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Sat 11-26-77 0630-0700 KGRN-1410 Grinnell, IA ½ kw
 Mon 11-28-77 0300-0900 KLUC-1140 Las Vegas, NV 10 kw
 Sat 12--3-77 0630-0700 KGRN-1410 Grinnell, IA ½ kw
 Mon 12--5-77 0000-0300 WMTR-1250 Morrist'n, NJ 5 kw
 Mon 12--5-77 0300-0900 KLUC-1140 Las Vegas, NV 10 kw
 Sat 12-10-77 0630-0700 KGRN-1410 Grinnell, IA ½ kw
 Mon 12-12-77 0000-0300 WMTR-1250 Morrist'n, NJ 5 kw
 Sat 12-17-77 0630-0700 KGRN-1410 Grinnell, IA ½ kw
 Mon 12-19-77 0300-???? OKSW--570 Swift Cur, SK 10 kw
 Mon 12-19-77 0400-0500 KTLIL-1590 Tillamook, OR 5 kw
 Mon 12-26-77 0115-0200 WJOB-1230 Hammond, IN 1 kw

KGRN-1410(500-D) Tones and IDs. v/s is Jerry Roberts, CE, KGRN Radio, Box 560, Grinnell, IA 50112 Prepaid calls accepted at (515) 236-6106. Arranged by Elliott B. Pollock, GWDXA, NRC, IRCA.
 KLUC-1140(10000-D) Testing ND antenna system. 10 kw will be used. Verifications will be issued. Notification of this series of tests was by Dave Anthony, PD of KLUC. Arranged by Musco, NRC.
 WMTR-1250(5000-U) Will possibly a lso run later. Details to be arranged. From NRC DX NEWS
 OKSW-570(10000-U) with many announcements and some morse code IDs. Will verify reports. Reports to Mike Klippenstein, CE, Box 570, Swift Current, SK. Return postage required. Notification by Ken L.A. Burgess. Program dedicated to NNRC. Tnx Ken.
 KTLIL-1590(5000-U) Tones, IDs, mentions of GWDXA. ND antenna to be used. Prepaid calls accepted at (503) 842-4422. Rpts to Jeff Lindorff, ACE, KTLIL Radio 1590, Box 112, Tillamook, OR 97141. Arranged by Pete Nolan, member GWDXA, IRCA, NRC for GWDXA.
 WJOB-1230(1000-U) test will be run with a variety of items, e.g. TT with member John Zondlo at the mike. Rpts to Gordon Boss, CE, WJOB, 6405 Olcott Ave., Hammond, In 46320. Arranged by Zondlo IRCA. Prepaid calls accepted at (219) 844-1230.

UPCOMING GET-TOGETHERS

Sun. Nov. 20--at Randy Seaver's..1154 Via Trieste, Chula Vista, CA. Time 1 p.m. to Evening.
 Sat. Nov. 26--at Ernie Cooper's..5 Anthony St., Provincetown, MA. Time Noon to 6 p.m.
 Sat. Nov. 26--Bay Area Radio Freaks (BARF) at Serramonte Library, 40 Wembly Drive, Daly City, CA. Time 10 a.m. to ????.
 All members and non-members welcome.

FLASH TIPS

Don Davis sends word that WRBD-Warner Robins, GA is now on the air w/1000/250w U2. Don will check their schedule, format and possibility of a test.

The Medium Wave Guide for Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea & Indonesia has been received at HQ. This booklet is quite complete and informative. Thanks to The Australian Radio DX Club for their work on this project and for their notification.

To OPCers. Please don't forget to notify the NRC about any tests you have arranged. Drop a postal card to NRC, Box 32125, Louisville KY 40232 with all test information available.

NEWS FROM HEADQUARTERS

Mrs. Ann Simons, the mother of member John C. Barber, 98 Dutton Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577, sends us the very sad news that John died on October 26, 1977. On behalf of every member of IRCA we send our condolences to Mrs. Simons and all of John's relatives and friends.

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OTHER NONSENSE..Or a sneaky way to put a short forum on the front page, hi. Lyndon Nerenberg, seems I've heard that CKTA-Taber, AB on 1570 relays OHBC at times so maybe that's your mystery. Brian Cartwright, doubt if your 660 mystery was KFAR as they are usually rock at that hour. Russell James, ARDXC & IRCA has volunteered to help with the Time Pip research, any others willing to help out there? KDUN-1470 manages to evade me even though I've listened several dozen times at SSS this year. DX this week 11-8/15 was pretty bleak. A bit of Alaska but TP's very poor. HLKA seems to be jumping from 708-715 this year. Had been on 715 in Sep./Oct. then noted 708 in early Nov. now back on 715 11/14???? Good to see Father Jack & Jim Korn along with most of the regular staff last Friday. Last time I said "Go 49ers" they were 0-5, now they are 4-5 & I'm afraid to say anything more..73.dkk

**eastern dx
roundup**

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DEADLINES: Mondays All times are Eastern Local

Susan in NJ is elated with finding WEAT, 1kw at West Palm Beach on 850 for her state # 23. Jerry in Mich. pulled out 1kw WCKL in Catskill, NY on 560. Gregg in NC finds that CPOR in Ontario is regularly putting a good signal into North Carolina. Dave in Georgia finds his tape recorder really pays off in ID'ing as he logs KDMS in Arkansas on 1290. For more goings-on in Eastern DX-land, read on.

- 560 CFOS ON, Owen Sound 10/19 2030-2040 Fair w/country mx o/u/WIS. Have hrd CFOS nightly since. (JR-MI)
- WIS SC, Columbia 10/19 2030-2040 Fair w/pop mx o/u/CFOS. (JR-MI)
- 620 WRJZ TN, Knoxville 10/19 2100-2110 Fair w/rock mx. (JR-MI)
- 850 WEAT FL, West Palm Beach 10/31 1800-2000 Clear w/little QRM fm nearby WCBS. C&w mx. Don't understand how I got this, 1 kw is hard to believe. State # 23. (SS-NJ)
- 920 KDHL MN, Faribault 10/25 0145-0155 Fair w/country mx. (JR-MI)
- 930 WSEV TN, Sevierville 10/31 1744 W/R&R & 1758 s/off amid lots of WITN, WSOC & WJAX QRM. (GA-NC)
- WKY OK, Oklahoma City 10/25 0210 Fair w/rock mx. (JR-MI)
- 960 WFIR VA, Roanoke 10/25 0220 Good with soft rock mx. (JR-MI)
- 970 WAVE KY, Louisville 10/25 0230 Fair w/area nx at 0230 foll'd by soft rock mx. (JR-MI)
- 1010 WMOX MS, Meridian 10/30 1807 Poor reception w/hvy fading & QRM fm KLRA. Soul & rock mx + locl ads. Two stns fm Meridian, MS in two days, must be a record! Maybe I'll even hear Tylertown. (DD-GA)
- 1070 WINA VA, Charlottesville 10/30 0100 Mucho WIBC QRM but little fading CBS nx, locl wx, Nat'l ads, s/off @ 0106 w/long informative msg. SSB @ 0107. Also hrd KNX in bkrd w/L.A. nx. Not enuf to log. (DD-GA)
- 1110 CKJD ON, Sarnia 11/1 2100 Fair w/WBT QRM w/rock mx. Switched to this freq @ 0745 this AM, 11/1, (was 1250) and has much stronger sig here & no more WBOX & WTAE QRM. (Now it's WBT that QRM's.) (JR-MI)
- 1260 WNDE IN, Indianapolis 10/31 2040 Tuned here per listing in #457 DX MNTR under WFBM, thinking perhaps call ltr change. Still the same old WNDE. Who's WFBM? (DD-GA) (ed's explanation: On LVF-AL's report for 1260 IN, Indianapolis in #457 there were no call ltrs given. I looked up an Indianapolis stn on 1260 in my 1974-75 NRC Domestic Log and found WFBM and so used it. I was only trying to help, hi.)
- WNXT OH, Portsmouth 10/31 2035 While listening to suspect WFBM, bagged a new station here w/oldie 'Big Band' mx, locl nx & Nat'l PSM's. Tnx to Larry Flegle (LVF-AL) for getting me on 1260 at that time! (DD-GA)
- (ed: vy glad to hear you got a new stn out of the foul-up!)
- 1280 WGBF IN, Evansville 11/2 1910 Good o/CJJD w/rock mx. (JR-MI)
- 1290 WATO TN, Oak Ridge 10/28 1858 Noted hr lately thru WTOG w/pgm fm UOT Med School. Hrd today w/"Hi school f'ball review" w/a plethora of ads & good log info. (DD-GA)
- KDMS AR, El Dorado 10/28 1915 Hrd rock mx, ad for locl furn co. & plug for Sat. AM show. Poor, only logged due to use of tape & info for correct business names. (DD-GA)

- 1300 WBLG KY, Lexington 10/28 2051 Rock mx, many ments of homecoming game, wx for the game, etc. Locl ads. Fair sig w/hvy fades. Some WMAK QRM. Has been hrd hr off & on for a while, but first chance to log. (DD-GA)
- 1310 WZZZ GA, West Point 10/29 1153 WBRO looped out, but horrible spur & splatter fm local WAVC on 1350. Many ads during inter-view pgm of sorts. (DD-GA)
- 1330 WCVG FL, Tallahassee 10/29 1856 "Beautiful" mx, then into s/off msg @ 1858 w/nx btwn sentences. No SSB. (DD-GA)
- WJDQ MS, Meridian 10/29 1908 Rock mx fm live remote BC. Contests and much hokum. s/off @ 1928 w/SSB at 1930. (DD-GA)
- 1430 WIRE IN, INDIANAPOLIS 9/13 0145 Good o/CKPH w/ABC Entertainment News foll'd by country mx. (JR-MI)
- 1550 KQWB ND, Fargo 10/23 1930-1945 Good o/CBE w/rock mx & s/off @ 1945. That they were on at nite? (JR-MI)
- 1570 CFOR ON, Orillia 11/2 2154 Super sig in recent days blitzing even CKLM & XERF. On 11/2 w/r&r and unoriginal "Music Radio" slogan between rdggs. Rlgs 2200-2245 then back to mx. Gotta be more than 1KW! (GA-NC) (ed: it is. It's 10KW.)
- 1600 WINX MD, Rockville 11/3 2335 Has become the dominant one on this freq over WFRC & WGIV. Top 40 fare & Washington wx. (GA-NC)

1000 Pardons - but I missed two - please add:

- 560 WFIL PA, Philadelphia 10/25 0030 Good w/rock mx. (JR-MI)
- WCKL NY, Catskill 10/25 0040 Good w/ test at 0040 w/MOR mx. (JR-MI)

REPORTERS THIS ISSUE

- GA - Gregg Allinson, 919 N. Kerr Ave., Wilmington, NC 28401/ Realistic TRF
- DD - Don Davis, 107 Oakdale Drive, Warner Robins, GA 31093/ s-76 + longw.
- JR - Jerry Robertson, 6065 Gardner Line, Crosswell, MI 48422/ rcvr?
- SS - Susan Sirulnick, 223 Lakeview Terr., Teaneck, NJ 07666/ Realistic AM/FM/SW *****

Thanks to all reporters.
Congratulations to Gregg Allinson and good luck on your new job at WRNB.

