until it was too late and the guy reportedly stole some equipment. According to Rick Shaftan's 3/1/75 EDXF report, WCBS's xmtr is in New Jersey. But according to a map of the National Geographic Society. (supplement of their Jan. 1964 issue), WCBS's xmtr is located on Long Is. Sound. WNEW (studios on 5th Ave., New York) has its xmtr located in a swamp approx. 4 miles west of the Hudson River, in N.J. If anybody's interested, also in this area of N.J. are the xmtrs of WHOM, WBNX, WHN, WINS, WMCA, and WOR. All of these stations have their studios in New York.

A CLUB OF FANATICS?

A recent letter from a member has indicated that he has decided not to renew his membership. Basically the reason he gives for his decision is that "IRCA is on its way to becoming a small tight-knit club for fanatics." He feels that the impression has been given in the bulletin that the club would be just as happy to "weed out the less dedicated" so that only the few who have 500-600 veries or who have heard 1400 stations would be welcome. He feels that he just doesn't have the credentials to belong to such a select group and therefore he doesn't belong. He feels that this undercurrent for very limited membership makes newcomers feel unwanted and excluded. And this, he concludes, will cause membership renewals from newcomers to decrease.

This view of IRCA has made us at HQ take a new look at ourselves. Do we really give this impression? We invite you to do what we have done-go back a couple months and re-read the bulletins to try to see what impression you get. Is there anything which would give a newcomer the impression that he is an outsider and that we let him into the club only grudgingly? (One thing I've noticed which might give this impression is the extensive use of abbreviations; maybe you can see other things as well.)

The question, I suppose, is: do we want to give this impression of IRCA? There are some who would say yes, IRCA would be a better club if the "dead wood" were trimmed, if membership were cut back, with everyone expected to participate actively.

Such a view is, I feel, unrealistic and unwanted. Degrees of interest and involvement in BCB DXing vary widely. Not everyone has the time, ability, or finances to devote extensive time or money to the hobby. There are those who have lost interest, but who want to keep in touch with the hobby; there are those who are just learning and are timidly getting involved; there are those who are struggling to become better DXers. There is a wide spectrum; all belong to IRCA and no one is trying to drive them out.

What can we do to dispel the myth that IRCA is a club only for "fanatics?" That's what we're pondering right now. One way is to try to make the new member welcome and wanted. In future issues we can discuss ways of doing this, along with other ways of improving IRCA. FJP

REPRINT LIST

If you want a copy of the Reprint List which appeared in last week's issue, so that you don't have to break up your copy of DX Monitor, just write to HQ for a copy. Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Rock music, with picket lines, new radio theme

By John Schreiner

VANCOUVER — A major union drive to organize private radio stations has run into tough sledding in Western Canada.

Three stations are currently involved in strikes (and continue to broadcast in spite of the strikes). CKBI in Prince Albert, Sask., and CJAT in Trail, B.C., have been struck for several months.

But the battle drawing the national attention in labor and broadcasting circles involves Vancouver's leading rock station, CKLG, and the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE).

"We're fighting the big guns here," CUPE organizer Richard Hughes says.

Another B.C. union official, former broadcaster, predicts:

"The minute CKLG signs a contract, this will spread like wildfire."

A certification application for another Vancouver radio station, CKDA, is now before the Canadian Labor Relations Board. CUPE is pressing unfair labor charges before the board against a third Vancouver-area station, CJJC. CUPE earlier failed in an effort to organize a fourth Vancouver station, CFUN. Hughes promises there will be another thrust at the latter station.

Various unions have been trying for several years to organize private radio stations in British Columbia. The only success so far has been achieved by the Canadian Labor Congress's white-collar arm, the Association of Commercial and Technical Employees, which has contracts with stations in Penticton and Kelowna. The same union is involved in the strike at Trail.

The union striking the Prince Albert station is the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

Union organization in broadcasting in Canada is limited largely to Canadian Broadcasting Corp. (many of whose employees are in CUPE's broadcast division) and to television stations, (a number of which have been organized by the National Association of Broadcast Employees & Technicians).

The latter union's certifications include CKY-TV in Winnipeg, which is owned by Moffat Communications

Ltd., the owner of Vancouver's CKLG.

The CKLG strike has been emerging as a cause célèbre for unions, if only because of the station's position in the 16-station Vancouver market. Unions have been describing CKLG as the flagship of Moffat Communications.

Early in the two-week-old strike, CKLG Manager Donald Hamilton, a Moffat vice-president, made a statement to a local newspaper which was interpreted (he says incorrectly) as a threat to keep the station operating with strike-breakers.

"That was foolish," observes an official of the International Woodworkers of America, British Columbia's biggest union.

