



**eastern dx  
roundup**

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DEADLINES: Mondays All times are Eastern Local.  
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Splatter:  
"480, only 20 more to go for that elusive 500 heard total!!" (see WCPS-760) - Bryan Lee - CT  
"My 26th station on 1550!" (see WOR1-1550)  
Mike Brooker - ON  
"...wasn't even DX'ing, just looking around during WJR commercial when I noticed them here on top." (see KFuo-850) Dave Faulkner - MI  
"Rather pleased, because this becomes my longest Canadian GY catch at 700 miles and is a GY at 250 watts." (see CJMC-1490) Niel Wolfish - ON  
"WIXY-1600 now 24 hrs a day."  
Denis Beauregard - QU  
"A beautiful Xmas carol was "murdered" to-night by WWL-870 (see 870), being jazzed up, Dixieland style." Bill Townshend - DC  
"First time I've heard this pirate in at least a couple years." (see 1615a)  
Stan Stanbury - ON  
"For Christmas I got a Panasonic RF-2200."  
Bryan Lee - CT  
"Conditions have not been very good here lately." Dave Faulkner - MI  
"Conditions were 'crummy' on MM 12/25."  
Mike Brooker - ON  
"My 20th station on 1580." Niel Wolfish - ON

550 CFNB NB, Fredericton 12/23 2234 C&W mx, over weak WGNG. (BL-CT)

560 CFOS ON, Owen Sound has increased night. Almost never heard here at night before, though was usually good around its 0545 s/on. Now dominant and often alone. (DF-MI)

CKNC QU, Sept Iles 12/25 1900-2000 FF talk by OM, then FF Christmas carols. Fair on car radio. (BL-MA)

WFRB MD, Frostburg 12/13 0710 The third of three much-wanted on this channel here w/nx, wx, spots, IDs, much talk quite well in WHND null w/CFOS. (DF-MI)

610 CHNC QU, New Carlisle 12/23 2221-2230 FF pop mx and FF Christmas carols. JX ID, QRN from Christmas tree lights! Fair signal. (BL-CT)

WGIR NH, Manchester 12/26 0914 T-40 mx played, ad for the "Manchester Union Leader", ID: "The Spirit of New Hampshire...W-G-I-R". Fair to good signal. Still no WSWG!(BL-CT)

620 KMNS IA, Sioux City 12/13 0719 ID here, Fair w/much talk in WTMJ null. (DF-MI)

640 KFI CA, Los Angeles 12/27 0010-0022 Basketball, L.A. against New Orleans. Fair w/bad QRM. Rare here because of CMQ. (NW-ON)

710 WEPA MS, Eupora 12/20 1744 S/off on top, mention of Eupora, SSB. (DF-MI)

730 CHYR ON, Leamington 12/27 0215 Local nx, many ments of Windsor and London. Fair o/CKAC(?). (BL-CT)

WPIK VA, Alexandria 12/30 1616 C&W mx, "In the nation's capital this is Country 73". Fair after WACE s/off. New. (BL-CT)

???? UNID, 12/23 0203 pop mx, "Best Friend's Girl" by the Cars, 0205 fade-out. Poor u/XEX. (NW-ON)

740 WMBG VA, Williamsburg 12/23 1621 JX ID, T-40 mx, traffic report from VA Dep't of Transportation. Good u/-WGSM. NEW! (BL-CT)

760 WCPS NC, Tarboro 12/23 1629 T-40MoR mx, then "Now...W-C-P-S Local Nx". Fair, alone and new! #480, only 20 more to go for that elusive 500 heard total!! 3 new stations in less than 15 minutes!! (WPIK, WMBG & WCPS) (BL-CT)

770 WCAL MN, Northfield 12/9 0719-0725 With wx for the Twin Cities ID, into program of classical mx. Fair-poor fighting w/WABC. Shares time with KUOM. (MB-ON)

800 CKLW ON, Windsor 12/20 0438-0512 Pest XEROK killing CKLW from 0438-0512, believe CKLW was using reduced pwr then; because they are soon to go AM stereo. (NW-ON)  
+ Note: Have checked out CKLW. They're back on AN again apparently. Oh well, it was nice while it lasted. (DF-MI)

\*????\* UNID, 12/30 0019-0027 TT's, off at 0027. Fair w/CKLW and PJB. Is it WJAT like Gary Seigel in Toledo heard? (NW-ON)

810 CJVA NB, Caraquet 12/25 0135-0200 All-nighting it w/telephone talk in FF, Xmas mx. In well after WGY s/off. (MB-ON)  
+ 12/25 1900-2000 FF Xmas carols, tentative ID heard, but too much QRM from WGY. (BL-MA)  
WGY NY, Schenectady 12/25 0100 On past s/off w/midnight Mass. Finally signed off at 0122. (MB-ON)

850 KFuo MO, Clayton 12/18 1820 Wasn't even DX'ing, just looking around during WJR commercial when I noticed them here on top in WJW null, apparently ending nx. Anncr gave his name, said he'd be back at the same time tomorrow on KFuo. (DF-MI)

860 CJBC ON, Toronto 12/25 0100 On all night w/Midnight Mass, Xmas mx, etc //CBJ, CBEF. (MB-ON)

870 WWL LA, New Orleans 12/24 2047-2051 Dixieland Jazz version of "Adeste Fideles (Oh Come All Ye Faithful)", which is in very bad taste (recorded by West German Jazz Band in 1973), then same band plays "Oh Tannenbaum" (Maryland, My Maryland) O.C.A.Y.F. in jazz takes the cake! Excellent signal. (WPT-DC)

900 (CHML) ON, Hamilton 12/30 0036 Off the air, soon to be 50 kw. (NW-ON)  
CKTS QU, Sherbrooke 12/30 0143 Wx, 0144 ID-jingle as "CKTS Country", into C&W mx. Fair w/the Mexican. (NW-ON)

920 CFLS QU, Levis 12/30 0146 FF song called "Millionaire", 0147 tx ID by OM in FF, into another song, 0149 fade-out. Fair w/CKCY & WJAR. Ex-1240. (NW-ON)

KDHL MN, Fairbault 12/29 0128-0132 "Convoy" by C.W. McCall, 0130 ID & talk by OM into more C&W mx. Fair w/WJAR. (NW-ON)

WGST GA, Atlanta 12/22 1808 Wx forecast for Atlanta area. Fair sig(WPT-DC)

970 \*WEBR\* NY, Buffalo 12/30 0151-0214 Audio portions of WNEB-FM were played off and on, strong but slightly garbled, over WDAY. WEBR and WNEB-FM are sister stations. (NW-ON)

WDAY ND, Fargo 12/30 0144-0159 Larry King show, 0200 wx, ID and NBC nx, fair w/WEBR QRM, now a big pest here. (NW-ON)

WKHM MI, Jackson 12/26 0156 End of talk show, 3 ID's and TC into CBS nx. Fair-poor w/WDAY QRM. (NW-ON)

1000 WXTN MS, Lexington 12/20 1800 Way over WCFL w/s/off, IDs, pwr as 5,000 w., xmtr location given, SSB. (DF-MI)

1050 WJXY SC, Conway 12/21 1714 S/off by OM, then slow version of "Dixie". Good. (WPT-DC)

1070 CBA NB, Moncton 12/23 1946 EZL mx, blasting in. Xlnt signal. (BL-CT)

WFLI TN, Lookout Mtn. 12/27 0203 "Listen To The Music" by the Doobie Brothers, 0205 "This is WFLI", then talk by OM DJ, soon gone for good. Poor at its best w/CHOK QRM. Tried 0215-0230 f/c w/mx, but no luck. (NW-ON)  
(ed: see additional logging under PER THE LIST.)

1140 KPWB MO, Piedmont 12/20 1720 In weak in WRVA null w/C&W mx, spots for Piedmont stores. (DF-MI)

WAWK IN, Kendallville 12/20 1712 Weak but o/KPWB briefly for ID, MOR mx. (DF-MI)

1150 WIMA OH, Lima 12/23 2308-2317 Sports wrap-up w/Mike Mullen at 2310; ad for Allen Tire Service, T-40 mx. Good signal, some fades. (BL-CT)

1160 KSL UT, Salt Lake City 12/27 0300 Nightcap Show, then CBS N. Good signal. QRM from WWVA. (BL-CT)

1190 WOWO IN, Ft. Wayne 12/29 0159 Good, making a rare appearance here with YL talking, ID. (BL-FL)

1200 WOAI TX, San Antonio 12/29 0200 Another rare one, good w/ID and CBS nx. No Cubans!! (BL-FL)

1220 WENC NC, Whiteville 12/20 1700 w/WENC nx, I'm Dave ??? & then back down into the mess in WGAR null. (DF-MI)

1230 WBPZ PA, Lock Haven 12/18 1800 ID weak in the mess as "WBPZ, Lock Haven" & apparently into nx. Heavy QRM. (DF-MI)

WSOO MI, Sault Ste. Marie 12/18 1759 w/nice readable WSOO ID o/everything. Stuck around for a while into local nx, but soon buried. Moderate QRM. (DF-MI)

1240 WPKE KY, Pikesville 12/18 1807 Here w/WPTM/WINN/WSFC & others but KY really seemed to dominate here. In & out w/local nx, story about flood relief & traffic accidents. (DF-MI)

WSFC KY, Somerset 12/18 1810 Also had local nx, spots, not doing quite as well as WPKE. (DF-MI)

1250 KCFI IA, Cedar Falls 12/21 1730 ID, apparent s/off very weak in WTAE null. Since CKJD moved this is my favorite frequency. (DF-MI)

WBRM NC, Marion 12/21 0709 MOR mx and much talk, mention of NC, many spots for stores in Marion & Eastport. On top here until about 0715. (DF-MI)

WZOB AL, Ft. Payne 12/21 1743 Early (2 min.) s/off w/ID well u/WKBL/WETU. (DF-MI)

WZZI TN, Madisonville 12/21 0721 Many spots, about ten mentions of Madisonville. This one replaced WBRM on top. (DF-MI)

1270 WTSN NH, Dover 1/2 1940 Obviously the one here w/UNH hockey at 1940 (announcer was pro New Hampshire), although call letters not actually heard. (CMS-ON)

WXYZ MI, Detroit 12/23 2208 Nx, YL anncr, ID, wx, then (?) talk-show. Very good signal o/WSPR. (BL-CT)

+ 12/29 0635 YL nxcaster, wx, traffic reports. Fair o/WSPR. (BL-CT)

1280 CJMS QU, Montreal 12/27 0306 Xlnt sig, news, MoRish mx, ID: "Cee-Jay-ess...Montreal". O/CKCV & WADO. (BL-CT)

WORL FL, Orlando 12/17 1722 "Studio 13" slogan, disco music. YL anncr. (BL-FL)

WSAT NC, Salisbury 12/21 0735 About even w/3 or 4 others here w/ID, local spot, not much readable. (DF-MI)

1290 CJBK ON, London 12/25 1900-2000 Booming in w/IDs and lots of ments of London. Then MoR mx. Very good on car radio. (BL-MA)

WHIO OH, Dayton 12/18 0400 w/promo for U. of Dayton Flyers basketball, PSA for fire prevention, wx, pop mx, CBS nx and "Spectrum" on the CBS net. Very good w/pest WNBK off. (MB-ON)

