

**eastern dx
roundup**

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DEADLINES: Mondays All times are Eastern Local

Splatter:

"WOIC-1320...on a fantastic southern opening"
- Steve Apel - NY.
"1490 is my best frequency to date. I have
13 stations on it!" - Frank Colella - NY
"SSS and SRS conditions have been generally
lousy this month..." - Mike Brooker - ON
"One of the most humorous s/off's I've ever
heard" - Greg Monti - NY (see 1220)
"WNNJ...this for Station #500 logged." -
Steve Apel - NY
"3/1 was just beautiful. Stations were
switching to daytime facilities well before sun-
rise." - Greg Monti - NY
"I wonder if a blanket of snow helps ground
conductivity any." - Steve Apel - NY
Ed: yes and no. No, because in northern lat-
itudes the ground is generally frozen when there
is snow, and with frozen ground the conductivity
is poorer. Yes, because the blanket of snow pro-
vides a good counterpoise effect for antennas, in
both transmitting and receiving; which is probably
what you had in mind.

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650 WSM TN, Nashville 2/6 0131 Good u/WNBC
slop. Only 2nd time heard in 4 yrs of
serious DX'ing. Slogan: "America's #1
Country Music Station", followed by a
jx. (SGA-NY)
660 KSKY TX, Dallas 3/1 0715 In weakly w/rigs
pgm by World Missionary Evangelism,
WESC nulled, DJ stated there was snow
outside. (LSM-KY)
WESC SC, Greenville 3/1 0710 In well w/UNID
het at 0710 w/wx forecast for Green-
ville area & ad for "WESC Daily Diary"
pgm. (LSM-KY)
680 WRNG GA, North Atlanta 3/1 0722 In well w/
ads for a man's pant sale, w/WCAW,
"Ring R." IDs at 0722. (LSM-KY)
690 WZAP VA, Bristol 3/1 0657 In quite good w/
ID & DJ wishing everyone a "happy
humpday". (LSM-KY)
(ed: what's that - we don't have it up
here in Vermont.)
770 KUOM MN, Minneapolis-St. Paul 2/14 1700-
1730 W/NPR nx, "All Things Considered"
program, ID mentioning National Public
Radio. Fair to nil in WABC null(MB-ON)
810 WSJC MS, Magee 3/1 0737 SID at 0737, c/w mx
and ad for Shepard's Auto Supply.
(LSM-KY)
920 WBBB NC, Burlington-Graham 3/1 0800 Plays
albums for adults, good ID on hr but
others unclear. In extremely well.
(LSM-KY)
920 WGHQ NY, Kingston 2/23 1205 U/nulled WPAT-
930 & WRKL-910 slop. Nx w/many ments
of Ulster County & Kingston & New
York state. (SGA-NY)
+ 3/1 0741 SAH de WJAR, WPAT slop. Wx,
Kingston & Newburgh commls. (GM-NY)
930 WBEA NY, Buffalo 2/28 2215 U/nulled WPAT
w/sports, promo. (GM-NY)
960 ???? UNID, 2/25 1735 Heard wx (tail end)
39°F/4°C, promo for album giveaway,
"Odyssey" caller # 4 at 249-1717 or
232-2316, followed by ABBA song winn-
er at 1738. Gave plenty of #Q?!*X?
"Y-97" IDs. I hate stns like this, it
makes ID'ing almost impossible. Heard
u/unID QRM, probably WELI-960. Any
ideas on who this could be? (FC-NY)
980 CHEX ON, Peterborough 3/1 0739 good-xlnt
o7WSUB-WTRY in daylight w/nx mention-
ing "here in Peterborough", (GM-NY)
990 WBEA NC, Southern Pines 2/14 1757-1800 w/nx
from the "NC News Network", then s/off
w/no SSB. (SGA-NY)
WVSC PA, Somerset 2/7 1719 In u/WINS slop.
5 o'clock nx sponsored by Somerset
Trust Co. (SGA-NY)
1050 CHUM ON, Toronto 2/6 0152 In like a local
after WHN s/off. (SGA-NY)

WHN NY, New York 2/6 0148-0152 Short s/off
annmt. followed by country mx version
of SSB. Off 'till 0530. (SGA-NY)
1070 CHOK ON, Sarnia 2/12 0215 W/C&W mx, then nx
and wx. (SGA-NY)
WIBC IN, Indianapolis 1/27 0240-0300 W/rock
mx, talk by YL DJ, Ronnie Bornstein,
ID's as "Radio 1070". Good sig o/CHOK
and CHUM slop. I suspect that they
were operating AN on their daytime 50/
kw power and pattern, as they haven't
been heard at all since the blizzard
on 1/27. (MB-ON)
+ 3/1 0736 way o/WKMB in daylight w/"24
before 8 at WIBC", traffic report,
pop mx. (GM-NY)
WKDR NY, Plattsburgh 2/13 1712-1715 C&W mx
Til s/off, no SSB. (SGA-NY)
1080 t WKLO KY, Louisville likely 3/1 0730 right
thru local WTIC w/nx, ments of Jeffer-
son County. Wow-hi! (GM-NY)
1110 KFAB NE, Omaha 3/1 0811 W/sports nx at 0811
Very good signal. (LSM-KY)
WTBQ NY, Warwick 2/24 1153 in WHLI slop w/
MOR mx, promo. (GM-NY)
1150 CKOC ON, Hamilton 3/1 0555 Fair at 0555 w/
mucho QRM. (LSM-KY)
WCNX CT, Middletown 2/24 1654 OM anncr and
many local spots. Very much QRM from
unID stns + WSKW!!! This has been one
of my closest unheards! (FC-NY)
WSKW ME, Skowhegan 2/24 1657 OM anncr with
ID at 1657 gave wx (tail end heard).
Previously heard what could be s/off
message at 1700 (ed: previously?) (Oh,
you mean some time ago.) First defin-
ite logging, had on a s/on, tentative,
prior to this. (FC-NY)
(ed: good catch!)
1170 WBRW NJ, Somerville 2/24 1142 w/end of promo
"here on WBRW, Somerville". (GM-NY)
WJMQ MA, Norfolk 2/12 1737 Kept repeating
ID over & over. Why, I don't know?
However this was after the station
should have done a s/off in that reg-
ion. A check in the new Jones log re-
vealed only a CP for this station as
of 11/1/77, so what this could have
been was testing before the actual 1st
day of RS. This station is listed as a
daytimer so wouldn't they have to con-
clude their tests at sunset, or else
continue them between Midnight & 6 AM?
(SGA-NY)
WWLE NY, Cornwall 2/28 1003-1007 SAH de
WBRW w/ABC/i nx, local nx read by YL.
(GM-NY)
1190 WKOX MA, Framingham 2/13 0424 On due to
northeastern blizzard, w/word of storm
closings in & around Framingham. O/CHTN
WOWO off. (SGA-NY)
1210 WILY IL, Centralia 2/10 0700-0713 W/AI nx,
promo for a program presented by the
Community Trust Bank in Irvington, in-
to "Rock and Roll Heaven" by Righteous
Brothers, ad for Arcade Insulation.
Fair sig until creamed by WKNX and
WCAU at 0715/ (MB-ON)
WKNX MI, Saginaw Predominant o/WCAU/WILY w/
pop mx at 0814 on 3/1/78. (LSM-KY)
1220 WCDQ CT, Hamden 2/25 1730 this semi-local
daytimer has one of the most humorous
s/off's I've ever heard. As announcer
reads copy, guy in background screams
out fax like "1000 whats?". You get the
idea. Rest of day is personality top-
40. (GM-NY)
1230 WERI RI, Westerly 2/24 1138 in WFAS null w/
Commls for places in Groton, CT. (GM-NY)
1240 WWCO CT, Waterbury 2/27 0729 SAH in WBBB
null w/"WWCO" jx, Waterbury wx, Peter
Frampton mx. (GM-NY)
1280 CJJD ON, Hamilton 2/13 0447 CJMS & CKCV null-
ed, WADO off. Mx by Bee Gees & B.J.
Thomas. "CJJD, #1 for fun in Hamilton."
(SGA-NY)
1290 CHRМ PQ, Matane 2/8 0127-0133 W/FF talk and
FF & EE mx, o/3 UNIDs. Many mentions of
Quebec. (SGA-NY)
WFBG PA, Altoona 2/21 0709-0720 W/ad for
roller skating arena, wx, "Baby Come
Back" by Player, sports rpt. Ac nx at
0720. Fair o/CJBK, WBNF. (MB-ON)

1310 WNAE PA, Warren 1/28 1714-1715 W/mx from "Saturday Night Fever", wx, ment of FM twin, WRRN, s/off without SSB. This frequency is a gold mine now that CFGM is on 1320. (MB-ON)

WQTK NJ, Parsippany-Troy Hills 1/26 0030-0038 w/ET's. TT with several code ID's, finally fast ID by OM at 0038, then off Listed as fourth Tuesday in list, but heard on Thursday morning. (MB-ON)

1320 CFGM ON, Richmond Hill 2/23 0030 Tuned in to relog. Much better on 1320 than previous 1310. Fair-good sig, OM anncr, usual c&w mx. Had a call-in format on 1310 previous freq!. (FC-NY)

WGMA FL, Hollywood 2/26 1815 S/off after ID ending in MA. Is CW (Communications World?) magazine wrong, when it said that WGMA is not a daytimer? Stn heard just before being wiped out by Big Bad WKPQ. (WPT-DC)

WOIC SC, Columbia 2/8 0125 W/wx for the capital city, "22 W-O-I-C degrees". O/then fading u/WVOJ on a fantastic southern opening. (SGA-NY)

WVOJ FL, Jacksonville 2/20 0255 ID "WVOJ Jacksonville" into NBC Nx. Fair-good, logged previously. Some QRM from local stns but putting quite a good sig like many FL stns do. (FC-NY)

1330 WFBC SC, Greenville 2/23 0300 Just before WPOW s/on w/ID & NBC News. (GM-NY)

1340 WALL NY, Middletown 2/24 1129 in WNHC null w/"13-40-wall" IDs, playing Grammy nominees. (GM-NY)

WNBH MA, New Bedford 2/12 1759 W/Midol com'l ID & nx by female nxcaster o/WNHC. (SGA-NY)

WNHC CT, New Haven 3/1 0804 semi-local appears to be beautiful mx, no longer MOR. (GM-NY)

1350 CJLM PQ, Joliet 2/28 1300 ID'd this stn in FF by taped ID at 1300. CJLM in FF very clear, but doesn't say Joliet. Qu'est-ce que c'est, Denis Beauregard? (MB-ON)

1360 WCGI FL, Jacksonville 2/28 1800/ Wx forecast for Jacksonville area. Fair signal. (WPT-DC)

WNNJ NJ, Newton 2/7 1219 In fair w/WDRC nulled. Nx, wx & sports. Spots for Newton Trust Co. This for Station #500 logged. (SGA-NY)

(ed: Congratulations!)

+ 2/28 0957 in WNLK slop, WDRC null, with pop format. (GM-NY)

1380 WLCY FL, St. Petersburg 2/5 0217-0232 w/rock mx, contest promo, ment of Univ. of FL game vs. Memphis State. Fair sig w/pest CKPC off. One of my better catches on a regional channel. (MB-ON)

WOWW CT, Naugatuck 3/1 0810-0814 w/Rod Stewart mx, "Wow Radio" IDs, but not top 40. Classical mx in background. Since when is WAWZ so weak? (GM-NY)

1390 WEOK NY, Poughkeepsie 2/24 1124 fair through SAH w/jx, MOR mx. (GM-NY)

WVON IL, Chicago 1/30 0115-0124 w/PSA for Planned Parenthood, wx, Ray Charles mx. Fair-poor in WFBL null. (MB-ON)

1420 WASR NH, Wolfeboro 2/24 1714 s/off about 1 min early just o/WLIS s/off. (GM-NY)

1440 WHHH OH, Warren 2/23 2230 good tho fade at times o/u/WFTQ w/HS basketball, legal ID, com'ls. (GM-NY)

WHIS WV, Bluefield 2/23 1815 ID after nx. Heard atop WHHH QRM. Fair. (WPT-DC)

+ 2/24 0203 Heard wx (25°F). Hrd totally by accident; looking for WQOK, which is still unlogged. WFCQ in extremely poor. They usually own this frequency. (FC-NY)

1470 *WBTX* VA, Broadway-Timberville 2/25 0230-0238 w/ET & TT w/ID at 0238. Fair-good sig o/WOHO. (MB-ON)

WMTW CT, Meriden 2/24 1114 IDs as "1470 Radio", remote from Meriden Square in WVOX slop. (GM-NY)

WPNC NC, Plymouth 2/25 1744 s/off but just missed ID. Ment of "Carolina Broadcast Corp." and 1745 s/off led to above conclusion. Fair w/moderate QRM. (WPT-DC)

1480 WQBX VA, Blacksburg 2/25 1800 s/off. Mention of VA and WQ heard led to conclusion that WQBX switched freq from 710 to 1480 Fair signal. (WPT-DC)

1490 WAZL PA, Hazleton 2/15 0058 Caught s/off following sermonette, u/nulled WJIT-1480 splatter. Completely o/GY mess for legal ID, but faded u/when name of owner began to be given. (SGA-NY)

WBCB PA, Levittown 2/22 0205 Heard tail end of nx, OM anncr. This is my best freq to date. I have 13 stns on it to date!!! (FC-NY)

WKNY NY, Kingston 2/13 0430 Nx w/mentions of Kingston. (SGA-NY)

WRMT NC, Rocky Mount 2/25 1745 Promo with ment of Rocky Mount. Good signal momentarily atop GY pile. (WPT-DC)

t WSIB SC, Beaufort 2/22 0210 Heard ID, sounded like WSIP, but was WSIB. I really thot it was WSIP! But NRC log shows them to be off at this time. Spot for "Piece of Mind", tel # 800-231-6946. Soon faded out. Could this also be WSIP? (FC-NY)

WXIT WV, Charleston 2/24 0137 ID "WXIT, Your Radio Station" T40 mx. Logged many times previously. Fair-good signal, usual GY QRM. (FC-NY)

1500 WKER NJ, Pompton Lakes 3/1 0819 thru WPIF, WGCH slop w/"Kerr Radio" IDs (owner's name). (GM-NY)

1510 WMEX MA, Boston 2/27 2245 Talk show, ID at 2245. Good o/u WLAC. (WPT-DC)

1550 WCTW IN, New Castle 1/27 0257-0325 w/rock mx, ID's as "WCTW/WMDH. Good sig for 250 w. Nice personal v/l received, confirming that they operated AN on their day pattern, and they were simulcasting FM twin WMDH. (MB-ON)

WMLB CT, West Hartford 0132-0206 1/29 w/ET w/TT's, rock mx and ID's at 0135, 0155 and 0205. Played "Your Smiling Face" by James Taylor and "Rocky Mountain High" by John Denver several times during the test. Good-very good signal. (MB-ON)

WTTC PA, Towanda 2/15 0702-0713 w/nx, ad for Ridgetown Silos, wx, sports rpt, report on road cx in northeastern PA. Fair over CBE. (MB-ON)

1560 WBUK MI, Portage 1/27 0207-0230 On AN because of blizzard. Heard w/c&w mx, blizzard warnings, ID's as "Big Buck Radio". Area nx at 0230. DJ talked for 5 minutes about how they have to sign off to protect WQXR, but tonight the FCC let them stay on all night. Fair-good signal, way over KKAAs. (MB-ON)

1570 CFOR ON, Orillia 2/28 2230-2246 o/u/CKLM with preacher till 2245, then jx and Lou Rawls mx. Geez, almost thot it was XERF. (GM-NY)

WPEP MA, Taunton 2/11 0330-0400 on AN because of blizzard in New England. Had phone-in show, phone number was 822-4911. Always good to hear something other than "La Grande Peste" (CKLM) on 1570. (MB-ON)

(ed: good catch)

1580 WCRV NJ, Washington 2/24 1101 w/little SAH, legal ID & nx. (GM-NY)

WPGC MD, Morningside 3/1 0620 In very well at 0620 w/ad for Close Encounters Records, IDs as "PGC", 32° & slick roads, ann'd late schools. (LSM-KY)

WSRF FL, Ft. Lauderdale 2/18 0357-0405 with weird nx report by YL, in which nx items alternated w/mx. Heard one "Surf-16" ID. Good signal w/no QSB, but 24 hours later 1580 was totally dead. Last heard on Aug. 9th w/same cx. (ie. they were totally gone on Aug. 10th. (MB-ON)

1590 WAUB NY, Auburn 2/14 1718 C&W mx, spot for Doug Atwood's Tire Service in Auburn. (SGA-NY)

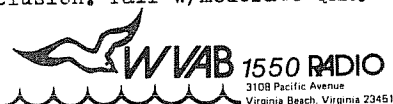
1600 CHNR ON, Simcoe 3/2 0007 S/off with NA. Good amid QRM. Caught this a few mins after local WINX s/off. (WPT-DC)

WSTL KY, Eminence 3/1 0830 Predominant with annmnt for basketball contest, c/w mx, ID at 0830. (LSM-KY)

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FROM THE DX CALENDAR
 1510 WPUT NY, Brewster 2/20 DX TEST came in very poor, heavy CJRS QRM + QRM from unid stn carrying rr/pgmning, (WMEJ should be off, - right?). ID + mention of fact location is in S.E. NY, and going down to 4.2 watts PSA. (FC-NY)

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DEADLINES: 3/21 - around 3/30 - 4/18 - 5/2 - 5/30

670 KBOI ID Boise, 2/27 0210-0225, 2 clear IDs in WMAQ null for state #41. (RS)
 690*KRCO*OR*Prineville, 2/27 0400-0500, 1 code ID hrd 0448 thru XETRA/Cuban/WITX. Called and confirmed state 42. (RS)
 910 KPOF CO Denver, 2/9 0700 caught w/s/on.Good(BPS)
 920 ???? ?? unid, hrd ID as "???, Little Rock". Looping N/S from Chicago, thought to be former KARN, but what are their new calls? Sounded like "WKPR" or something like that. (BPS) (It's still KARN as far as I know--rce)
 970 WAVE FL Louisville, 2/23 0230-0234, poorly with Wx & ID. (RS)
 980 WITY IL Danville, 2000-2010 2/20 fair over QRM w/Mutual Nx, An anncr named Bill Craiq at 2005, then Mx & spot for mall. (PAL)
 1060 KFIL MN Preston, 1749-1752 2/20, w/various spots, one ID & C&W Mx. Tough to log this one w/semi-local WKKQ always on top. KFIL in fairly good this day. (PAL)
 1080 WVCG FL Coral Gables, 2/20 0157 hrd during RS w/PSA. Fla. 1, state 18 for me.(BPS)
 1190*WAYD*AL*Ozark, 2/26 0108-0326. Xlnt to fair on ET w/various tones, extended periods of OC, & irregularly spaced IDs occurring on the average of one per half hour; most of the time, well o/WOWO, KLIF, unid SS QRM; some C&W Mx after 0305; new here w/stn called & rptd.(SAM)
 1240 KDLR ND Devils Lake, 0854 2/22 fair, jumping out of GY QRM w/spot for Super Valu store, Wx for lake region, and annmt for Mutual Nx coming up. (PAL)
 1310 WIFE IN Indianapolis, noted w/OC only, 1455-1500 2/18. Also noted rater variable freq., strong SAH. Apparently was having at XR site (SSW of city), and had auxiliary, 250-w. xr (located at former xr site, at WISH-TV-8 on ESE of city) on simultaneously. SAH nullable. Back on RS 1500. SAH off 1505. (CAT)
 1320 KHRT ND Minot, 0930-0933 2/22 good w/road conditions and spots for carpet garage and Realty Co.(Respectively, hi) (PAL)
 1330 WRIE PA Erie, 2105-2107 2/21, good over usual 1330 mess w/spot for sound studio & spot for Big John's Harbor Creek Hardware, anncr named Terry Ladd, SID at 2107 and into music. (PAL)