73 and good DX. Bob Curtis

POST CARD

Dear Sir,
Your report on reception dated 16/6/75 has been examined. This confirms that you were listening to 2BX on 15, 18, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 101, 103, 105, 107, 109, 111, 113, 115, 117, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 133, 135, 137, 139, 141, 143, 145, 147, 149, 151, 153, 155, 157, 159, 161, 163, 165, 167, 169, 171, 173, 175, 177, 179, 181, 183, 185, 187, 189, 191, 193, 195, 197, 199, 201, 203, 205, 207, 209, 211, 213, 215, 217, 219, 221, 223, 225, 227, 229, 231, 233, 235, 237, 239, 241, 243, 245, 247, 249, 251, 253, 255, 257, 259, 261, 263, 265, 267, 269, 271, 273, 275, 277, 279, 281, 283, 285, 287, 289, 291, 293, 295, 297, 299, 301, 303, 305, 307, 309, 311, 313, 315, 317, 319, 321, 323, 325, 327, 329, 331, 333, 335, 337, 339, 341, 343, 345, 347, 349, 351, 353, 355, 357, 359, 361, 363, 365, 367, 369, 371, 373, 375, 377, 379, 381, 383, 385, 387, 389, 391, 393, 395, 397, 399, 401, 403, 405, 407, 409, 411, 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DEADLINES: Tuesdays TIMES: Eastern Local

- 540 WDAK GA Columbus, 10/24 0532-41. Fair to poor on RS w/MoR-type Mx slanted toward the C&W scene; mentions of Fort Benning, & Wx for the Columbus area; KNOE off, but considerable QRM; new here & will be rptd as time permits. (SAM)
- 740 KBCB IA Oskalooga, 10/29 1815 s/off. (JC)
- *KRHG*OK Fulsa, 10/23 0254-0304. Fair to poor on ET w/1000 cycle tone, brief periods of OC, and 1 ID shortly after the hour; o/u both WKIS & KCNC QRM; for its strength, rather difficult to log around here, having been heard only twice before; no verie. (SAM) (I've been waiting 8 years--rce)
- 810 WBJC MS Maqee, 10/28 xlnt o/KCNC w/local ads, R&R Mx. (JC)
- 900 WLOP FL Ocala, 10/23 0207-15. This one is getting to be a regular customer on the test scene w/the usual very good signal; OC, brief fragments of MoR mx, one ID (taped), then off; completely alone w/the exception of a very weak CHML; nice, friendly v/l in about 3 weeks. (SAM)
- 930 WKCT KY Bowling Green, 11/6 PSA at 0052 from "K-C-T", then Buffet's "Changes in Attitudes". Poor-good w/QSB and assorted QRM. (GT)
- 940 WCPC MS Houston, 10/29 1828-1830, ad, s/off. Super signal o/WNIX. (JC)
- 950 WLSQ AL Montgomery, fair 0140 10/30 with "LSQ" promos, R&R. (RAL)
- 970 KSYL LA Alexandria, fair MM 10/31 0500 with MoR, NBC Nx. (RAL)
- *WAKX*WI Superior, poor on DX 10/31 0503-0525 thanks to auroral Cx. TT and 1 ID at 0521 heard. Reception was tentative, but v/l confirms it was them. Thanks Paul for the test. (RAL)
- 1060*KBUG*MO Springfield, 10/29 0206-28. Good to unreadable on ET w/1000 cycle tone, 1 short break w/ID at 0208, more 1000 cycles, and off at 0228; much QSB o/u WNOE/KYW/other unid QRM; new w/stn called & rptd. all Springfield stns now logged. (SAM)
- 1070*WHYZ*SC Greenville, 10/24 0103-17. Xlnt to good on ET w/various tones, extended periods of OC, and IDs on roughly a half-hour basis; very weak QRM after s/off of WDIA/WAPI; new - no answer to call, but rptd anyway. (SAM)
- 1190*WAMB*TN Donelson, 10/24 0242-48. Consistently very good on ET w/various tones, brief periods of OC, & extended s/off ID; WOWO apparently off, o/all other unid QRM; new -no answer to call, but rptd. anyway. (SAM)
- 1220*KBHM*MO Branson, 10/26 0122-0318. Good to poor on ET w/various tones, extended periods of OC, and one badly distorted ID at end of test; severe QSB o/u WGAR/XEB QRM; new here w/stn called & rptd. (SAM)
- 1250 KALO AR Little Rock, 10/31. Probably a regular here, but first time noted. "Kalo plays the best Mx" at 0345, then "Theme from Star Wars". Poor u/tester and LA. (GT)
- 1300 ???? ?? unid, Cleveland-Chicago NHL hockey. Is this WERE? 10/28 1920 (JC) (Could it be WTAQ-1310, which is in a Chicago suburb and has carried coverage of Chicago major league teams?--rce)
- 1310 KFSB MO Joplin, 10/28 1832 ID o/WIFE. (JC)
- WDOD TN Chattanooga, 10/29 1905, C&W Mx, good signal. (JC)
- 1320 KWHN AR Fort Smith, 10/28 1834 w/C&W. (JC)
- KXYZ TX Houston, 10/28 1915, PSA, ad, pop music. (JC)
- 1370 KFRO TX Longview, 11/5. ABC Nx at 0200 & RR Mx. Good w/quick fade at 0207. Another probable regular when my local WCOA is off as it was tonite. (GT)

- 1380 KMUS OK Muskogee, 10/28, like a local, 1842-1857, w/C&W, numerous ads, "K-MUS Country" slogans. (JC)
- 1460 WPON MI Pontiac, 10/31. Probable w/spot for weight loss program in Pontiac, 313 area code, etc. QRM too heavy for definite format. Fair at 0445. (GT)
- 1500*KWRG*LA New Roads, 10/29 0238-0405. Very good to unreadable on ET w/750-cvle tone & Top-40" Mx w/very few selections ever completed; one quick ID at 0405; severe QSB, way o/then suddenly u/KSTP, XERH, and other unid QRM; semi-local around here; rptd once, but no verie received. (SAM)
- 1500 KDFN MO Doniphan, 10/29 s/off at 1830. (JC)
- KTXO TX Sherman, 10/29 s/off at 1900, all alone on frequencv. (JC)
- 1540 KGBC TX Galveston, 10/28, 1928, football. (JC)
- 1560 KWCO OK Chickasaw, 10/28 1910, talk about local football. (JC)
- 1580 WLOU LA Lake Charles, 10/29 ad for theatre, rock 1910. (JC)
- 1590 KYOK TX Houston, 10/29 Grambling-Texas State Football; 1840. (JC)
- 1600 KYAL TX McKinney-Plano, 10/29 1840, local ads, way over KATZ. (JC)

A TIP OF THE HAT THIS WEEK TO:

- JC - JOHN CLEMMER, 2937 West Gilbert, Peoria, Illinois 61604
- RAL - BOB LAZAR, 406 Barr, Ogg West, Madison, Wisconsin 53706
- SAM - SCOTT A. FENTZER, Route Three, Tylertown, Mississippi 39667
- GT - GERRY THOMAS, Apt. 460, 2355 W. Michigan Ave., Pensacola, Florida 32506

John Clemmer, welcome to the column. Good to meet you at Haptown back in August, which reminds me that I also met Bob Lazar down there. Blizzard conditions in the plains states as I write this--how many stns were on late for it? Randy Tomer, consider yourself lucky that it was just your ankle. Several years ago, one of my drivers opened up his scalp with a chain while chaining down a load of steel. I promise a new ribbon before next week's column. Gotta go. 73.

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western dx roundup

ALL TIMES ARE EASTERN LOCAL

DEADLINES: Wed. November 23, Thurs. December 1,
Thurs. December 8, Wed. December 14

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- 550 KOY AZ, Phoenix 10/24 0144 talk show w/ John ? o/u another talk show on KOAC? (PW-CA)
- 680 *KOMW* WA, Omak 11/7 0327-0330 test WAS on, w/marches & tones. Fair-avg w/lots of KNBR. Gone after 0330. Unneeded here. (BH-WA)
- 740 unID Canada 10/24 0306 is this CBX w/last of GSQ right after KCBS s/off? (PW-CA) (CBX would be my guess.--NH)
- 780 WBBM IL, Chicago 11/7 0430-0515 was exceptionally potent (w/KCRL off), pinning S-meter. KNOM beneath thru-out. (DKK-CA)
- 790 *KGHL* MT, Billings on listed f/c 11/7 0245-0300. TT & ID's loud & clear thru KABC. (DKK-CA)
- 790 KJRB WA, Spokane w/ID 10/31 at 0343 w/rr mx o/u KABC. (DKK-CA)

800 CHAB SH, Moose Jaw 11/7 atop QRM w/nx & sports 0100-0110. (DKK-CA)

840 KDIS CA, San Francisco Pirate On per sked 11/7 till 0130 s/off. Doubt very much if using 250w as announced as they can be nulled almost completely out bringing WHAS in loud & clear. Programming is amusing but somewhat sickening. (DKK-CA)

880 WOBS NY, New York City 11/7 u/KRVN w/ good sig. News & talk at time, 0025-0030 ID. Only fair improvement after KRVN s/off. (DKK-CA)

910 KORD WA, Pasco 10/24 0341 mention of KORD Citizen of the Week. My old logs show this one as daytime only. (PW-CA)

930 KEWQ CA, Paradise 11/5 1316 in on DX-160A w/much QRM, sloop from KNEW-910, KPRE-940 off for some reason. In w/ "O Little Town of Bethlehem" w/tenor and choir, announcement of album song. (RW-CA)

940 KPRE CA, Fresno 11/5 1321-?? noted totally off all day, but nil on frequency. Was hoping for KERE. May have been xtrr failure or adjustment. (RW-CA)

950 *unID* f/c 11/7 during KMTX listed time. TT came thru easy but voice IDs (if any) inaudible thanks to KJR/KEGM. 3rd time have tried for KMTX w/same results every time. 0330-0345. (DKK) (We had 950 on at the same time, Don, and heard TT from KMTX.--RH)