1300 WFBR MD, Baltimore 12/23 2252 T-40 mx, Shopping center ads. Very poor. Mixing w/WAVZ. (BL-CT)

WPNH NH, Plymouth 12/29 0631 Sports, ment of bsktbl game to be on WPNH-FM. Fair o/WAVZ. (BL-CT)

1310 CHGB QU, La Pocatiere 12/25 0200-0210 w/usual Xmas carols, ads for Labatts 50, and sports report in FF. Fair fighting WIFE. Probably all-nighting it too. (MB-ON)

+ 12/30 1749-1756 FF folk mx pgm. Good signal o/WWKR et al. (NW-ON)

WCAM NJ, Camden 12/18 0300 w/sign-off Followed by SSB (patriotism isn't dead, hi) (ed: I hope not, that's not far from where Washington crossed the Delaware in 1776.) mentioned night power of 250 watts, poor u/WIFE. (MB-ON)

1320 CJSO QU, Sorel 12/29 0628 MoR mx, then crystal clear ID and into nx (FF). Very good signal. (BL-CT)

1330 WAEW TN, Crossville 12/13 1715 Clear ID here u/WAEW s/off. Someone oughta make a law against similar-sounding calls on the same channel. (DF-MI)

t WHAZ NY, Troy 12/29 0624 Heard mentions of Troy and a supermarket located in Troy. No ID's though. Very poor mixing w/? (BL-CT)

WLAT SC, Conway 12/13 1720 In well with FF mx, WFBC QRM. (DF-MI)

WRIE PA, Erie 12/27 0155 T-40 mx. Local nx, Lottery #:722, wx: 2-4" of snow! (As if they need more!). Fair signal. (BL-CT)

1340 WDSR FL, Lake City 12/17 1715 Fair, C&W mx, ID. (BL-FL)

\*???? UNID, 12/30 0040-0126 TT's and OC blasting in, but no ID's at 0045, 0100 or 0015. Way better than the mess of stations beneath it (NW-ON)

???? UNID, 12/30 1802 NBC mx, 1805 jx as W---, into a song by Nicolette Larson called "Lotta Love". Poor & fade-out at 1809, QRM CHUC. (NW-ON)

1350 WHNE VA, Portsmouth 12/23 2247 C&W mx, booming in w/"Honey Radio" ID's. (BL-CT)

WSMB LA, New Orleans 12/29 0415 Comedy shows, G. Carlin etc. Public Svc Annmnts. Fair. (BL-FL)

1370 WKFD RI, Wickford 12/27 0916 Sports report. Poor signal u/o 13-F-E-A. (BL-CT)

1380 CFDA QU, Victoriaville 12/27 0320 Dull FF talk by OM anncr. Fair. (BL-CT)

1390 \*WROA\* MS, Gulfport 12/29 0400 Testing for an hour with TT, OC and then mx. ID at 0405, "This is WROA, 1490 Gulfport on the air for tests" There is a station on 1490 in Biloxi, which is nearby. (BL-FL)

1400 CJFP QU, Riviere du Loup 12/23 0147 "Love So Right" by the Bee Gees, ID at 0149, fade-out. Poor over mess. (NW-ON)

WFOR MS, Hattiesburg 12/17 2358, 12/18 0002-0005 IDs here quite well but a lotta QRM. (DF-MI)

WNEX GA, Macon 12/17 2356 ID in the mess, PSA. (DF-MI)

WTRR FL, Sanford 12/25 1758 MoR mx, AP Radio nx. 700th station. (BL-FL)

1410 \*WOTT\* NY, Watertown 12/16 0157 Came in quickly with ID, "WOTT Watertown" twice, then tone. (DB-QU)

WPOP CT, Hartford 12/16 0200 Pgm "Larry King Show". (DB-QU)

1420 WLET GA, Toccoa 12/21 1730 S/off by OM giving studio location, then SSB. Tentative (12/4) now positive. (WPT-DC)

1450 CHUC ON, Port Hope/Couberg 12/23 0213 Program of gospel tunes for Xmas, good signal over mess. Not a new catch, but listed because they are supposed to go off at 0000. I hope they were only on late because of Christmas. (NW-ON)

WNBK MI, Newberry Got early Christmas present & gave area listeners a silent night Christmas eve & perhaps since. Studios burned to the ground the morning of 12/24 (DF-MI)

???? UNID, 12/30 1803 NBC mx, 1805 jx as W--- into a pop song by Nicolette Larson, 1806 fade-out. Poor. (NW-ON)

???? UNID, 12/30 2001-2009 Boston vs. Montreal NHL hockey, in EE, not Montreal network. Poor. (NW-ON)

1470 WBIG NC, Greensboro 12/25 1808 CBS nx. "Big Radio" slogans. Fair o/Cuba. (BL-FL)

WPAR PA, Farrell 12/5 1710-1715 w/spot for the Red Barn in Sharon, PSA for not drinking when driving, mention of high school basketball games on WPAR and WPAR-FM. Poor u/pest CHOW. (MB-ON)

WSAN PA, Allentown 12/23 1936 ID, "Your Album station", rock mx. Poor. (BL-CT)

1480 WHBC OH, Canton 12/27 0135 American Ent Nx, then "W-H-B-C" ID's. Fair sig. (BL-CT)

1490 CFPS ON, Port Elgin 12/19 1608-1614 //CPOS-560 w/"You're Gonna Miss My Lovin'" and "My Life" by Billy Joel w/ID as CPOS-CFPS in between. Very poor to poor but new here. (NW-ON)

CJMC QU, Ste. Anne des Monts 12/23 0044-0115 CBC pgm of fiddle mx, ragtime mx and jazzy Xmas mx, w/FF talk at 0045 and 0108, ID and sign-off w/no national anthem at 0115 (DJ said 'bon soir'). Fair to very good w/a bit of CFPS (now a pest) QRM at 0110 sign-off. Rather pleased, because this becomes my longest Canadian GY catch at 700 miles and is a GY at 250 watts. Listed as 0000 s/off. (NW-ON)

WYTL WI, Oshkosh 12/20 0502-0504 ID as "AM 15-WYTL" into song by Paul Davis. Good signal all alone. (NW-ON)

+ 12/23 0300-0310 w/wx, C&W mx, spot for the Wall Street Journal, promo for WYTL as "Your 1980 Olympics information station" with "Daily reports on the quest for Olympic gold", plug for WYTL's survey chart (available at all K-Marts), "AM-15" ID's. Occasionally atop of the GY heap w/good sigs, but faded fast. (MB-ON)

1520 KOMA OK, Oklahoma City 12/27 0150 Song by Ann Murray followed by ID. Poor u/WKBW. (NW-ON)

1530 WJPJ TN, Huntingdon 12/21 1744 S/off, SSB doing well w/WCKY. (DF-MI)

1540 WBRY TN, Woodbury 12/21 1745 S/off w/KXEL doing quite well but never got a full ID, just "WBRY-" (DF-MI)

WNIO OH, Niles 12/11 1700 w/sign-off. No SSB. Fair o/super pests WPTR & KXEL. Local Yokel CHIN signed off at 1645. (MB-ON)

1550 WCGR NY, Canandaigua 12/13 1600-1607 w/local nx, spot for Lincoln First Bank, wx. Poor w/CHIN slop (MB-ON)

WOKJ MS, Jackson 12/30 0139-0143 Gospel pgm called, "Saturday Gospel", with a fair signal all alone. (NW-ON)

WORI TN, Oak Ridge 12/21 1742-1744 w/spot for home furnishing store, patriotic message which began w/the Pledge of Allegiance & proclaimed how fortunate we are to live in America, s/off w/SSB. Fair o/CBE. My 26th station on 1550! (MB-ON)

WYNX GA, Smyrna 12/13 1724-1730 w/wx (present temp 60), religious mx, s/off saying, "Join us again tomorrow morning for another day of inspirational programming". No SSB. Good sig way over CBE. (MB-ON)

1560 KKAA SD, Aberdeen 12/27 0134-0148 C&W mx by Dolly Parton and other mx, w/talk and ID's in between and offer of book from Nashville. Poor w/WQXR QRM over another stn. (NW-ON)

\*KLTJ\* MO, Macon 12/22 0200-0211 ET with TT's, ID at 0211 then off. Good signal for 250 watts w/no KKAA. (MB-ON)

\*WQXR\* NY, New York 12/27 0130-0144 ET w/3 ID's at 0130, 0138 & 0144. Used OC only. Good. (NW-ON)

WVAK IN, Paoli 12/20 1705 Barely readable ID & local nx here w/moderate WQXR QRM. (DF-MI)

???? UNID, 12/27 0134 Heard "Time Passages" by Al Stewart and other pop-T-40 mx later u/KKAA and WQXR. Very poor-poor. Thought it would be KMPC, but mx doesn't fit KMPC. (NW-ON)

1580 KNIM MO, Maryville 12/7 1800 w/sign-off. Heard only ID and mention of xmtr located on Highway 71. Very poor u/CBJ. (MB-ON)

WAMY MS, 12/12 1739-1743 w/ad for Sharp microwave ovens, "Prove It All Night" by Bruce Springsteen, wx & s/off. Fair w/WBXY. (MB-ON)

WAXU KY, Georgetown 12/15 1713-1716 w/PSA for giving blood, "Bluegrass Country" wx, fast s/off saying only "Change your radio now to WAXU-FM 103". Fair-good over the usual CBJ mess. (MB-ON)

WBXY AL, Talladega 12/12 1745-1747 with s/off annocmt. Heard after WAMY signed off. Fair. (MB-ON)

\*WKIG\* GA, Glennville 12/18 0300-0306 ET-ing w/frequent ID announcements & an instrumental version of "Cabaret". Poor signal w/XEDM QRM (MB-ON)

\*WYFA\* NY, Patchogue 12/29 0032-0118 w/ET TT's & OC from 0032-0105 w/ID at 0035, at 0105 ID by OM then four Beatles songs from their album, "1962-1966" ("Help", "You've Got To Hide Your Love Away" etc.) were played At 0114 OM gave ID & TC & explained why they were on the air and said, "Reception Reports to W-Y-F-A Medford, New York". Then a song by Bob Seger was played. 0118 ID as "W-Y-F-A Where Your Friends Are", then OM read a news item, started laughing and played "Yellow Submarine" by the Beatles. Test ended shortly after, during the song. Poor to very good signal. My 20th station on 1580. Only ET in which I was able to guess the next song correctly between 0105 & 0114. (NW-ON)

1600 KATZ MO, St. Louis 12/11 0219-1225 with Disco mx, wx, ID as "The best disco in town - Music 16 KATZ", PSA for fighting child abuse. Good to xlt w/WWRL, CHNR, WUNR etc all off. (MB-ON)

WAAM MI, Ann Arbor 12/18 1700-1716 Running rough-shod over CHNR w/nx, promo for "Easy Street" contest, ads from Van's Sport Center, Ann Arbor Bank, Toyota Ann Arbor, McDonalds, Washtenaw Community College. ID as "If it's going on in Washtenaw County, then it's going on WAAM Ann Arbor". (MB-ON)

WIXY MA, East Longmeadow 12/14 0200 In good with ID, "Now 24 hrs a day, your ... friend, WIXY, East Longmeadow". (DB-QU)

+ 12/23 0220-0231 C&W and Xmas mx including "Lyin' Eyes" by the Eagles, ID as "WIXY 24 hours country music" at 0222. Fair o/WWRL. (NW-ON)