1370*WCOA*FL*Pensacola, 2/20 0241-53. Xlnt on ET w/nothing but OC, occasionally interrupted by repeated playings of the same hard Rock selection (sounded like something by Edgar Winter), 1 ID; "owning" the frequency, not giving the usual WSPD/KPRO QRM a chance; regional pain in these parts & never rptd. (SAM)
 *WRGS*TN*Rogersville, 2/25 0127-0200. Very good to fair on ET w/various tones, long periods of OC, & 1 ID on the hour; slight QSB, but most of the time, well o/ both WSPD/KPRO; 1st hrd several months ago on r/c w/v/1 rcvd. in about a week. (SAM)
 1530 KFBK CA Sacramento, 2/27 0147-0200, fair with CBS Mystery Theatre, and ID - Northern Calif.'s 50,000 watts News Voice. (RS)
 *WTTI*GA*Dalton, 2/20 0109. Hrd on test with an appalling mix of disco & ROK. Aren't they a MM pest? (hi) (BPS)
 1560*WQXR*NY*New York, 2/22 0243-0300. From what what could be hrd, seeming to dominate the frequency w/nothing but OC covering all QRM - even the Cuban; short, bored-sounding "WQXR; New York" hrd on the hour; 1st logged around here about two years ago w/v/q rcrd in ten days. (SAM)
 1580 WEYY AL Talladeqa, 2/23 0154-0200, testing with C&W and IDs. (RS)
 WCLS GA Columbus, 2/15 2234. Hrd w/ID, then song. Very weak u/CBJ & possible WSRF (Surf-16). Just tuned to WWV and learned that I missed an aurora 2/15 w/Afr of 35. Drat! (BPS)
 1590 WVNA AL Tuscumbia, 2/27 0102-0106 Nx & ID, poor thru WGOE. (RS)
 WAKR OH Akron, 2/27 0006-?, off for rare SP "for xmtr maintenance". (BPS)
 *WGOE*VA*Richmond, 2/27 0025-0130. Assume testing w/Mx (William Tell Overture and Frank Zappa) plus IDs, very strong. WAKR silent. (RS)
 WSWW WI Platteville, 1928-1930 2/20 in fair w/local Nx, ID as WSWW from Radio Park in Platteville, then into Mutual Nx(PAL)
 1600*WNST*WV*Milton, 2/25 0105-26. Again noted ET'-ing for the second Saturday in a row; this one continues to amaze me as it does very well against "murders row" headed by the usual WEUP/WXVI/KATZ hassle; various tones, brief periods of OC, and 1 ID; "Mileton the Monster" will send out a quick v/1. (SAM) 2/25 0053-0100 TT, 1 ID on hour easily thru KCRG. (RS)

PER THE LIST:

3rd MON: WSLV-1110 TN M (SAM) note: C&W plus repeated playings of Dixie; off at 0113.
 WORV-1580 MS M (SAM) Note: time change 0215-30.
 4th MON: WCBG-1590 PA (BPS)
 WGOE-1590 VA (BPS) Time change
 4th FRI: KTLQ-1350 OK T (SAM) (0100-15) Note: both day & time change
 4th SAT: KIML-1270 WY T (PAL)
 KFLN- 960 MT T (PAL)

A TIP OF THE HAT THIS WEEK TO:

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Since it's the annual anniversary issue, and since I didn't make the traditional introduction last year, here goes -- I'm 32, single the second time around, and work in the trucking industry as a rate clerk (I'm the guy who figures out what charges to assess on shipments that the company handle). I joined IRCA in 2/65, NRC in 7/65, and a host of other clubs (most no longer in existence) since then. I've heard 1332 stations in 49 states, 9 provinces, and 30 countries. Verified is about 700 stns. Collections here include newspapers, postmarks, cancelled stamps, postcards, books, and clutter. hi. Gotta run. 73.

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western dx roundup

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560 KBLU AZ, Yuma 2/21 2012 poor to fair w/
mucho KLAC-570 sloop, w/KBLU Top 10.
(MB-CA)
570 ?KLUB? UT, Salt Lake City 2/22 2356 way, way
u/KLAC, w/BFL mx. During KLAC's nx on
hour heard quite well but no ID, then
lost w/C&W mx. (MFS-CA)
570 unID 2/22 2356 heard talk (sports b'dcst?)
very weakly thru KLAC. (MFS-CA)
580 CKUA AB, Edmonton 1703 2/21 while showing
off my antenna coupler on the DX-150A,
this turned up w/classical mx, nx and
ID. Nil to fair signal, but little QRM--
nice DX. (NHP-BC)
590 *unID* 3/3 0318 weak u/KID & KFXM, looping due
east, possibly KSUB. (RW-CA)
600 K SXO CA, Redding 3/5 0015 weak u/CJOR w/
KOGO nulled, moderate KPRC-610 sloop,
first time u/new call. "K-6-0" slogan,
PSA for YMCA. (RW-CA)
620 KSTR CO, Grand Junction good w/KGW nulled w/
wx & farm ads 0840 3/2. (bp-WA)
660 ?KOWH? NE, Omaha 2/27 0718 heard several ment.
of Omaha but no ID. (DG-OR)
670 ?KPUA? HI, Hilo 3/6 0435 most likely, looped
towards Hawaii, w/MOR mx. (DG-OR)
670 *KBOI* ID, Boise 3/6 0314 noted w/TT well o/
WMAQ, OC till 0320, then off. (RW-CA)
680 KKYX TX, San Antonio 0747 3/3. W/KNBR almost
totally nulled, this suddenly popped
up w/a Toyota dealer ad, San Antonio
wx & ID. Fair to good after power boost.
(NHP-BC)
680 *KOMW* WA, Omak heard on DX test w/code ID 0322
2/20 followed by voice ID, easily o/KNBR.
(DO-AB)
+DX noted in passing w/TT & code ID 0318
2/20. (bp-WA)
690 KEOS AZ, Flagstaff 2/25 0500-0630 o/u/KHEY,
mild KNBR-680 sloop (yes, way down here
too!). Mx could be called C&W/MOR,
several recorded ID's "K-E-O-S", "K-690."
(MFS-CA)
690 *KRCO* OR, Prineville code ID first suspected
u/XETRA 0410 2/27. Code ID heard again
0419 followed by voice ID & information
about special DX test, by this time o/
XETRA. (DO-AB)

+Good o/u XETRA on DX 0424 2/27. Had march
mx, plus Morse code & phonetic ID's. (bp)
+Nil to fair on test, mostly u/XETRA 0410-
0416 2/27. Announcer took a phone call
on the air but I didn't catch details.
Noted voice & code ID's however. (NHP-BC)
+2/27 0406 poor on DX test, much poorer
than expected. Heard w/three code ID's,
into one voice ID, then some more code
ID's. In & out in XETRA null, mucho
KNBR-680 sloop giving me problems, killed
690 after five minutes. (RW-CA)
690 KHEY TX, El Paso 2/25 0500-0630 XETRA off.
C&W mx, AI nx on hour. (MFS-CA)
690 XETRA EN, Tijuana 2/25 before 0500 to at
least 0630 was off! Note that this
Saturday morning. Anyone know if there's
any kind of schedule to this SP? Sure
good to DX 690 for a change. (MFS-CA)
710 KERE CO, Denver 3/6 0506 ID & C&W mx. Very
weak for Colorado. (DG-OR)
710 *WGBS* FL, Miami 3/6 testing here at 0440 w/
ID loud and clear "This is WGBS Miami,
Florida." (DG-OR)
710 KGNC +ID during ET 0410 3/6. (bp-WA)
TX, Amarillo 3/6 0406 poor u/KMPC OC
w/ID after nx, into MBS Larry King
program. (MB-CA)
710 *KIRO* WA, Seattle 2/20 around 0400. KMPC off.
Obviously testing w/ND as much harder
to null than usual. (MFS-CA)
720 ?KUAI? HI, Eleele 3/6 0425 tent. w/MOR in
KDWN null. (DG-OR)
730 ?KDAZ? NM, Albuquerque 3/3 0904 ID sounded
like KDAZ, had C&W mx and looped the
right direction, but it faded before
I could try for another ID. (DG-OR)
740 KMEO AZ, Phoenix 3/3 0845 s/on ID then BFL
mx u/KCBS, CBX. (DG-OR)
740 KBRT CA, Avalon 3/3 0900 30 second s/on kill-
ing KCBS, then sloop from KXL-750 s/on.
(DG-OR)
KBRT Testing 3/6 0749 w/full ID. (DG-OR)
740 KVFC CO, Cortez 3/3 0849 SID, another ID
0856 w/MOR and C&W. (DG-OR)
740 KYME ID, Boise 3/3 0900 s/on, on top of KCBS,
etc. Carrier was on at 0856. (DG-OR)
KYME Tuned into orchestral mx here, thought
it was Cuba until KYME ID came thru.
This at 0330 2/20 not listed 2/19. Asked
for reports 0333. S/off 0335. Good
strength by s/off. (NHP-BC)
+DX test w/classical mx & asking for
reports 0311 2/20, one day later than
listed. (bp-WA)
+On a day late w/their test. Good sigs
0331 2/20 w/ID & classical mx. (DO-AB)
740 KRMG OK, Tulsa 3/6 0320 hurray, finally ID'd
this one. Knew it was the rr mx u/KCBS
OC, not enuf details for report, but
mention of Tulsa in an annc. (RW-CA)
740 CBX AB, Edmonton 3/3 0820 ID, good sig. o/
KCBS, I don't know why I've never heard
it before. (DG-OR)
790 KABC CA, Los Angeles 3/16 0316 noted off to-
night, poss. SP is 1st MM every 3rd
month. (RW-CA)
790 KBRV ID, Soda Springs 3/3 0814 s/on ID on
top. (DG-OR)
790 KWIL OR, Albany 3/6 0316 thought I had KJRB
or CFCW at first, but changed mind when
I heard "K-Will 790" slogan, into choral
mx. (RW-CA)
790 KJRB WA, Spokane 3/6 0357 poor in KABC absence
w/pop mx, 0400 ID, plug for Ski(?) Report
at 7:30am. (MB-CA)
800 KHIS CA, Bakersfield 3/3 0917 ID w/religion,
in local KPDQ null, also w/relig. (DG)
800 KBUH UT, Brigham City 2/27 0815 ID. Heard
3/3 also. (DG-OR)
+0853 3/3. Nil to fair w/"KBUH nx" (local
stuff) then into Ac nx 0855. CJJC in
varying null. (NHP-BC)
810 unID 2/19 0759 while listening to KGO talk
show & hoping for WSJC or KCMO at their
SR times, abruptly heard mx ("Hard Days
Night"), got hopes up but then heard SS
talk, 0802 so probably XERSV which has
been heard before. (MFS-CA)
860 KTRB CA, Modesto 3/4 0014 good to fair mixing
w/XEMO and unID, C&W mx and DJ talk. (WJH)

870 KAIM HI, Honolulu 3/6 0415 good sig. in WWL null, on good night for Hawaiians. (DG)

870 WWL LA, New Orleans 3/4 0019-0021 w/C&W mx, DJ talk, ad for local restaurant. Signal only fair. Not needed, but long time no hear. (WJH-UT)

900 KBIF CA, Fresno 2/21 2030 fair to good after KGRB s/off. ID as "KHIF, more listening for you, the sound of inspiration, Fresno." At 2045 there was a plug for "Country KARM 1430" followed by s/off. (MB-CA)

920 KVEC CA, San Luis Obispo 0000 2/21. Tuned in just in time for legal ID at top of hour, then Ai nx. Fair to good signal in CJVI-900 splash, a surprise at 500 watts. (NHP-BC)

920 *KWYS* MT, West Yellowstone 3/4 0255 TT weak u/KOLO, one very weak ID at 0300, then off. Apparently has moved to 1st Thurs. 0245-0300. (RW-CA)

920 *unID* 3/5 0255 looping ESE, u/nulled KOLO & o/u KORK, maybe needed KARN? (RW-CA)

930 *KHJ* CA, Los Angeles 3/6 0404 xint w/OC. At 0410, something very strange was noticed. Strong OC's were found on 925, 930, and 935! At 0411, they were on 920, 930, and 940. At 0412 there was a 20 sec. TT and then these other carriers disappeared. Never seen anything like this before and I'm sure it wasn't from overloading my FROG. (MB-CA)

KHJ 2/20 noted off w/SP that seems to be a bit irregular, 0500 to at least 0345. (MFS-CA) (Do you mean 0300-0345?--NH)

930 KSEI ID, Pocatello 2/20 positive ID 0346 w/KHJ SP. Heard before but only tentatively. (MFS-CA)

940 ?KAHU? HI, Waipahu 3/6 0620 tent. w/KFRE off; C&W mx looped in the right direction. (DG-OR)

940 KIXZ TX, Amarillo 3/6 0629 clear ID, top 40 mx; KFRE off, o/u KAHU(?). (DG-OR)

940 unID 2/19 0805-0815 heard "Knowing Me, Knowing You" that I was listening to KFRE till they had s/on 0815. Wonder who it was, as strong signal? Is this KFRE SP by any chance regular? (MFS-CA)

960 *KABL* CA, Oakland 3/3 0330 apparently deciding to take the night off, alas, no KALE there, only pest KAYK & newly-heard CFAC. (RW-CA)

960 KAYK UT, Provo 3/2 0325 poor u/KABL semi-null, wx for Provo, "K-96" ID. Don't they ever legally ID? (RW-CA) (According to FCC rules legal ID is required on the hour only.--NH)

1010 *KCHJ* CA, Delano had ET w/MOR mx most of 2/20 MM. Strong sig, ID's noted 0330 and 0630. (bp-WA)

1010 *unID* 3/4 0306 unID TT o/u CBR & KCMJ, looping due east, off abruptly at 0307. (RW-CA)

1020 KECQ NM, Roswell 3/2 0100-0104 actually heard easily thru KTNQ's mx! First time ever heard w/KTNQ on, Ten-Q strangely not as pesty as usual. Heard wx, pop mx, ID. (MFS-CA)

1050 *KBBV* CA, Big Bear Lake 3/4 0258-0317 poor to good on f/c & ET, varying tones, periods of OC. One ID at 0317, then OC till 0500. (RW-CA)

1070 KFDI KS, Wichita 3/6 0725 w/C&W mx in KNX null. (DG-OR)

1090 XEPRS ECN, Rosarito 3/4 0558 noted w/a freak SP, apparently turned off by mistake, KBOZ dominant w/rarely heard KING under, and an even weaker unID rr under that, maybe needed KAAV. Back on at 0600. (RW-CA)

1140 ?KS00? SD, Sioux City 2/20 after 0600 obvious someone had s/on as WRVA became distorted. That's listed s/on time for KS00. Would be first SD, positive or tentative. (MFS)

1140 WRVA VA, Richmond 2/20 0436-0626 fair to good signal thru QRM, no QRM till 0600, slop from KIIS-1150. State #28. (MFS-CA) +2/27 0305 caught beautiful ID on tape, in good to xint, well o/CKXL. NBC nx, ID, into the "Big John" Trimble show. Almost mistook this for a KGEM ET! (RW)

1150 KCKY AZ, Coolidge 3/2 2158-2200 noted w/high school basketball game (Coolidge - Wendall) ID and local ad on the hour. Fair to good w/QRM from IERM & unID. (WJH-UT)

1160 *unID* 3/6 0555 & 0610 TT u/KSL. No ID! Whosit? W/new 85' center-fed longwire. (ASL-CA) (Maybe WJJD. There aren't that many possibilities!--NH)

1170 KVOO OK, Tulsa 2/20 0420 positive ID but clobbered by KEZY-1190 rr. KCBQ off (that's regular, I'm told), QRM from KLOK. (MFS-CA) +3/6 0709 ID then C&W mx. Heard often. (DG-OR) +3/6 0550 w/C&W mx @ S-9 on new 85' center-fed longwire. (ASL-CA)

1190 KEZY CA, Anaheim 3/4 0915 rr mx SID. In good w/no QRM. This is the first time that I have rec'd this one since coming to Provo. I heard them here 3 years ago. (WJH-UT)

1210 WCAU PA, Philadelphia 3/2 0259 in xint, arm-chair level & well o/KGYN OC. some minor TVI. (RW-CA)

1210 *unID* 3/6 0348 w/weak, intermittent TT, suffering from KEZY-1190 slop, looped approx. E-W. (MB-CA)

1220 CJCC AB, Lethbridge 2/27 0329 poor w/"draw or build a grain elevator contest," nx at 0330. At 0336, the YL DJ said you could call her at 327-2121 (local), 327-2125 (out of town collect), or CB channel 19. (MB-CA) +2/27 0345 usual pest bombing in much better than usual, only C&W I was getting, so decided to listen to it until KCRO test started. Many promos for Lethbridge Broncos. No sign of CKDA. (RW-CA)

1230 KWXYZ WA, Everett 3/6 2300 ID in KRDR null w/ISCA (By the way, RW, the Gresham phone-book lists KRDR's address as both P.O. Box 32 and 1230 SE 6th, so take your pick.). (DG-OR)

1240 KPOD CA, Crescent City 2/21 0732 this came up briefly inviting listeners to send items to Community Calendar on KPOD, giving Crescent City address. CKDA-1220 splat nulled. (NHP-BC)

1240 KSON CA, San Diego 3/2 0336 up nicely well o/XECG w/KMBY nulled, jingle "12-40 K-sawn." (RW-CA) (That's "caisson" as in the military song "The caissons go rolling along." There are a lot of military types around San Diego, especially Navy & Marines.--NH)

1240 *KSMA* CA, Santa Maria 3/2 0314 high TT, then low TT, then one quickie ID, then off. Well o/everything, including KMBY. (RW)

1250 WREN KS, Topeka I heard this one 3 years ago here, but still came as a big surprise, 3/3 0120-0125. RR mx, SID and DJ talk. In fair, but consistent, very little QRM. Something has put a blanket on the signals from the north tonight. (WJH-UT)

1260 KGIL CA, San Fernando 2/25 0100-? w/program "presented by Chinese Outreach in the Cantonese dialect." (MFS-CA)

1260 KWIQ WA, Moses Lake 2059 3/1 noted w/mention of KWIQ-FM just previous to hour, then into s/off for AM at 2059. Poor to fair strength, much CKDA-1220 splatter. (NHP) (Great minds run the same channel, hi. I heard that same s/off while looking for KWEI s/off!--NH)

1260 KPOW WY, Powell 3/6 2059 Wyoming nx & wx, ID at 2100 then into Ai nx. Very good w/KYA nulled, no sign of CFRN. (NH-WA)

1260 CFRN AB, Edmonton has been going off very occasionally MM; was off for at least three hours 1/30, but only about an hour 2/6 from 0310-0420. Have not noticed them off last couple of MM's. (DC-AB)

1270 KDJI AZ, Holbrook 3/4 0927 in good on SRS w/C&W mx. No QRM. (WJH-UT)

1280 KFRN CA, Long Beach good o/u KBDF w/inst. mx, then YL promo w/many ments of KFRN and Family Radio 0359 2/13. (bp-WA)