The B.C. Federation of Labor reacted by sending its executive to spend some highly publicized time on the CKLG picket lines during a tense weekend during which there were some picket-line scuffles. CUPE organizer Hughes has been charged with assault. The union is also fighting in court an injunction limiting the number of pickets.

Withdraw ads?

The B.C. Federation has also suggested that, to bring economic pressure on CKLG, advertisers withhold their ads.

Dunsky Advertising Ltd. has confirmed that it has withdrawn three B.C. government contracts from the station, including Insurance Corp. of British Columbia, which is in the heaviest part of its annual insurance renewal advertising.

CKLG's Hamilton says the pressure of withheld advertising is "minimal."

Unions regard organizing drives at radio stations as do-or-die efforts. They believe private broadcasters are not prepared to deal with unions. Currently, union organizers are quoting federal conciliator Hugh Ladner's report on the Trail strike. Ladner said:

"I have never seen a more flagrant case of a refusal to bargain collectively."

The unions also believe that radio station employees who become involved with unions risk being blacklisted.

"I think I'm about fifth from the top of the blacklist," says one union official

who was once involved in an organizing campaign.

Hamilton denies there is a blacklist.

"People have great freedom in this industry to move around. In this business, talent and ability is what counts," he says.

In the CKLG strike, money is not the issue (this is not necessarily true with organizing drives in smaller stations). The big issue seems to be job security and contract flexibility.

CUPE officials complain that there is no job security in private radio.

"You live and die by the ratings," one union official says.

Hamilton argues that the contract demands made by CUPE, which is seeking a first contract at CKLG, are restrictive.

"We have a pretty creative atmosphere around here and the contract would contemplate a pretty fixed atmosphere," he says.

Beyond that, he believes a radio station needs the flexibility to react fast to what its competitors do in a market such as Vancouver. Hamilton tries to dismiss the CKLG strike as "a minor dispute involving 15 employees." CUPE's Hughes responds:

"This is a 1930s labor battle."

Hearing On Plans For Reviving KWK

By Paul Shuech Correspondent

WASHINGTON, FEB. 15 — The Federal Communications Commission has scheduled an administrative hearing for May 5 here on competing applications to revive bankrupt Radio Station KWK in St. Louis.

The date was set by Lenore Ehrig, an administrative judge for the agency, in a meeting Friday. Two petitions have already been filed with the full commission seeking reconsideration of a ruling Dec. 16 that ordered the hearing.

Friday's action is the latest round in a series of legal disputes over the station. The disputes began in the early 1960s, when the federal agency revoked the station's license because of fraudulent contests operated by KWK's owners.

submitted by Glenn Hauser.

ART SEIDENBAUM

All News That Fits

I'm a news-abuser, constantly riding around for a radio fix, push-buttoning between KNX and KFVB where news is constant, sometimes tuning in KFI or KMPC or KABC for variety, hooked on the dramatic downers of everyday life.

Now I learn Los Angeles will soon, by June, have three all-news radio outlets. Giant NBC will join giants CBS and Westinghouse. So we'll all have less soothing music and more accounts of savage beasts.

Over at KFVB, the Westinghouse people view upcoming competition with a mixture of affirmation and alarm. Alarm, because nobody knows whether the giants will simply cut each other down in the rating wars. Affirmation, because NBC's entry in the all-news business means the format—only about 10 years old—has already proved itself a radio fixture.

Last week, programmer Ken Draper was telling a Cal State Dominguez Hills group where he thought KFVB fit in the information business. People hooked on news have to wait a day between newspapers; they have to wait for certain hours to see their daily ration of catastrophes on television. News radio is constant, always at anybody's fingertip. Newspapers can explain crises. Television can show you pictures of them. But only radio tells you what's happening as it happens.

A student complained about KFVB's slogan: "Give us 22 minutes and we'll give you the world." Nobody can shrink the world's complexity to one-third of an hour. Especially when commercials cover 16 minutes of every hour. Draper didn't claim any shrinker could. The minutes have been carefully calculated to fit the needs of news-abusers.

March 22, 1975

Everyday in the L.A. area people launch 13 million automobile trips. The average journey is about 20 minutes long, give or take a SigAlert. Impatient people, even those hooked on news, have only so long to learn about what's happened since last they tuned in. The Draper thesis is to put the news in a time capsule most convenient for the audience. No news station expects people to listen for hours; radio is a sometime thing.

That's why KNX and KFVB repeat themselves during the broadcast day, mainly offering a stream of headlines rather than the hows and whys of what's going on in the world. The news stations are in competition with the 70-odd other radio stations in L.A. This is the largest ear market in the world, partly because the motive force is the automobile.

What I didn't know was how few radio outlets share the enormous profits of playing to ear. Draper said only one-third of America's broadcast stations do better than break even. In Los Angeles, where the competition is loudest, he said only three stations can claim more than a million pairs of ears during any week: the two news formats plus rocking KJJ.