1615a CLANDESTINE 12/31 1322 WENJ ID heard at 2322, records & New Years greetings. First time I've heard this pirate in at least a couple years. If it is the original WENJ, should be in New Jersey. (CMS-ON)

1620 CLANDESTINE "WFAT" NY, New York 12/10 0400-???? Larry McRea is still at it w/telephone talk. Phone number was 212-257-9906. Fair-poor w/QSB and terrible modulation. (McRea sounded like he was talking into a tin can.) When will the FCC catch him?? (MB-ON)

+ 1/1 0227 Noted on, using a new tel phone # 626-9906. (BL-CT)

LOOPING the UNIDS  
 1310 More on WQTK-1310 (see EDXR for Nov. 18 & Dec. 23) What I heard were mentions of New Jersey, something about Parsippany & what sounded like a "Q" ID. The ex WQTK could indeed have been there, but in that case who was calling itself "Q" and looping almost E W? (DF-MI)

PER THE LIST  
 1070 WFLI TN, Lookout Mtn. 12/27 0228 Testing w/T-40 mx and some C&W. Fair signal. (BL-CT)  
 1260 WBBK GA, Blakely 12/15 0103 tentative on r/c, 0103 here w/500 Hz TT, possible ID but weak & being killed by WBBG & co. This frequency, though clear of stns for over 100 miles in all directions from here, is my toughest. (DF-MI)  
 1500 WBFN MS, Quitman 12/28 0140 TT and one low level ID u/WTOP. (BL-FL)  
 DB-QU Denis Beauregard, 2425 St. Antoine, Lachine, Quebec H8S 1U9 Realistic TRF DX'ing at Notre-Dame-de-la-Merci, Quebec, except WIXY-1600 at Lachine.  
 MB-ON Mike Brooker, 245 Old Forest Hill Rd., Toronto, ON M6C 2H5 Panasonic RF-2200  
 DF-MI Dave Faulkner, 1430 Pine Grove Ave., Port Huron, MI 48060 Realistic TRF  
 BL-FL Bob LaFore, 12991 SW 252 Terr., Princeton, FL 33032 DX-160 + tuned 1'wire  
 BL-CT Bryan Lee, P. O. Box 69, Brooklyn, CT 06234  
 BL-MA DX'ing on I-495 in MA w/car radio Panasonic RF-2200 & Realistic TRF + 2' lp  
 CMS-ON C.M. (Stan) Stanbury, Box 218, Crystal Beach, ON LOS 1B0 HQ-200 + 90' longwire  
 WPT-DC Bill Townshend, 4500 Conn. Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 Realistic TRF  
 NW-ON Niel Wolfish, 15 Donwoods Grove, Toronto, ON M4N 2X4 FRG-7  
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Did you note the fire at WNBX (see 1450) reported by Dave Faulkner - MI? Congratulations to Bob LaFore - FL on reaching his 700th station. Good going!!

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DEADLINES: Tuesdays

580 CKWW ON Windsor 12/18 1801 poor u/ KSAC w/ ID.  
 590 WGTM NC Wilson 12/20 0636 popped in w/ //(RK) SID, then gone. (RK)  
 700 WLW OH Cincinnati off MM 12/18. (RK)  
 810 WMTS TN Murfreesboro 1/8 1710 fair w/ WJPW nulled w/ nx, cancellations due to wx.  
 CHQR AB Calgary 12/18 0031 poor, way //(RAL) u; CKJS w/ wx. (RK)  
 900 WJTH GA Calhoun 12/23 1720 good w/ spot. WLS slop ruined any chance for a rpt. (RK)  
 910 WNCG SC North Charleston 12/18 0600 good w/ quick s/on. (RK)  
 950 WGTA GA Summerville 12/23 1728 good w/ spot, then s/off. (RK)  
 960 \*WJAZ\*GA Albany 12/19 0134 good on ET using jazz. (RK)  
 WBOC MD Salisbury 12/20 & 12/27 0458 fair w/ s/on, then SSB. (RK)  
 970 WKLS GA Atlanta 1/2 0630 o/u WWIT w/ wx. (RK)  
 980 KCIJ LA Shreveport 1/5 1748 fair-good w/ gospel mx, lots of local ads. (RAL)  
 1050 KSOH AR Little Rock 12/22 1759 poor w/ s/off, mucho WCFL slop. (RK)  
 1060 WKNG GA Tallapoosa 12/23 1727 dominating channel w/ s/off SSB. (RK)  
 WNPC TN Newport apparently the calls of this new station, 1/3 0730 1/2 fair w/ spot for a tire sale at the Sears store in Newport. (RK)  
 KGFY SD Pierre 1/4 0735 fair, mixing w/ WKKQ (Q Country) & WHPB w/ SID, was my 2nd most wanted stn. (RK)

1070 WANM FL Tallahassee 1/3 1746 fair w/ wx then soul mx. (RK)  
 KWEL TX Midland 12/29 1843 poor w/ s/off, then SSB. (RK)  
 1080 KOAK IA Red Oak 12/24 1723 good w/ Chipmunks song. (RK)  
 1090 CHRS PQ Jacques Cartier 1/2 0735 fair u/ KAAY w/ FF talk. (RK)  
 1110 WBIB AL Centreville 12/24 0745 fair w/ s/on, then into rel. program. (RK)  
 \*WNAR\*PA Norristown 1/3 0245 fair o/u KFAB w/ET TT, ID at 0301. (RK) //(RK)  
 1150 WFPM GA Fort Valley 12/28 0632 fair w/ spot.  
 WBAG NC Burlington 12/26 0613 tood w/ ID, faded very fast. (RK)  
 1170 WAMB TN Donnelson 12/17 0745 in very good w/ s/on on new freq. (RK)  
 WCLN NC Clinton 12/23 1715 poor w/ s/on. Caught call letters in brief WWVA silence. (RK)  
 CFIX ON Cornwall 12/29 0701 poor w/ 0 Canada & s/on in FF. (RK)  
 1190\*KADE\*CO Boulder 12/4, time unknown. In good on DX test on RX & tape-recorder that were set up on timer for while I was at school. (RK)  
 WGKA GA Atlanta 12/21 0730 fair w/ s/on, with Baroque type mx in background. (RK)  
 WSML NC Graham-Burlington 12/21 0724 atop channel w/ spots. (RK)  
 1240 WCBY MI Cheboygan 12/25 0200 fair w/ WEDC looped, w/ ID. (RK)  
 1260 WCRT AL Birmingham 12/22 1643 good w/ wx then s/off. (RK)  
 KTAE TX Taylor 1/3 1828 weak w/ local spot. (RK)  
 1300 WBLG KY Lexington 1/8 0253 fair thru WERE/WKXI w/ R&R, "13-BLG" IDs. (RAL)  
 1310 WWKR MI Dearborn 12/29 0631 fair w/ ID. (RK)  
 1320 KOLT NE Scottsbluff 12/26 0357 only the 2nd time hrd, o/ WILS & WKTQ w/ NE nx.  
 1330 WRIE PA Erie 1/7 0233 poor-fair w/ wx. //(RK) (RAL)  
 1360 WMAC GA Metter 12/26 0700 good w/ ID, then gone. (RK)  
 1370 WMGO MS Canton 12/31 1745 fair w/ sports, plenty of WVON slop. (RK)  
 1420 KLUF TX Luftin 12/22 1802 good w/ spot. (RK)  
 1440 WRDD MI Bay City 1/8 0527 fair w/ political ad, wx, C&W. (RAL)  
 1450 WMOH OH Hamilton 1/5 0223 fair w/ wx, SID, sports. (RAL)  
 1460 WFMH AL Cullman 1/5 2131 fair in aurora w/ ID, basketball. (RAL)  
 WRAD VA Radford 12/24 0600 fair w/ SSB, then s/on. (RK)  
 1470 WRGA GA Rome 12/31 1727 fair w/ football bowl game promo. (RK)  
 1490 WZOE IL Princeton 12/16 1721 in poor way u/ WOPA w/ sports. Was very much wanted, leaves only 4 to hear in IL. (RK)  
 1500 KGMR AR Jacksonville 1/4 1814 poor w/ s/off after "May the Good Lord Bless You" song. (RAL)  
 WWKQ MI Battle Creek 12/16 1714 fair with SID s/off. (RK)  
 KXWQ OK Pawhuska 1/4 1824 fair w/ R&R s/off w/ SSB. "15-Q" slogan. (RAL)  
 WORL TN Oak Ridge 12/23 1745 fair-good w/ s/off. (RK)  
 1510 WITS MA Boston 12/29 0406 good through WLAC w/ wx, the talk show, "Hotline". (RK)  
 WKPO MS Prentiss 1/3 1714 very poor, even w/ WLAC, w/ s/off. (RK)  
 KSTV TX Stephenville 12/26 1828 alone w/ spot, then s/off. (RK)  
 1530 WCRJ FL Jacksonville 12/24 0715 fair through WCKY w/ s/on. (RK)  
 WJPJ TN Huntingdon 12/21 1743 good o/ WCKY w/ s/off. (RK)  
 1540 WDON MD Wheaton 12/26 0719 fair w/ ID, R&R mx. KXEL off for some reason. (RK)  
 WIFM NC Elkin 12/26 0730 fair thru KXEL OC w/ s/on. (RK)  
 WJJT TN Jellico 12/23 1707 1/2 good w/ local spot. (RK)  
 1550 KUAT AZ Tucson 1/1 1915 blasting in w/ s/off, no sign of CBE. This s/off is 30 minutes before the SS map says they should go off. (RK)  
 KQWB ND West Fargo 1/2 0223 fair w/ wx. (RK)  
 1560 WAGC AL Centre 12/17 1629 fair, u/ WDXR w/ s/off. (RK)  
 \*WYSE\*FL Inverness 12/31 0135 very weak on ET TT & ID. (RK)

KGUL TX Port Lavaca 1/3 1854 fair o/u WDXR w/ ID. (RK)  
 1570 WKYR KY Burkesville 12/22 1728 good w/ s/off SSB. (RK)  
 1580 WEYY AL Tallahassee 1/7 1800 faded up during WLIJ SSB w/ s/off. (RAL)  
 KZIA NM Albuquerque 1/8 1916 poor thru QRM w/ part of s/off ID. (RAL)  
 \*WYFA\*NY\* Patchogue 12/29 0100 fair w/ ET, TT, QC & Beatles mx. (RK)  
 WLIJ TN Shelbyville 1/7 1758 fair w/ s/off w/ vocal SSB. (RAL)  
 1590 WEHH NY Elmira Heights-Horseheads 1/1 0559 1/2 fair-poor w/ s/on. (RK)  
 KGAS TX Carthage 12/26 1815 poor w/ brief s/off. (RK)  
 1600 WEUP AL Huntsville 1/7 1753 good w/ Mutual Black nx, lost coat announcement, TC w/ doorbell chime. (RAL)  
 \*KLG\*IA\* Algona 12/30 0354 good o/u WAKR on ET, TT, OC. (RK)  
 KFNV LA Ferriday 12/26 1800 fair w/ s/off. (RK) 1/8 1830 fair thru QRM w/ s/off. SSB hrd but I'm not sure if it was KFNV. (RAL)  
 WJZA TN Harriman 12/24 0615 fair-good w/ ID.  
 KOGT TX Orange 1/3 1900 1/2 dominating // (RK) channel w/ nx & a spot for Orange Motors. (RK)

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And I almost forgot....