- 1280 KUDY WA, Spokane 3/9 2059 s/off weak thru
KIT, no SSB. (NH-WA)
- 1290 KGVO MT, Missoula 3/3 0331 CBS Mystery Theatre
in good o/KMBN & KCUB. (RW-CA)
- 1290 *unID* Someone ET'ing w/OC & rock mx 0314 2/27.
Played Bee Gee's "How Deep Is Your Love"
at least twice. KGVO most likely due to
loop bearing & strength, KSNM also
possible. KMPS-1300 off. (bp-WA)
- 1310 KQXE AZ, Mesa 3/3 2350-2355 in good when stns
from north not coming in, so no KEIN
or KLLX QRM. Pop mx, DJ talk and ID.
(WJH-UT)
- 1310 KDIA CA, Oakland 3/8 off the air 1032 per
nx item on KNEW-910! Power line knocked
over by wind in storm. (RtH-CA)
- 1310 ?KTKR? CA, Taft 3/8 1109 ranchera mx & plenty
of SS, KTKR presumed. KDIA off. (RtH-CA)
- 1310 KLLX ID, Twin Falls 3/8 1033 good clean copy
of KLLX TC w/KDIA off, then away from
my set till 1059, when heard end of
Paul Harvey nx sponsored by First Fed.
Savings of Twin Falls. ID 1100 & into
ABC nx. (RtH-CA)
- 1320 KATR OR, Eugene 3/4 2115 up beautifully well
o/KCRA, et al. (even KXRO down in there),
w/nice clear s/off on tape. Long one,
though. Better than first reception a
few weeks ago. (RW-CA)
- 1320 KPXP UT, Salt Lake City 3/6 0540 w/top 40
mx & ID; on new 85' center-fed longwire.
(ASL-CA)
- 1330 KFH KS, Wichita 3/1 0301 CBS nx, weak ID,
into EZL mx. Very weak u/KFAC w/KUPL
nulled. First weekday after-midnight new
catch in a long time. Report sent. (RW)
- 1330 unIDs 3/2 2350 thru KFAC one w/mx that almost
reminded me of KFAC only would be more
contemp. than classical. Also heard
other w/talk, strongest from NE. (MFS-CA)
- 1340 KATA CA, Arcata 3/3 0330 drifting in o/KATY
and XBAA, w/KMAK nulled. Eureka wx
report, several local spots. (RW-CA)
- 1340 ?KYL? MT, Missoula 0755 2/25 heard a definite
mention of Montana, then "Saturday
night at 10:45 on Kilt(?) radio." Does
KYL? call itself Kilt? Too much crud
to get other details. (NHP-BC) (Yes,
they do call themselves "kilt".--NH)
- 1340 KBET NV, Reno 3/2 2105 up beautifully o/
KQMY & KATY; w/end of Nevada nx, ID
"K-bet, radio 13-40," sounds similar
to KRAM's ID, into Johnny Cash mx. (RW)
- 1340 KRAM NV, Las Vegas 3/4 0943 K-Ram slogan
heard in GY murk. No other details hrd.
(WJH-UT)
- 1350 KIDN CO, Pueblo 3/2 0331 this nightly pest
even more of a pest tonight, good to
xlnt in KRIC null, weak rr under.
YL DJ w/"Kiddin' country" slogan. DKK,
I'll trade you KIVM for KIDN aneesee-
day! (RW-CA)
- 1360 *KRKK* WY, Rock Springs ID during ET 0501 2/27.
(bp-WA)
- 1380 KGMS CA, Sacramento hrd w/EZL type mx 0429
2/27, good sigs w/talk about local nx
happenings. Is this NSP now? (DO-AB)
(I believe so.--NH)
- 1400 *KXIV* AZ, Phoenix 3/6 0339 poor to fair w/DX
test consisting of pop mx, code ID's,
and frequent announcements. Phone no.
given as 602-264-9001. My call mention-
ed at 0345. (MB-CA)
+3/6 0218 per test, also 0227 w/good
code ID & voice ID. Was asking for calls
at 602-264-9001; I called. Good sig.
level that improved at 0230 when KTUC
went off. (ASL-CA)
+3/6 0252-0311 listened to usual monthly
f/c w/same usual pattern of tone, SP,
tone, SP, etc. DX test didn't start
till 0300, seemed stronger during DX
test. At 0311 several code ID's, one
voice ID by OM w/mention of ET'ing, into
"You Light Up My Life." (RW-CA)
+Poor on DX test w/code ID in mess 0241
3/6. (bp-WA)
?*KXIV*? 3/6 we heard TT during DX test time, but
no ID's whatsoever. (NH&BH-WA)
- 1400 KBMI NV, Henderson 3/6 0509 spot for David's
restaurant and Mr. Cy's Casino. Lots
of ID's and mention of sister station
KFM-102 (KFMS 101.9 FM). (ASL-CA)
- 1400 CHOA AB, Settler on w/C&W mx 0346 2/27 w/
good sigs and few ID's, apparently
NSP. (DO-AB)
- 1410 KCAL CA, Redlands 3/4 2051 up well w/no sign
of usual KMYC & KRML; SS mx by Ricky
Martinez. (RW-CA)
- 1430 *unID* Monster ET w/hard rock starting at 0320
2/27. With its strength & direction, I
assumed KGAY. Anyone ID this for sure?
(NHP-BC) (Only problem is KGAY is C&W,
unless their CE likes to ET w/hard rock,
hi.--NH)
- 1430 unID 2/27 0314 this one has me stumped!
UnID EZL mx u/KALI w/KARM apparently
off, looping ENE. Not WIRE, nor KELI
per format. CKFH doesn't fit either.
No others on list possible or may have
been KARM's ET'ing???(RW-CA) (KARM is
now NSP C&W. Perhaps KOSI, w/BFL mx
format?--NH)
- 1440 CFCP EC, Courtenay 2/27 0317 in well w/
s/off, mention of CFWB Campbell River,
much better than normal MM reception.
(RW-CA)
- 1440 *unID* 2/27 0307 unID TT weak u/CFCP, looping
due N/S, many possibilities, but I put
my bet on KUHL, which has been ET'ing
MM's at this time for several weeks.
(RW-CA)
- 1440 unID 2/27 0338 unID rr weak, faded up then
went back down into mess of OC's, no
comeback. Looped due NE. Have no ideas.
(RW-CA) (How about WHHY Montgomery, AL;
KEWI Topeka, KS; KPUR Amarillo, TX; or
CFGO Ottawa, ON? AL & TX aren't "due
NE", but curvature of the earth may
make them possibilities.--NH)
- 1450 *KBFI* ID, Bonners Ferry apparently the one
w/TT & code ID as "KBFU," then off
0330 2/13. Looped E-W. (bp-WA) ("I"
is .., "U" is ..; maybe it was the
"I" followed by the start of the next
TT, making it sound like a "U".--NH)
- 1450 KYET ID, Payette s/on 0736 2/13. (bp-WA)
- 1450 ?KUPY? WA, Puyallup 3/6 1851 "Valley wx"
following C&W song, but no ID. In
good w/local KHKW off for about 90
seconds. KUPY is very rare here due
to KHKW. (NH-WA)
- 1450 CKSP EC, Summerland in good w/s/off annct.
for CKOK, CKOO, CKGF, and CKSP 0309,
then O Canada 0312 2/27. QRM from KQDI.
(DO-AB)
- 1460 KYSN CO, Colorado Springs 2/25 0658 "c/o
KYSN" crept thru QRM w/some mention of
pre-recorded program. KMWX dominant
later (as K-double F-M stereo 107
simulcast). (NHP-BC)
- 1460 KRNY NE, Kearney good at s/on 0701 2/27 for
AM & FM, into local wx, KMWX nulled.
(DO-AB)
- 1460 *KROW* OR, Dallas DX test not noted 0340 3/6,
only KMWX/KDON. (bp-WA)
+3/6 0335 no-show. (RW-CA)
+3/6 0330-0335 tried for but not heard.
If on, it should have boomed in, so
looks like a "no-show"? KMWX & KDON both
good w/rr, as usual. (BH-WA)
- 1490 *KBZY* OR, Salem 0114 2/20 noted TT then an ID
at this time. Poor to fair mainly u/KRNR
and CJPR. (NHP-BC)
- 1490 *KVAC* WA, Forks f/c w/code ID's 0329 2/13. (bp)
- 1500 unID TT noted 0335-0345 2/27. Two different
itches of TT used but no ID noted in
KXRX & ??? QRM. (NHP-BC)
- 1530 *WCKY* OH, Cincinnati 3/4 0214 extremely weak
u/KFEB w/TT, looping east. (RW-CA)
- 1560 *KGHO* WA, Hoquiam 3/6 0440 ID "Here at KGHO
AM & FM, FM 95.3 MHz on your dial and
AM 1560 kHz." Something about a little
feedback. (Hi Bill). (ASL-CA)
+3/6 0311 poor to fair, testing w/mx, ID's
for AM & FM, abrupt off at 0316, noted
again in passing at 0417. (MB-CA)
+3/6 0305 ET w/rr; this is getting to be
a weekly thing! You folks in the midwest
should look for KGHO ET's on MM's! (BH-WA)

- 1570 CHUB EC, Nanaimo 3/4 0315 they must have done something to their xmtr, this one has been in like a local from sunset on for past 1 1/2 weeks every night, no CKTA or even XERF anymore. Slops KDAY-1580 even! Kills KQVR at SS. Has nice mx, tho. (RW)
- 1580 *KDAY* CA, Santa Monica 3/6 0416 good w/OC, nothing heard underneath. (MB-CA) (Aren't they on till 0500 MM's anymore?—NH)
- 1600 KCRG IA, Cedar Rapids 2/25 0030. A simple "KCRG" rose above the crud in KASH null, that's all. Mostly KLAC methinks. (NHP)

March f/c's heard per the list:

- 1st MM: 790 KGHM Billings, MT (BH-WA) (RW-CA)
 1240 KWCL McCall, ID (RW-CA)
 1400 KXIV Phoenix, AZ (RW-CA)
 1450 KVSL Show Low, AZ (RW-CA) (TT, no ID.NH)
 1490 KCUZ Clifton, AZ (RW-CA)
- 1st TH: 920 KWYS West Yellowstone, MT (RW-CA)

Thanks for all the support for WDXR this week. It's nice to hear from Rick and David again. I've put my annual re-intro in a Forum to Rick, rather than put it here. The next deadline is the last of the weekly issue deadlines. So, keep checking the deadline listing at the beginning of WDXR for future deadlines. Happy anniversary IRCA, and thanks for the work everyone does to make it such a great club!

eastern dx forum

John Zondlo
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 Hammond, IN 46323

Bob Walker-2220 W. Hwy. 524-Westport, KY 40077
 Since this is my first Forum, an introduction is in order. I'm 18, a senior in high school planning on attending the University of Louisville. I've been a member of NRC for the past two years and edit the Domestic DX Achievements column for DXM, along with being Contest Manager. I'm also a part of LPC, though due to work I don't get to spend much time doing this. I've been quite impressed with IRCA so far, especially the feature material which has been in the past several issues. Besides being a member of NRC and IRCA, I also belong to WTFDA, but my primary DX interest is MW. Little DX has been done recently due to school and work, but with a new semester coming on it looks as if I'll have more DX time in front of me. Hope some of you all heard some stations on this winter of '78 with EBC (?-jz). I heard just a couple, WFIN and CFCO, but 'tis better than none. I've now reached the 500 mark in heards with over 150 written verifications. Still snowing here in Kentucky with a winter storm warning in effect as I write this. Hope to have more in later issues and best of EX! 73s.

Charles A. Taylor-936 N. Temple Ave.-Indianapolis, IN 46201

It's time for another reintro: I'm 30 years old, a U.S. Navy veteran (1 year in Vietnam, 2 years in Philippines, plus visits to Hawaii, Japan, Hong Kong, and Singapore), married to Leonor Lasao of Sorsogon, Philippines, with four harmonics: Maria-Modesta (8), Maria-Leonor (6), Sylvia-Jeannette (5) and Charles-Dominic. I'm an electronics technician at U.S. Naval Avionics Center (NAvionics Cen) here in Indianapolis. Other activities, in order of time devoted per week: churchwork (Mormon), running (6 miles in good weather, daily), electronic design, construction and repair. Current receivers are National HRO-500 and Drake SPR-4. Antennas are 80 foot horizontal and SM-2. Tape recorder is an RQ-500 (Watsushita). Other equipment is a 1M-4110 frequency counter, ETCO 330 signal generator (stabilized), a sidestep module, and a Monitor Products Corporation 3217 frequency standard, all for PFM work. Also for calibration of the 3217 standard is a 650 kHz generator, which synthesizes the 3217 1MHz output to 650 kHz for phase comparison with KCM-650 (which is phaselocked to WWV-60 Boulder, Colorado). Totals are 1,457 stations logged (from Indianapolis), 45 U.S. states, 6 Canadian provinces, 20 countries, 36 Indiana counties (of 57 active) verified. I don't relog frequency, power, or call changes (or transmitter site changes). Logging stations isn't my main concern. Still need Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, and Vermont for all states verified. Also need Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and British Columbia, besides the Territories. Hopefully, by the time you read this, I will have received my technician amateur license (WT9YXX). 73 de Charlie.

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

Happy Anniversary IRCA, got you on my mind. As I begin my sixth year in IRCA, here is a re-intro. I'm 19, an engineering student at Columbia University where I live during September to May. This may look like a life history, but anyway: I first listened to the radio 1966-69, for baseball only (WJRZ, WHN). I quickly became interested in rock music and radio (like a graph of Y=X³, Hi) in October '69 and made lists of locals. Noting an 80 KHz gap between 1050 and 1130 on my list, I tuned between the two on January 11, 1970, and heard WKYC-1100 and WBT-1110. I dialed around a bit that year and had the good sense to keep a log, enhanced by Broadcasting Yearbook. Somehow I had the idea to send a report---first verie either CRA-1070 or WWVA-1170. Although some adult friends mentioned listening to WOWO, I thought I was the only person doing this (don't we all?) until I got an IRCA sample from publisher Don Erickson in December 1972. I was very happy to find out about IRCA and joined 1/15/73, at which time my totals were 127/5, 22d/3, 3/1, 4/2. Problem was that I hadn't listened enough to know what to report and not, so EDXR editor Nancy Gantzer kept getting CKLE/WWVA/WOWO/WCAR/WFBR/WTOP/WKBW EDXR reports till I knew better. Receiver was Panasonic RE6137 AM/FM table radio. The first IRCA members I met were Adolph Holmes and long-lost Charles Berman, who were in Teaneck part-time in 1973 as I am now. CKTH sent me a survey, which I compared to Billboard, and got started in corresponding for surveys with IRCA people. Now thru the years: major QTs attended- ANARC 1974 Bronxville, NRC Thanksgiving Rockaway 1974, NRC Windsor Locks 1975, YAD Hubbard OH 1975, 1977. Receivers: Panasonic R-1551, RF564, Ameco R-5 with SM-2, and Realistic TRF. Also use a Panasonic RQ4465 AM-FM tape and Sanyo AM-FM-stereo tape. Regarding totals: I used to count DX received within 25 miles ("bicycle DX"), but now I like the challenge of hearing the stations from home to the extent that a station heard in Teaneck, not at home, gets an asterisk. Most of veries received came in 1973-74, when I listened to all the new stations for 15 minutes and sent reports. Now, 47% of stations heard are verified, but about 70% of stations written to are QSLed. The #s: 447/220, 35d/33d, 7/5, 13/6. Best catches: KOKO-1450 MO on DX test, WFIN-1530 WY on ET, and KGLC-910 OK on regular schedule. Best states in # heard: NY & PA 65, 34 Ontario (Yes!), 27 NJ, and 25 OH. Other interests (some inter-related): bike riding, throwing the frisbee, airchecks, surveys/coverage maps/stickers/ corresponding, driving, girls, major league baseball, high school basketball, UFO's, light reading and then some. Any Sparks fans out there? This semester I'm doing little DXing, but doing a Tuesday 1745 newscast on WKCR-89.9 and a year spotlight on WKCR-AM 590. I've made many fine friends through IRCA and am glad to be in IRCA. 73 Paul

Douglas Miske-128 Mossgrove Trail-Toronto, ON M2L 2W5
 HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IRCA!!!! (This is a once-a-year intro, hi). DX picking up here lately as I'm getting a little less homework, but exams soon, and DX goes down the drain. Finally got my first verie. If the saying "You only get out of something what you've put into it" (I think that's it) is true-- I sure got mine back from WABC. I sent a long, word-for-word, report, and I got a nice personal letter, Top 30 chart, Top 77 of '77, and a daytime CM from the PD, who is an ex-Torontonian. I also got verie #2 from WYRL (a daytimer outside Buffalo. V/1 and CM from the CE there. Totals as of 2/27 are: 117/2 and climbing, naturally. Mark Connelly--I am fully with you about a listener's club, as I am an avid T40 fan. If HQ is interested, I predict that it would be a 2 page article about once a month. I myself have charts from here, Winnipeg MB (3 stns), Los Angeles, and a recent survey from WABC. I volunteer as editor (or co-editor) for a column like this. If this is to go through, there would have to be surveys from Chicago, and maybe Boston or another central U.S. city. I can contribute the Top 10 (to save room) from the first 3 cities now if I get a green light from HQ or favorable response. Please comment in your respective DXF's, or drop me a line at the above address (SASE not required for a response-- but use Willowdale instead of Toronto, it gets here a bit faster). My slop award goes to CFTR-680 (naturally). I've only heard one station on 680 that would rate satisfactory- CJOB in Winnipeg

(hi Hal Christianson). I can remember being in Los Angeles in '76, and I had slop on a Heath SW-717 (a good receiver, especially at its price, if you can't afford much; about \$80 in the Good Ol' U.S. of A.). I guess I've given John enough typing with mine and Niel's DXF's, so 73's and may your biggest NSP pest blow up/burn down, or decide to have a regular SP on MM. (No offense intended to the stations). Doug.

Niel Wolfish-15 Donwoods Grove-Toronto, ON M4N 2X4
Greetings from the snow-less capital of Eastern North America. It has managed to snow in NYC, Boston, Buffalo, and elsewhere, but we (32 miles north of Buffalo) have been spared (most of the time). I'm waiting now for a final "Buffalo Snowstorm" to knock out some locals like CKFH, CKEY, CFRB (super NSP pest), and CHUM (never mind stations in Buffalo like Mike Brooker mentioned before) for a change of pace and new DX. I would like to wish IRCA a HAPPY ANNIVERSARY and say that I will be renewing for year #2. The way the two incompetent post offices work, this EDXF will be in the 3/8/79 issue. This forum is also to celebrate a milestone for me: my 400th station logged since 4/74. I didn't really start until 11/76 when I went from #144 to #187 in 3 weeks using a Heath GR-78. I was up to #272 4 1/2 months later when I got my Yaesu FRG-7. I have now logged 129 in 11 months with the frog (the last 100 since 6/77), not very impressive unless you consider the numerous local NSPers here. DX has been good here lately with the last two MMs (2/13 and 2/20) netting 6 new ones both times, including KRNT and KXAA (finally). I have also been working on sunset DX with about 10 in the last month, including 4 new ones, all between 1800 and 1830 one day. I was motivated to try sunrise DX after Robert Kramer's article, but I find it impossible to wake up for any DX. I finally tried this MM and got WARU Peru IN s/on @ 0600 for #401 (WPUT test was #400). My meager totals stand at 401/99 (24%), and no other changes except 39/30 (76%) states. Most recent QSL's: KLOU (Scott Mentzer's favorite), KXEL. Both q's and a personal letter and CM from WCTW. The CE said he received 2 other reports from my area when I reported. WCTW was on past s/off due to the snow. Incidentally, I occasionally get the same problem as Frank Colella with brothers. Mine can't understand why I can get Mexico, but when the Flyers play the Islanders, I can't get WIP or WMCA (blocked by CKTB and WKBN, respectively), to find out if the Islanders are winning. I think I've taken up enough (too much!) space. By the way, I got 250 new points this month. WATCH OUT! 73's de Niel.