960 KAYK UT, Provo 10/24 0356 ID's as "K-96" and "K-A-Y-K Provo, Radio 96" u/KABL. (PW-CA)

990 KHVH HI, Honolulu 11/7 0443 finally heard them say "KHVH Newsradio 99" (YL reporter), & into CBS feature. Poor w/KKIS nulled. (BH-CA)

1030 WEZ MA, Boston u/KTWO w/fair sig. 11/7 0000-0015 w/nx. (DKK-CA)

1120 KNOX MO, St. Louis loud & clear almost pinning 3-meter 11/7 at 0508 w/ KPNW off. (DKK-CA)

10/24 0435 talk show w/spot for Salvation Army. (PW-CA)

1130 KRDU CA, Dinuba 11/5 1324 in very poor, KRAK-1140 sloop, w/farm nx. Not heard during the day very often. In like a local during GSS. (RW-CA)

1150 KKEY OR, Portland 11/6 1944 ending tele-talk show w/black host, closing theme "1900 Yesterday". Recorded s/off 1944½, "Key Radio," ID, ending w/mention of Mutual net, & the last thing before they cut their carrier was MBS nx sounder. This is the first time I've heard them since the 1960's when they were a daytime regular at lkw-ND from Vancouver, WA. Their 5kw-DA protects Seattle. However, in Nov. their s/off is 15 min. past Seattle sunset, so KAYO was nulloable on nite power. Fair-to-avg sig but very good at s/off - just the opposite of Murlay's law, hi. (BH-WA)

1230 *KQIK* OR, Lakeview listed f/c w/TT & code ID's 11/7 0305-0320. Very good sig and atop QRM. (DKK-CA)

1240 KPOD CA, Crescent City 11/9 top 40 mx 1956 till ID at 2001. Poor to good thru KMEY, KFLY, etc. (NH-WA)

1240 KSMA CA, Santa Maria w/ID atop frequency at 2053 11/2. Easy-listening mx.(DKK)

1240 KSUE CA, Susanville atop w/spots 11/2 2031. Nx headlines followed. (DKK-CA)

1240 *KMCL* ID, McCall w/listed f/c 11/7 0300-0315. Code ID's every 15-20 sec. No voice ID's noted. Cut thru KMEY etal well. (DKK-CA)

1240 KFLY OR, Corvallis boomed atop 11/2 at 2305 w/rr mx & several ID's. (DKK-CA)

1340 KLOO OR, Corvallis 11/6 2008 sports, 2010 "K-L-double-O." Fair thru others.(NH)

1350 KDOV OR, Ashland 11/5 1944 s/off weak o/ KERO, KXRO-1320 sloop nulled. (NH-WA)

1390 KSLM OR, Salem 10/26 2108 ID's as "K-Salem Radio." Excellent reception at sunset. (PW-CA)

1390 KELW UT, Logan 10/26 1023 lengthy editorial on disclosure of campaign contribution. This was a daily editorial. (PW-CA)

1450 *unID* 11/7 w/f/c TT noted 0230 tune-in till 0235 off. TT u/somewhat nulled KEST. Unfortunately KEST null in wrong place, if f/c was KDXU as listed. (DKK-CA)

1460 KVRE CA, Santa Rosa 11/2 amazed my by topping KDON for ID at 1900. Robert Wien this indeed is a toughie, send only a few watts south to us. (DKK-CA)

1460 KGAA WA, Kirkland 11/6 0951 G&W mx good-to-fair thru good KKKK, DJ saying "K-G-double-A." Local KKKK-1450 precludes this except Sun. am's. (NH-WA)

1490 *unID* 11/7 w/f/c TT noted tune-in 0225 until 0230 s/off. No ID noted thru very heavy QRM. KOUZ listed. (DKK-CA)

1520 KASY CA, Fort Huenele 11/5 1321 first time ever heard during day. In & out weak u/KMPG w/rr mx, ID "K-C 152." Over 250 miles away. (RW-CA)

1570 CKTA AB, Taber 11/1 w/rr mx then ID at 0422. Stn announcement & promos then into more rock mx. No QRM to speak of. (DKK-CA)

November f/c's heard per the list:

- 1st MM: KGH-790 MT (BH-WA)
 KQIK-1230 OR (BH-WA)
 KMCL-1240 ID per f/c list, EXCEPT had Morse code ID's each 15 sec. w/TT in-between. (BH-WA)
 KWAS-1490 WA (BH-WA)

Welcome back to WDXR, Peter. It's been awhile since we've heard from you. There are some good catches listed in the column this week. Keep up the good work, reporters. 73

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First, an introduction: I'm 16, a DYer for about two years. If the DYing season continues in the manner in which it's been going, I'm in for a spectacular year. With my dependable Realistic AM-FM-SW radio, I've DYed for a total of about 30 minutes this week and have picked out three notable catches from the mess out there. As I'm writing this, I'm listening to an Ex-Lax commercial on WEAT West Palm Beach, Florida, 1,000 watts. It's coming in clear, considering WOBS on one side and WCY on the other. The other two catches are CHTN in Charlottertown, PEI, and CJCB in Sidney, NS. I work at WFUD-Wood 10 Teaneck, where I do about seven newscasts a week plus numerous duties in the engineering, programming, and music departments. The station is also the summer home of Paul Mount. Paul, we've switched from rubberbands to nerf balls, hi. If anyone else also caught WEAT on or around 10/31, please write me.

Denis Beaugerard-2425 St. Antoine-Lachine, PQ H5S 1V2

Let's now go for a new forum from Quebec. First, some local news. CKO is now on the air; it was CFOY on 1470. CERP-620 in Forestville with 1,000w. This will be mostly a relay for CHLC-580 in Hauteville, with some local programming. CPLS-920 in Levis, ex-1240. Last one: "CKVL-650 is applied for CB license", had announced CKAC-730 (both in Montreal) after last listeners' ratings. On QSL side, CBW-990 (7 days), WYVA (15), CKLW-800 (16), 3MT (WVWD)-1240 (13), WBAL-1090 (61), CBN-640 (28), CBA-1070 (76). Note that CBW and CBN with E/E net cards and CBA with F/F. CBN with "Winnipeg" and CBN with "St. John" printed big on card. Since I had one from CBK-540 which is CBK-One, I thought different cards over the net but I wasn't in the truth. I'm going for a new club, F/F for SW, MW, UT, so on. This will be "Club Des DYers Du Quebec". Publication will begin in December or January. Finally, I have a suggestion on countries number. As you count parts of United Kingdom and other countries for more

countries, why not do the same for Quebec? It is a good challenge for many DXers to receive and have confirmed these French-speaking stations, so why not give more "points"? And now, 73 and 92 (92 means Good DX!)

Frank Colella-2184 E. 28th St.-Brooklyn, NY 11229
Hi everyone, how's DX? I've got great conditions here. The Central and South American stations are coming in so great I thought I would add foreign MW DXing to my list. Can anyone offer some help to me in getting started? Some of you must think I'm crazy after what I said about my contest standing in my last forum, because I was in 5th place as of the printing of the standings. In reality, I was in first with 587 points. Because of a small mistake my friend Mr. Gill made when he was doing my totals, he gave me a total of 324 (for 5th place) but, as of my third update 10/28/77 (when I sent it in), I should now have 738 points. Boy, glad I got that straightened out. I also picked up a new (?) receiver (Philips RL207) by way of my friend attempting to discard it for a few minor problems, which I promptly took to myself to fix after he gave me the receiver and now I have a new (?) radio. Well, that's all for now. Would sure like to hear from some EC DXers. So for now, "73s", and good DX till my next forum.

Brian L. Cartwright-106 Leila St.-Johnstown, PA 15005
Would you believe that I turned my radio to something other than WLS? I even got 7 new stations in about 2 weeks, now to 1819. Are you sure that KNBR is only 50kw, or are they using the Pacific Ocean for an antenna? A friend of mine is in the Air Force, and used to fly Travis AFB in NorCal to Banang. As soon as they got to cruising altitude the cockpit radio would go to 680 and they would listen to music the whole way home. I survived the flood, with minimal damage. Did lose a TV and several other appliances, but about 15,000 don't even have homes. Two straight FMs now I've actually stayed up to DX. I finally IDed the LA on 770 when WABC went off 10/10, it was David, Panama. Also grabbed two CPC tests. This is an excellent area for daytime DX, as PA leads the nation in small towns, and there are many lkW daytimers in listening range. It's no problem to log 100 stations from 1200-1400 in the afternoon. But at night, I have 2 GYS and 10kw WJAC. WJNL 1490 has a crummy signal, some places 3 miles from the transmitter you can't hear them at night. WJAC uses 9 antennas to beam 10kw down my throat from 10 miles (? km)(hi) south, but I can null them to silence with the SW-1. WHJB, WVAM, WFBC all beam away at night. Best night signals are by WNBC, WCBS, WBZ, WBT, WWVA, WHAM. Last thing: I know I've waited a little while to ask, but last January I had a very interesting reception on 660. Tuned in O445 ELT (O945 CUT) to first hear XERP. Then an EE religious show took over and I looped it to MW-SE. (Forget exact) The show ended 0500 when Haiti signed on to add QRM, but lost it 0502 to WNBC's rooster. Will check my tape file, as disorganized as it is, to see if I have it down somewhere. Great circle computations put KFAR and St. Lucia 178 degrees to each other, KFAR 900 miles more distant, KFAR 10kw to St. Lucia 20, per WPTH 77. Sched says St. Lucia on O425, KFAR off 0500. I might say St. Lucia, but I would like to see what anybody else thinks. Definition of the pits: getting more Nebraska stations on TV this year than I did on CBC, hi. 73 (WBBM puts a spur on 660 that has been heard nationwide, perhaps this is what you heard-jz)

Ernest R. Cooper-5 Anthony St.-Provincetown, MA 02657
It's about time I wrote in to say how much I enjoyed the Indianapolis Adventure, and a big thank you to the guys who hosted it, particularly Don Roller, in whose car I made that interesting tour of the city and its transmitters. He even arranged for a gigantic midwest style T-storm to hit us during our tour! I enjoyed the visits to WBRI-1500 and WIRE-1430 very much. On another subject, there will be a CTC here on the Saturday after Thanksgiving Day, 11/26, from noon to 6p.m. All IRCA-ers are invited, as well as MRCers. Please let me know if you're coming, and I'd appreciate it if those who do would chip in \$2 to help cover the refreshments cost. I hope all of you added lots of great catches to your logs during the ten day aurora, 10/23 to 11/1 - it was sensational here, particularly the last three days with the logging of such as R. Sensacion-1240 in Guatemala; R. 15-50, Voz Portena,

in Barranquilla, Colombia, and "La Voz de las Antillas"-1300, in Cartagena, Colombia, the latter two listed as lkW. It sure was great while it lasted, but like all things, it had to end, and did so before SSS on 11/1. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

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I would like to thank everyone who voted for me in the BoD election even though I did not win, maybe next time, hi. I was not able to make it to the IRCA Convention, but it was good to see everyone at both WTFDA and NRC Convention. Portland has to be the best location for IRCA next Summer. I am now back at UofO and should graduate next month if all goes well. It will be good to be able to find time for BCB DX again. Rth, it was great seeing you in Portland! 73 for now.