PER THE LIST

1st FRI: 1600 WQCK GA (RAL)

Well, my annual Christmas vacation DX rush went pretty good with 34 new stations heard as of this writing. Conditions haven't seemed to have been anything fantastic; they've seemed auroral much of the time. Most of the times that I've DXed KFI and KSL have been inaudible. The three last MMs I have DXed and have been disappointed. Of course, on Christmas and New Years mornings everyone was on. All the normal NSPers were on along with quite a few of the stations that normally go off. MM 1/8 was also pretty disappointing. WEMP-1250 and KAAV were noted on so they are both probably NSP now. KDKA was on but I think it might have been because of the weather. 73 & good DX.

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 590 KID ID, Idaho Falls 1/4 0048 poor w/ad for stereo store in Idaho Falls, and "KID" ID; o/KFXM. (SMM-UT)  
 600 KOGO CA, San Diego 1/4 0100 good w/"KOGO, San Diego" SID, into nx, followed by pop mx at 0103. (SMM-UT)  
 600 CJOR BC, Vancouver 1/4 0107 fair in KOGO null w/CJOR ID's & nx for Vancouver. (SMM-UT)  
 610 KAVL CA, Lancaster 1/4 0110 poor u/KLVU w/nx, ID, into pop mx. (SMM-UT)  
 620 KWFT TX, Wichita Falls 1/2 0110 s/off fair to good o/KNGS, into SSB sung by OM. (SMM-UT)  
 690 KKUA HI, Honolulu 12/16 0532 shoe store spot, ments of Honolulu. My #200 USA, huzzah. (DFJ-CA)

700 WLW OH, Cincinnati 12/15 0533 ID after wx; poor. Also in 12/16 much better. Merry Xmas from KNBR. (DFJ-CA)  
 710 KIRO WA, Seattle 1/4 0159 good o/KMPC w/ legal ID, CBS nx 0200, local nx 0206. Badly wanted back home. (SMM-UT)  
 730 \*KBOY\* OR, Medford 1/6 0421 fair w/TT u/CKLG. (RW-CA)  
 730 CKLG BC, Vancouver 1/4 0135 fair w/"LG 73" slogan, into pop mx. (SMM-UT)  
 860 KOAM KS, Pittsburg 1/8 0435 noted w/wx forecast for plains states. Are they NSP now? (RW-CA)  
 920 KLOC CA, Ceres-Modesto per dkk's ment in DXM 12/30, is a regular here, but not local. Noted 1/2 w/SS YL talk, mx, good ID at 1730. Fair, weak, KNEW-910 slop nulled. (DFJ-CA)  
 930 KAFF AZ, Flagstaff 1/5 1927-1930 N. Ariz. wx, a local spot & s/off. KSEI nulled, some KHJ. (WJH-UT)  
 930 KSEI ID, Pocatello 1/4 2257 o/KHJ w/legal ID, into MBS nx. (SMM-UT)  
 940 KIXZ TX, Amarillo 1/4 2258 legal ID. Pop mx format w/"Kiss" slogans. (SMM-UT)  
 940 KBRE UT, Cedar City 12/9 1907 nx, wx, pop mx to s/off at :15. Good thru KFRE null. (DFJ-CA)  
 960 CFAC AB, Calgary 1/8 0145 xlnt wiping out 5kw KABL 40 mi. away, slopping KJR-950 & KYTE-970. "CFAC 96 Sports. (RW-CA)  
 980 KGLN CO, Glenwood Springs 1/4 1856-1858 local spot & pop mx. Only one clear ID. (WJH-UT)  
 980 KVLV NV, Fallon 1/5 1949-2001 ad for Rooker Chevrolet & local bank, C&W mx, s/off w/SSB. K-96 (KAYK) slop garbled signal so only one ID was audible. (WJH-UT)  
 980 KICA NM, Clovis 1/6 2340-0000 relig. program & ID on the hour. Fair w/KFWB sort of nulled. (WJH-UT)  
 980 KSVU UT, Richfield 1/4 0850 finally bagged this one w/ad for Millard County Fair, then ad for Valley River Bank in Richfield; soon faded u/KUPI & KFWB. New. (RW-CA)  
 1000 \*KMLO\* CO, Vista 12/11 0402 "This is KMLO testing" w/top 40 mx, fair thru KOMO TT. (DFJ-CA)  
 1010 KCMJ CA, Palm Springs 1/8 0304 good w/s/off o/KXEG & CBR's GSQ. (RW-CA)  
 1060 \*KKKQ\* AZ, Tempe 1/6 0509 noted TT in KPAY null. (RW-CA)  
 1060 KLMO CO, Longmont 1/6 1855-1900 Ac nx, PSA about forest fires, and full s/off. KRSP nulled. (WJH-UT)  
 1150 \*KCKY\* AZ, Coolidge 1/8 0211 noted TT's and periods of OC, one ID at 0209. O/KIIS and XERM, KAYO nulled, KLOK-1170 slop. (RW-CA)  
 1220 KLIP CA, Fowler 1/8 0901 fair at s/on in KIBE null. (RW-CA)  
 1230 KPRL CA, Paso Robles 12/7 0835+ w/top 40 mx, good ID's. No real battle on GY this morning. (DFJ-CA)  
 1230 KCBN NV, Reno 12/27 0609 straight & true, ment of "Reno's Top 40 (?) Countdown" on New Year's Eve, TC & ID, into Earth Wind & Fire song. Very clear. (DFJ-CA)  
 1230 KPRQ UT, Murray 1/3 0057 w/Ac nx, Salt Lake wx, then "K-Park-12 is KPRQ, Murray, Utah" ID. Into pop mx. (SMM-UT)  
 1240 KBWA AZ, Williams 1/4 1841-1845 dominating channel w/ad for Grand Hotel in Williams and local road report. ID by YL. (WJH)  
 1240 KROY CA, Sacramento 12/27 0529 no big thing, just took me this long to log a measly semi-local. Clear, strong signal, Robert W. Morgan syndicated program, end of local nx, ID. (DFJ)  
 1240 KDIG CA, San Bernardino 12/27 0555 ex-KBON in w/clear signal, back-to-back C&W mx, double ID's at :59, local nx, into NBC nx at :01. (DFJ-CA)  
 1250 KNEU UT, Roosevelt 1/3 0815 poor but alone thru KYA-1260 slop in KYAC null, w/ad. (RW-CA)  
 1260 KPOW WY, Powell 1/3 0035 fair to good w/rr mx. ID "1260 KPOW", then OM DJ told me to "turn it up loud, as it was meant to be." (SMM-UT)

1270 KGUY CA, Palm Desert 1/6 1957-2000 horse race results, local ads, & s/off. "K-guy" slogans. QRM mostly nulled. (WJH)

1280 KHEP AZ, Phoenix 1/5 1936-1945 caught flash Flood warning & wx at 1936, signal faded out until 1944 & then heard s/off. KWMS etc giving problems. (WJH-UT)

1280 KFRN CA, Long Beach 1/4 1959 YL w/end of nx, ID at 1959. O/KJOY, no sign of KBDF. New. (NH-WA)

1300 KROP CA, Brawley this is an evening pest when KVOR is nulled, first noted 1/5 2334-2336 w/local ad, C&W mx, & frequent ID's. (WJH-UT)

1300 KOZE ID, Lewiston 12/18 0352 Andy Gibb, clear ID. (DFJ-CA)

1310 KIOT CA, Barstow a SSS pest here. First noted 1/6 1928-1939 w/"K-131" slogans, ad for Barstow Chevron, & an Elvis album contest. (WJH-UT)

1320 \*KATR\* OR, Eugene 1/8 0323-0327 noted in KCPX null o/CHQM w/periods of OC & TT, ID at 0320. (RW-CA)

1360 KRUX AZ, Glendale 12/18 0448 after Linda Ronstadt "Good morning, Phoenix" mention, several ID's not 100% clear. (DFJ-CA)

+1/3 0020-0029 good w/QRM. Rock mx, & ID's as "KRUX" & "Crux" slogan. (SMM-UT)

1360 KGB CA, San Diego 12/18 0458 finally, FM & AM ID, Warehouse spot. First time here, dominant w/KEEN-1370 off. No sign of the chicken, tho. (DFJ-CA)

1370 \*KEEN\* CA, San Jose 1/8 0345 noted off again, w/only OC. Off for a few minutes 0501-0507, back on RS at 0510. (RW-CA)

1370 KXLF MT, Butte 1/3 0017 good w/Elton John song. ID 0019 from YL DJ, then rr mx. (SMM-UT)

1380 KRKO WA, Everett 12/18 0404 w/nx, sports, "14 RKO" slogan which really helped. Poor u/buzzing QRM. (DFJ-CA)

1390 KGER CA, Long Beach 1/4 2935 good w/relig. programming & a Long Beach address. (SMM-UT) (2935???)--NH

1390 WVON IL, Chicago 1/8 0355 poor o/u XEV w/soul mx, ID at 0400. Much KVEG-1400 slop. At least I get quality slop, hi. (RW-CA)

1390 KBLW UT, Logan 1/4 2939 poor w/KGER w/pop mx. ID as "KBLW-Stereo 92." (SMM-UT) (2939???)--NH

1400 KXIV AZ, Phoenix 1/3 0005 end of NBC nx, then "KXIV" ID. Into local nx. Mixing w/KVEG. (SMM-UT)

1410 KWYO WY, Sheridan 1/2 2356 fair w/C&W mx. ID at 2358 as "All-American music--Country KWYO, Sheridan." (SMM-UT)

1430 \*KNTA\* CA, Santa Clara 1/8 0346 left OC on for one hour past normal s/off. (RW-CA)

1470 \*KXOA\* CA, Sacramento 12/18 0415 TT, sweeps after :17 on & off. Silent for XEBBC, ID at :33. (DFJ-CA)

1480 KWIZ CA, Santa Ana 1/2 2335 good w/ID's & MOR mx. (SMM-UT)

1490 KJQN UT, Ogden 1/2 0159 ID as "The best rock of today & yesterday. This is 15 KJQ, Ogden," into rr mx. Ac nx at 0210. Nx for Salt Lake Co. and Ogden at 0215. How could they go from a 4-letter call (KVOG) to 3-letters? (SMM-UT) (Per Bill Harms, the new call is KJQN. Perhaps you didn't hear the "N" or thought it was the word "in". --NH)

1510 WLAC TN, Nashville 1/8 0350 poor but readable w/1510 clear. C&W mx, SID at 0400. (RW)

1510 \*KGA\* WA, Spokane 1/8 0330 noted off, back on later w/TT's. (RW-CA)

1590 KBBQ CA, Ventura-Oxnard 1/2 2241 good w/C&W mx & "KBBQ" and "K-Bar-B-Que" slogans. (SMM-UT)

1590 KEND TX, Lubbock 1/6 0147 ID into C&W mx, "it's 18° at KEND, Lubbock", dominating w/no KLIV or KZOK, some KBBQ. (WJH-UT)

1600 KWOW CA, Pomona 1/2 2240 fair through KLAQ w/ad for Pomona Chrysler-Plymouth, into pop mx. (SMM-UT)

DX TESTS:

860 (WXAP) CA, Atlanta 1/9 0045 & 0340 no sign; just XEMO's religion. (BH-WA)

+1/8 0133 somewhat seriously tried, but of course, not heard due to too much KTRB/XEMO. (RW-CA)

1230 (WJOB) IN, Hammond 1/8 0331 darn, not heard as expected, hi. (RW-CA)

1290 (KKIO) CA, Santa Barbara 1/8 0320 not on, KMEN & KCUB alone as usual. Murphy's Law in effect--where a station you really want finally schedules a DX test, the test doesn't show up! (RW-CA)

+1/9 0340-0405 no sign; just a weak KCUB w/C&W. (BH-WA)

F/C's per the list:

2nd MM--

1420 KXOW AR, Hot Springs 1/8 0515-0523 noted on for only 1/2 of scheduled time on list, but suspect it was KXOW as time/date right. (RW-CA)

1430 KRGI NE, Grand Island 1/8 0530-0545 on, but no ID's. Solid 1 kHz TT. (RW-CA)

(If I were you Robert, I wouldn't assume I had a particular station just because I hear a tone on a given freq at a listed time. I'd wait for an ID. What's more, 1431 is a TP freq, so maybe this was a het!--NH)

UNID's:

1230 12/27 0614+ heard wx, sudden "it's...degrees at --TT (?)" or possibly "--TC," then song by Led Zeppelin. At :21 had Wolfman Jack w/ perhaps promo for his syndicated show, & finally song "Soul Man" by the Blues Bros. Looping south, does it sound like KKT or KWTC to anyone?