Bob LaFore-12991 S.W. 252 Terrace-Princeton, FL 33032
Well, it seems that Miami radio will be having a few changes soon. Seems that WFUN-790 will be off for a while (possibly back by the time this is printed). They have a new VP and GM in Richard Casper (of WINZ all-news fame). He says that they will be off to make a few refinements in the format. Meanwhile, one of the Miami FMs has run into problems with the FCC. Seems that the FCC got after WMJX (96X) for news falsification and for running somewhat shakey contests. They will not have a license after this one runs out (unless they win the court case). Would like to say thanks to Tom Adams from my old home town of Midland, MI (of WMPX splash fame) for his help on WCEN up there. Oh well, that's enough of my great typing to keep John busy for a while. 73 til later...Bob.

John Zondlo-6617 Maryland-Hammond, IN 46323
Greetings. Happy Anniversary IRCA! Time for the annual reintro. I'm 24 and employed as a newsman-announcer-sportscaster at WJOB 1230 here in Hammond. I've been DXing BCB since July 19, 1970, with my first catch being WAKP 1590. Haven't figured up my totals lately, but they're in the neighborhood of 1150 heard and 500 verified (not too many reports sent these days). I've been in IRCA since October 1970, and have had a chance to meet many interesting people in that time. My involvement includes being on the board for 4 years, an ANARC rep 3 years, host of the 1973 IRCA convention here in Hammond, and editor of this column and the old CDXF since October 1972. My primary DX interest these days is WTFDA, of which I'm circulation manager and member of the board of directors. I also belong to NRC and RCMA. Enuf from the soapbox, hi. Only recent verie here is from KFDI for their special. 73.

THURSDAY
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BILL HARMS-1120 ELM-PROVO, UT. 84601
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Hi again. DXing has been slow here lately mainly due to school. I have all kinds of papers and tests that w/my job & other activities leaves little time for DXing. I finally IDed the station u/KALL 910. It was KPOF. I can't believe how clean KSLs signal is. I can tune to 1150 or 1170 w/almost no sleep (only on the high peaks). I wonder if it isn't because of the things that they do to their XR. In Spokane, KNBR & sometimes KFI put in a lot of slop. But KSL never did. For example, I rovd KUFF 1150 w/absolutely no slop. On to something else. I was going thru my veries the other day and noted something of interest. To add something to the NJ XR controversy, WCAUs v/l states that their XR site is located at Church Rd., Moorestown, NJ. I wonder how many other Philly stns have their XR site located in NJ. (WICC-on Little Timber R and Delaware R south of Camden-RtH). I haven't decided whether to count this as NJ or not, but for now I won't. I don't have much more to say, so 73 and good DX de WJH.

KARL RAYMOND-P.O. BOX 947-LAWDALE, CA. 90260
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No, I haven't really died, just kept busy working at Monkey Ward. Haven't even been able to get down to Borrego Springs on the lower desert, as the only time I had 4 days off in a row and planned to go, the deluge came. Such is life. Have been able to DX for a few of the specials, ie. KAHL 1410 behind KERN; KXXR 1440 in clear until KUHL started testing. Heard WSSA TT u/XERF, but no announcements or other ID. Sent them a letter, but still no answer. Caught KSGT 1440, 15 minutes before s/off, but still no answer, then 15 min later caught KKAR on s/off. (Don't laugh, they are hard to hear here w/KKTT on adjoining channel.) Finally got a large verie card from KFAC, too about 8 months. Incidentally, CE at KKAR said moving to 1510 March 20th w/10kw and running 24 hrs a day, new station on 1220 will be KLIT w/guess what, religious programming. Happy Anniversary IRCA!

JEF JAISUN-"BIG ZUCCHINI CHICKEN RANCH"-12860 136th AVE NE-KIRKLAND, WA. 98033
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Proof positive! There is no such thing as a non-verifier! This simple fact of life was brought home to me about mid-January when I received a verie from KFAC, for a report filed 2/16/76! And I thought they'd forgotten. I just looked at my logbook and realized that the last new station I heard was KASL on 01 January. Some season. Actually, I've been working on an album for the last 2 months, so I really haven't had much time to DX. Also, there has been that rasty line noise with which to contend. Thanks to Bill Moriyama for the tip on a filter, but before I could take advantage of it, something most incredible happened: Puget Power came out to trace the leak! Unreal. An older repairperson who was just fascinated by my wedge (and wood stove) must have spent the whole day tracking it down. He came by the house at 9,30 & 11.15am and 3pm, the last time leaving a note saying he'd found the problem up at the end of the block and he was going to fix it. How do you spell relief, hi? Re the "chick" on KVRE (Ya gotta watch yer semantics these days, RtH) (OK, female DJ person, hi-RtH). Kate Wolf, who is a good friend of mine, was the oroginal female voice of both KVRE and KSRO 2 years ago. She is now playing live music in clubs most of the time, and when she was up here last month she said there are now three women BJs on KVRE, AM & FM I presume. It was Kate, incidentally, who gave me a gold-plated KSRO pen. She advised me to write Merle Ross, GM, for a verie, which I did and to which he never replied. Er--I mean--he has not replied yet (26 months...I gotta remember KFAC, hi). Yes, it's true. Kaskey et al pelted me w/Fritos and aluminium pull tabs at bp's GTG, but it had nothing to do w/the Guru jokes. More like playing boogie woogie on Evelyn's church organ, hi. Ah, well...nothing like DX punk rock. Fair warning to SFFC: I will probably be in the area in early March. Maybe we can all GTG after the Fri nite stapling session and rehash some of ECRS old pizzas. Incidentally, KZAM has now split their AM & FM, 12 hrs daily beginning at 6PM. KYAC is now NSP 24 hrs (C\$*4%!), KGAAs PSA signal is "wasted city" 3 mi S of their XR, as I found out one early A.M. coming home from Seattle. At first I didn't realize it was after 6AM, and I freaked thinking they'd gone fulltime. Ooops, almost forgot. The real bringdown at Portzer's party was when Bytheway let the air out of Al-the-

IRCA Penguin and took him home. Shucks. What's DU DX without a penguin to keep you company? 73. (See ya soon Jéf, but as for ECR, the SFPC believes he's lost somewhere in the BART system, hi-RtH).

ALBERT S LOBEL-10514 CAMINITO BAYWOOD-SAN DIEGO, CA. 92126
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It seems as if someone has brought up the controversy of how to count stations, again! As far as I'm concerned, I count only call-letter and/or slogans. If a station changes its call letters and/or slogans, I'll relog it. Maybe it isn't really a new station, but it does have a change and I'll have it logged u/both the old letter or slogan and the new letters or slogan. Also, I no longer send for verifications. The cost of postage, even for domestics, is just too high. I save the tapes on a 4 track reel to reel tape running at the super slow speed of 1 7/8 ips. This works out real well and I have a little over a years' DXing on one tape so far. W/a little more to go before the tape is full. The cost of a 1200' reel of tape is much less than all that postage would have cost me. This also allows more time for DXing and other things that were previously taken up w/all that report writing. Now!! I have just been informed that my membership is about to expire. Looks like I'd better get that renewal check in! It's on its way; so, here's a re-intro. I am 30 yrs old, and have been a DXer for 12 yrs, an IRCA member for 8 yrs. I also belong to: NRC, LWCA, WTFDA, SCADS and subscribe to the ANARC bulletin. I'm married and have been for almost 9 yrs. My wife's name is Helene. She'll probably get mad as me for telling her age; but here goes -- she's almost 30, just a few months younger than me. As most of you know, I am the editor of the Advisor. Other hobbies are collecting tapes of Old Radio Programs, ie. Amos & Andy, The Shadow, etc. Right at the moment I am unemployed; but my normal line of work is appliance repair (washers, dryers, etc). Helene works for Pacific Telephone as an order writer in the Escondido, CA office. Well, there you have it - a re-intro. Hope that enlightens those of you who don't really know me well. Till next time my name appears in these pages-- 73 and good DX to all! PADRES in '78 (How about it Rick! Think Dark will do it like w/the A's!?) (If you mean the cellar again, yes-hi-RtH).

NICK HALL-PATCH-3272 ALDER ST-VICTORIA, BC V8X 1P2
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I was quite impressed w/Gene Martin's "Non-Technical Thoughts" in the 11 Feb DXM, especially as I'm of a non-technical nature, hi. I was wondering how you'd explain the March 1977 TA reception in western N. America, Gene, but you came through with flying colours on that one. One thing bothers me, however. The Mid-Winter Anomaly is not just an Arctic phenomenon---BCB reception from all directions seems to suffer on a random basis through the mid-winter months. Eg. XERPM 660 is pretty regular here, but during the winter months there are wild fluctuations in signal strength from night to night. Also, even in California, TP reception drops off drastically from Fall to mid-winter, and I think it's generally been assumed that this has been due to the MWA. It is true, however, that a 10 kw'er from Japan seems to be easier DX than a 150 kw'er from Britain. Maybe that's because it gets cold over the N. Pacific in winter, but not nearly as cold as over Greenland and the N.W. Territories? Finally, hasn't a thin but powerful absorption layer been found at about 80 km above the earth's surface per Gordon Nelson's extensive article "MW Signal Paths"? I don't feel that this harping on the MWA by myself detracts from Gene's ideas that much, however, because it is possible that the MWA and the ionospheric lowering described by Gene are two different things. Certainly, Gene's ideas cannot be ignored when it comes to explaining why TA signals disappear so thoroughly in the winter months on the WC. The MWA is supposedly random in its effect, so if that were all that stopped us hearing Europe in mid-winter, then presumably there would be scattered receptions of Europe from the WC in say, January. I don't believe this is the case. Perhaps domestic DXers could see if their unusual receptions coincide w/an unusual warm spell over the signal path. Anyway, my thanks to Gene for a really thought-provoking article. It's nice to see all the other special features in DXM as well. Only problem is the printer seems to be sending through some rather spotty pages of late--sometimes the print is so faint, it's hard to read. Hope that it's only a temporary problem. I've crated enough. Good DX to all. (Printer apologizes, sez it's chemical problems, and should be cleared up by time this hits print-RtH).

RICK HEALD-1581 20th AVENUE-SAN FRANCISCO, CA. 94122
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Hi gang! Well, here comes my first free trip of the year from my company. Being sent to Monte Carlo and the Riviera at the end of April, 22-28, so will have a shortened report period with a special one time only deadline. Have written R. Monte Carlo asking for a tour. The trusty Sony will be with me for the trip, of course. May stop off in New York for the weekend on return, that is if Foxy can put up with me, hi. Correction: Theo Donnelly helped w/the 11 Feb DXM, not the 18th. Got to know him indirectly thru R. Hauraki, the then N.Z. pirate, I was first North American to verify them (from Sitka, AK) and they read my address on the air, and I got a host of letters from 13-15 yr old N.Z. birdies, hi. RW-KCHJ was indeed ETing the morning of 20 Feb, much weaker signal than normal, tho. Looking forward to seeing Jaisun again, we will certainly be more than happy to make you feel welcome at a pub session, do you like collating or folding, hi? As for ECR, we are all wondering if he still exists. No new DX. No try for KROW 1460 TEST as I have them from several yrs ago. Gotta run. 73 de RtH.
BILL HARMS-1120 ELM-PROVO, UT. 84601
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Things have been a little weird lately. Two or three times I noticed all of the stns to the north being blocked out by something. As a result, I rcvd several new AZ and CA stns. I could have more added to my log if I knew SS,(hi), w/all the Mexican stns bombing in. My friendly landlord like to watch TV at local sunset, so it's not often that I can DX SSS. So I tired SRS w/2 or 3 new stns. My best catch of the week was CMAF 880. I got a positive ID from them. Not much else, so 73 and good DX de WJH.

RICH EDDIE-152 WEST ROSE ST-ST. LOUIS, MO 63119
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Happy Anniversary IRCA! As is the way to do things, here is a brief re-intro for the new members and those who have forgotten who I am: I am 30 yrs old and still single and live w/my father. My equipment is a Navy surplus RBM w/11 tubes and tunes 200-2000 kHz in 4 bands w/a 3 ft alti-azimuth loop. Besides IRCA, I also belong to NRC, NASWA, SPEEDX, ASWLC, WTFDA, LWCA, and United World Radio DX Club. I think that covers the main ones. Totals as of March 6, 1978 are as follows: 1328/1016; states 49/49 still need AK, hi; provinces 6/5 and countries: 23/15. As you can see by the totals I am not a beginner. I have gotten the following DX TESTS this year: KVVU 610, WJAR 920, KIMP 960, KAHL 1410, WVOT 1420, WKEM 1490, WSSA 1570 and WAEN 1590. All correspondence is welcome as I love to get mail. I also got the KVRA 1570 DX TEST. One time of local note KIRL 1460 St. Charles, MO as of 01 March 1978 has gone to a C&W format. I hope I make it to the IRCA Convention in Portland this summer if I can afford it. Will sign off now and give space to somebody who has more important things to say. Good DX and 73 from RTE!

MATTHEW F SHUGART-12561 GROVEVIEW ST-GARDEN GROVE, CA 92640
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Hello. First I have to ask something. RtH, are you trying to tell me something?? In my Forum in #22 you had me in a cemetery (Forest Hills) rather than a mountain resort, Forest Falls! Oh well, I'll let you off this time, it happens to the best of us! You new members are making Southern Cal look good, three of you in #22! Welcome to all of you (Gary Schlessinger, Gilbert W. Morgan, & Brian Allen). I've taken it upon myself to be the unofficial one-person IRCA welcoming committee for SoCal. SAM, thanks for your comments on KOAM & KONO. You say KOAM is all C&W. You should know -- you've heard them -- but WRTH does include rlg as part of KOAM's format. I'll keep trying as KOAM has to be the best bet for KS. Almost hrd KGGF 690 on Sat morn 2/25. XETRA was off! But I didn't find out till much later that KGGF doesn't s/on till 10 min after I unfortunately decided to go to sleep! Now I have to wait for XETRA to have another SP to hear that KS. Did hear two new stns on 690 tho, KHEY & KEOS. RW, you made a comment that KBRT 740 doesn't verify. I'm surprised because they seemed very friendly when I visited them and explained about IRCA. They do have AM & FM coverage maps and other info that I would think they send out if you approach it right. Has anyone at HQ followed up on KLAC's offer to design a qsl w/IRCA guidelines? Don Langford, PD, said he'd be happy to do it if someone would write and tell him what one should look like. I was pleasantly surprised at his co-operation. He said tho, that about the only reports they get come once a month from DU when a powerhouse there has a SP and that they verify by letter. Well, I don't have quite as much to say as usual, so I guess I'll s/off now (in hope that XEPERS will follow the example, hi). By the way, you know cx aren't good when you can hardly hear KRVN! 73.

ART PETERSON-651 31st STREET-RICHMOND, CA. 94804
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Yes, believe it or not, it's me again! The time of the year has come again when a re-intro is in order. I am a 33 yr old single guy operating w/an HQ-180A and an SM1 antenna, although a major change is coming to the shack soon. Details later. Mostly concentrate on foreign DX these days. Also available here is an IB-1100 freq. counter. Concerning the current controversy, I generally log call and freq changes because conditions on the band change all the time. There are many stations I have logged that I was not able to re-log after a call change, and many freq changes put formerly easy catches out of reach. I found Gene Martin's recent article very interesting. The theories he presents are one I have never seen before. One thing I have noticed in the past is that a mid-week Alaskan front snowstorm in the Sierra Nevada and a sunny weekend afterward is often followed by an excellent MM for TP reception. A long fair weather period may bring lousy conditions. As a result of these observations, it would seem that weather is a factor in propagation. If so, why not the seasons as well? Enough for now. 73 and good DX.

NANCY HARDY-2301 PACIFIC AVE-ABERDEEN, WA. 98520
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Anniversary issue is re-intro time. I'm married to IRCA Board member/Special Features editor Bill Hardy (we met through IRCA- he lived here in Aberdeen & I lived in Fredonia, NY). I'm a housewife, and am taking night course in accounting at the local college. Editing and typing WDXR keeps me busy too. In spite of knowing Spanish, I'm strictly a domestic DXer. Since starting my Aberdeen totals in 1973, I've hrd 653 stns from 39 states, 5 provinces and 19 countries. A year ago my most wanted state was NH and most wanted stn was WKBW-1520. Since then I've hrd WKBW but not NH! So, currently my most wanted state is still NH, and most wanted stn is KIMN 950. For the past 7 1/2 yrs I've DXed using a Lafayette HE-30 and an SM-1. At the New Years DX Party Bruce Portzer let me use his "frog" and I really became attached to it. Maybe for my birthday in October I'll get my own "frog" (that's a hint, Bill). The "frog" would be great on camping trips - camping being my other main hobby. Is the PENGUIN really going to become the IRCA mascot??? Happy Birthday to KIRCA. 73. (88 to Bill).

BILL HARDY-2301 PACIFIC AVE-ABERDEEN, WA. 98520
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If I chose to re-intro myself in some issue besides the Anniversary issue, maybe somebody would notice this re-intro instead of its being tucked away amongst dozens. However, who am I to buck w/tradition, hi? So, here's the re-intro: I just turned 31 yrs old, am one-half of the DXing husband-and-wife team of Bill and Nancy Hardy, am one of your elected IRCA Board of Directors, am Special Features Editor, and just picked up the Sports Network list editorship. I'm also changing careers, after 12 yrs in the broadcasting industry w/various small-market radio stations. In fact, I just found a temporary job helping out at a local garden-and-pet store. Will going into the gardening business make me as good a DXer as Nick Hall-Patch? hi. Totals as of 2/25/78 are 726 heard, 38 states (one less than Nancy who has WI, #*#*), 5 provinces, 20 countries. Two verified from two states, no provinces or countries, hi. I probably have a hundred or so tape veries, but they're not catalogued yet, so no ideas on my totals there. My totals include 78 stations that are "extinct" because of call or frequency changes or the like; however, I haven't relogged all 78 yet, so that's a misleading figure. Equipment and limited DXing time have been my biggest problems in getting my totals boosted up, although you wouldn't figure that a DXer who just finished 7 months of being unemployed would have limited DXing time, hi. Current equipment is a Lafayette HE-30 w/SM-1. Nancy and I would like to get a Yaesu FRG-7, or "Frog" as some call it, later this year if we can afford it. I'm also contemplating building a Wedge loop. Oh, I started DXing in 1960, but didn't find out till 1964 that what I was doing was called DXing. I joined IRCA in July of that year, four months after it started, and have been w/the club straight through ever since. In 1974, when I married IRCA/NRC member Nancy Gantzer, I also joined NRC, which is the only other DX club I am in at present because I'm only interested in CBX DX. FM-TV takes more patience than I have, hi, and I never really got exited about SW. That's about it for now. HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, IRCA!!! AND MANY MORE!!!! 73 to everyone; 88 to Nancy.