This news-abuser welcomes another network in the headline act. My prejudice is that KFVB does a superior job of covering the California community from the field and has, in Red MacLellan, the best of the national pundits. KNX, by contrast, broadcasts the more interesting national reporters and has, in Charles Osgood, a rare voice of authority because that authority comes with wit.

Wordsworth said the world is too much with us. But he didn't have a car or a radio. With radio, if pain persists, you can turn off nagging newschases; let music play you by ear.

Thurs., Mar. 13, 1975 Los Angeles Times

WINNERS ARE LOSERS IN KRE LABOR JOLT

Submitted by Glenn Hauser

The four month old strike of seven AFTRA announcers against Berkeley radio station KRE has taken a kinky turn. Three days after an NLRB judge unexpectedly ruled in favor of management in an unfair labor practices suit, KRE Station Manager Ollie Hayden was given the boot, along with Program Director Ben Thum and the entire news department.

The firings, by a Horizons Communications accountant visiting from New York, were apparently to cut losses, which have been sizable ever since the announcers knocked KRE out of the sports-casters booth at University of California football and basketball

games (BARB, 10/26, 12/14). Horizon's losses were magnified by the loss of over half their advertising as a result of pressure from the Eastbay labor movement.

With Hayden out of the picture, Sales Manager and acting Station Manager Alice Potter and Horizon's attorney Lawrence Corbett are due to sit down next week with the State Conciliation Service. That could lead to new talks with AFTRA.

Horizons isn't saying much, but the announcers speculate that the station is up for sale, and the price would be significantly depressed from the \$1.4 million they think was paid in 1970, if

a labor dispute were still hanging fire. Another downer: the station is Eastbay-oriented (or so it said in the 1971 FCC license application), but as long as the strike goes on, there'll be zilch local news. That could jinx the license renewal, come this November.

Meantime, AFTRA and the NLRB General Counsel are appealing Judge E. Don Hopkins' ruling in favor of Horizons to the full Board in Washington. That could take from a month to a year (the average is four months). The appeal will be based on the announcer's claim that a previous contract (with another union) re-

mained in force even after negotiations broke down ten months ago.

Hayden didn't let any grass grow under the judge's ruling. He fired off a letter the next day to the sponsors who'd cancelled, accusing AFTRA of "a series of power plays...to get KRE to agree to contractual conditions which would make it impossible for the Station to continue to operate and

serve the community to which it is dedicated..." Hayden concluded that the history of negotiations and power-plays he recounted "shows that Station management should be carrying signs saying, 'UNFAIR' but, fortunately, we have more important things to do."

The next week, he was looking for another gig.

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I thought a few comments on the format of the Ad-visor may be in order. The Ad-visor from its very start was to be a weekly column and will continue to be; provided there are ads to be printed. There are at the present time no maximum number of times an ad can run. I only ask that you let me know to stop running your ad if you get results from it. I keep carbon copies of all material typed and can easily cross-reference to any of the ads in any issue. You can inform others of your sale and/or purchase by placing an ad in the "SOLD" section. If you previously ran an ad all that is necessary is a postcard informing me of what the ad was about and what edition of the Ad-visor your ad first appeared in.

The above comments were inspired by my competition in the other club. I am not knocking my competition; it is competition I like. It makes the Ad-visor that much more of a challenge to do!

73's till next time,

Albert

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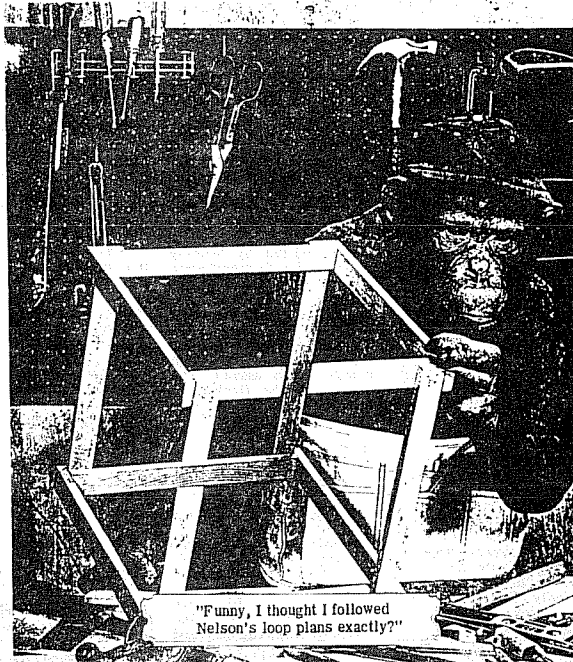
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