Sorry about not including BH in the opening credits but that's what happens when he hands me his report when I'm halfway through typing the column, hi. Looks like there is some DX'ing going on in Utah--nearly half the column this week was from the Beehive State. Up till a year ago I got no reports from Utah, so glad to see some DX being done there. ♡

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Greetings again from the home of the NBA World Champion Bullets. Despite all the praises sung about Radio Shack's TRF, there is one significant drawback. It doesn't have the selectivity of the DX-160 (I can still get some splits) despite its greater sensitivity. The TRF picks up more slop from the local yokels than the DX-160. Here in DC even 1230 and 1290 are occasionally affected by WWDC-1260's spray and WEAM-1390 sometimes sprays onto 1360 and 1420, but the station behaves itself when the Colonials (George Washington's basketball team) are on the air. Even the Gospel-soul format WUST-1120 slops 1100 and 1140, hampering midday DXing on those channels. Midday DXing during lunch at work is hampered by WYRE-810 (affects 800 and 820), WAYE-860 (even 830 has been sprayed by WAYE at times, just as I am going for WCCO at noon), and WLMD-900 (890 and 910 affected). I don't DX beyond 1540 at midday because of the tremendous spray WPGC-1580 puts out, and on 1520 I have to reckon with splash from WTOP-1500 and WPGC. The rockers WEAM, WWDC, and WPGC are the worst offenders and sound like holy hell almighty on the adjacent channels. 73's de WPT.

Bill Wurtzel-32 W. 31st. St.-New York, NY 10001  
 (continued from last DXM-jz) Any members who have comments on my poetry and limericks please let me know how I can improve my style, content, and topics. I welcome all correspondence and I promise to answer everyone. I can write and speak without rhyme. In the spring I plan an open-house and get-together with free refreshments for members of all radio clubs. I will be able to put up two DX'ers overnight, so get your reservations in early. Here are two limericks for our Canadian friends:

A neighbor said to me Ah ha!  
 So you like to DX Canada?  
 With this radio in my hand  
 I can pick up Newfoundland  
 And sometimes even British Columbia!  
 One night while making the DX scene  
 I tuned in Montreal's La Musique Machine  
 Its signal spread across the AM band  
 As wide as a watchband  
 From 1550 to 1590, and that was mean!

Mark Connelly-52 Amsden St.-Arlington, MA 02174  
WACQ-1150 and WTTK-100.7 FM have changed hands and are now both WHUE, effective 1/1/79. In a move of incomprehensible stupidity, they have adopted a "Muzak" format. Boston needed another "mush-Muzak" station like Custer needed another Indian! We already have WHET & WWEL on AM and nearly a dozen area FM stations playing the wimpy, insipid sound of lush, so-called "beautiful" string renditions of pop tunes. Can a supposedly "hip" town like this be lame enough to support all of these pablum-pushers? This leads on to the greater picture - a regrettable story of format-shrinkage in the Boston market; this is probably paralleled in other major cities. In the early '70s, Boston AM provided news/talk, top 40, folk, MoR, religion, soul, C&W, oldies, big bands/showtunes, classical music, Muzak, progressive rock, and ethnic programming. Now, with the same number of stations, we have lost the C&W, oldies, big bands, classical, and progressive rock formats. AM radio has suffered as dull "me-too MoR/easy rock" proliferates among the suburban stations. Boston sorely needs a good C&W station and an AMer with a "hard AOR" approach (ala Mark

Parenteau of WBCN-FM). Such an AOR station would be a sort of "WGTR without the MoR", and would be oriented to new wave, hard disco, heavy metal, and well-known rock oldies. An important thrust of such a station would be the inclusion of British and West Coast hits before other stations get them. The local AM radio situation will have to change, or the FM stations (themselves not all that innovative) will continue to increase their dominance of the ratings.

Greg Monti-5 Hickory Road-Bayville, NY 11709  
In a recent few EDYK's, Lou Poda and a few others have been trying to figure out the s/on/off sked of WHLO-640 Akron OH. It may seem a little whimsical at times, but there's a method to the FCC's madness. Here, for all intents and purposes, is the exact schedule. Any single-day variations from it are probably mistakes: (listed by month, on and off) January 0745, 2000; February 0715, 2030; March 0630, 2100; April 0545(0645), 2130(2230); May 0500(0600), 2145(2245); June 0445(0545), 2200(2300); July 0500(0600), 2200(2300); August 0530(0630), 2145(2245); September 0600(0700), 2100(2200); October 0630(0730), 2015(2115); November 0715, 1945; December 0745, 1945. These times are, or course, EST, with EDT in parentheses where it applies. The "on" time is the average sunrise time for the whole month at Akron, the off time is sunset in Los Angeles, where the protected class I-A station (KFI) is. Interesting sidelight: it also shows how dumb it is to have daylight time in October, since an 0630 sunrise is plenty late, and 0730 is ridiculous. You can also see why daytimers would want presunrise: rise in the Akron area in the winter with daylight time was a ridiculous 0845! 73's.

W. Page Pyne-P.O. Box 1062-Hagerstown, MD 21740  
Hi gang. Just thought I would alert all IRCA members that the Newark News Radio Club has decided to sponsor an annual BCB contest. The current contest is being held January 19-26th and probably will be held in January each year. It's open only to NNRC members. Rules award a plaque to high score and five runners-up certificates. Contest is based on 25 best receptions plus also-ran stations for state multiplier credit. The moral to this announcement is that BCB interest must be on the upswing for a general interest club to sponsor a BCB contest. The Miami Valley DX Club recently had a SW contest that only drew 6 entries. I sincerely hope NNRC does better with its BCB test. Participation in club activities is the key to any organization's success. Let us resolve in this new year to be a little more active and to make our club bigger and better. 73 and good DX.

Niel Wolfish-15 Donwoods Grove-Toronto, ON M4N 2X4  
I see that I didn't lose out on my 14g (soon 17g), as my last forum arrived eventually in the DXM. News for this time is that I called the CRTC here to ask about CKAN/CFNY 1480 Newmarket. The man said that he thought it is CKAN (with 10kw DA2 24hrs) and that they have nothing to do with CHIC-CFNY in Brampton. Owner of CKAN is Bradley Walker. They'll be on (never I hope) in a year or so. Also, CHML is going 50kw like CKOC. In the good news department, QSLs: letters from CKLC and WDAY, cards from WAIT, WLCY and WHBC. Puts me 3 short of my goal of 150 QSL'ed by 1979. Mind you, I have 14 unanswered reports since October. DXwise, two types of DX for me, TQ and SMS (Trans-Quebecois

and Studying Math Skip) have brought 20 new ones, mostly from PQ or at sunset while I was supposedly studying math. As a result, I am 427/147. My goal is to hit 500/200 by May, but I don't think I'll be able to afford the postage. I did manage to hear 113 new stations in 1978, excluding 12/31, which comes up tomorrow...at that rate I'll hit 1,000 in 1983. I will have to have a party or something then. I can only recall 2 local DX'ers who broke 500, and 1 is in NRC and the other quit. If he ever counts his totals, Mike Brooker should join the 'club' soon, also. 73's de NW.

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Have you ever wondered how you can tell when you're exactly tuned to a station? If your tape recorder has a recording level meter and your rx a BFO switch it's easy. Simply turn on the BFO switch and note the tone that it generated. Watch the recording level meter on your recorder and listen to the tone. When you reach a point where this tone is minimal and the meter on the recorder shows a minimal reading on silent parts you are exactly tuned to the station. Try it, it really works. Well, that's all from me now. All calls and letters welcome. 73 and good DX in '79 (Rick, Oakland A's and San Diego Padres in '79???, hi) (You mean, New Orleans A's?, hi. Pls double space, my poor bloodshot eyes, hi-Rth). 73 de ASL.

BILL HARMS-865 N. 160 W. #2-PROVO, UT. 84601  
I'm just getting back into the swing of things at school. Christmas vacation was good to me w/approx. 50 new stns logged from Spokane. I now have 535 stns heard from there. I have only 470 from Provo, but total is increasing. I just wish a certain local would go off the air on 1450 kHz (kcs for you Rth, hi) so my 1450 total will be more than 1. (Tnx Bill, Hertz rents cars, hi-Rth). I have nulled KAYK 960 and hrd KABL, but KEYK is unnullable. I can look out my back window and see the tower. Such is life. KAYK is about 3 or 4 mile (4.8 or 6.4 km) further down the way, so I guess that makes the difference. Not much else to say, so CU later and 73 de WJH.

MARK BIXBY-1627 HIGHLAND DR-NEWPORT BEACH, CA. 92660  
Long time no Forum! Stayed up for the KNBR SP of 12/16 and was rewarded w/WCAW, XELG, and WAPA which was totally unexpected! 690 came through w/CBU and KKUA. During the SP, KFI slop was heard on 680. Also logged that morning was HLDA. About 3 weeks ago, KOST audio was being heard on 840. They aren't strong enough here to cause overload, and a spur doesn't make sense so somebody must have been relaying them. KLAV appeared w/a harmonic on 2460 on 12/27. KWAC is still being heard regularly on 2980. On 12/31, an unID harmonic of 1400 was heard signing off on 2800 @ 0305 ELT. They said they would be back on at 4AM and ended w/Porky Pig saying "That's all folks!". Call sounded like "KCG". (How 'bout KAAP Santa Paula?-Rth). Also on 12/31, WBAF was noticed w/strange XR troubles @ 0330ELT. They would alternate between regular programming and CW-like pulses which lasted for 2 or 3 seconds. At times they would completely go off the air. Strange. The IAX TIS station on 550 was heard during a rainstorm on 11/13. Haven't been able to verify them yet. Who says DXing isn't hazardous to your health? On the way back from Salt Lake City, SMM and I were searching for KBRE on a tiny rural road when we had a flat which had to be changed in a snowstorm! That's 20, so 73 de MDB.