GARY LARSON-2806 LINCOLN-BURBANK, CA. 91504
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Hi gang. On 2/27 while at work, I got real sick & later found out I somehow picked up the flu. That was a MM, so no DXing. I did get 2 veries: KOGO 600 and XETRA 690. The KOGO card didn't have the date I heard them, but the v/s is Ralph W. Evans. The XETRA v/s is Toni Berna (?). Also got a letter from Dorothy Boykin, Sec. to Dir. of Tech. Oprs. ar KCBS, but no verie, just a letter stating she needed more info for a

correct report. So the next nite I sent a more detailed one of about 10 min worth, including spots. To those of you that I owe a letter or cassette: I will try to get them out as soon as I can. Really like reading about XR sites in ENXP. How about a few WDXF members in different states writing in about your areas? For example: in Lancaster, CA, both AM stns XRS are near each other, around Antelope Valley Frwy & Aves H & I. I suppose the ground conductivity is good here. Or 2 of LAs XRS; KFVB & KLAC share the site - 3 towers, KFVB on the middle and KLAC, the outside towers. I also found out that several of San Diego stns are in the suburb of Santee, CA: KCBQ, KFMB, KSDO, KMJC. Looks like another change in radio in SoCal. Today is 3/2, I was tuning on FM and picked up a stn on FM that is already on AM. That's KACY 1520. KACY-FM looks like it now is under same ownership as AM. They're at 104.7 and prgm "beautiful music". I'm taping a few hrs of them since the signal isn't always clear here. The FM XR is on Red Mtn in Ventura Co. if anyone's interested. The KACY AM XR is at 3434 Dodge Rd, Oxnard; 3 towers directional, which I usually pick up here about 1/2 hr to and 15 min past LSS. I just sent a report to KAZM 1470 in AZ. Picked up their wx forecast and announcement of schools being kept open. Much rain in the Flagstaff-Sedona area. I even taped them. Got 2 tapes of KSCC-1080 and KFAT FM 94.5 from Gary Parton. Never really heard prog. country before and still haven't hrd the K-FAT tape. This morning the lower AM band was only filled w/locals. No S.F., CA or other normal clears were in. A lot of rain here & flash flood watches all over SoCal. If a few locals went off because of the rain, maybe I could pick up a few stns. 73. (Two Forums joined together-RtH).

ROBERT WIEM-945 DESERT ISLE DR-SAN JOSE, CA. 95117
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Since I have nothing exiting to report this time, I'd like to make my own little addition to what is known as Murphy's Law, well known to most DXers. This is known as Murphy's Law, Part 3B, Section 4, Paragraph 6C (known as Cole's Law, or Cole Slaw, I was hungry when I wrote this, hi). 1. When trying for a DX TEST, your favourite NSP station on that freq will always be in the direction where the test is. 2. When your favourite NSP station finally decides to take their once-a-decade SP, the other NSP station you've been wanting on that freq also decides to take their once-a-decade SP the same night. 3. When listening to a station you know is new on a freq on an adjacent freq to your local station who doesn't slop over until 3 sec before the new station ID's. 4. You've sent 10 reception reports and suddenly aren't sure you included return postage. 5. You've sent 10 reception reports and suddenly remember you put the wrong report in the wrong envelope. 6. Just when you start your MM DX, you find the batteries in your rx are dead, you don't have any spares, and you can't find your electric cord attachment. 7. That DX TEST you got up at 4.30AM just to hear mysteriously doesn't show up because some pest 100mi/160km away decides to test at the same time. 8. Just when that new TP, TA or LA is ready to ID, somebody uses their power drill or CB next door to kill the freq. 9. Just when you're ready to ID that SSS catch you know is new, your favourite neighbour decides to watch an "I Love Lucy" rerun, causing TVI. 10. On the only MM you're off from school or work, no DX tests are scheduled, while 5 were scheduled last week and 6 are scheduled next week. 11. When tuning in to an unscheduled f/c, you will always tune in 10 sec after the only ID of the test and will spend 20 min listening to the rest as you miss the test you were trying for and will lose sleep trying to ponder who it was you heard. 12. You will not hear the f/c you got up at 4AM just to hear, and you have to get up at 6AM and can't fall back asleep, and finally 13. When you want to say something urgent in a Forum, it will always be after you've reached the size limit of a Forum. How's that, RtH?

DAVE ROGERS-BOX 74-BUFFALO, OK. 73834
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Greetings: Hope this make the Anniversary issue; if not, Happy Anniversary IRCA, anyway! To reintroduce myself, I'm 29, a Charter Member of the IRCA (joined in Apr '64) and have been DXing since 1962. Have 43 states and 24 countries veried on CBX + D.C. Equipment includes a Hammurlund HQ-145A w/sprial loop and Drake SW4A w/Space Magnet or 110' longwire. It's been interesting reading the articles in past issues about DXing in the 30s and 40s. In my relatively brief DX career since '62 I would have difficulty relogging many stations now due to the channels being blocked by new stations and NSPers. Gene Martin's comments on possible DU reception w/the freq. switch are also interesting. When I logged a few DU stations in '71-'72 I'll mention how I did it. During June-July I mon-

itored 700 kHz about an hour before local sunrise. After WLW faded at Cincinnati sunrise I had a clear channel for about 45 min. For a month of monitoring I got nothing definite, then one morning I played the tape back and there was 2NR!!! Same way I got 1YA-KGU mixing together on 760. Since that time I haven't been dedicated enough to get up early every AM, but I imagine such reception is still possible if not routine. And when the freq switch takes place we will have a better shot, ie. not having to wait for an Eastern clear to fade out. New veries; KABL 1410 and XEROK 800 w/rpts out to KAYQ & KBGQ. I had XEROK veried as XELO years ago so you can see I count call changes as new stations, but to each, their own, hi. Recently joined NRC, but my first loyalty will always be w/IRCA I think. 73 and good DX.

MARK BIXBY-1627 HIGHLAND DR-NEWPORT BEACH, CA. 92660
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Salutations from soggy Southern California! As you no doubt have heard, recent severe storms have pushed this years' rainfall total to three times the normal amount. Along with the rain, we had some powerful winds that removed many trees from my street (winds were clocked at 92mph in Newport harbour) And now for a breif re-intro: I'm 19 yrs old, and a major in Information and Computer Science at UC Irvine. I started SWBC DXing 4 yrs ago and become seriously involved w/MW when I joined IRCA a little over a year ago. My receiver is an FRG-7 and my antennas are a 100 ft longwire and a 2 ft IRCA spiral loop (which I definitely recommend to any new DXers out there). My totals are 29/14 states, 4/2 provinces, 14/5 countries, and around 260 total stations heard. Recent DX stuff: I heard the KXIV TEST this morning, (3/6) and they were running late, until 0345 t/o. I phoned the station and found out that the test was being widely heard. Calls were received from San Diego, CA (ASL??) and from Kansas City, MO. Also this morning, KHJ was noted w/a bizarre test at 0410 w/OCs on 925, 930, and 935, moving to 920, 930, and 940 at 0411 and then finally just one on 930 at 0412! I doubt this was a case of my FROG overloading. Did anyone else hear this? Enough for now since I have to hurry and get this in the mail. 73 de MDB.

RANDY TOMER-P.O. BOX 2674-MC KINLEYVILLE, CA. 95521
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Howdy! No wonder I can't hear American Samoa on 1140, they're on 1120! Real smart, hi. Rth, by now you should recognize my whereabouts by this type. Give up? Don't care? For a while I was concerned about my HQ-180s audio, it was getting bad. After a couple of weeks of this I finally noticed that the notch filter was in the "0" position and the sideband selector was at the "U" position. Once again, real smart, hi. With all those knobs, you can sure lose track of a few. KPNW off SM 2/26, but no Samoa. Listened for the Solomons on 1030 MM 2/27, no luck, couldn't even hear 'em on SW. One of my projects now is to find as my bona fide SW parallels as possible for TPs; I'll try to report them as they're discovered. In early Feb, the QRN originating within my home had gotten so bad I finally had the PG & E troubleshooter come out. After an hour of running around trying to find the source, we gave up. Their head radio tech then came out and he couldn't find it either, it comes from everywhere! One thing to note, the troubleshooter's ancient beat-up Hitachi portable totally outclassed by Realistic in pull-in power, but I couldn't get him to trade rx's. I then informed the head honcho of my favourite noisy power pole, and he wanted it fixed, while the troubleshooter didn't want anything fixed! You can imagine my sheer joy as I saw the head man sign the work order to have it fixed, after he had won the argument. (Naturally, I helped him w/the argument, hi). The head radio tech must have been feeling his oats, because he then took a big long pole and checked out every power pole in the neighbourhood! My house excepted, things may get quiet around here. One thought that comes to mind after all of this: being a troubleshooter for a utility company has got to be one of their easiest jobs, and these guys don't want to lose that job. So during slack times, they've got to order some work done, right? 73 de RET.

MORTON D MEEHAN-7682 NORTH STAR AVE-TWENTYNINE PALMS, CA 92277
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My DXing started at age 16 and now at age 61 I'm probably becoming senile. This I decided after attending my first beverage party. The location was at an isolated area of the desert 25mi/40km east of 29 Palms. No utilities, poles, trees or buildings were within 5mi/8km of the site. Nothing but small ereosote bushes and sand dunes met the eye. One only knew there was life under the sands as your feet would sink 4" or more as you stepped on burrows. Sitting in the cold dark night at a small portable table looking at a Barlow Wadley w/a flashlight while the winds were blowing your radio logs about is what a beverage party is all about. At the site the wire and poles were lying half buried in the sand from previous expeditions

so we only had the simple task of hammering the 4' poles into the ground. W/this antenna over a mile long, I'm sure, I got in some good hiking exercise in the soft sand. Must have taken 2 hrs to get this wire up and John Clements told me it was a South America beverage. I decided it was pointed to Yuma and Mexico and in the late afternoon found almost all channelled were sounding like graveyards except they were completely in SS. Since I only understand the letters XE, I didn't pin down many IDs. XEMA 540 San Luis Potosi was loud and clear before sunset except we had clouds overhead that covered the warm sun. About dusk, two fellows disappeared for a couple hours into the dust of the desert putting up the other beverage that I think was even longer. This was the Aussie-New Zealand beverage according to Don Erickson. I hooked into this antenna while it was still on the ground just in time to get a good loud signal from KMMJ 750 Grand Island, NE signing off. I figured this antenna was pointed NNE and CBK Sask. was loud and clear on 540 to confirm this thought. Into the evening I mostly used the NNE beverage as I understand the language on it better. W/the wind, cold and darkness I gave up on trying to keep notes. On regional channels I heard good clear signals from stations that were not normal to this area even if not DX. Examples would be KSRV Ontario in eastern OR on 1380 and KLZ 560 Denver. At the height of things I drove home to my 29 Palms cottage & got a few hours sleep. Returning at 3AM it was not easy finding the campsite in the dark and when I did, everyone was asleep either in the autos or in sleeping bags so I DXed alone for an hour. Didn't know it, but John Clements was on the other end of the beverage a mile away w/a FRG-7 and flashlight in the darkness. The next morning in talking it over we decided even though the A and Afe Indexes were showing that it was a good night for DX, we found otherwise. John felt perhaps the soil (sand) was too wet from the recent rains. I felt it was the full moon that we could not see above the cloud cover. For years I've been finding a full moon means poor to average DX about 80% of the time. However, all the experts tell me that's an "old wives theory". On my brief return home I found under my normal reception conditions in a warm room that DX from the south just wasn't and NYC stations weren't very good either so I'd say it was only a fair night for DXing and poor for foreign stations. In closing, I have a new method of telling when DX should be good. DX is good for 48 through 65 days after your birthday, poor the next 76-95 days, and good again from 108-125 days, etc. 73.

DAVID OLIPHANT-#1; 11255 31 AVE-EDMONTON, ALTA. T6J 3V6
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Looks like after all these years I might finally make the Anniversary issue (what, you say, the uni must be driving him bonkers). First the usual re-intro (or intro for those of you w/memories like mine): I'm a shade over 23, still single and still going to school (currently working on, if you can believe this, a Masters in Chem Eng) and occasionally even enjoying myself, hi. Let's see, what else goes in an intro, my social insurance numb//no that's not right. Been a CCB DXer for what seems like most of my life, must be 9 yrs now, joined IRCA about 7-8 yrs ago (they got in contact with me after my second reception report was sent to KFAB who did verify). Other activities basically try to compensate for the hours put in hunched over a radio in the dead of the night, things like cross-country skiing, skating, music, dish-washing, vacuuming (some one has to do these things). Enough, enough, who's going to remember this bull anyway. Equipment: FRG-7, DX-159A, TRF, SM-1, a hastily put together wedge, and a cassette deck (which currently doesn't record, so is not of much use for DXing purposes) plus scores of past DXNs. Totals from Edmonton: 379/35/5/14; no veries, but some taped stations. Enuf said. On the local scene, I guess hoping a station will continue with a SP isn't enough, ie CFRN has apparently returned to NSP so there goes St. Kitts (I just this minute realised that I've had this one listed in my logs as being in St. Kitts, Barbados; my gosh). Re the new station in Med. Hat, according to the local paper it is expected to be on the air by May, my guess is that CHAT is in no hurry to get it on. 73.

WALT BREVILLE-9127 CORAL DR-ST. LOUIS, MO. 63123
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Greetings, and first I'll get the non-cheery negative stuff out of the way. This freak Winter has thrown me for a loop, w/all the snow and cold really requiring a lot of overtime work in the chaos-ridden Postal Service for various reasons, and when I have tried DX I found conditions mostly blah, save for a couple bright spots. The best one was back on Dec 24 when I picked up TWR Monte Carlo 1466 at local sunset. Last night, 3/7, I noted WC reception for the first time in several weeks, KNBR showed up nicely, which made me think of you guys in the Bay

Area & got me typing this report. As usual, I used the TRF portable for checking WC conditions. Haven't heard KFI because I am right between SoCal and local KXOK-630s XR site. Long-time Top 40'ing KXOK puts out a pretty sloppy signal, and the Cuban on 640 is almost always strong. KNX is much easier to get at this location, the closer stations in Wichita, Madison, Indianapolis, Memphis, Houston, and a couple others on 1070 beam most all of their signals away from St. Louis to protect each other, leaving sort of a hole for KNX. Oh, how different it was 15 yrs ago! With just a Zenith table radio and its built-in antenna I'd tune around and pick up catches like: KFWE 980, CKCK 620, CFAC 960, KXLY 920, CJCA 930, KPAC 1560, some of these before I even knew of the existence of any radio clubs. It is so aggravating how the senseless ANing craze swept broadcasting & really clogged up the channels in just a few years time, especially at the present time when it is so clear that power and energy must be conserved for our country's well being. I see it as competition pressure and the need for broadcasters to satisfy their ego to keep wasting many thousands of kilowatts in the wee hours of the morning just for a tiny percentage of the population. Especially when the broadcasters and listening public got along fine for 40 yrs or so without AN broadcasting to any extent! Now that there is a dire need to really conserve power, perhaps a few letters to the right people advocating a federal clamp-down on the waste of electricity will turn a miracle for us and the country by pointing out the gross waste of energy caused by egotistic, pressure-conforming broadcasting execs.

RICK HEALD-1581 20th AVE-SAN FRANCISCO, CA. 94122 Tele-Forum; (415) Montrose 5-4201 prepaid to 2200 P1T

 HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IRCA!!!! As I begin my 4th year as editor of WDXF, it's time for that boring re-intro, hi. I'm 31, and happily single, am a travel consultant, and have been DXing seriously since 1963, but some veries go back to 1959. Was introduced to hobby by wife of my dad's college buddy, who as a girl, DXed in the 20's & 30's from their ranch near Saugus, CA. She even showed me the "proper" way to write a reception report. Was introduced to organized DXing by Jon Oldfield who saw my name and address as a winner in a CJCA contest. Am one of your elected Board of Director members and help the SFPC. I've lost track of totals some time back, but it's around 1100 hrd and about 40% veried, from 46 states, 7 provinces, and about 28 countries. One of these days I'm going to take an exact count. Finally broke down and bought a Realistic TRF. I agree with Grant's review on the rx, but then like he says, what can you expect for \$30, a hot little rx for that price, and must admit it outdoes my Sony, but then I bought the Sony for the super hot FM; the TRF will go w/me to Monte Carlo next month. RW, you sound like you're talking from personal experience. I think most of us can really relate to your version of Murphy's Law, that is, your version of it. Tomer, you were typing from your wife's office, right? I'd sure like to use it for my column. Mort, great article on a desert beverage party, think you might make it up north to Bill Hardy & Co beverage party in Oct? As many of you know, the Anniversary edition is the one time I don't make editorial comments, so getting 'em in here, hi. Sorry, Matthew, I must have been thinking of grave things when I typed that Forum, hi. Oh---my equipment in the DX Shack. Rx: Hammarlund HQ129X, stand-by: Hallicrafters S20R. 90cm Wedge antenna (second one built), and a thrown up 25metre 1w. Guess I'll be adding that TRF to the shack equipment, tho it's at work during the week, only thing that'll pick up KNEW well in this concrete and steel high-rise (we're on ground floor). Have done a little DX, nothing too exciting, but tnx to nx tip from the K-NEW Cowboys, noted local KDIA 1310 off air on 3/8 at 1033 ELT, w/KLIX Twin Falls really doing a number on 1310. Had to do the trip in the little boys room to get ready for work, then came back at 1100 for a crispy-clear ID, then began to fade out and I turned the Wedge and there was a fair signal in SS, which I presumed to be KTKR Taft, down near Bakersfield. Yes, Mark, you folks in SoCal have had twice the rain we've had, and we're suppose to be the other way around. We're just above normal, or at normal, but it's so ironic, last Summer John Clements & Rich Segalas drove 100mi/160km on lake bottom at Lake Shasta, and now they're releasing water so that there won't be floods when the snow melts. That's it for this time around. Good DX all. 73 de Rth.