MARK BIXBY-1627 HIGHLAND DR-NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660
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Hello everyone! Attention all mo-ped riders: beware of sudden blowouts. It happened to me yesterday going 30mph/48kph downhill, on a curve w/cars on my tail. Believe me, it was plenty scary and I consider myself very lucky that I didn't fall. On to DX: new states here are OH (WLW), SD (KAA), and tentatively MT (KGHL). Was much pleased to get WLW as I didn't hear a peep out of them last season. Why don't they make it out here more often? It seems that I have a knack for finding stations that give me all other info (wx, phone #, DJ, etc) but lacking in an ID or QTH. On 1310 one night, from 0400-0500 (yaaaawn) I listened to KQXD and heard all except for the QTH. They are unlisted in my Vane Jones log 11th edition (soon to be replaced by the NRC log) and since I wanted to call them, I neede their QTH so I could look up the area code for 260-6615. I think they may be in AZ due to the +1 time difference and the air temp. (Ex-KBUZ Mesa, AZ-Rth). Now that the Hawaiians are booming in, I'm reminded that last season I sent reports to KIKI & KNUI which went unanswered. So, in the Summer I sent f/up rpts directly to Alan Roycroft. I's almost mid-Nov and still no veries. Any advice, you TP DXers? In closing, I would like to comment that Gary Larson's work partner has excellent taste in progressive rock w/the "Mighty Met, the station a little bit farther to the left!" Till next time, 73 de MDB. (Both KIKI & KNUI verie, Mark. Try another f/up, or a ppc-Rth).

NICK HALL-PATCH-3272 ALDER ST-VICTORIA, BC V8X 1P2
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Winter seems to be coming in these parts. On Nov 1st, this area was subjected to a fine Pacific storm with lots of rain and high winds. Various powerlines were brought down by falling branches, including the one which supplies the CJVI 900 XR. Unfortunately, CJVI is the one station in town which has a 250w aux XR at their downtown sx, so they didn't go off the air completely. It was nice to hear the adjoining channels w/out splatter, but no low loggings resulted although I'm pretty sure that KALL 910 was fighting it out w/semi-local KIKI. Before I could get an ID, CJVIs 10kw rig came back on and splatter became the main program on 910. Sudeband splatter is a real deterrent to DX for me, even though I use a mechanical filter in the IF of my receiver. Local CKDA 1220 splats from 1170 to 1280, making weak signal listening quite painful, particularly within the 1190-1250 slot. CJVI makes listening for TPs on 880 difficult and 890 impossible. CFAV 1070 often gives sharp splatter on peaks down to 1020 as well as restricting domestic DX on 1060 and 1080. But these are locals and one expects splatter from them w/their directional 10 or 50kw pointed right at me. But the real annoyances are more distant stations w/messy signals. ATAC 850 100mi/160km away w/a mere 1kw at night can splat 840 & 860 which has caused many curses when looking for TPs. AFI since it went rock has been heard splatting 655 and Vancouver rockers CKLG 730 and CFUN 1410 make listening 8 kHz on either side a real chore. Rock music generally seems to be the worst offender in the sideband splash stakes, but AGO, KNBR, CBU, & KGA have all made their presence felt when hunting for splits near their frequency, or even weak adja-

cent channel signals. On the brighter side, I've found a source of power-line noise which has been bothering me recently. It's a fish tank heater and there is c/300ft of power line between it and my rx-about 4 houses down and on the other side of the road. The owner was very nice and let me put a line filter on the heater, so now I can listen w/the gain way up w/out being terrified of the frequent noise pulses blowing my eardrums out of my skull. Now if I could put my boot through all the neighbourhood colour TV sets...Enough said. Next time maybe I'll have some DX. 73 de NHP.

ROBERT WIEN-945 DESERT ISLE DR-SAN JOSE, CA. 95117
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 Answers to the last quiz were: 1c, 2a, 3a, 4b, 5b, 6a, 7a, 8b, 9c, 10b, 11c, 12b, 13a, 14a, and 15c. Here is another quiz, this one on terms in the booklet "Principles of CQB DXing" and on terms in the IRCA Constitution. No cheating! 1. When is the best time of the year to hear Australia? a) Winter b) Fall c) Spring. 2. Who predicted that radio waves existed? a) Smith b) Maxwell c) Burton. 3. Which is not a U.S. clear channel? a) 720 b) 1580 c) 1100. 4. What variable capacitor is needed for a loop? a) 1365pf b) 765pf c) 365pf. 5. Which of these abbreviations is not a DX term? a) CRT b) LSR c) UTC. 6. What is the broadcast band as stated in the IRCA Constitution? a) 530-1630 b) 540-1600 c) 510-1630. 7. When are nominations for elected officers taken? a) Mar 1-Apr 15 b) Feb 15-Apr 1 c) Mar 15-May 1. 8. How long may a campaign statement be? a) 10 stencil lines b) 15 stencil lines c) 20 stencil lines. 9. How many Board members are there? a) 6 b) 7 c) 8. 10. How many members (%) voting are needed to oust an elected official? a) 60 b) 75 c) 90. 11. Where must an Eastern DXer be located to report to his/her respective Eastern editor? a) E of 85° long b) E of 95° long c) E of 100° long. 12. How long must a member wait to resubmit a proposal that was defeated? a) 6 mos b) 1 yr c) 2 yrs. 13. How many times a yr is DXM published? a) 32 b) 33 c) 34. 14. What is a UFO in terms of DX? a) unid JJ stn b) flying saucer c) part of a receiver. 15. Which of these is not a common length for a "spot"? a) 15 sec b) 20 sec c) 10 sec. Answers are in my next Forum. DX has been very slow around here lately, w/nothing new in o/a week! It's Sat morning, 11/5, and I'm going to try for KOMWS DX TEST. W/my GE TRF, I can get a very sharp narrow null on KNBR. Maybe?!? Tried for KCTE, but nil. Other than that, nothing else interesting to report. Only one verie from KGAK 1330 f/c (ppc). Id' like to hear those tapes Connelly made in Ireland. If you're reading this, I may send you a blank tape, if I can get one. I hope you saved those tapes. Well, 73. Rick in Las Vegas, your last Forum was pretty long!

LYNDON NERENBERG-VE6DXIAI-57 GREAT OAK-SHERWOOD PARK ALBERTA-T8A ØV8
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 Still haven't received from (illegible-RtH) so figure out the station in CC on (about) 1420. I have another interesting one this week. CHEC 1090 absolutely cannot be heard on 1090, but comes in beautiful at about 1580. Too high for an image, so why?? (Does CHEC have a twin there-Canadians??-RtH). No other stations do this to me (thank god)! John says he has problems w/CJCA & their 50kw. I can't seem to remember a time when they were not 50kw (and 60 kHz wide, hi!). Obviously CJCA's CE misinterpreted the DOC rules. It's 100% modulation, NOT 1000%!!! Strange event of the month: Tried to tune in CBU Vancouver on 690 to listen to my favourite program (Dr. Bundolos Pandamonium Medicine Show. Written and produced by Richard Heald. (I beg your pardon, hi-RtH), but ended up w/CBF! I'm also in the process of putting together an update list of CBC Network programming, & as I have connections on CBC, I will try to get a complete list of CBC's LPRTs. CKUA is being VERY uncooperative about a TEST, so forget that for now. Also, if any members are amateurs, I would like to set up a sked w/you to exchange information on stations, prgms, BS, etc. Really RtH, you're not getting old, we're just not giving you enough work, so let's keep him BUSY!! Then he won't notice! (Maybe it would help if I didn't type up Forums the morning after the night before. hi-RtH). Write up those Forums,

talk about yourselves, your rig, the YL, anything, but keep it coming! So long for now es 73 de VE6DXIAI (Tnx for the pitch for WDXF, Lyndon, but let's keep Nancy, Bruce & Rick busy too, hi-RtH).

MIKE HARDESTER-BOX 2723-NRNC-FPO SEATTLE, WA 98778
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 Greetings. Noted Gene Martin's comments in his Forum of 29 Oct and in a way I can relate to that in relation to the San Diego/Los Angeles mess which was compounded by TVI and other forms of QRM. I "solved" the problem by moving to SWBC, hi. Seriously, some areas of the country (eg. San Francisco, New York, Seattle, etc) cause quite a number of problems for DXers with good equipment; what about John Q Citizen who knows nothing about radio, except he hears news, music, etc over it and hasn't the least idea why local WABC 770 is on 1540 as well. If you're a DXer, such a situation simply means you can probably hang up logging the Bahamas on that frequency, or hearing more than a carrier from Germany 1538. There is a solution... sort of: the so called "White Areas", and yes, they do exist. How about Caldwell, TX (anyone out there know where it is?). Caldwell is located in Burleson County and while there is a station in College Station/Bryan, that's about it. Austin is 90mi/144km away, and the nighttime DX offers unlimited possibilities as does SBS & JRS. Even daytime DXing is fun if the sky is overcast. I had only a brief chance to DX there in Feb/Mar of '76, but it was quite interesting. Am looking forward to a return there on coming back to CONUS. Anyone else know of similar "white areas" suitable for DXing? My only fear in discussing such areas is the possibility of these areas suddenly growing antennas instead of tumbleweeds and the like. 73.