STEVE MITTMAN-2248 W. 37th ST-SAN PEDRO, CA. 90732  
The first week of January, Mark Bixby, another friend, and I drove up to Salt Lake City, where we enjoyed 4 fantastic days of skiing. The wx, however, was freezing! The first couple of days the temps ranged from 4-14°F in Salt Lake, to -15°F at the summit! While we were there it began snowing, and it was the first time in 14 years that I had seen it snow! Driving out there through CA, we were quite surprised to easily hear KBOI during midday on a car radio at a distance of about 650 mi/1050km! Yet, in Salt Lake, only once was KBOI barely audible at night, so apparently the mtns block out the signals to the N. as well as E. allowing stns from Los Angeles to make it in. For example, although we were about 600 mi from home, KWOW, KWIZ, KGER, KFXM, & KOGO were quite constant, and KFI



was actually slopping 650! We also drove through the extreme NW corner of AZ, where we saw breathtaking scenery. It was virtually like driving through the Grand Canyon. In Utah we passed through St. George, where we tuned in KDKX -- the GYer that may soon have to compete w/a 50kw fulltimer on 890. On the way home we stopped for 10 min in NV, where I made a whopping 80% profit on the slot machines! Rth, to answer your question -- yes, both XETRA FM and AM are contemplating a move from Rosarito to Tijuana. Also, 91X (XETRA-FM) is having a ton of "commercial free hours", which is probably a consequence of the alliance to prevent advertisers from contracting w/them. 73 de SMM.

GARY LARSON-2806 LINCOLN-BURBANK, CA. 91504  
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On 1/8 0335 ELT I was at a Winchell's Donut place in Burbank and was dial twisting on my car radio and noticed KNX, KRLA, KPOL & KDAY all off. (KPOL has a regular MM SP, Gary-Rth). There was some QRM from the lights at Winchell's. KMPC was on w/an OC; no sign of KCBS. Hrd KDWN & KOB fair and came across KMJJ 1140, in poor (anyone know where there XR is?) KDON was in poor also; usually they are clear. Was in Woodland Hills w/Gary Parton and another friend on 1/6 and it was good to hear distant AM, away from LA locals like KMPC. KROQ 1500 was fair there w/a little of KXRX coming in. 73.

RICK HEALD-1581 20th AVENUE-SAN FRANCISCO, CA. 94122  
Tele-Forum; (415) MONTROSE 5-4201 to 2200 PLT and ppd.  
+++++  
Greetings from wet San Francisco. Almost 5"/12.6cm of rain o/ the weekend, 1/12-15, and it's made for lots of powerline QRM all over town. The New Year started out w/new loggings of old stations (CL changes), new KFIA 710 did not make the first wk of '79, but on the air now. They are EXTREMELY directional, beamed from Carmichael thro Sacramento to the Bay Area, so if you live N, E, or S of Sacto, good luck, hi. Bill Hardy -- sorry to see you're not re-running for the BoD. You're a good colleague on the BoD and I wish you would reconsider. You certainly have my support. Don Kaskey said some rather interesting things two issues ago. I would appreciate any feedback you all might have. I make my decions in voting based on what you have to say, so keep those cards and letters coming. Bill Harms, appreciated the multitude of phone calls. Do you have stock in Utah Bell, hi! We have an excellent electronics store in S.F., Zaak's, run by people who really know their stuff, catering a lot to hams, so if you have trouble in smaller places finding parts, let me know by card or phone, and I'll try to track it down for you. Like others, I too am experiencing some minor overload w/my TRF. Guess I need the modification done, and will get my set to Grant as soon as I get the bucks together. That's it this week. Keep 'em coming, gang. 73 de Rth..

## \$8 Mil Grabs KTNQ-AM; LA. FM Sister Available

By RAY HERBECK JR.

LOS ANGELES-KTNQ-AM "Ten Q" here has been sold by Storer Broadcasting to Elias Lieberman of Klove Radio Broadcasting, which owns and operates KLVF-FM in L.A., a Spanish-language outlet.

According to acting general manager Jeff Williams of KTNQ, Storer additionally has decided to place sister outlet KHTZ-FM (formerly KGBS-FM) on the blocks.

"Assuming no one challenges the sale," says Williams, "you're looking at six to nine months before Lieberman takes possession, pending FCC approval." Any kind of protest to the sale would result in further delay, he adds.

Although Williams had no knowledge of price, other sources report a figure of \$8 million cash for the high energy rock outlet, rated at 50kw at 1020 on the dial.

The same sources indicate that Lieberman intends to push the station into Latin-oriented programming to serve the area's estimated three million Spanish-surnamed residents. Lieberman and assistants were unavailable for comment at press time.

Storer's FM outlet should draw an even higher price in this 72-signal market where FM outlets are at a

premium, especially at 58,000 watts. Sale of Ten-Q will remove a major contender to KHF-AM's drive to regain AM rock dominance here. P.d. John Sebastian has been methodically removing personalities from the station in favor of a heavy call-out research, "more music" approach.

Most recently, he axed morning man Charlie Tuna. Previously, it was M.G. Kelly. Both have surfaced at Ten-Q, joined by Jack Armstrong.

Storer Broadcasting national program director Ed Salomon acquired both jocks at a price far less than what they were earning at KHJ. "They're not doing it for the money," says Salomon, Billboard's country music programmer of the year. Kelly won Billboard's rock personality of the year award.

"We're out to prove that personality radio in rock is not dead," he adds, "even though it obviously cannot last forever."

He adds that he has instituted call-out research at KTNQ-AM, pointing out that "research and personality radio are compatible."

Sales of KHTZ-FM would remove L.A.'s only country FM outlet, leaving that format wide open to traditional country-oriented KLAC-AM.

- JAISUN

## FCC supports growth of AM radio

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's airwaves could carry up to 120 new AM radio stations under a proposal given tentative approval by the Federal Communications Commission.

At the same meeting, the commission ordered its staff to make further studies on a separate proposal that would create new VHF television stations for the first time in 20 years.

The radio proposal, approved unanimously, would permit the new AM stations to move into some of the frequencies now held by the nation's 25 clear-channel stations, which operate on 50,000 watts of power and can be heard over wide geographic areas. The commission said it would accept public comment on that plan until April 9, 1979, before making a decision.

The FCC's Broadcast Bureau recommended against the proposal to permit four new VHF television stations, which operate on channels 2 through 13. It said the public interest would be

better served by encouraging the development instead of UHF stations, which are on channels 14 and above.

The bureau said in a report that authorization of new VHF stations would mark an abrupt change in FCC policy and would harm development of the UHF band.

But commission members voted to send the matter back to the bureau for further study, with commissioner Abbott Washburn calling the staff report inadequate and deficient.

The new TV stations under study could be "dropped in" among existing VHF stations if it could be shown that they would not cause interference with the signals of the current stations.

An FCC study has said that sites technically feasible for the four stations include Salt Lake City, Charleston, W. Va.; Knoxville, Tenn.; and Johnstown, Pa.

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Storer selling stations. As noted in 1/6/79 DXM, p. 201 (plus Gary Siegel's Forum, p. 205), Storer Broadcasting Co., which got into radio broadcasting in 1927, has decided to sell all its radio stations and concentrate on its seven major TV stations plus its cable-TV operations. In an item in 12/11/78 Broadcasting (used by permission), company officials noted that "the world has changed," and they decided to concentrate their management and money resources into TV and cable. Actual negotiations started on 1/5/79.

In an item and a Storer ad in 1/1/79 Broadcasting (again used by permission), prices for the stations are set as follows: WHN-1050 New York City (50kw), \$17 million. WGBS-710 and WLYF (FM) Miami, FL, "to be sold only as a unit" (50kw AM & 100kw FM), \$14 million. WSPD-1370 Toledo, OH, the original Storer station since its 1927 purchase, \$4 million. Storer also owns WLAK (FM) Chicago, but just bought it in 1978, so must hang onto it till 1981; Storer does plan to sell it when the 3-year minimum is over.

Storer's TV stations are in Detroit, Cleveland, Atlanta, Milwaukee, Boston, Toledo, and San Diego. Storer also has more than 80 cable TV systems in nine states.

The other Storer radio stations, KTNQ-1020 and KHTZ (FM) (ex-KGBS) Los Angeles, were put up for sale last August (see 9/23/78 DXM, p. 35). KTNQ has been sold to the owners of XEGM-950, pending FCC approval (see 10/28/78 DXM, p. 82); Storer has also found a buyer for KHTZ (FM), Greater Media Inc., which owns a variety of AM, FM, & TV outlets around the country (from 10/16/78 Broadcasting, used by permission).

Operator license rules loosened. Some of you interested in a broadcasting career might want to know that the FCC, just before Christmas, eliminated its requirement that routine transmitter watch at most AM & FM stations be performed by an operator who had taken an examination. Beginning 2/9/79, the operator may hold any FCC radiotelephone license or permit, including the "restricted radiotelephone operator permit" - which can be obtained by mail for no exam. This also means that the exam for a "broadcast endorsement" on a "third phone" permit will be abandoned, since the endorsement will not be used anymore. That endorsement was instituted in 1964; prior to that time, the restricted permit was okay. You may still need a first-class license to work on transmitters or to operate certain critical or directional stations. So, now if you want to work in radio, it'll be much easier. (From 1/1/79 Broadcasting, used by permission.) -BH.

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Hi Gang!, things have certainly picked up as reporters get used to the new regime, so we better get right to it....

TRANS-ATLANTIC

- 612 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aïoun, 0018 Dec 31, gud w/AA tx (Conn.)
666 PORTUGAL Lisboa, 0021 Dec 31, gud w/ OM, YL in PP tx then mx. (Connelly-Ma.)
738 SPAIN Barcelona, 0625 Dec 28, assumed w/gud carrier Fast SAH also noticed. (Eckman-Pa.)
756 PORTUGAL Lisboa, 0026 Dec 31, w/opera (Connelly-Ma.)
765 SENEGAL Dakar, 0625 Dec 18, w/slight aud. OM in lang. carriers also noted 2303 Dec 9, 0505 Dec 20. (Cartwright) 0734-0740 Dec 19, carrier only, overlapping New Zealanders on 756, (Martin-Co.) 2337 Dec 31, exc. like a local, w/kalimba mx, YL screaming, 2142 Dec 30, gud w/FF tx. (Connelly-Ma.)
774 t MOROCCO 2336 Dec 31, new outlet suspected here, loud w/AA YL vocal, strings, atop Spain SAH (Connelly-Ma.)
782 PORTUGAL Porto-Miramar 0031 Dec 31, on old channel w/mx, poor in bad ZEVU/WBEM slop (Connelly-Ma.) UNID, perhaps the Port. haven't moved yet as carrier was det. 0625 Dec 18, also sig. on 1034 (Cartwright)
819 MOROCCO Rabat 0034 Dec 31, f-g, w/AA tx (Connelly)
1034 UNID, 0519 Dec 20, as per 782 recep., carrier noted suggesting Port. is slow in changing (Cartwright)
1044 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aïoun 2350 Dec 30, superloud w/OM FF vocal, FF tx (Connelly-Ma.) t carrier noted 0624 Dec 10, 0519 Dec 20., some audio 2354 Dec 13, music on a very low level (Cartwright-Pa.)
1061 PORTUGAL Norte 2352 Dec 30, to fair peaks w/cia. plano mx. (Connelly-Ma.)
1107 UNID, 0537 Dec 31, carrier only, many stas. listed here per ITU list. (Eckman-Pa.)
1161 UNID, 0536 Dec 31, gud carrier, some mx, no lang/ID, poss. Strasbourg? (Eckman-Pa.)
1197 t MOROCCO Agadir poss. 2356 Dec 30, big carrier, very poor mod. bits of acappella chants or screams. (Connelly)
1215 GREAT BRITAIN BBC, 2357 Dec 30, to fair peaks w/YL pop vocal. (Connelly-Ma.)
1224 t SENEGAL 2349 Dec 31, screams/chants 1/o of slop, sig. Loops African. (Connelly-Ma.)
1233 UNID, 0521 Dec 31, carrier noted, poss. Tangier (Connelly)
1269 W.GERMANY DLF Neumunster, 2229 Dec 28, assumed the carr. here producing het on 1270 stas. no audio discernable. (Eckman-Pa.)
1287 CZECHOSLOVAKIA Praha-Melnik, 0516 Dec 31, app. cla. mx/opera at low aud. level on gud carr. (Connelly-Ma.) 0534 Dec 31, assumed w/strong sig. WCAM 1310 slop obliterated aud. (Eckman-Pa.)