FATHER JACK PEJZA-212 S. CARPENTER RD., MODESTO, CA 95351

 I just realized that it's been ten years since I joined IRCA and NRO. At the time I was teaching in a boarding school in Ojai, CA, NW of Los Angeles. I was looking around for something to occupy my free time and I happened to stumble across an old Lafayette communications receiver. I started on SW and verified about fifty countries before getting interested in MW. Once I learned of the existence of BCB clubs through NNRG, I joined both clubs in quick order and haven't gone back to SW since. As a kid in San Diego in the early 50's, I used to listen regularly to some of the Chicago clear channel stations and WWL; in fact I even wrote to them to tell them I had heard them, but not knowing any better, didn't include any program details, return postage, etc., so never got answers and never really found out about DXing as a hobby until the late 1960's. Unfortunately in recent years my DXing activities have been severely curtailed by work, but once in a while I get the urge and get up early on MMs to listen for TPs. At the present, something is wrong with the pre-amp for my Sanserino loop; I think I blew a FET in soldering back a connection. I'll get it fixed one of these days.
 DON KASKEY-386 GEARY ST., SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102

 DX rather inactive of late. The few times I do listen either I tire easily or become frustrated to dig for those elusive stations down under the dominants. Have found WCAU-WHAM-WNBC in the past several days. The latter two for the first time this season. Even WOAI sent a fairly decent signal. For some reason WOAI doesn't come in here worth a darn. No TP's and no KROW on 3/6 drat it. Guess they weren't on. No KIDN yet either. The c&w stn always turns out to be KOKC. FJP you just sent reports to the wrong stations when you started DXing. My first reports were like yours but I got veries back from WTAR, KULA, KPOA et al. Fortunately I eventually was straightened out by the OE of KQLO in Leavenworth KS that some programming details + time & date were a slight necessity in securing a verie. In the summer of 1950 WFFA in Ft. Payne, AL noted in their verie that they also received a report from Joe Brauner. Wrote Joe and he introduced me to NRO. Later joined IRCA in 1967 (I believe). My DXing has had peaks and valleys over the years. The bug would fade away for a few years but I would always return. I just turned 44, have been married for almost two years, have a 2 1/2 month old son, am Assistant Manager at the Raphael Hotel in downtown S.F. A bustling place as we ran 95% occupancy last year and are heading for about a 97.5% this year. Other main interests are sports and sleeping in as late as possible (work schedule permitting) as we both stay up late. I once edited WDXR back about 8 or 9 years ago back in the old stencil-mimeo days when Don Erickson was the Main Man. I have kept DX logs from a number of locations e.g. Galva, IA-Omaha, NE (1950-53); Cheyenne, WY, Waco, TX & Keflavik, Iceland (1954) and Sacramento-San Francisco Ca (1957-present). Guess I've heard about 1100 stations or so out here. Back in the early fifties I heard 1850 from Galva & Omaha in three years, but, aaah, those WERE the good old days. KMVI-550 w/1 kw, 4YA N.Z.. WLBZ-Me, WFEA-NH, WRIB-RI, HOL-Panama w/200 watts, numerous 250w W0ers on regular schedule, all with two small portable Zeniths with a make-shift long wire. But the hobby is still fascinating even with all the problems of the 70's. 73.....dkk.....

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THE LEGACY OF THE ATTIC ANTENNA

by Bruce Portzer

About a year ago, my wife and I bought a house, a brick Tudor built in 1929 with many of the esthetic features of that era, such as leaded glass windows, coved ceilings, and an arched front doorway. Little did we know at the time of an added bonus -- for me at least -- that came with the house.

One day, a few months after moving in, I noticed a wall plate with a hole in the center, covered with several layers of paint, in a corner of the living room, next to the fireplace. My curiosity was aroused, so I went to work with a screwdriver. A few minutes later I had extracted from the wall a strange metal and ceramic object which looked like a cross between a headphone jack and a 110 volt receptacle. Two 14-gauge wires were attached to it and were routed through the wall to some, then unknown, location. I inspected the basement ceiling below the "outlet" and found that one of the wires emerged from a hole and ran over to a ceramic insulator on the ceiling, at which point it has been snipped off at some time in the past. There was no sign of the other wire.

Not knowing what this strange looking receptacle was used for, I took it to work, hoping that a co-worker might know. One of them suggested it might be a radio outlet, since radio owners back then depended on longwire antennas for adequate reception.

The idea seemed reasonable. The wire which ran to the basement could have been for the ground, and I theorized, the other wire could go to the attic. So I ventured up into the attic and discovered that my theory was correct! At one end of the attic, a wire emerged from below and ran to a ceramic insulator attached to one side of the attic. Several feet of bare copper wire were attached to the lead-in wire; but a previous owner had wadded it up and stuffed it behind a 2x4 stud. So I unravelled it, straightened it out, and found that it reached from one end of the attic to the other.

After a side-trip to the living room, where I twisted the two aforementioned wires together, I went to my basement DX shack, where I connected the attic antenna to my receiver. It worked quite nicely.

I now have the attic antenna connected to my antenna switches, via a military surplus BCB antenna coupler. The antenna, basically an "inverted L" with a 25 foot vertical leg and a 35 foot horizontal leg, is adequate for BCB and shortwave reception. With the antenna coupler peaked, signal strength on the attic antenna is, on some frequencies, comparable to that from the SM-2 and better than on the box loop. The "Q" of the antenna, TVI rejection, and noise rejection aren't as good as with the loops, but then that's to be expected for a longwire of this type.

After reflecting on my good fortune, I realized that my house had been built in the era after radio had become extremely popular, but before sensitive, compact loop antennas had been developed. Since the attic is a logical location for a longwire antenna, it's reasonable to conclude that some enterprising builders in the late '20's and early '30's would build homes with antennas in the attic and outlets for them in the living rooms. After all, houses built today usually have TV outlets in the living room.

If you are now living in a house that was built between 1925 and 1935, you might look around for suspicious wires -- they might be part of a built-in antenna system. Likewise, if you're thinking of buying a house, especially an older house, you might want to look for signs of antennas. Having the antenna already built into the house is much nicer than trying to route a lead-in from the attic, through two floors, to the basement.



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DOMESTIC VERIFIED TOTALS

TDV: total domestic verified, SV/PV: states, provinces verified, TSV: total stations verified, YR: year started DXing in present location, *: please UPDATE totals

NAME	TDV	SV	PV	TSV	BEST	YR	
1. Wheeler, Pa.	1630	50	9	1702	KFAR 660 AK	30	
*2. Kramer, Ill.	1472	48	10	1500		70	
3. Pistek, Ill.	1095	50	10	1141	KFQD 750 AK	62	
4. Eddie, Mo.	986	49	5	1002		67	
5. Kwiatkowski, Ill.	684	46	9		KOXL 1450 MT	70	
*6. Portzer, Wa.	579	42	7	665		64	
7. Arruda, Ma.	563	46	9		KOKO 1450 MO	63	
8. Ayers, Ms.	382	30	2	390	KFBK 1530 CA	74	
9. Morby, N.Y.	250	34	8	262	WTHM 1530 MI	74	
	Ponder, Tx.	250	34	4	258	KGA 1510 WA	75
11. Davis, Ga.	239	32	1	250		76	
12. Allinson, N.C.	210	41	6	224		73	
	Mount, N.J.	210	33	5	214	KGLC 910 OK	73
14. White, Va.	198	35	6	202		68	
15. Korinek, Ca.	193	41	5	205	KBEW 1560 MN	75	
*16. Orran, Wa.	171	35	5	171	Cal. - 23 stns	68	
17. Christianson, Man.	143	31	5	145	WILY 1210 ILLpsa	70	
*18. McClelland, Ca.	102	31	4	103	KMVI 550 HI	72	
19. Wolfish, Ont.	80	28	8	87		76	
20. Peterson, Ca.	61	43	9	165		60	
21. Beauguard, Que.	46	17	6	52		71	
*22. McFadden, Ok.		31	4	163			

FOREIGN VERIFIED TOTALS

TFV: total foreign verified (includes Alaska and Hawaii)
CV: countries verified (including U.S. and Canada)

NAME	TFV	CV	TSV	BEST	YR	
1. Stanbury, Ont.	477	119	1371	Af:BBC Francistown		
2. Peterson, Ca.	104	58	165	Eu:Tallinn 1034	60	
*3. Portzer, Wa.	95	34	665	3YW 1460	64	
4. Wheeler, Pa.	78	24	1702	1YA 760	30	
5. Pistek, Ill.	48	34	1141	R. Anguilla 1505	62	
*6. Kramer, Ill.	28	17	1500		70	
7. Eddie, Mo.	17	15	1002		67	
8. Korinek, Ca.	15	8	205		75	
9. Allinson, N.C.	14	11	224		73	
10. Morby, N.Y.	12	11	262	Spain 683	74	
11. Davis, Ga.	11	12	250		76	
12. Ponder, Tx.	8	5	258	Guinea 1403	75	
	Ayers, Ms.	8	4	390		74
14. Wolfish, Ont.	7	8	87		76	
15. Beauguard, Que.	6	8	52		71	
16. White, Va.	4	6	202	ZBVI 780	68	
	Mount, N.J.	4	4	214	WKAQ 580	73
*19. McClelland, Ca.	3	4	103	Belize 834	72	
19. Christianson, Man.	2	2	145		70	

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Please remember to update your totals at least once a year, to avoid being dropped from the listings. The most DX Verified column will be published during April.

73.....CentexDX.....Steve

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ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- 1061 PORTUGAL, Norte, just above the noise (mains QRN) but equally weak, KYW not a problem; Norte had cl mx & operatic vocals 2315 2/28. (Connolly, MA)
- 1375 ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON, good w/man in FF 2309 2/28.
- 1394 ALBANIA, Lushnje, coming through slop w/talk by woman then by man - audio too mushy to tell language 2307 2/28. (Connolly, last two)
- 1466 MONACO, Monte Carlo, TWR, good w/EE rlgs pgm - fast fading evident 2255 2/28. (Connolly, MA)
- 1475 AUSTRIA, Wien, poor w/cl mx o/het growl 2256 2/28.
- 1529 VATICAN CITY, R. vatican, very good w/cl mx, weaker 1530 just a feeble het 2258-2300 2/28. (Connolly)
- 1554 FRANCE, Nice, poor w/symphonic mx at weak modulation level, barely battling off WPTer buckshot 2302 2/28.
- 1586 WEST GERMANY, Langenberg, WDR, fair w/man in GG 2303 2/28. (Connolly, MA, all of the above)

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 527 a COSTA RICA, Cartago, TICAL, R. Rumbo, putting a hunky-dory sig 2/4 around 0240. Actually, in the past few weeks my winter cx here have started to fall apart & this is no longer a regular... I'm really gonna miss the exciting mx TICAL pours out, hi. (Baskind, MS)
- 590 MEXICO, Rio Bravo, XEFD, noted worming through WDFW 275 0030 w/call letter ID & poor sig. Aw, the freq is so empty w/o the Cuban... (Baskind, MS)
- 590 MEXICO, México, XEPH, 2/27 0400 w/relay of "La Hora Nacional" pgm & fair sigs. (Baskind, MS)
- 655 EL SALVADOR, San Salvador, YSS, rattling plaster w/inst mx 2/27 0320. (Baskind, MS)
- 660 CUBA, Santa Clara, CMHG, R. Progreso, 1100 2/27. Some mention of "Cadena Nacional", then a pile of crud followed by "desde la Habana Cuba" so guess it's the one, though I hrd no Progreso ID. This on tape after I passed out so couldn't check for //s. (Hall-Patch, BC) (You OD'ed on Sunflower Seeds again? bp)
- 660 t HAITI, Port-au-Prince, HVI, R. lumière, this must be the OM noted in FF 1040-45 2/27. Fair sig but no ID. Gone after 1045. Lotsa QRN to make it difficult. (Hall-Patch, BC)
- 660 ST. LUCIA, Babboneau, likely the one w/what sounded like Caribbean EE & soul mx 0935 3/6. Too much QRN around to be readable. (Portzer, WA)
- 660 ? UNED, 1110 2/27, OM mentioning "centroamericano" a lot and believe I hrd "Nicaraguenses". Heavy reverb hrd about 1108 may have been ID, but audio quality too poor to say. Maybe YNAM. (Hall-Patch, BC)
- 675 COSTA RICA, San José, TIJC, R. Sonora in w/"...la Onda Latina!" promo 2/27 0309. First time hrd-poor sig & high QRM from somewhere. (Baskind, MS)
- 690 CUBA, La Habana, CMBC, 2/27 0741, WTIX off! All alone on freq w/slightly muffled modulation & some sort of ID top of hour & during songs that I couldn't make out, though it wasn't R. Progreso. Good sig. (Baskind, MS)
- 730 GUATEMALA, Guatemala, TGN, 2/24, "O Come All Ye Faithful" lead-in to 1050 s/on, R. Cultural, very good.
- 730 COLOMBIA, Bogotá, HJCU, 2/23 noted Wm Tell Overture excerpt marked 0030 R. Melodía ID, good. (Thomas, last 2)
- 735 t ECUADOR, Quito, HCBGL, 2/22 tentative w/mournful LA mx, OM DJ 0245. Fair level but masked by 730/740 garble. Hets & all gone 0256. Loop & 2 tentative "Melodía"s suggest Ecuador. (Thomas, FL)
- 760 MEXICO, México, XEABC, in w/bad het from you-know-who 274 0501s. Call letter ID & freq, then faded back into the goop forever. (Baskind, MS) (You-know-who seems to be back on frequency lately. bp)
- 780 CUBA, Camaguey, CMJN, faked me out 0930 2/27 by going from mx to mx w/many ments of Nicaragua & Managua. Common sense soon prevailed as the bearing was wrong. 0940 a definite "La Voz de Cuba" ID. Signal subject to erratic fading, but often good strength o/WBBM. (Hall-Patch, BC)
- 825 PANAMA, Macaracas, HOR56, 0556 2/27, R. Peninsula ID noted w/OM shouting o/rhythmic mx. Poor-fair sig. PFM of 825036 w/1 Hz error. No Titania noted. (N H-P)
- 830 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, Santo Domingo, HILB, alone & in the clear w/contemporary SS & LA mx 2/6 0016. Fair-good overall. (Baskind, MS)

- 850 COLOMBIA, Bogotá, HJKC, "Primera Cadena Radial Colombiana" otherwise known as "Caracol". Caught this one w/KOA off. Fantastic signal; mixing w/Mexican (possibly XEROK) but HJKC dominated most of the time 0811-0840 2/27. Just got new rx & this is my first SA. (Burgess, SK) (XEROK is on 800, Ken. The other stn you hrd was probably the Guatemalan. bp)
- 860 NICARAGUA, Managua, YNAV, R. Continental, is seemingly AN now; was noted o/u QRM 0637 2/27 w/laid-back romántica mx & "Cadena Continental" ID 0639. Poor-fair overall. (Baskind, MS)
- 860 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, Santo Domingo, HILR, R. Clarín, 2/27 0637 o/u YNAV w/same type of mx as the Nicaraguan, which made IDing the mess difficult. First definite ID on this one: "R. Clarín...En el corazon del Pueblo!" (Baskind, MS)
+2/22 good w/upbeat LA mx (merengue) & 2330 "R. Clarín" ID. (Thomas, FL)
- 870*****NICARAGUA, Managua, YN--, R. Centro, finally pinpointed (after a fruitless 4½ month vigil listening to endless cuckoos & GMT-6 TCs) 2/4 0057. I managed to get a decent null on WWL w/the TRF's loopstick & the spiral loop...at 0058½ OM went into a series of "R. Managua-R. Centro" ments & at 0101 I hrd a "R. Centro, Managua" way o/WWL. Question: where did this beastie come from? The R. Managua listed for 960 has been rptd there reported there recently by local DXer & IRCA member Robert Forsman, so no ideas here. (Baskind, MS) (It's interesting to note that there is a widely reported Managua stn on 860 & another listed on 880. Either the Managua stns are getting crammed horribly close together or else the stn you hrd isn't really in Managua. Possibly it's a stn in another city relaying a Managua station. bp)
- 880 CUBA, Pinar del Río, CMAF, hrd very well thru unusually weakened KRVN. Pgm in SS 0459-0505 3/4. ID 0500. A pleasant surprise. (Harms, UT)
- 890 GUATEMALA, Guatemala, TGJ, R. Nuevo Mundo in w/sports mx 0259 2/6. Fair sig, but considerable QRM from the Cuban monster. At least WABC was absent. (Baskind, MS) (It's bad enough we can't keep the WABC & WCBS xr sites straight. Now you're getting their freqs mixed up... WABC is on 770, WCBS is on 880, hi. bp)
- t +Apparently the one here various times 0809-0903 3/6 o/u Cuba, u/KRVN OC. Guatemalan elections were held 3/5 & pgmng sounded like election returns w/a couple ID's sounding like R. Nuevo Mundo. (Portzer)
- 890 COLOMBIA, Bogotá, HJCE, IV de Bogotá, plastering WLS w/many IDs, Colombian LA mx 2/4 0227. (Baskind, MS)
- 960 t MEXICO, Nuevo Laredo, XEK, probably the Mexican here though listed for 0400 s/off w/relay of "La Hora Nacional" 0456 2/27. I find it difficult to believe this stn to be one of the low pwr outfits listed by the WRTH (due to the decent sig level during average cx), but one can always wish, right? O/u Cuban. (Baskind, MS)
- 960 CUBA, Sancti-Spiritus, CMHB, 2/27 0456 mostly o/Mexican w/NA & sudden s/off before ID was finished 0500. Poor overall. (Baskind, MS)
- 980 t MEXICO, Tepic, XEXT seems to be the best possibility here 2/27 0453 w/pgm //to most of the Mexicans. Good overall. (Baskind, MS)
- 1000 MEXICO, México, XEOY, R. Mil, noted w/Ranchera mx & usual whistle IS 2/4 0450. (Baskind, MS)
- 1015 EL SALVADOR, San Salvador, YSC, here w/local mx, 3-note IS & full ID 2/5 0316. Fair. (Baskind, MS)
- 1025 COLOMBIA, Ibagué, HJFT, Ecos del Combeima, just barely here w/driving LA dance mx & a simple but legible ID 2/5 0429. (Baskind, MS)
- 1030 MEXICO, México, XEQR, blockbuster KTWO off; xlnt sig, slight QRM from a # of unids 0745-0800 2/27. Sent tape. (Burgess, SK)
- 1050 MEXICO, Monterrey, XEG, monitored for about 15 secs w/their usual religion pgm & ranting 2/4 0440. Well, I hadn't bothered to log them before... (Baskind, MS)
- 1125 COSTA RICA, San José, R. Ellas has been detectable here nightly for the past month, although not necessarily readable every evening. The only ID hrd is R. Ellas & I doubt this stn ever called itself R. Super as was previously reported. (Stanbury, ON) (Chuck Hutton reported them as R. Super w/call, location, & slogan mentioned during ID a couple months ago. bp)
- 1180 MEXICO, México, XEFR, R. Felicidad, hrd again 2/4 0626 w/ID u/WHAM. They must have increased pwr...now becoming a common catch. (Baskind, MS)
- 1180 COLOMBIA, Neiva, HJOV, R. Surcolombiana, 2/6 0325 o/u another unid Colombian w/fast SS mx & weakish sig. (Baskind, MS)
- 1190 MEXICO, Guadalajara, XEWK, blasting in 2/6 0325 w/XEW ID. (Baskind, MS)

- 1220 MEXICO, México, DF, XEB, in well w/harpsichord mx // to all the others 2/27 0413 during fast Mexican band-search...I've started to log the regular XE's that I've been too lazy to spend time on otherwise by IDing their //s when they run "La Hora Nacional" Sunday nights. (Baskind, MS)
- 1270 MEXICO, Nogales, XENY, 3/4 0435-0440 SS talk & SS mx, frequent R. Geny IDs in fair-good o/another SS stn. (Harms, UT)
- 1410 MEXICO, México, XEBS, R. Sinfonola, 2/26 0623 w/7-note electronic IS (like ABC TV's "Newsbreak" synthesizer tones) u/local WUNI's clean but powerful sig. A bit of a surprise as the domestic was not in null. (Baskind)
- 1460 h NICARAGUA, Jinotega, YNTJ, Ecos de las Brumas, sounding good on 2nd harmonic 2920 w/romantica & rancheroish mx 0211 2/14. (Baskind, MS)
- 1580 MEXICO, Hermosillo, XEDM, singing & spoken IDs for "La Grande de Sonora". Not bad thru American stn garbaje, faded in & out in 3 min intervals. QRM from CKTA-1570 1241-1255 2/26. (Burgess, SK)
- 1597 t DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, Santo Domingo, HIEG, R. Fémina believed the one here from 0145 past 0200 2/28. Am 99% certain but they seemed to ID as R. Fem instead of Fémina. (Stanbury, ON)

PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 660 NEW ZEALAND, Wellington, 2YC, in fair w/opera and horrible QRN 0940 2/27. (Portzer, WA)

DOMESTIC "BEWARE" ROUNDUP

- 1310 NJ, Camden, WCAM has SS weeknights from 0000. Am not sure of weekend sked but they have Greek ("The Hellenic Hour") until 2400 Sat. (Stanbury, ON)

VERIFICATIONS

- 660 ST. LUCIA, Castries, R. St. Lucia, v/1 in about 3 weeks for written rpt & tape. Signed by Linford Fevrier, no title given but "for Chief Engineer". Correct address is P.O. Box 660, Castries. The new stn on 1090 kHz is a 1 kw repeater serving the southern part of the island, no xr location given. (Merriman, VA)
- 1134 INDONESIA, Banjarmasin, RRI, reply in 45 days by v/1. Address per WRTH, v/s A. Njongki BA., Chief of Station at Banjarmasin. Gave BC sked as follows: 2200-0100 on 3250, 0400-0700 on 5970, 0900-1500 on 1134/3250. The reply was friendly although not as specific as it could have been. (Peterson, CA) (Congratulations!! First NA verie of Indonesia on ECB as far as I know.bp)
- 1548 a TURKS & CAIGOS ISLANDS, VST, Turks Island R., prepared card rxd 3/4/78 For written rpt & tape of reception on 10/15/76 after several f/ups, the last of which was sent 9/9/77. Signed by W.G. Grant, no title given. Note: on the card says the pgm I hrd was "The Late Scene". Date he signed the card was 9/14/77 but not mailed until 2/28/78 for some reason. Country #93 here - am I the first to get a verie from this one? (Merriman, VA) (Not sure. bp)

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Frog & loop

Since this is the anniversary issue, here's my autobiography. I'm 26, married, and have been DXing for 14 years. I work for the City of Seattle as a Communications Engineer where I'm involved in solving various technical problems involving the Police & Fire Department's radio systems and trying to conjure up ways to reduce the city's \$1 million a year phone
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bill. Equipment in the shack includes Hammarlund HQ-180A, Yaesu FRG-7, Northern M620, Sanyo RP-7220, and RCA BC-348 receivers, Heath SB-620 panadapter, Sony TC-355 tape deck, Krohn-Hite 310AB bandpass filter, LM-14 freq meter, Heath IO-102 scope, Radio Shack xtal calibrator, and miscellaneous couplers, switching boxes, audio amp, etc. The Motley crew of antennas includes a 4' box loop that tries to eat unsuspecting DXers (Oldfield found out the hard way), SM-2, an inverted "I" in the attic, and a random length aerial that runs 75' in 6 different directions. Main BCB DX interests are foreign DX and anything technical; domestic DX runs a respectable but distant third. In addition to this column, I also edit a column called "President's Report", hi. Perhaps it's just me but I'm finding in recent years that DXing is becoming more of a social experience: phone conversations, get-togethers, and the like are starting to become a way of life around here. Fortunately, I'm married to a person who is fascinated by the social goings-on in the hobby -- she's really amazed by the weird and kooky people I call friends, even though it's just a simple case of birds of a feather flocking together, hi. On another note, at a fund-raising book sale for the Seattle Public Library last weekend I found a real bargain, a hardbound copy of the '76 Broadcasting Yearbook for 75¢. The only thing wrong with it was that some thoughtless soul had ripped out the pages for Washington. At that same sale I also picked up what should be a good item for the auction at this summer's convention -- a Malaysian Telephone Directory! Time to s/off again. 73.

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SLOGAN ID'S ON DOMESTIC STATIONS

by Nick Hall-Patch

In recent years, more and more stations on the BCB have begun to use slogans loosely based on call letters to identify the station. The only time one might hear a spelled-out call letter ID would be at the top of the hour when US stations are required to formally identify. The rest of the time you're trying to figure out what "K-96" or something is supposed to mean. Following is a list of some station slogans which I have noted myself or seen recently in DXM. Some, like my local "C-fax" indicate quite well which station you are listening to. Others, like "K-96" above are meaningless unless you can also get a mention of the location, although so far, I think there's only one "K-96" on 960. Anyway, here goes:

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 550 "I-55"--KMVI-HI | 1270 K-C 1270--KCOK-CA |
| 570 "Club 57 Radio"--KLUB-UT | 1270 "Fraser Valley Radio" |
| 610 "NL Radio"--CHNL-BC (& twins) | --CHWK-BC (& twin) |
| 620 "Central Interior Radio" | 1290 "K-cub"--KCLUB-AZ |
| --CJCI-BC (& twins) | 1300 "Compass"--KMPS-WA |
| 630 "Chedd"--CHED-AB | 1310 "K-131"--KIOT-CA |
| 650 "65-kick"--KIKK-TX | 1310 "KR-13"--WKKR-MI |
| 710 "kTro"--KIRO-WA | 1310 "Country kerry" KARY-WA |
| 710 "Big Wuff"--WUFF-GA | 1330 "Couple"--KUPL-OR |
| 720 "K-dawn"--KDWN-NV | 1340 "K-mack"--KMAK-CA |
| 730 "Seven radio"--KSVN-UT | 1350 "Honey radio"WHNE-VA |
| 790 "Quickie radio"--WQXI-GA | 1370 "K-warm"--KWRM-CA |
| 800 "Big Hoss radio"--WHOS-AL | 1380 "RKO-14"--KRRQ-WA |
| 940 "K-free"--KFRE-CA | 1400 "K-sly"--KSLY-CA |
| 950 "Radio Southern Manitoba" | 1410 "C-fun"--CFUN-BC |
| --CHSM-MB (& twins) | 1440 "14-Q"--WFTQ-MA |
| 950 "K-high"--KAHI-CA | 1440 "Coast Radio"--CFCP-BC |
| 960 "Cable"--KABL-CA | & CFWB-1490-BC |
| 960 "K-96"--KAYK-UT | 1440 "K-sugar"--KSGR-AZ |
| 1010 "K-101"--KIQI-CA | 1450 "K-tip"--KTIP-CA |
| 1020 "10-Q"--KTNQ-CA | 1460 "K-don"--KDON-CA |
| 1040 "K-poy 100"--KPOI-HI | 1460 "Waxey"--WAXC-NY |
| 1070 "C-fax"--CFAX-BC | 1490 "Cougar radio" |
| 1080 "K-108"--KIOE-HI | --KUGR-WY |
| 1150 "Big D Country"--WJRD-AL | 1540 "K-kap"--KKAP-CA |
| 1150 "Key radio"--KKEY-OR | 1540 "Kazam"--KZAM-WA |
| 1150 "Country kayo"--KAYO-WA | 1550 "15 Country"KYXX-MO |
| 1170 "KG Country"--CKGY-AB | 1550 "15 Super Soul" |
| 1260 "Lake 1260"--WLKK-PA | --WBSC-SC |
| | 1550 "Cargo"--KRG0-UT |

I'm sure that there are many other slogans which might be of use to the membership. You may think of your local as "99-Q" (is there such an animal??), but that slogan may be the only clue another DX'er has heard which can identify his mystery. Why not make out a list of slogans that your locals and semi-locals use consistently, and send them to Bruce Goldsen, 27 Spruce Hill Road, Georgetown, CT 06829, for inclusion in his Radio Programming Notes column. Also, some stations simulcast their FM after local midnight, so we might end up with some "Stereo 98" type slogans. If you know anything about such slogans, send 'em in. -30-

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Trans-Atlantic Stations...

Bangladesh. A new 20 kw transmitter at Sylhet is due soon; two 100 kw transmitters at Khulna (558kha) and Chittagong (873 khz) and one at Rajshahi on 846 khz are due. (IDXCI via MWN). (Frequencies given are 1978 frequencies.)

Clandestine. The Voice of the Free Canary Islands, carried over Algiers, has suspended its transmissions 2100-2200 in Spanish on 7060 and 890 kha. These two channels now carry Radio Algiers domestic service in FF. The leader of the Canary Islands Liberation movement, the MPAIAC, has confirmed the station closedown.

The Voice of the Free Sahara is now on the air on 575 khz 2100-2200. AA is used to 2130, followed by SS or FF.

The Voice of the Revolution, the Voice of the Peoples Front for the Liberation of Oman, is broadcast over Radio Libya 2000-2015 in AA on 11700, 9650, and 8100 khz and on MW. This replaces the Voice of the Sudanese Nation which was on the air via Tripoli 2000-2030 during the fall of 1977.

The Voice of the Chadian Revolution broadcasts on 827 khz with AA and FF announcements 1800-1810, in FF 1810-1835 and in AA 1835-1900. (All the above from SCDX 1468).

Czechoslovakia. A new 1500 kw transmitter in Topolna is due on the air on June 1, 1978 on 272 khz, 24 hours a day. (MWN)

Germany. Felsburg-180 khz and the East German on 185 khz have moved co-channel to 182 khz on Jan. 5, 1978, but both reverted to their original frequencies on the 13th of January. Perhaps they were testing the co-channel. (MWN).

Ireland. There are now two pirates in Dublin almost on fulltime operation-- Radio Dublin-1183 and ARD (Alternate Radio Dublin)-1159. ARD began a midday to midnight schedule on Jan. 16. They have found a loophole in the law and are now operating almost above the law, selling ads. RTE is very worried and has announced that there will be a local station in Dublin within two months from 0730-0200. Five top RTE DJs are considering moving to these stations. Claims are that the pirates have up to 300,000 listeners. The London Daily Telegraph has reported that the Irish government will introduce legislation to close these two stations. RTE Radio Dublin will be on 1250 in March. ARD will take RTE to the High Court to try to end their monopoly of the air. (MWN)

Great Britain. Radio Pennine changed a loss of £ 68,000 in its first year into a profit of £ 36,000 for 1977. As of March 1, Radio Tees will be on a 24 hour schedule. (MWN).

International Waters The Voice of Peace is on 1538 khz with 75 kw of power. Caroline may resume its English Service on 557 according to Continental sources. (MWN).

Iran. IDXCI reports an unlisted new Iranian on 605 from Farasi. JIROPT(?) reported on 917 about 1820 UT //1188-Ahwaz is now on 1386 ex 1390; Kerman on 1062 about 1645 UT is also //1188. (MWN)

Masirah Island. The BBC MW relay center was due to open again in January, with the SW transmitters returning between spring and mid-1978. It is reported that 1410/12 is back on the air as of February 2. (MWN)

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty. The Warsaw Pact Countries, through Russia, have been offered time to put on their views and criticisms, but the offer was turned down because these stations are said to "organize ideological subversion." Radio Liberty, Chinese, and Israeli stations are constantly jammed. RFE is jammed selectively, but not at all by Hungary or Rumania. BBC and VOA broadcasts are not jammed at present. (MWN).

Tunisia. Monastir now is on 1570 (ex 1582 and 1588) from 0800/1030 and 1530/1630.

U.S.S.R. Radio Moscow in recent years has had a policy of verifying, at least for SW, only the date, time and frequency. In recent months, however, it has appeared that they have changed their verification policy to indicate transmitter site on the cards. However, they will only verify reports written in the language of the transmission heard. (NZDXT, February 1978).

A new Radio Moscow external service station is on 1142 from January 1; in GG 1600; Danish 1700; Dutch 1730; Radio Minsk E.S./Byelorussian 1800; Italian 1830-1900; Dutch 1930; EE 2000; Danish 2030; and EE 2100-2230. (SCDX via MWN).

Trans-Pacific Stations...

Australia. The union-backed Wollongong City Radio Ltd. has received permission to operate Wollongong's second commercial station, after three years of waiting. The new stations hopes to be on the air in six months and to operate continuously with up-tempo contemporary music format, news, community affairs, and ethnic programs. There still might be a challenge from any one of the three unsuccessful applicants. (NZDXT, 2/78)

The 2BE-750 translator has been delayed until February. 6MW-1030, New Comm Port Hedland is now on the air. 2CT-710 is not expected on before March. (NZDXT 2/78)

Hawaii. There was a disastrous fire at Alan Roycroft's installation on Kamani Street, Honolulu. The four stations sharing that tower were off the air until emergency repairs could be made. They are KIKI, KHVH, KORL and KZOO. KORL is now broadcasting from the KGMB antenna; the rest are back in operation on Kamani Street after an almost non-stop two days of work by Roycroft and his crew. KKUA-690 recently installed a new 10 kw transmitter. KGU reportedly has been sold with new owners to take over operation soon. KPOI studios have been relocated at 741 Bishop Street in downtown Honolulu. (NZDXT 2/78).

New Zealand Radio Sunshine will apply for a permanent station in Balclutha. They are also planning for a month-long temporary license in May of this year.

Mini-stations area proposed by R. New Zealand for Ashburton and Oamaru to broadcast local programs between 0600-0900 LT. The two stations, provisionally called Radio Ashburton and Radio Waitaki, could then move to further local programming between midday and 1400 LT.

12B-Auckland will move to 1080 on April 1.

Radio n was an experimental station licensed from 19 Dec. 1977 to 2 Jan. 1978 on 1300 khz from Waimiomata, a suburb of Wellington. Power was 100 watts, but only about 20% of this was radiated, due to the lack of height of the antenna, a 20 foot high T, similar to that currently used by 22M, Wellington. The station was heard in some parts on NZ. It operated on weekdays 0800-1100 and 1300-2000 LT. It was operated by the Wellington Broadcasting Association, Inc. Organizer was 15 year old Rex Widerstrom. (NZDXT, 2/78).

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HEADQUARTERS' ITEMS

- JOHN GALLARMAN, 1122 Maple St., Mt. Vernon, IL 62864, member of IRGA and NRC and editor of the very excellent "NRC DOMESTIC LOG" requests help from you members. John is in the process of typing the 1978 NRC Log master copy and could use help on fulltimers' schedules and all stations formats and newscast times. The format code used by John in the log is:
- POP = Contemporary. Mostly current hits or records that sound like current hits.
 - T40 = Very tight playlist of current hits, with much repetition.
 - ROK = Current pop hits limited to rock tunes.
 - AOR = album-oriented or progressive rock, heavy metal sounds.
 - POP & ROL = POP and ROK with about half or more Oldies.
 - OLD = all oldies from about 1955 on.
 - MOR = Middle of the Road now has a fairly narrow definition, and is best exemplified by the Entertainers syndicated format. It'll have a handful of light rock things, such as Chicago and Elton John's smoother numbers, some old standard artists like Sinatra and Dean Martin, and a lot of stuff like Captain and Tennille, Neil Sedaka, Barbra Streisand, Neil Diamond etc.
- Conservative music includes:
- BFL = Beautiful music, mostly strings, 75-80 % instrumental and only one soft vocal per quarter hour.
 - EZL = Livelier than BFL, more brass and reeds and about half-vocal (no rock)
 - STD = A lot of vocal solos by people like Sinatra, Martin, Andy Williams and orchestra covers of hit records
 - BBD = Big Band and hits prior to 1955.
- Country breaks down to:
- G&W = Traditional country, with fiddles and clangy guitars
 - GWM = Modern country with violins and vocal choral backgrounds.
- Others
- B:SOL = is a Black-oriented station that plays soul music
 - B:DIS = is a Black-oriented station that plays Disco.
 - MRK = is Mello-Rock
 - GBG = is a Grab-Bag station with no discernible music format.
 - VAR = is one that programs blocks of different kinds of music and/or information.
 - NWS = All News.
 - INF = All news and information, like interview programs and features.
 - TLK = Telephone talk, with news blocks.
 - MAG = Magazine format, music intermixed with news and talk features.

Radio Programming Notes

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RPN Special Feature: North Carolina News Network.

- 560 **WGAI** Elizabeth City(1kw-D,.5-N)
- 590 **WGTM** Wilson (5-U)
- 740 **WMBL** Morehead City (1-D)
- 760 **WCPS** Tarboro (1-D)
- 810 **WCEC** Rocky Mount (1-D)
- 860 **WFMO** Fairmont (1-D)
- 880 **WRRZ** Clinton (1-D)
- 900 **WIAM** Williamston (1-D)
- 930 **WITN** Washington (5-D,1-N)
- 970 **WRCS** Ahoskie (1-D)
- 990 **WEEB** Southern Pines (5-D)
- WBTE** Windsor (1-D)
- 1050 **WWGP** Sanford (1-D)
- 1080 **WEWO** Laurinburg (5-D,1-CH)
- 1090 **WKTE** King (1-D)
- WBZB** Selma (1-D)
- 1150 **WGBR** Goldsboro (5-D,1-N)
- 1220 **WENC** Whiteville (5-D)
- 1230 **WSKY** Asheville (1-D,.25-N)
- WCBT** Roanoke Rapids (1-D,.25-N)
- 1240 **WIST** Charlotte (1-D,.25-N)
- 1250 **WVAG** Farmville (.5-D)
- 1260 **WGWR** Asheboro (5-D,.5-N)
- WCDJ** Edenton (1-D)
- 1280 **WYAL** Scotland Neck (5-D)
- 1340 **WGNI** Wilmington (1-D,.25-N)
- WATR** Winston-Salem (1-D,.25-N)
- 1400 **WCBG** Greensboro (1-D,.25-N)
- WSIC** Statesville (1-D,.25-N)
- WLSE** Wallace (1-D,.25-N)
- 1410 **WEGO** Concord (1-D)
- 1420 **WGAS** S. Gastonia (.5-D)
- 1430 **WRXO** Roxboro (1-D)
- 1440 **WBLA** Elizabethtown (1-D)
- WBUY** Lexington (5-D,1-N)
- 1450 **WIZS** Henderson (1-D,.25-N)
- WHIT** New Bern (1-D,.25-N)
- 1470 **WPNC** Plymouth (1-D)
- 1480 **WYRN** Louisburg (.5-D)
- 1490 **WSVM** Valdese (1-D,.25-N)
- 1520 **WDSL** Mocksville (5-D,1-CH)
- 1530 **WOBR** Wanchese (.25-D)
- 1570 **WTLK** Taylorsville (.5-D)
- 1580 **WZKY** Albemarle (.25-D)

----44 stations. NCNN broadcasts news throughout the day from the flagship FMstn in Raleigh. Address: 130 S. Salisbury St., Box 1988, Raleigh, NC 27602. Please report any errors or changes to above (editor's) address. Thanks. (2)

---Because I just thought of it, here is the Atlanta "Constitution" Radio Log, acquired on my recent trip there:

- 590 **WPLO** Atlanta (5kw-U);c/w//GA News Network
- 680 **WRNG** N. Atlanta(25-D,CP:10-N);talk & news//UPI nx
- 750 **WSB** Atlanta (50-U);Variety, talk,mx,nx//NBC
- 790 **WQXI** Atlanta (5-D,1-N,DA-N); Top40
- 860 **WXAP** Atlanta (1-D); Jazz, Gospel//GA Nx Net.
- 920 **WGST** Atlanta (5-D,1-N); All-Nx//ABC/E
- 970 **WIIN** Atlanta (5-D,DA); Popular//MBS
- 1010 **WGUN** Atlanta (50-D);c/w
- 1080 **WCOB** Marietta(10-D,DA);Nostalgia//MBS
- 1190 **WGKA** Atlanta (1-D); Classical//GA Nx Network
- 1230 **WFOM** Marietta(1-D,.25-N);Top40//ABC/C
- 1260 **WTJH** East Point(5-D); Gospel
- 1310 **WXLL** Decatur (.5-D); Gospel,Disco//ABC/I
- 1340 **WIGO** Atlanta (1-D,.25-N);Soul//ABC/C,MBS Black
- 1360 **WIAW** Lawrenceville(1-D);c/w
- 1380 **WAOK** Atlanta (5-U,DA-N);soul,r&b//NBN
- 1420 **WAVO** Decatur (1-D,DA);religious
- 1460 **WDYX** Buford (5-D); Popular//GA News Network
- 1480 **WYZE** Atlanta (5-D); Jazz//MBS, UPI Audio Nx
- 1520 **WDGL** Douglasville(1-D,.5-N);Contemporary//APR
- 1550 **WYNX** Smyrna (10-D); gospel,religious
- 1570 **WSSA** Morrow (1-D); c/w
- 1600 **WACX** Austell (1-D); c/w,gospel//GA News Net.