RICK HEALD-1581 20th AVE-SAN FRANCISCO, CA. 94122
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 Mike, most of the West is a "white area", the desert I've been told is excellent, especially E of L.A. Am told LAX sigs simply don't make it, and KOMA is better hrd than most LAX stns. I simply don't see how anyone in the metro NE U.S. can even DX. Having grown up here, and lived back there 3 yrs, I can make that comparison. KRED mystery solved. They were directional yrs ago, but U1 now, and in fact, looks like they're using the old KLAN 790 facilities, I haven't been in Eureka in 12 yrs, but believe KRED tower is old KLAN That's, hadn't, not haven't, hi. Robert Wien, make that KQXE 1310 and you're in business, didn't notice it when typing your Forum that you had D, both sound the same through static, et al. OK Kaskey, guess I had it comin', so KPDQ is a pest for you, eh, I'll bet, hi. Nice to see Father Jack last nite at pub session, see you at BARF VI in 2 wks. Nick Hall-Patch, wasn't that a dandy storm on 11/01? At least you weren't moving 7 rms of furniture that day, if that wasn't "fun", hi, 2 3 ton/2700 kilo pickups and a trailer on one, and yes, we felt that wind!! My hats off to Oregon for a far superior Interstate sign system. Not only is everything in mi/km (dual), but exit signs indicate by their logos what gas stns, motels and restaurants are at the exit, ie. Shell, Ramada, Denny's. If not a chain, it still indicates what's there. I had a nice lunch at Denny's in Roseburg and gassed up at Shell in Grants Pass thanks to those signs. Oregonians, more specifically, Frank Aden, since you live in Eugene, is that KASH 1600 towers alongside a river S. of Eugene and W. of I-5? Their sig picked up tremendously as I went past. Found KPNWS 4 towers as well in Crestwell, OR. Rich Segalas passes info on to me that K-101 wants a repeater (FM) in Walnut Creek (tnx to the hills), which leads me to believe that fulltime AM is still a long way off. See everyone in Daly City on 26 November. Lyndon, were you serious re Richard Heald at CBU? Reason is that Heald is an uncommon name, and there are 2 Richard Healds in S.F., my number listed, his isn't. 73 de RtH..

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ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- 548 ALGERIA, Oran, poor-fair during aurora, AA talk 2316 10/28. In w/good carrier, weak modulation, AA mx hrd; 2nd audio in background 2222 11/3. One of the best TAs during a primarily short-skip condition, AA mx 0035 11/5. Good 2340 11/5. (Connelly, MA)
- 575 ALGERIA, Bechar, AA sounded like interview strong as usual 10/27 2028. (Dunn, NS)
- 584 SPAIN, Madrid, male SS (mx?) poor w/GJFX splatter 2037 10/27. (Dunn, NS)
- 586 ? UNID, lots of carriers & mixed mx 10/27 2130. Any thoughts anyone? What w/strong African cx I'm hoping for an AF stn. Ideas? (Dunn, NS) (Is this freq correct or did you mean 1586? bp)
- 612 MOROCCO, Sebba-Aioun, strong AA rambling (a regular) 10/27 2025. (Dunn, NS)
+Good w/slow AA chanting similar to Greek mx 2221 11/3. Fair w/talk 0036 11/5. Ultraloud, like a local, one of the all-time best TAs: fast AA mx reducing WGR in a background het w/rx in 8 kHz bandpass 2338 11/5. (Connelly, MA)
- 620 CANARY ISLANDS, Tenerife, //584 u/FFC stn 2036 10/27. (Dunn, NS)
- 701 MOROCCO, Sebba-Aioun, rambling AA wailing strong 2038 10/27. (Dunn, NS)
- 719 PORTUGAL, Norte, xlint on car rx w/man in PP 2138 10/26. Good w/man in PP 2215 11/3. Weak during mediocre cx w/some WGN slop 0037 11/5. (Connelly, MA)
+dominant sig, shades of 1586! Male/female commentary on current affairs 2040 10/27. (Dunn, NS)
- 746 UPPER VOLTA, Ouagadougou, fair w/repetitious inst mx 2310 11/3. (Connelly, MA)
- 755 PORTUGAL, Lisboa, xlint w/cl piano mx 2350 11/5. (Connelly, MA)
- 764 SENEGAL, Dakar, xlint w/fast AA talk 2248 10/28. Fair w/festive mx 2255 10/28. Good w/FF talk 2245 10/31. Good w/AA style inst mx 2217 11/3. (Connelly, MA)
+Carrier is starting to become a regular here and is getting to be almost as ininteresting as KPAR, hi. Best strength ever 0618 11/10 w/bits of male chanting audible at times. Reception seemed to fit the pattern of earlier receptions this season. K-index was 0 & geo field quiet at the time, but tonight (0439 11/11 GMT) cx are rather marginal. (Portzer, MA)
- 773 SPAIN, Caceres, ultraloud, killing WABC; fast SS talk 2140 10/26. (Connelly, MA)
+//620/584 poor w/WABC audio spikes 2042 10/27. (Dunn)
- 782 PORTUGAL, Miramar, CSB9, blasting in on car rx; PP talk, then Steve Miller record 2137 10/26. (Connelly)
- 818 ANDORRA, Sud R., very strong w/FF telephone talk, well
- 818 MOROCCO, Rabat, fair-good w/man in AA 2314 11/3. Woman in AA fair o/TV QRM 0038 11/5. Good w/AA talk 2355 11/5. (Connelly, MA)
- 953 ? UNID, good carrier, bits of audio in merciless WPEM Slop; loop position due east & opening was more towards Africa; therefore Canary Islands most likely at 0011 11/6. (Connelly, MA)
- 1034 PORTUGAL, Porto Alto, good w/rock, WEZ mull'd, 2250 11/5. (Connelly, MA)
- 1044 MOROCCO, Sebba-Aioun, fair w/blues-rock, then FF talk 2258-2303 11/3. Good w/FF disco 2233 11/5. Is on 1044, not 1043 where previously reported. (Connelly, MA) (Has apparently moved to their new freq a year early. bp)
- 1061 PORTUGAL, Norte, fair w/orch mx 2234 11/5. (Connelly)
- 1133 CANARY ISLANDS, La Laguna, totally dominant & overwhelming sig. Careful complete ID as "R. Popular de Tenerife on tape 2135 10/27. (Dunn, NS)
- 1169 CHAD, N'djamena, R. Chad, FF mx 2137 10/27, complete ID, then nx in vernacular, very strong on tape. (Dunn)
- 1232 MOROCCO, Tangier, AA nx very strong w/no QRM 2034 10/27. (Dunn, NS)
- 1316 ~~*****~~ NIGERIA, Lagos, wx rpt from "Nigerian Meteorological Service" clear & positive stn ID on tape 2115. 2055-2115 on tape; weak but no QRM. A great surprise & a new one 10/27. Anyone else hear it? (Dunn, NS) (Nice. bp)
- 1349 MAURITANIA, Noukchott, good w/female AA chanting; usual 1350 domestics were weakened considerably by Auroral cx 2322 10/28. (Connelly, MA)
+Vernacular rambling, very agitated 2145 10/31 strong, no 1340 problems! (Dunn, NS)
- 1394 ALBANIA, Lushnje, fair w/non-stop talk by man, possibly SS 2325 11/5. (Connelly, MA)

- 1403 GUINEA, Conakry, vernacular strong as usual 2050 10/27. (Dunn, NS)
+Belling into WIDE/WLLD-1400 w/African mx & mean het 2250 10/29. Good w/mx sounding like a weird blend of AA chanting & a Trinidad steel band 0513 10/30. Still loud when rechecked at 0515. (Connelly, MA)
- 1466 MONACO, Monte Carlo, TMR, in FE w/syndicated rlg's show 2139 10/31 poor sig! unusual. (Dunn, NS)
+Good w/EE rlg's pems 2329 11/5. (Connelly, MA)
- 1502 t TOGO, Lama-Kara, fair-poor u/QRM briefly surfacing w/man & woman in FF 2035 10/31. Have on tape. Am almost certain it's Togo. Anyone else hrd it? (Dunn)
- 1554 GABON, Libreville, drums w/native mx w/group chanting & wailing. No sign of FF (Nice) 2036 10/27. (Dunn)
- 1575 ? UNID, Gabon or Dahomey, sounded like R. Makambu, ment of Libreville, & I'm sure I hrd ment of Dahomey. "R. Makambu" ID on tape. African mx (FF). Not 1475 1575. No listing that makes sense. Any ideas?? 2115 10/31. (Dunn, NS)
- 1586 ~~*****~~ ANGOLA, "Aqui R. Popular de Angola" clearly on tape. About 10 mins of solid recording terminating w/s/off 2102 w/full ID & NA, then carrier off. PP weak, clear, & complete. A great surprise hrd 10/27 & 31. Taped both days. Anyone have details re this stn & anyone else hrd it? 2020-2102 10/31.
- 1586 ? UNID, FF 2103 10/31 raising from QRM after Angola s/off. 5 mins on tape. Nothing solid for hints towards ID. Upper Volta?? Any thoughts Connelly? (Dunn, NS) (WRTH lists Upper Volta in FF at this time. Mike also mentioned he has tapes of this & 1502 if anyone wants to try to ID them, cp)

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 535 GRENADA, Morne Rouge, R. Grenada, low audio but fine sig 10/18 w/West Indies etc mx 2332-2350 then YL w/time & "This has been mx from R. Grenada." (Allinson)
+2340 10/31 nx show ending w/headlines, followed by ID & local events calendar. Poor sig, much noise. (Dunn)
- 540 MEXICO, San Luis Potosi, XEWA, 10/17 0800-0815 easy listening mx w/male ancw weak. (Lawrence, SK)
- 545 DOMINICA, Roseau, R. Jumbo, nothing unusual except super strong sig that was even better than locals 10/17 w/usual fare of FF/EE vocals & reggae type rr 2340-0000. S/off by YL 0009 after mx. (Allinson, NC)
+FF pops, ads, ID; good level 10/25. (Ronda, OH)
+Good w/FF talk 2317 10/28. (Connelly, MA)
+Good, weak, pop mx (top 40); almost nonstop mx 2347 10/31. (Dunn, NS)
+0155 11/h fair w/FF singing. (Poda, OH)
- 550 CUBA, Pinar del Rio, CMAN, good //630/640 w/SS talk about CA countries 0616 10/30. (Connelly, MA)
- 555 ST. KITTS, Basseterre, R. ZIZ, poor w/Reggae mx weak & QRM from CFNB 2350 10/31. (Dunn, NS)
+0200 11/h poor, EE, 6 pips on the hour, last pip slightly longer, then into BBC mx. (Poda, OH)
- 575 COSTA RICA, San José, TIXE, good w/slow SS vocal 0600 10/30. (Connelly, MA)
- 580 CUBA, Baracoa, CMKF, atop growl w/R. Rebelde ID, IA mx //600 0358 10/30. (Connelly, MA)
- 600 CUBA, San German, CMKV, loud; 590 not noted 0358 10/30. (Connelly, MA)
- 620 NICARAGUA, Managua, YMM, atop other SS stns w/good "R. Difusion Nacional de Nicaragua" ID 0404 10/30. (Connelly, MA)
- 625 COSTA RICA, San José, RCM's R. Cucu has taken over (this-bp) freq. First noted 0300 10/30. A couple cococo ISs were hrd poorly, then a clear ID 0356. (Stanbury, OH)
- 630 CUBA, Santa Clara, CHTD, demolishing WPRO 0407 10/30. (Connelly, MA)
- 640 CUBA, Habana, CMQ, 10/15 0705-0730 many mx selections, mainly guitar, ID as "LV de Cuba". KFI QRM. (Lawrence)
+Loud o/other SSers; SS ngm //630 0407 10/30. (Connelly)
- 640 GUATEMALA, Guatemala, TGW, LV Guatemala, lots of patriotic SS talk, EE ID w/sk'd & freqs 0227; IDs as R. Nac. de Guatemala; good o/CMQ 10/25. (Ronda, OH)
- 640 VENEZUELA, Ondas Porteñas, YVQ0, SS ID, ads, sports rpts; good level o/the Cuban 11/2. (Ronda, OH)
- 650 VENEZUELA, Maracay, YV1H, 11/7 very good at s/on 0900 w/sung HA, ID "Buenas dias", etc. Frequent "R. Vision" IDs between moderate LA mx. WSH off. (Thomas, FL)
- 660 MEXICO, México, XRRPM, good sig, EL mx w/strange ID's as "660 Musica de Buen?". (Lawrence, SK)
- 670 CUBA, San Pedro de Cacocum, CMKP, 10/15 0515 accompanied by a bad humming tho could make out that mx was of the easy listening type. (Lawrence, SK)
- 670 VENEZUELA, Caracas, YV1L, R. Rumbos, ID in string of ads for local businesses; weak but readable 0038 10/28. (Ronda, OH)