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- 1305 UNID, 0514 Dec 31, OM in FF, p-f (Connelly-Ma.)
1359 UNID, 0542 Dec 31, het noted (Connelly-Ma.)
1377 FRANCE Lille, 0510 Dec 31, running OC/TT prior to normal programming. (Connelly-Ma.) 0614 Dec 31, strong w/mx (Eckman-Pa.) ( Seems Mark and Richard were chasing the same stas. around the dial on Dec 31--ed.)
1395 ALBANIA Lushnje, 2306 Dec 13, stronger at 2333 w/YL in SS sounding lang. one of the more consistent evening sigs. (Cartwright-Pa.) 2156 Dec 28, YL in EE noted at 2215 which seemed to be // 41 mb. SW outlet (Eckman-Pa.) t 0508 Dec 31, tx by OM/YL to fair peaks, heavily slopped by WEAAM/WFBL mess on 1390 (Connelly-Ma.)
1404 GUINEA Conakry, 0658 Dec 25, easier now on new fqy. in lang. would have been better an hour earlier, still the main TA being heard. (Martin-Co.) 2215 Dec 30, fair to peaks, very fadey. (Connelly-Ma.)
1422 W.GERMANY Saarlandischer R., 2327 Dec 28, xlint around 0458 Dec 31 w/OM in GG. (Eckman-Pa.) 0541 Dec 31, p-f, fadey w/OM pop vocal mx. (Connelly-Ma.)
1431 UNID, 0506 Dec 31, strong het on domestics, no aud. (Eckman-Pa.)
1458 UNID, 2329 Dec 13, is poss. Albanian, noted several times on 1457, but only carr. on 1458. (Cartwright-Pa.)
1467 MONACO Monte Carlo, regular during eves. of Dec 9, 11, 13, 17. best on 2315 Dec 13. (Cartwright-Pa.) 2203 Dec 29, gud w/OM in AA, xlint w/OC 0432 Dec 30, IS noted 0441. strong w/GG pgm. 0452 Dec 31. (Eckman-Pa.) 0504 Dec 31, xlint w/GG tx & hymns (Connelly-Ma.)
1476 AUSTRIA Vienna, 2339 Dec 28, carr. only, 0433 Dec 30 gud w/traces of aud. intense 1480 slop. 0526 Dec 31 w/cia. mx (Eckman-Pa.) 0503 Dec 31, w/OM in GG poor thru bad WSAR slop. (Connelly-Ma.) t 2327 Dec 13, w/low-level cla/mx. (Cartwright-Pa.)
1494 UNID, 0541 Dec 31, 2 stas. here w/resultant SAH, no aud. from either. (Eckman-Pa.)
1521 UNID, 2249 Dec 11, wicketed het on WKBN, loud on portable radio (Cartwright-Pa.) 2334 Dec '8, intense het. w/YL in E.Eur. lang at 2352, also noted w/strong carr. 0457 Dec 31, but no aud. Czech. seems likely source (Eckman-Pa.)
1539 W.GERMANY DLF Mainflingen, 2337 Dec 28, surprisingly good despite WPR-1540, also 0435 Dec 30, xlint 0549 Dec 31, w/cia. mx, OM in GG. (Eckman-Pa.)
1548 UNID(S), 2250 Dec 28, carriers noted, no aud. also 0550 Dec 31, strong but no aud. poss. Eng. low power sta. (Eckman-Pa.)

- 1557 FRANCE Nice, 0659 Dec 27, xlint sig. w/YL in FF. also 0430 Dec 30, at local level w/YL in lang. sked for PP. 0555 Dec 31, strong w/app. s/on. (Eckman-Pa.)
1557 t MALTA, 0605+ Dec 20, AA chants u/FF voice, both gud level in tail end of gud TA opening, other nights had FF alone here. (Foxworth-NY)

TRANS-ATLANTIC

- 1557 UNID, 0648 Dec 18, w/lt. mx FF anns., some aud. noted 0608-11 Dec 10. (Cartwright-Pa.)
1566 SWITZERLAND Sarnen, 0604 Dec 19, xlint in GG, 0630 mx, then mx, not consistently hrd. (Foxworth-NY) 0701 Dec 27, strong carr. 0459 Dec 30, app. s/on. 0557 Dec 31, w/IS 0600 s/on w/OM in GG w/nx. (Eckman-Pa.) t not noted dur. early Dec openings but w/strong carr. and some aud. 0647 Dec 18, w/instr. mx, 0500 Dec 20, w/app. s/on. (Cartwright-Pa.)
1575 ITALY Bari, 0658 Dec 27, w/lt. mx., 0012 Dec 29 w/OM in II. 0552 Dec 30, w/mx., 0459 Dec 31 w/tones and familiar s/on tune often hrd on RAI SW. (Eckman-Pa.) 0725 Jan 08, w/OM in II started gud, faded fast, carr. gone by 0745. (Straus-NJ)
1575 SPAIN Madrid, R.Peninsular, 0602 s/on mornings, best Dec 18, 19, 20 w/ at least 5 minutes of nice guitar IS before ann'r says 'Trabajadores', giving fqy. as 190 meters, 1575 khz. former 989 khz.--not listed in Dario's ITU info. last year. Completely dominates fqy. at 0600 and is as reliable as any Eur. this seas. (Foxworth-NY)
1575 t E.GERMANY, 2317 Dec 13, regularly eves. and past 0000, w/WQR type pgm (cla.mx), no ann'r noted (Cartwright)
1579 PORTUGAL, 0325 Dec 24, quiet mx, 0715 Dec 27, noted on 1578.0 (Foxworth-NY) 2330 Jan 05 lite cla. mx sig. meas. as 1579.03 (Straus-NJ) 0656 Dec 30 on 1578 w/OC until 0700 s/on w/OM in PP (Eckman-Pa.) (seems they can't make up their minds, should settle down soon--ed.)
1584 UNIDS, Dec 18, many sigs., one abt 150 hz. high at 0700 BBC-type 6 pips noted. also Dec 19 w/many sigs. (Foxy) At least 2 stas. here w/SAH's 0657 Dec 27, no aud., also 0550 Dec 30 w/sev. carrs. 0700 time pips and unfamiliar IS hrd w/mess of carrs. hard to believe max. power here is 2kw. (Eckman-Pa.) (just like our GY fqys.--ed.)
1593 W.GERMANY Langenburg, 0546-0605 Dec 10, cla. mx, YL w/brief tx, then OM w/nx. also 2337 Dec 13 w/mx better early AM then eves! (Cartwright-Pa.) 0657 Dec 27, w/mx. vy potent, fast SAH noted along ..it but no aud. from 2nd sta. also 2252 Dec 28 w/OM in GG., 0301 Dec 29 fair sig. alone on channel. (Eckman-Pa.) 0527 Dec 31, to fair peaks o/SAH; Muzak o/buckshot from mulled WUNR pest (Connelly-Ma.)
1602 UNIDS, 0553 Dec 31, carrs. here at fair level (Eckman) out of order
1503 POLAND, Warsaw, 2318 Dec 28, w/YL in lang. pop mx at 2325. no def. ID. xlint 0528-0515+ Dec 31, w/WTCP on. Chopin plano IS noted 0530 foll. by ID by YL in GG., fqys. given. IS noted at 0600 also, foll. by pgm in lang. (Eckman-Pa.)

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PAN AMERICAN

- 527.5 COSTA RICA Cartago, TICAL 0835 Dec 16, and other nights bad het from USB of 'UUP' audio on 527. (Foxworth-NY)
535 UNID, 1008 Nov 24, poor sig. OM tx in SS, 1010 fade, (Pod-a-o.) (I've never hrd an LA on 535 Lou, keep checking--ed)
540 t VENEZUELA, 1020 Nov 24, 2 stas. hrd w/various SS tx, mx (Pod-a-o.) (YVVO R.Perija hrd here last mo.--ed.)
545 DOMINICA 2330 Dec 17, now called 'R.Calyppo', gud sig. unEIL 0304 s/off Dec 18, all FF. (Foxworth-NY)
560 GUYANA GBS, 0100 Jan 01, GBS ID, anth. 9 PM tx, atop fqy. w/mod. QRM in auroral ex. no def. 760 recep. however. (Foxworth-NY)
610 TRINIDAD NBS, 0129 Dec 17, gud w/rel svc. fair amt. of fading later. also xlint 0200 Jan 01, w/'TopPlatters' of '78', to midnigh, raggae mx & calypso, carib-accented ann'r, fadey. (Foxworth-NY)
620 NICARAGUA Managua, YNH R.dif. Nac. 0648 Dec 31, w/slogan ID, poss. 24 hr now. still on 0810. (Krueger-Tx.)
620 MEXICO D.F., XENK R.Seis Viente, 0645 Dec 31, call & slogan dur. s/off Sun. Morning. (Krueger-Tx.)
640 VENEZUELA YVQO, Ondas Portenas, 0800 Dec 4 w/ SS tx, LA mx. (Beauregard-Que.)
655 EL SALVADOR YSS, San Sal. 1005 Dec 11, SS tx, mx, WSM-TT interference, gone 1010. (Pod-a-o.)
665 UNID, 0625+42 Dec 25, positively a latin here. carr. fm. SE, with audio far down in the mush, later than ever hrd before, many latins on late xmas morning. (Martin-Co.)
680 MEXICO, Leon, XELG, 1045 Dec 16, w/KNBR off, SS tx, mx, and ID, gud. (Harms-Ut.)
698.9 DOM.REP., 0020 Jan 01, sta. rptd here as HI meas. QRMing 700, fair lvl, didn't stick w/t. (Foxworth-NY)
700 JAMAICA Montego Bay, JEC, 0700 Dec 11, EE OM tx, rock mx, unid LA hetting against it. (Pod-a-o.)
725 COSTA RICA San Jose, TILX, 0045 Dec 29, mx, and several 'Columbia', ID's. (Krueger-Tx.)
750 VENEZUELA Caracas, YVKS, 2339 Dec 31, xlint alone on channel w/Caracas advs. cx were semi-auroral w/ some weakening of domestic skip. (Connelly-Ma.)
755.5 UNID, believe TIRA has drifted here, interferes w/1YA always hrd after 1100, not before, and is there on mggs. when JJ's aren't making it in. noted Dec 22, 24, 25, 26 and is no stronger than NZ sig. (Martin-Co.)
790 CUBA Havana, CMCH, 0500 Dec 28, choir sgg CUEA NA, mx cmnty follows, domestic QRM. (Landry-La.)