Raleigh-Durham (NC) Radio Log:

- 570 **WLLE** Raleigh(.5-D); Black//Mutual Black Net
 - 620 **WDNC** Durham (5-D,1-N,DA-2);Black,MOR//CBS
 - 680 **WPTF** Raleigh(50-U,DA-N);MOR,farm//NBC
 - 850 **WKIX** Raleigh(10-D,5-N,DA-N);Top40,Contemp.
 - 1240 **WRNC** Raleigh(1-D,.25-N);religious
 - 1310 **WTIK** Durham (5-D,1-N,DA-2);c/w//MBS
 - 1360 **WCHL** Chapel Hill(1-U,DA-N);contemp//MBS
 - 1410 **WSRC** Durham (1-D); Black//NBN
 - 1490 **WDUR** Durham (1-D,.25-N);contemp//ABC/C
 - 1550 **WYNA** Raleigh(1-D); modern c/w//ABC/E,Tarheel Nx
 - 1530 **WRBX** Chapel Hill(5-D,DA);contemp.Christian//Ae
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-----CORRECTIONS & CHANGES-----

Additions, Deletions and Changes to the ABC/Contemporary Network List, based on a list published in the 2/13/78 "Broadcasting" used by permission, compiled by Bill Hardy.

Make the following changes to the ABC/C station list in the 5/5/77 **DXM**, pages 367-368:

- ADD:**
- 570 **KVI** Seattle, WA
 - 630 **KIDO** Boise, ID
 - 740 **WBGY** Tullahoma, TN
 - 830 **KIKI** Honolulu, HI
 - WCCO** Minneapolis, MN
 - 910 **KOYN** Billings, MT
 - 930 **WJAX** Jacksonville, FL
 - 940 **KBRE** Cedar City, UT
 - 970 **KDCE** Espanola, NM
 - 1000 **WIOO** Carlisle, PA
 - 1090 **KAAY** Little Rock, AR
 - 1130 **WKED** Frankfort, KY
 - 1150 **KIIS** Los Angeles, CA
 - WACQ** Boston, MA
 - 1170 **KSTT** Davenport, IA
 - 1230 **KRIZ** Phoenix, AZ
 - KEXO** Grand Junction,CO
 - KHSN** Coos Bay, OR
 - WNOK** Columbia, SC
 - KPRQ** Murray, UT
 - 1270 **WXYZ** Detroit, MI
 - 1300 **KROP** Brawley, CA
 - 1310 **KOYL** Odessa, TX
 - 1340 **WBBQ** Augusta, GA
 - KYLT** Missoula, MT
 - 1360 **WMFC** Monroeville, AL
 - KKBJ** Bemidji, MN
 - 1370 **WZYQ** Frederick,MD
 - WKFD** Wickford, RI
 - 1390 **KCBS** Des Moines,IA
 - 1430 **WQPD** Lakeland, FL
 - 1450 **WHDL** Olean, NY
 - 1460 **WRKR** Racine, WI
 - 1470 **KNDE** Sacramento, CA
 - 1480 **KSEE** Santa Maria, CA
 - 1510 **KIRV** Fresno, CA
 - 1520 **KACY** Port Hueneme,CA
 - 1540 **KXEL** Waterloo, IA
 - 1550 **KEDD** Dodge City,KS
 - 1590 **WCSL** Cherryville,NC
- Call Changes (still affils):
- 990 **WZZD** Philadelphia,PA(ex-WLEG)
 - 1240 **WBCF** Florence, AL (ex-WOWL)
 - 1490 **WDUR** Durham, NC (ex-WSSB)
- DELETE:**
- 540 **KNOE** Monroe,LA
 - 600 **KTBB** Tyler, TX
 - 740 **WIRJ** Humboldt, TX
 - 790 **WRUM** Rumford, ME
 - 800 **KBUH** Brigham City,UT
 - 900 **WATK** Antigo,WI
 - 930 **KSWB** Seaside, OR
 - 970 **WYPR** Danville,VA
 - 980 **WFHG** Bristol, VA
 - 1010 **WMOX** Meridian,MS
 - 1050 **WDZ** Decatur, GA
 - KLPL** Lake Providence,LA
 - 1230 **WISP** Kinston, NC
 - 1240 **KROY** Sacramento, CA
 - WKQY** Bluefield, WV
 - 1250 **KALO** Little Rock, AR
 - 1290 **WPBG** Altoona, PA
 - 1310 **WORC** Worcester, MA
 - 1330 **WJPS** Evansville, IL
 - 1340 **KMTI** Manti, UT
 - 1360 **WGFA** Watseka, IL
 - WKMI** Kalamazoo,MI
 - KXOL** Fort Worth, TX
 - 1390 **WEAM** Arlington,VA
 - WRSC** State College,PA
 - 1400 **WFEC** Harrisburg,PA
 - 1410 **KKYR** Marshall, TX
 - 1420 **KSTN** Stockton, CA
 - 1470 **WVBS** Burgaw, NC
 - 1480 **WRDW** Augusta, GA
 - 1520 **WKPG** Port Gibson,MS
 - 1550 **KGAR** Vancouver, WA
 - 1590 **WQTC** Two Rivers, WI
- Other Changes/Correcti
- 1060 **KLMO** also serves Bou
 - 1400 **KDTA** Delta, CO
 - WJLD** Homewood, AL
 - 1440 **WJBQ** also Portland,ME
 - 1450 **KBWW** also Wahpeton,ND
 - 1470 **WVOL** also Berry Hill,TN
 - 1480 **WIOS** also East Tawas,MI
 - 1490 **WRLD** also West Point,GA



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		DOMESTIC HEARD		LAST ENTRY	
PM	PS	ENTRANT	TP	T#S	ENTRY
1	1	Nittler (NE)	1589	217	3/ 3/78
3	2	Collela (NY)	1419	163	2/ 6/78
2	3	Morby, R. (NY)	1382	136	2/ 6/78
4	4	Hardy, N. (WA)	1142	122	3/ 6/78
6	5	Hardy, B. (WA)	1079	116	3/ 6/78
5	6	Hall-Patch (BC)	1010	94	3/ 3/78
9	7	Wolfish (ON)	973	101	3/ 3/78
6	8	Morby, L. (KY)	899	112	3/ 6/78
10	9	Hammer (OH)	800	93	2/ 5/78
12	10	Olemmer (IL)	751	78	1/ 6/78
13	11	Wheeler (PA)	691	97	3/ 5/78
8	12	Ryan (AL)	678	101	1/ 5/78
11	13	Mount (NJ)	657	67	2/ 5/78
14	14	Hogan (IN)	418	48	1/15/78
--	15	Eddie (MO)	381	50	2/ 6/78
12	16	Anderson (NY)	379	33	10/ 3/77
--	17	Rice (NY)	0	0	-- --

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2	1	Eddie (Mo)	57	10	2/ 6/78
1	2	Olemmer (IL)	11	1	11/ 5/77

FOREIGN CONTEST

No entries to date

Additional Tips on Modifying the Realistic
"TRF" for 10 kHz Read-out

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Since writing the article on re-calibrating the TRF, the experience of modifying additional TRF's, questions from members, and recently discovered procedural alternatives warrant a brief follow-up of the procedure.

Pen--The original article was written with utmost frequency resolution in mind. That is, we felt that if split frequency resolution were desired, read-out should be limited by one's ability to estimate physical distances, not by wide, ambiguous frequency marks. To this end, we recommended that a .1mm drafting pen be used. Even less critical resolution (i.e., domestic DX'ing) required a very narrow line width like that obtainable with a drafting pen. Unfortunately, the cost of this type of pen (about \$10) was somewhat prohibitive. Since the original article was written we've continued searching for a less expensive alternative. Happily, Flair recently began marketing an "ultra fine" tipped pen (\$.69) which does produce acceptable results. If used with a minimum of pressure on the point, this pen will produce lines with widths in the .3mm-.5mm range, which is adequate for TRF re-calibration. The Flair's ink, however, is not permanent (i.e., it runs when exposed to moisture) and the lines are not as cleanly drawn as with the drafting pen, but these drawbacks can be counteracted. First of all, to protect the new scale from moisture, apply a transparent, dry transfer tinting screen. Ideal for this purpose are those made by Zip-a-tone (\$1.50/sheet at art, hobby, and drafting supply stores). These tints are available in dozens of colors and densities but we've found that "cool grey" (#2702) and "yellow green" (#2663) are among those most suitable for dial scale applications. Using a tinting screen also allows the use of readily available (even at most drugstores) white stock poster board since the tinting very effectively eliminates glare. Choose a low porosity, semi-gloss poster board (not an art mat board) to reduce the feathering of lines caused by the Flair's lower viscosity ink. Using the preceding procedure, results will be favorably comparable to those attained with the more expensive drafting pen.

Removing the dial face plate--On some TRF's the face plate has been removed with simply a firm nudge. On others it has been necessary to add a measure of grunting, swearing, and a teeth-gritting commitment not to be out-done by a piece of plastic and a glob of glue. Following is the detailed procedure we've found to be most effective in removing the face plate:
Lay the front of the TRF on a book or table top such that the tuning knob overhangs the surface and the face plate frame is flush against the surface. With an unsharpened pencil, the blunt end of which has been wrapped with a handkerchief, a firm downward push to the face plate with the eraser end will rupture (only) the glue. If necessary, after freeing one end of the face plate, take something akin to a popsicle stick and with it wedged under the face plate, slide it along the edges, releasing the remainder of the glue.

Re-calibration--(A) The "refined" re-calibration procedure which involved using the stock pointer as a straight-edge but was untested at the time the original article was written has now been tested and it works beautifully (maintain a constant pen angle for optimum accuracy!). (B) It should go without saying that the TRF should warm up for 20-30 minutes before re-calibrating even though the pre- and post-warm-up calibration error is usually very small.

Dial pointer--The parallax error that occurs when using the ball-type pointer can be reduced to an absolute minimum simply by bending the ball tip slightly outward with wire cutters (pliers are too broad-nosed).

Face plate--To prevent a shadow from being cast on the dial scale by the new black border framing the scale "window," allow a 1/8" gap above the top of the scale. In other words, shift the 3/4" masking tape slightly upward from the bottom stock black border before painting.

Tweaking--By all means, tweak your TRF. While all of the TRF's we've seen have been in the ball park alignment-wise, all could be improved by careful tweaking.

In conclusion, the re-calibration procedure is actually much simpler than it may seem. (Note, however, that some TRF's are easier to recalibrate than others due to differences in selectivity and stability so you might want to put off removing the stock dial scale and pointer until the end just in case you want to return to the stock situation). With a little patience, you should be able to produce a neat (don't use the original article's photos as a standard...that was our very first, crude attempt), accurate scale. As always, questions or suggestions for improvement are welcome.

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700 WLW q unsigned TJC
710 CJRN l Harry Pressey, Eng. NW
KIRO q David L. Hubert, CE WJH
WZOO l Bill Cox, PD DN
740 CBX q unsigned WJH/RS
KCMC l+cm+r James Cameron, Studio Technician DN
KRMG f Ty Stites, Studio Sup. NW
770 KOB q "Management" WJH/TJC
780 ZVBI f+c E.W. Brewley, GM DN
790 CKSO q H. Frauscher, CE RAL
KGHL q Fred Bartlett, CE RS
800 CKLW q Ed Buterbaugh, CE NW
810 CHQR l+cm Mel Hoyme, TD LN
WGY q unsigned SS
WQIZ cm Clarence Jones, Mgr. DN
820 WBAP q unreadable SS/WJH
834 Belize q S. Welch, Chief BCing Officer DN
850 KOA q unsigned WJH
WJAD l Theodore E. Campbell, CE NW
WKIX q Terry L. Tucker, CE SS
860 WLBG r Bill Hogan, Mgr. DN

880	WCBS	q	C. Dobson	NW	1420	WDBF	l+r+cm Paul Dunn, PD	DN
	WRRZ	l	Andy Stewart, Music Director	DN		WIMS	l+q Chuck Smith, Asst. CE	SAM
890	WLS	q	unsigned	WJH		WLET	l Jan J. Bethke, CE	DN
900	WATV	l	Joseph A. Dentici, CE	DN	1430	WIL	q M. Hart, CE	DD
	WFIA	q	??? Lancaster, Mgr.	DN	1440	KEYS	f Marc Parma, Chief Operator	SAM
	WJTH	l+r	??? Thomas, Mgr.	DN	1450	CFJR	l J.A. Radford, CE	NW
910	KLCN	l+r	Johnny Bridges, CE	DD		KRBN	l Bruce Branick ex W5EXE, Stn. Eng.	WJH
	WBRJ	q	J.O. (?) Hamilton, CE	DD		WDAD	rate cards Dyle J. Miller, CE	DN
920	CBO	q+f	Mrs. G. Ethler, Public Relations	NW	1470	KELA	q W.H. Elton, CE	WJH
	CKNX	f	S.C. Reid, Dir. of Eng.	NW		WBTX	f+cm John P. Mueller, Opns. Mgr.	NW
	KARN	q	Jeff Gulick, CE WBSWRX/unsigned	RAL/	1480	WMQM	l Sam Felts, PD	DN
	WJAR	q	Craig Healy, Radio Eng. NRC/IRCA	RAL	1490	WESL	l John Fischer, TD	DD
940	CJGX	q	Harry Kerr, Eng.	RS		WSIB	l Agnes J. Kennedy, Traffic Mgr.	DN
	WCPC	f	Rick Huffman, Promo Dir.	DD		WTUP	l Truman Patterson, CE	DD
950	KJR	l	Lee Hurley, TD	WJH		WYTL	l John B. Wittenmeier, Dir. of Eng.	DD
	KIMN	l	William Leahy, Chief Verie Signer	RS	1510	WRGI	l+cm Robert R. Michael, GM	DN
	WXLW	l	Tim Bereman, Production Mgr.	DN		WSWJ	l+cm William O. (Bill) West, Exec. VP	DN
	WWJ	l	Thomas H. Montgomery, CE	TJC	1530	WCRJ	l+cm Tim Coleman, CE	DN
970	WFLA	q	Patrick McLaughlin, CE	DN		WOBR	q unreadable, Mgr.	DN
980	CBV	q	H. Grenier, Public Relations	NW		WTHO	l Randy Crutfield	SAM
	WBOP	l	Wayne Coleman, Mgr.	DN	1540	KXEL	q Tony Thill, CE	TJC
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Thanks again everyone, especially first time contributors. Nice to see Wisconsin dominating the column. Next deadline will be March 27 and then April 24. By the way, my report of KPMC in CDXR a while back had a rather bad typo...it was indeed KMPC that I heard. Keep on DXing and verifying folks. 73.

Laws Not on the Books (Yet)

C. J. Zimmerman, *Managers Magazine*, Sept., p. 39



Murphy's Law: Nothing is as easy as it looks; everything takes longer than you expect; and if anything can go wrong, it will and at the worst possible moment.

Weiler's Law: Nothing is impossible for the person who doesn't have to do it.

Finagle's Law: Once a job is fouled up, anything done to improve it makes it worse.

Chivolin's Law: Anytime things appear to be going better, you have overlooked something.

Donsen's Law: The specialist learns more and more about less and less until he knows everything about nothing, while the generalist learns less and less about more and more until he knows nothing about everything.

Gumperson's Law: The probability of anything happening is in inverse proportion to its desirability.

Douglass' Law: Clutter tends to expand to fill the space available for its retention.

Zimmerman's Law: Regardless of whether a mission expands or contracts, administrative overhead continues to grow at a steady rate.

Man's Law: No matter what happens, there is always somebody who knew it would.

Conway's Conundrum: Man is the only animal in the world who can take two steps backward for every step forward and still make progress.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Year ended 31 August 1977
(UNAUDITED)

BALANCE SHEETS
31 August 1976 & 1977

	<u>ASSETS</u>	
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
Cash	\$1178.46	\$1159.53
Savings Accounts	1677.01	2108.60
Pub. & Admin Suppl.	284.27	275.83
Membership Suppl.	--	7.84
Inventory	<u>648.77</u>	<u>719.53</u>
Total Current Assets	3788.51	4271.33
Pub. Equip.	1044.19	1044.19
less Accum. Depr. (375.33)	<u>668.66</u>	<u>(474.17)</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$4457.37</u>	<u>\$4841.35</u>

LIABILITIES AND GENERAL FUND BALANCE

Accounts Payable	\$ --	\$ 326.32
Deferred Membership	2795.01	2887.22
Gen. Fund Bal.	<u>1662.36</u>	<u>1627.81</u>
Total Liabilities and General Fund Balance	<u>\$4457.37</u>	<u>\$4841.35</u>

INCOME STATEMENT
For the Year Ended 08/31/77

	<u>INCOME</u>
Income From Dues	\$4775.18
Merchandise Sales	1302.02
Interest	81.04
Other Income	<u>134.81</u>
Total Income	<u>\$6293.05</u>

EXPENSES

Admin. and Publ. Expenses	\$ 559.55
Depreciation	98.84
Postage	2773.27
Printing Expense	2631.77
Sales Tax	153.71
Other Expenses	<u>110.46</u>
Total Expenses	<u>6327.60</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (34.55)</u>

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Rob Keeney is co-ordinating a "Best Bets for 50 States from the GREAT PLAINS" article, to appear in DXM soon. States that will definitely be included in the article are the above. Rob is also considering including Minnesota west of 94 degrees W longitude, and might even include Saskatchewan and Manitoba in the article if there is sufficient interest. Please write to Rob if you are interested in helping with this article. He needs to know the easiest bets for each of the 50 states, D.C. and 12 provinces for DXers living in the Great Plains region. Rob's address is:

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Rob would like to receive all contributions by April 15th so that the feature can appear this summer. Thanks....Bill Hardy...

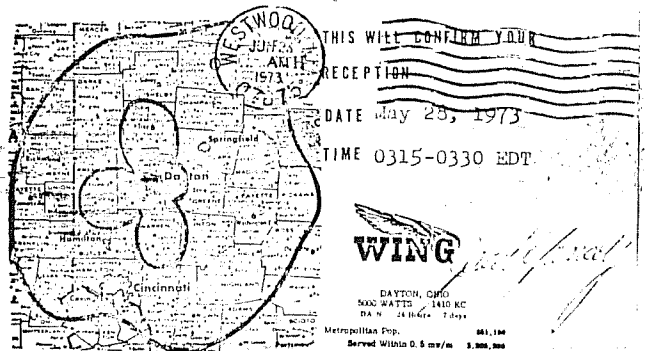
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Bill Hardy listening for KZOO ID (he didn't hear it.)



Portzer and Hall-Patch hoisting beverages to the Beverage



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