700 t JAMAICA, Montego Bay, JBC, briefly o/LAs w/reggae mx, spacey electronic sounds, accented EE talk w/reverb 0533 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

710 VENEZUELA, Caracas, VVYK, totally rolling o/WOR: disco hit "Best of my Love", brief ID jx "Capital-Siempre", then "Don't Stop" by Fleetwood Mac 0543 10/30. (Connolly)

720 CUBA, Colón, WGH, like a local w/male & female in SS w/political mx 0537 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

725 SURINAM, Paramaribo, SRS, good w/DD talk 2251 10/28. (Connolly, MA)

+Only thing this could be blasting in 10/17 w/chanting, Chinese sounding mx & unid type talk 2303-2330. (Allinson)

+DD lang w/EE pop mx strong, clear, solid 2355 10/31. (Dunn, NS)

730 MEXICO, México, XEX, good w/SS talk about football in Mexico 0535 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

730 ? UNID, 10/15 0040 w/QRN from XHIG, sounded like a talk show. (Lawrence, SK) (XEX? bp)

750 NICARAGUA, Managua, YIK, way o/WB w/SS ads & ments of Nicaragua during good opening to CA 0417 10/30. (Connolly)

760.5 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla, HJAJ, loud w/SS talk & ment of Barranquilla 2309 10/28. (Connolly, MA)

+Tropical sounding mx 0919 11/7; clear w/ de Barranquilla ID 0920k, then more bonco-thunking mx. (Bytheway)

755 COSTA RICA, San José, R. America Latina, from 750, seems to have finally settled halfway between adjoining freqs after being on 754 for several weeks. Measured at 755 11/5 about 0300. Would guess the shift was intentional, not a case of drifting, & I can easily imagine a Latino engineer telling the head honcho, "Well, boss, at last I got it right". (Martin, CO)

770 CUBA, Las Mercedes, XKB, 11/7 loud on s/on 1000 w/HA R. R. Revolución ID. (Thomas, FL)

775 COSTA RICA, San José, TEM, good w/song "White Bird" by IT's a Beautiful Day 0638 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES, Bonaire, PJB, loud w/rles mx 2245 10/28. Dominant at local strength all evening 10/31 - a most auroral Halloween. (Connolly, MA)

820 COLOMBIA, Cali, HJED, w/ de Rio Cauca, ID at end of mx; fair-good 0915 11/2. (Ronda, OH)

830 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, Santo Domingo, HJJB, call letter ID into LA Flavored MoR mx 11/3 0909. (Ronda, OH)

834 BELIZE, R. Belize, potent w/Yes Hit & other rr in a canned AT-40 style rock production 0421 10/30. (Connolly)

830 ? UNID, stn believed to be CHAF, woman announced ID as Radio something. Too high static to record. Beautiful cl mx 0610-0705 11/5. (Allison, CA)

890 t COLOMBIA, Bogotá, HJCE, w/ de Bogotá, as HJPJ faded out, caught tent ID for this one 0957 10/28. (Ronda)

+Good w/ w/ de Bogotá ID 0430 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

890 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, Santo Domingo, HJPJ, fair & alone w/SS talk, R. Continental ID & ments of Santo Domingo 2306 10/28. (Connolly, MA)

+SS ID, ads, vocals: weak but readable 0055 10/28. (Ronda)

895 t HAITI, Gonaives, HVB, clipped FF talk, then LA style mx (not sure if SS or FF) 0433 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

+11/1 very good 0045 w/rendition of "Frere Jacques/Alouette" then mx reminiscent of Glass B Italian Sny movies. Prob "Artibonite" ID at fadeout 0100. FF throughout. (Thomas, FL)

t + Taped SM 11/6 apparently signing on 1054, chimes tune hrd up to about 1059, repeated like an IS. YL voice just before the hour unreadable. Diagnosed as a Haitian, Gonaives, by RFS in FL-4. Choral mx hrd 1107 but soon faded. (Martin, CO)

900 BARBADOS, Bridgetown, good w/EE mx, spot for Alcoholics Anonymous, R. Barbados ID, slow soul version of "Unchained Melody" 2300 10/28. (Connolly, MA)

910 t COLOMBIA, Cali, HJGB, possible ID as "2. Eco en Cali", into vocals: fair-poor w/GBM & XE? 0504 11/4. (Ronda)

910 VENEZUELA, Punto Fijo, YVIM, R. Punto Fijo, Rumbos Met ID, ads, back to relay of sports commentary; fair 0012 10/28. (Ronda, OH)

950 VENEZUELA, Caracas, VVKG, xlint, totally o/Domestics; SS mx & disco-rock, then R. Vision ID 0444 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

1000 COLOMBIA, Cartagena, HJAR, w/ de Cartagena, SS ID, many ads for Cartagena businesses; fair & mixing w/ YVIM whose ID I caught 0015: all of this in a WCRP null 0012 10/29. (Ronda, OH)

+Good w/woman in SS w/mx about Colombia 0630 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

1020 VENEZUELA, La Asunción, YVRS, good, annihilating KDKA: Margarita IDs, SS talk, 0550 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

+10/31 very good w/R. Margarita ID & upbeat LA mx 0715. KDKA off. (Ronda, OH)

1030 MEXICO, México, XEQR, 10/17 IDs as R. Centro. Mx request bgn. 0859 sig was lost w/WBZ s/on. (Lawrence, SK)

1035 HAITI, Car Haitien, HVEE, 0030 11/4 poor-fair, some fading. Loop ST, children singing 0028, bells & ID 0030 "HVEH R. Evangelical at 7:30 (0030) ending BC day" s/on at 6 am (1100) next day. (Poda, OH)

1050 MEXICO, Monterrey, XEG, 7630 10/30 Dr. Douglas book ad - religion - "XEG in Monterrey" at 0631 good volume & no QRN from CHUM. (Poda, OH)

1070 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla, HJAG, good w/SS talk & ads for Barranquilla stores 0453 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

1080 VENEZUELA, Maracay, YVNR, R. Universal, SS DJ talks, much slick LA mx, ads for businesses in Maracay; strong but bad modulation: another YV under, prob Barcelona w/sports commentary but did not check SW Barcelona outlet 0110 10/25. (Ronda, OH)

+either YVNR or YVOJ, R. Rumbos ID & frequent ments of Caracas good o/PTIC 2337 10/28. (Connolly, MA)

1091.2 t COLOMBIA, SS talk seemingly contained ments of "Monteria". Could this possibly be HJAW, a notorious drifter ex-1080, ex-1097? 2335 10/28. (Connolly, MA)

1130 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla, HJAG, noted w/Rio Mar ID poking through WVEW 0454 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

1165 ANTIGUA, St. Johns, 0030 11/4 poor but fair at times after 0035. Some WVA QRN. Rigs signing. 0036 man talking, taking mailed-in requests for songs from Antigua. (Poda, OH)

1170 COLOMBIA, Cartagena, HJHM, booming in w/not a trace of WVA: LA mx, LV de Heroica ID very clear 0459 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

1200 VENEZUELA, Caracas, YVOZ, R. Tiempo, SS discussion of Venez futbol, mixing w/WOAI; fair-good at fadein peaks 0405 11/3. (Ronda, OH)

1210 t VENEZUELA, Barcelona, YVOZ, SS sports commentary, seemingly //1080 Barcelona; fading fast & did not return 0134 10/25. (Ronda, OH)

1230 TRINIDAD, Hamilton, ZBML, strong (briefly) ws & ID 2200 followed by rles pgm 10/31. (Dunn, NS)

1265 ST. KITTS, Basseterre, R. Paradise, 0102 11/4 poor-fair w/man in EE w/rles talk. (Poda, OH)

1290 COLOMBIA, Garagoa, LV de Garagoa, HJHI, very rustic Colombian folk mx, clear & solid ID as LV Garagoa at 0145: faded out by 0155: surely the best thing hrd on that was a most rewarding LA evening for a new RCR DXer 0143 10/25. (Ronda, OH)

1290 VENEZUELA, Puerto Cabello, YVLE, logged virtually in the clear 0330 10/28. (Stanbury, OH)

1420 ? COLOMBIA, either HJAP or HJBH here w/live SS mx, then "Gadana CARACOL de Colombia" network ID o/all others 0518 10/30. (Connolly, MA)

1420 VENEZUELA/COLOMBIA, R. Vision logged here again 0247 10/29. This time they also IDed as "La Emisora mas musical de Maracaibo". A 2nd stn on the freq was prob HJAP R. Bahia as Cartagena was mentioned a couple times during commercials. Incidentally, the R.Vision mx here must be comparatively powerful as its harmonic is still occasionally hrd on 2840. (Stanbury, OH)

1510 BAHAMAS, Nassau, ZNS1, alone (faint WPCR SAH when ZNS1 null'd) fair strength during heavily auroral cx; ID's & sports promo 2259 10/28. (Connolly, MA)

1555 CAYMAN ISLANDS, Georgetown, R. Cayman, EE interview bgn, not BBC material; fair level, chimes & ID 0131 10/28. (Ronda, OH)

+Very strong w/request mx, birthday greetings, etc. Slight het (1554?) 2359-0017 nice ID 10/31. (Dunn, NS)

PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

550 ALASKA, Anchorage, KEHI, o/u QRN w/ID's between songs 0833 & 0839 11/7. (Bytheway, VA)

625 NORTH KOREA, Haeju, 10/30 1311 w/poor sig. (Kaskey)

630 ALASKA, Juneau, KJNO, ID, then CBS mx, 0800 10/7 o/u someone else who was also running CBS mx, with about a 1/2 sec time delay between the 2 (sure sounded weird). Had Alaskan mx 0806 & tide rpts 0810. (Bytheway, VA)

647 RSEFR, Iman, 10/31 0835 w/weak audio. Much poorer sig this season compared to last. (Kaskey, CA)

+Fair-poor w/YL talk in CC 1441 10/10. (Portzer, WA)

655 NORTH KOREA, Pyongyang, 11/3 weak at 1248; 12/6 fair-good 1258-1302. No pips on hour. (Kaskey, CA)

+Weak w/male talk 1443 10/10. (Portzer, WA)

660 ALASKA, Fairbanks, KFAR, 11/7 rr mx, fair thru TVI at 0747; 11/8 fair-good w/heavy KNBR splatter 0800-0815. (Kaskey, CA)

+Fighting YEREM w/rr 2336 11/7. (Portzer, WA)

670 t ALASKA, Dillingham, KDIG, probably the stn here w/ light jazz & piano mx 0828-0904 11/7; looping NW during a good Alaska opening, but mucho KNBR/WTAQ QRN & no ID hrd at ton of hour. (Portzer, WA)

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665 ? UMBI, a carrier from NW showed up here 0904h 11/8. Siberia of course but audio remained too weak to be described. It was followed at 0910 by N. Korea's carrier on 655, also little audio. What was most strange, however, was that the 647 megawatter could not be detected in any manner up to 0930 when I went to bed. Could it be that 647 was silent for some reason? As for 665, by early Dec, Portugal & Siberia may be audible at the same time close to 0800. (Martin, CO) (647 is sked to be in CC at that time and judging from the position of Iman relative to China, it's possible they use a directional antenna pointing away from us. bp)

708 SOUTH KOREA, Seoul, HLKA, 11/6 now here w/strong het & weak audio 1h37; noted on 715 10/30 1315 & 10/31 0926. (Kaskey, CA)

750 ALASKA, Anchorage, KPOD, 11/7 w/nx-wx 0700-0705, ID & TC 0706, loopable from USB w/some KCBS slop. (Kaskey)

780 ALASKA, Nome, KNOM, 11/7 u/very strong WBBM (KCRL off) w/loop mx 0906 & for the next hour. Always there but never topped WBBM. (Kaskey, CA)

785 N. KOREA, 10/30 w/fair sig 1306. (Kaskey, CA)

830 HAWAII, Honolulu, KTKI, generally o/MCCO 0440 11/11 w/Wolfman Jack (or at least a reasonable facsimile) & rock mx. I would assume it's Wolfman Jack since I don't think Jim Gabbert would howl like a wolf in the middle of a Sonny & Cher record, hi. (Portzer)

830 JAPAN, Osaka, JOBB, 11/3 very poor 1348. Has been u/TKKI lately. (Kaskey, CA)

835 CHINA, Manchang, poor 1347 11/3. (Kaskey, CA)

850 ALASKA, Nome, KICY, o/KTAC, ending rlgps pgn 0759; 11/7. ID "This is KICY, CBS for western Alaska". Temp 17° & into CBS mx. Also hrd thru QRM at 0900 s/off. (DKK)

850 NORTH KOREA, w/KICY & KTAC 0900 11/7. Pips (F to E). Audio much more difficult. (Kaskey, CA)

868 NORTH KOREA, 10/30 1255 w/weak sig. (Kaskey, CA)

870 HAWAII, Honolulu, KAIM, o/WML 0815 11/1 after mx, sports, etc 0800-0815. (Kaskey, CA)

870 JAPAN, Kumamoto, JOGB, atop w/poor sig 11/3 1353. (Kaskey, CA)

880 SOUTH KOREA, Gwanju, HLKH, atop w/good sig 11/1 w/ KBS/HLKH ID 1000; w/HLKH ID & 2&1 pips 1400 11/3 very poor; w/good sig 11/7 0936 w/talk & mx in KK. (Kaskey)

1040 HAWAII, Honolulu, KPOI, mx & wx 1415-1420 11/3, ID into rock mx. No CC QRM. (Kaskey, CA)

1210 CHINA, Yenbien, fair 11/3 1341, CC mx & talk. (Kaskey)

1310 JAPAN, Osaka, JOUF, 11/7 w/talk in JJ thru QRM 0947. Sig increased in strength until tuneout 1020. At 1000 had fanfare, jx, talk, 1 long pip, mx, & talk but could not make out any type of ID or call given. Will have to brush up on my JJ a bit more, hi. (Kaskey, CA) (All Japanese stns ID w/EE call letters when & if they use them, since there is no equivalent JJ alphabet. bp)

1440 JAPAN, Sapporo, JOWF, 10/31 w/JJ talk & song "Don't Fence Me In" 0912. Fair sig w/KCST splatter. (Kaskey)

VERIFICATIONS

550 JAMAICA, Montego Bay, RJR, 8 days air, v/c b/w map of other stns on island, v/s illegible. (Allinson, NC)

834 BELIZE, 13 days air, yellow oversized card signed by a S. Welch. (Allinson, NC)

1100 ANTIGUA, St. John's, ZDK, 14 days air mail. Both QSL card & letter along w/CK, rate card, & weird personal letter from stn sec who wants to meet me. (Allinson, NC)

CONDITIONS

"Ck been below par here 10/18-10/30. Improved a bit 10/31 & was pretty good 11/7, although 11/6 was pretty poor. Listened 2300-2330 PST 11/6 & 11/7 a sorry I had to retire as things were in good including Alaska. Japan -1310 was pretty potent." - Kaskey, CA

"Conditions at ISS: 10/26 good for FA's, 10/28-30 heavily auroral, 10/31 moderately auroral, 11/1 slightly auroral - cx returning to "normal" w/Iberian peninsula TAs back along w/the Africans." - Connelly, MA

"Ck seem to be improving, especially for LA & Caribbean stns. Almost every freq has something from these areas from 1 hour before ISS to early in the AM. Best reception for this area I've ever experienced." - Allinson, NC

A local ham operator gave me the following bulletin sent out by WIAW (ARRL HQ) 11/7: "A helpful but little used way of judging the overall state of solar activity in a given month is to watch for the low solar flux reading. The solar flux average for the lowest 10 consecutive days is also revealing. Both statistics put October, 1977, well above any month in nearly 5 years, though its peak levels were below Sept. The trend should continue in Nov, traditionally one of the best UK periods of the year. Minor interruptions in the form of

geomagnetic disturbances are expected 11/7-10, 14-20, & 23-25. The solar flux should be 90 or higher most of the time, which will make for good F layer propagation on 21 & 28 MHz almost daily. Long paths across or near the polar regions should work well when the WWV geomagnetic K-index is falling or below 3. Long transequatorial paths tend to reach their best levels at this season, so Nov 1977 should be the best month any amateur w/less than 5 years of DX experience has ever seen." Keep in mind that this info is intended for hams & that when they are raving about cx on 21 & 28 MHz, things are usually pretty rotten on BCB (and vice versa). I can't completely relate the amt to BCB cx, but the 2 messages I see are 1) solar flux relates directly to solar activity, 2) BCB DX (for high latitude paths) has peaked & is on the decline.

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That does it for this week. A big welcome to Dan Lawrence, Louis Poda, & Jim Ronda. CUMT, 73, bp.

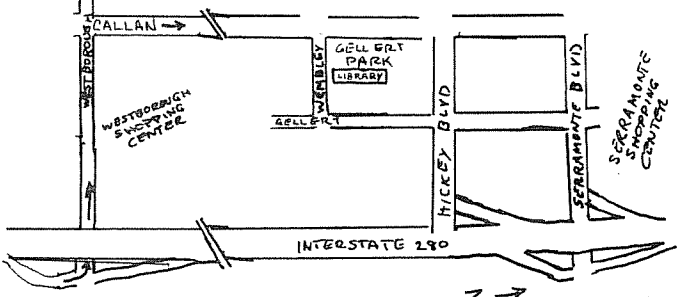
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- WILL Urbana, IL
- KSAC Manhattan, KS
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- 670 KDLG Dillingham, AK
- 690 KUSD Vermillion, SD
- 720 KOTZ Kotzebue, AK
- 770 KUOM Minneapolis, MN
- WCAL Northfield, MN
- 820 WOSU Columbus, OH
- 830 WNYC New York, NY
- 870 WKAR East Lansing, MI
- 910 WSUI Iowa City, IA
- 920 WBAA West Lafayette, IN
- 930 WLBL Auburndale, WI
- 940 WIPR Hato Rey, PR
- 970 WEBR Buffalo, NY
- WHA Madison, WI
- 1250 KWSU Pullman, WA
- 1320 KAWC Yuma, AZ
- 1340 WOUB Athens, OH
- 1370 KFJM Grandforks, ND
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National Public Radio, 2025 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036. NPR features "Earplay," produced by WHA, Madison, WI, and "All Things Considered," daily pubaffairs show produced in Washington.

Bill Harms, N.2213 Vista, Spokane, WA 99206, sends some additional info on the Spokane Radio Log: KZUN-630, Opportunity, is MOR, Ac, and operates w/a pre-sunrise authority. KXLY-920, Spokane, also MOR & CBS net; Here it is... KSPQ-1230, Spokane, is nx/tx, off Sun. 0400-0800ELT, NBC affil. KEZE-1380, Spokane, is EZ List., Ae affil, and has a psa. KXXR-1440, Spokane, is "country cosmopolitan," has a psa, and Bill makes no mention of their affiliation with ABC Radio Nets. KGA-1510 has SP Sunday 0300-1100ELT. Finally, Bill says to tell Bill Hardy "...that KSPQ does exist w/all-nx format and a tx show Sun. eve, but I can understand why it would elude people, as at my listening post (6 mi. from xmtr site) the signal is fair (3)...sometimes it is drowned out by others on the same channel..."

*****Because you asked for it.....*****
"Roots," or, the search for the lost civilization of the "Nitecaps." Yes, one of those Nitecaps has managed to trace those stations carrying "The Herb Jepko Show" They are: (Times ELT)

- 580 WIBW KS, Topeka 0100-0530 Mon-Sat
- 740 KTRH TX, Houston 0100-0500 Tues-Sat
- 790 WSGW MI, Saginaw 0100-0630 Tues-Sat
- 920 WGNU IL, Granite City 0700-0900 Mon-Fri

(daytimer, using psa! Must be owned by Herb's cousin-bg)

- 970 WFLA FL, Tampa 0000-0500 Mon-Sat
- 1090 WBAL MD, Baltimore 0000-0500 Tues-Sat
- 1160 KSL UT, Salt Lake City 0200-0700 Mon-Sat
- 1310 WRR TX, Dallas 0100-0630 Mon-Fri, + 0100-0700 Sat
- 1400 KTNT WA, Tacoma 0100-0800 Mon-Sat
- 1450 WXVW IN, Jeffersonville 0000-0600 Mon-Sat
- 1480 KBEA KS, Mission 0000-0600 Tues-Sat, + 0100-0600 Mon

That's it. A daytimer w/pre-sunrise power, a WA state stn that starts Herb @ 10pm local, and even an FM stn in Detroit. Maybe they'll throw Herb in with the Panama Canal treaty-bg.

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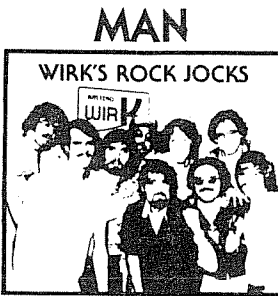
Seattle Supersonics Radio Net-----Thanks to Bill Hardy for the following list:(All Washington state)

- 560 KPQ Wenatchee 1280 KIT Yakima
- 920 KXLY Spokane 1340 KAGT Anacortes
- 1000 KOMO Seattle (flag) KOTY Kennewick
- 1240 KXLE Ellensburg 1450 KBKW Aberdeen
- 1490 KTEL Walla Walla

Bill notes that the Sonics "are not feeding any AK stns this year!"

-----"Whatever Happened to NIS" is still alive, and Bill Hardy says that KHVH, Honolulu, formerly 1040 and now 990, using Ai, Ae, NBC, CBS material is still all-nx, still using NIS sounders going into local-nx segments. Can one of our Hawaiian members let us now how KHVH is faring in the ratings?

~~~~~Turning something old into something new~~~~~ Anybody feel like reviving an old item: "songs you hate to hear (and hear and hear) while DXing" Some starting nominations: "You Light Up My Life, Nobody Does it Better, That's Rock-n-Roll, It's So Easy." How about you?? *73, Bruce*



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### The R-390A/URR: A Receiver Review

The R-390A/URR (hereafter 390A) is a workhorse receiver of the U.S. military, used by the Navy, Air Force and Army. In the words of the Army technical manual for the receiver, "Radio Receiver R-390A/URR provides reception of continuous wave (cw), modulated continuous wave (mcw), and amplitude modulation (am) (including single sideband (ssb)) signals over a continuous frequency range of 0.5 to 32 megacycles (mc). The receiver is a superheterodyne type with multiple frequency conversion. Double conversion is used when the receiver operates from 8 to 32 mc and triple conversion from 0.5 to 8 mc."

What does the nomenclature R-390A/URR mean? It is assigned according to a joint procedure used by the branches of the U.S. military. "R" of R-390A indicates that the device is a receiver (as opposed to T, for example, which would indicate that the device is a transmitter); "390" indicates that the device is at least the 390th model of receiver designed for the U.S. military; "A" indicates that the device incorporates a major modification or modifications into the original design, the R-390. The "URR" indicates that the device is a complete set in itself, and is a universal radio receiver.

There are two technical manuals available for the 390A. One is the U.S. Army TM 11-856A, also known by the newer number TM 11-5820-358-35. The other is the U.S. Navy 0967-063-2010. These may be obtained for around \$16.00 from Sam S. Consalvo, 7218 Roanne Drive, Washington, DC 20021, or from Fair Radio Sales Co., Inc., 1016 East Eureka Street, Lima, Ohio 45802, or from other dealers in surplus military communications equipment. If obtained from another source, ascertain that the two large, foldout schematics (near the back cover) are present in the technical manual; otherwise, the value of the manual is reduced—especially if you or another has to perform troubleshooting on the 390A.

The 390A was designed by Collins Radio Company, as was its predecessor, the R-390, and was built ca.

1957-1960 on contract by AMELCO, Electronics Assistance Corp., Imperial Electronics Inc., Motorola, Stewart-Warner, and possibly some others. Some claim that there is a difference among them, but it is minimal, as they were all built to meet the same MILSPEC requirements, and assemblies are generally interchangeable among 390As built by varying manufacturers (but not always, some modifications have been authorized). I have not seen any significant differences among the 390As built by varying manufacturers

The 390A is built very sturdily, which is an advantage for one who gives his receiver heavy usage. The weight of the receiver is a disadvantage, however, to some. It is a flexible receiver, of immediate utility to the MW and SW BC DXer, the SWL, the utility DXer, and the ham.

The 390A weighs some 75 lbs without a mounting cabinet. With a mounting cabinet, it weighs 84 to 88 lbs. Some cabinet types which will accommodate the 390A are the CY-979A and the CY-4516A/S. Spectronics, Inc., 1009 Garfield, Oak Park, Illinois 60304, has a cabinet which will accommodate the 390A, for about \$15.00. If you are intending to purchase a 390A, ascertain whether you are physically capable of carrying it.

The dimensions of the 390A are (1) 10 7/16 inches from top to bottom of the front panel (somewhat less at the rear panel), (2) 19 inches across the front panel, (3) 18 1/2 inches horizontally between mounting holes, and (4) 14 5/8 inches from front panel to rear panel (not including 1 7/16 inches projection of the two vertical front-panel handles on each side).



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**POWER REQUIREMENTS** The 390A may be operated from 115 VAC or 230 VAC, 50 or 60 Hz mains, by operating a voltage changeover switch located on the power supply sub-assembly. It is therefore not easily adaptable to portable or emergency operation away from mains power, without a generator or dynamotor.

**BREAKDOWN** The 390A consists of six subassemblies, which may be removed from the mainframe for troubleshooting and repair. These are:

1. IF subassembly
2. AF subassembly
3. VFO subassembly
4. power supply subassembly
5. RF subassembly
6. crystal oscillator subassembly.

**TROUBLESHOOTING** Troubleshooting the 390A is simple or difficult, depending mainly on the degree of training and experience of the technician. Using the technical manual, a simple signal generator, and a Volt-Ohm meter (capable of reading to 600 VAC, 700 VDC, and 1 megohm), one should be able to locate and repair the greatest majority of the problems likely to be encountered in the 390A.

**REPAIR PARTS** Repair parts, depending on their ratings and dimensions, may be more or less difficult to obtain. The more common components, such as resistors, capacitors, chokes, and crystals are readily available from electronic parts retailers or through mail-order houses. Other items, such as transformers (AF, IF and RF), potted capacitors, tuning slugs, and meters, are more difficult to acquire and may have to be ordered from a dealer who deals in 390As.

If replacements are required, the mechanical filters are a definite liability, because Collins Radio Company quotes \$150 per mechanical filter in single-lot quantities.

**TUBE COMPLEMENT** The 390A uses vacuum-tube circuitry throughout. The tube complement consists of: 1, OA2 voltage regulator; 3, 6AK6s; 3, 6C4s; 1, 6DC6; 2, 26Z5s; 2, 5654/6AK5s; 6, 5749/6BA6s; 6, 5814s (nearest non-MILSTRIP equivalent is the 12AU7WA); and 1, 3TF7 ballast tube. The 3TF7 is no longer readily available, and may be directly substituted by the 3TF4 (or 3HTF4, which is the same type tube), available from parts stores, or from the author. The other types are more readily available.

The U.S. Navy ordered a field change that changed the 26Z5 rectifier tubes throughout the Fleet, with solid-state silicon rectifiers. The same modification can be performed by the DXer on his/her receiver. Two diodes are required for this modification, and the PTC205 diode (1000 P.I.V., 500 mA) will serve (available from Radio Shack as SN 276-1114). Otherwise, any other diode of 1000 P.I.V., 500 mA, rating should serve equally well.

**CONTROLS and INTERFACES** Controls, interconnects and meters located on the 390A front panel are:

1. KILOCYCLE CHANGE (tuning)
2. MEGACYCLE CHANGE (bandwidth)
3. LOCAL GAIN (volume control)
4. LINE GAIN (volume control)
5. RF GAIN
6. ANTENNA TRIM
7. FUNCTION (power on/off, AGC on/off, calibrator on/off)
8. AUDIO RESPONSE (wide/sharp)
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10. BFO (on/off)
11. BFO PITCH
12. BANDWIDTH (selectivity)

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## Fans call cops on 'suicidal' DJ

Dahl then explained himself. "We hear that a lot from some of these guys, who say the joke was so obvious that any idiot could see through it," said William Ray of the FCC Complaints and Compliance Bureau. "Apparently, there were some idiots who did not."

The FCC said Dahl did not violate any specific law or regulation, but still it was not amused.

Ray said, "The commission has made it clear that it does not think it is a proper use of a facility to alarm people or interfere with normal police procedures."

for a Chicago radio station.

Later, he said it was all a joke.

"I said I didn't think I was good enough to do the show on my own and that I thought I'd just kill myself," Dahl said. "I had a number of funny bits in my mind, like calling my mom and dad and saying goodbye, calling my girlfriend — things like that."

The operators at the police station dispatched a couple carloads of officers to the studio.

"A bunch of cops, it seems about eight of them, walked right into the station and said, 'We hear you're going to kill yourself.'"

DETROIT (UPI) — Disc jockey Steve Dahl told his listeners he was going to call his mom and dad and his girlfriend to say goodbye and that at precisely 8 a.m. he would hang himself with his microphone cord.

Within moments of his announcement on the air at 7 a.m., the Detroit Police Department was jammed with calls from the fans of Dahl's morning show on radio station WWWW-FM.

Dahl told his listeners he was depressed because of 14 other characters on the show — most of them created by Dahl himself — had left him to work

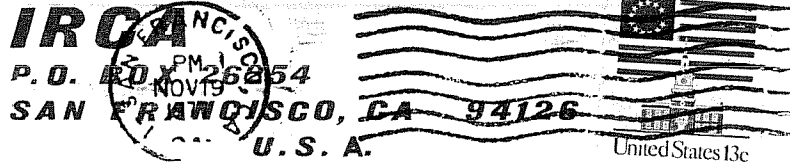
## Cables Cut At KYSN; Sabotage Suspected

A crucial guy wire in the transmitter of KYSN Colorado Springs was severed October 25, causing the station to go off the air for three hours. According to KYSN Program Director **Wes McCoy**, the damage was inflicted by "someone who knew what he was doing." Colorado Springs police are investigating the incident, as well as the FBI.

perpetrator, with ads running in local newspapers.

KYSN's engineering crew was able to put the station back on the air after three hours via an auxiliary tower. KYSN is currently broadcasting on half power pending re-award for information leading to pair of the main tower within two weeks.

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