800 MEXICO C. Juarez, XEROK, 0745 Nov 25, SS tx, rock mx, ID as 'R. Cientos'. (Poda-O.)  
 810 MEXICO Tamp. XEFW, 1227 Dec 16, ann's ment. Tampico, rancho mx, ann. w/call letters. (Landry-La.)  
 810 COLOMBIA Bogota, HJCY, R. Sutatenza 1000 Dec 11, instr. mx, SS tx. (Poda-O.)  
 825 COSTA RICA SanJose, TIOS, R. Titania 0630 Dec 3, SS mx, (Poda-O.)  
 890 HONDURAS Teguc. 0410 Dec 28, R. Honduras slogan ID (Krueger)  
 900 MEXICO D.F. XEW, 0742 Dec 3, SS OM giving list of stas. XEQ, XEW etc. and locations. poss. 0745 off. (Poda-O.)

**PAN AMERICAN**

940 CUBA Reloj Nacional, loc. unk. 0731 Dec 27, the usual u/WYLO and others. (Landry-La.)  
 960 COLOMBIA Magangue, HJHN, R. Sutatenza, 0504 Dec 23, 'Sutatenza' ID's. (Krueger-Tx.)  
 1010 COLOMBIA Barran., 0014 Dec 30, mx by OM in SS, no ID but Sutatenza suspected. f-poor. (Townshend-DC)  
 1030 COLOMBIA Cali, HJER, 0800 Jan 08, w/clear 'R. Pacifico', ID and into instr. mx. (Straus-NJ)  
 1030t ARGENTINA Buenos Aires, LS10 also 0800 Jan 08, u/HJER was hrd occasional ments. of Argentina, seemed all tx, hrd here before but this very tent. (Straus-NJ)  
 1035 HAITI Cap Haitian 4VEF, 0001 Jan 06, ID, all fgy's., request for reception reports to Box 1, Cap Haitian, Haiti, W.T. 0002 conclude EE bcst. back at 6 AM, 0003 pulled the plug. (Straus-NJ)  
 1090 UNID, 0116 Dec 28, rustic LA mx, w/accordion, suspect HJ, fair u/WBAL. (Townshend-DC)  
 1090 GUATEMALA Guat. City, TGZ 0030, 0410 Dec 25, 'Romantica y Fabulosa en Guat', and 'R. Fabulosa' hrd at 0410 (Krueger)  
 1100 ANTIGUA St. Johns, ZDK, 0300 Dec 23, rel pgm. w/xmas songs, call given, fair o/u 3WE. (Townshend-DC)  
 1125 COSTA RICA San Jose, 0232 Dec 25, 'onda once veinte', ID report in Dec DXWV helped. (Krueger-Tx.)  
 1130 CUBA Santa Clara, CMHA, 0204 Dec 30, SS mx by OM, no WNEW, fair o/u HJAC. (Townshend)  
 1135 GUATEMALA Retalhoulou, TGVR, 0450 Dec 28, 'La voz de la Costa Sur', mx. (Krueger-Tx.)  
 1150 VENEZUELA Punto Fijo, YVHM, 0151 Dec 30, SS OM tx, ment. of Maquetia (Caracas airport), fair o/u WDEL (Townshend-DC)  
 1160 COLOMBIA Barran. HJEL, R. Aeropuerto, 0055 Dec 16, 'Cadena Radial Libertad'. (Beauregard-Que.)  
 0115 Dec 28, LA mx, ID as above, no WJJD. (Townshend-DC)  
 1165 ANTIGUA Carr. L'house R. 0143 Dec 28, w/music box version of xmas carols, f-g. (Townshend-DC)  
 1195.7 UNID, 0025 Jan 06, w/snatches of SS tx, looped s-sw (ed.)  
 1200 COLOMBIA Riohacha, HJZW, 0111-0158 Dec 28, rumba type mx, ID as 'R. Almirante' o/u CHKL. (Townshend-DC)  
 1200 CUBA Santiago, CMKL 0140 Dec 28. //1180,90 (Townshend)  
 1290 VENEZUELA Puerta Cabello, VVLF, 0250 Jan 06, 'R. Puerta Informa', into LA vocal, gud. (Straus-NJ)  
 1310 COLOMBIA Barran. HJAK, 0055 Jan 01, ID as 'La voz de la Patria'. (Stanbury-Ont.)  
 1310 VENEZUELA Turnero, YVWP, 0100 Jan 01, R. Apollo has moved here from 1320. 'Apollo' hrd. (Stanbury-Ont.)  
 1350 MEXICO Torreón, XETB, 0650 Dec 12, ID w/calls, rom-antica mx, poor w/QSB, QRH. (Landry-La.)  
 1375 ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON 2235-55 Dec 09, f-g w/FF. pop mx, Murphy's Law prevented ID on hr. (Cartwright-Pa.)  
 2217 Dec 30, R. France, loud w/YL in FF. power increase here yet? (Connolly-Ma.)  
 1410 MEXICO D.F., XEBS, 0007 Dec 30, romantica mx, incl. EE MoR tunes, many anncts. 6-note whistle like IS. (Landry-La.)

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1440 MEXICO D.F., XEAI, 0040 Dec 10, ID as R. E-A, frenetic SS pops, poor, QSB. (Landry-La.)  
 1530 MEXICO D.F., XEUR, 0230 Jan 06, R. Onda w/ pop mx, reverb tx, fair. (Straus-NJ)  
 1540 BAHAMAS Nasseau, ZNSI, 0510 Dec 21, 'and now the R. Bahamas Gospel Hour'. (Krueger-Tx.)  
 1555 CAYMAN ISLANDS R.C., 0315 Jan 06, w/IsI & world nx, xInt on peaks, 1205 barely aud. 0430 Jan 10, w/GSTQ in prog. 0433 power off. (Straus-NJ)  
 1570 GUATEMALA Guat. City, TGVE, 0548 Dec 27, marimba mx, 'de la Harimba' slogan, s/off ment. Guat., weak u/XERF. (Landry-La.)  
 1580 MEXICO Herm., XEDM, 0627 Dec 12, Cuban style mx, ID as 'La Grande de Sonora', mixing w/KLOU. (Landry-La.)  
 1680 CUBA (presumed), Beacon ----- (Z roll. by the cyrillic letter JIII at 0410 Jan 01, hrd during auroral ex, the thesis, 1st expounded by Foxy, is this is a Soviet installation in Cuba. (Stanbury-Ont.)

**TRANS-PACIFIC**

666 UNID, 1247 Dec 16, weak het noted. (Harms-Ut.)  
 693 JAPAN Tokyo, JOAB, 1143 Dec 16, JJ tx, mx, strong het only at other times. (Harms-Ut.)  
 702 JAPAN Synchros, assumed w/traces of JJ tx. (Harms-Ut.)  
 738 AUSTRALIA Grafton, 2HR, 1032 Jan 01, apparently the DU evident after Tahiti s/off, weaker. (Peterson-Cal.)  
 738 TAHITI Papeete, 0957-1030+, Jan 01, app. on late for New Year. played quite a bit of music. 'Summer Nights' from 'Grease', 'Let's Fall in Love' in FF. (Peterson-Cal.)  
 747 JAPAN Sapporo, NHK, 0945-1015 Jan 16, EE lesson to 1000 time pips, and NHK EE nx. ID at 1015, 'That is the end of the news from NHK. (Harms-Ut.)  
 828 JAPAN Osaka, NHK-2, Dec 16, noted all AM w/EE lessons (Harms-Ut.)  
 882 AUSTRALIA Brisbane, 4BH, 1104 Jan 01, in again, rather weak w/ezl mx. (Peterson-Cal.)  
 891 JAPAN Sendai, JOHK, 1100 Dec 16, w/NHK time pips, & JJ tx, too much 890 for gud copy. (Harms-Ut.)  
 1008 NEW ZEALAND Tauranga, 12D, 1110 Jan 01, assumed to be the DU sig., quite weak. (Peterson-Cal.)

1143 UNID, 1109 Dec 16, poss. Japan hetting u/KMJJ (Harms) (Hardester lists NHK-2 here-ed.)  
 1512 AUSTRALIA Newcastle, 2NA, 1300 Dec 23, was in quite weak, only 6 pips evident at 1300. (Peterson-Cal.)

**Last minute from Bill Bailey:**

711 FRANCE Rennes, 2220 Dec 28, FF OM/YL in lite song OM ann'r.  
 1458 ALBANIA Lushnje, 2150 Dec 15, choral mx w/orch.  
 1475 BENIN Cotonou, 2201 Dec 15, OM w/nx in:FF.  
 1485 t MOROCCO 2152 Dec 15, AA chants, 3 Hz. SAH  
 1493 IVORY COAST Abijan, 2150 Dec 15, FF OM ann'r  
 1494 FRANCE (Corsica), Ajaccio, 2152 Dec 25, FF ann'r, FF YL song  
 1502 t TOGO Lama-Kara, 2150 Dec 15, FF om tx, the switch makes this one easier, Spain usually dominates.  
 1503 SPAIN Bilboa, 2148 Dec 15, guitars, SS mx, 6 Hz. SAH plus 100 Hz. het.  
 1512 t E. GERMANY Berlin, 2147 Dec 15, orch. mx, barely aud.  
 1554 GABON Libreville, 2143 Dec 15, FF om ann'r

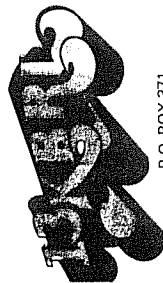
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A good week to be sure with 15 reporters heard from. I've been typing this for hours and wishing I had a few phased beverages outside. Very auroral ex noted here Weds. aft & eve. Jan 03, Fri. Jan 05 was even better with most loggings above. Actually, the first 10 days of this month have been excellent here. I can't wait to see the reports for this coming week. It's time for me to go fire up the 390 and see what mysteries lurk in the darkness this evening. See ya all next week. ERS.



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**Huge sun flare disrupts radio**

BOULDER, Colo. (UPI) — The second major flare in two days erupted on the face of the sun today, causing some high-frequency

radio disruptions, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said. NOAA forecaster George Wortham said the latest flare, recorded at 7:09 a.m. PST, was twice as strong as a flare yesterday. Both flares occurred in the sun's southern hemisphere.

The flare caused disruptions of high-frequency radio communications, like short wave radio, in all sunlit areas of Earth for about one hour, Wortham said. Additional large flares are expected because the active area will face Earth another three days, he said.

"The flaring region is facing the Earth, which means it is well-positioned to cause a disturbance in our magnetic field when low-energy particles begin arriving here in another day or two," Wortham said. Yesterday's flare caused widespread short-wave radio blackouts and disruptions in some telephone systems, he said.

**Radio Newsmen Jailed By School Officials**

BUCHANAN, Ga. (AP) — Radio newsmen Herbert Emory of station WDGL in Douglasville was arrested by Haralson County sheriff's deputies Tuesday night after he refused to remove his tape recorder from a county school board meeting.

Emory, 25, was charged with creating a public disturbance, authorities said. He was released on a property bond a few minutes later.

The arrest came after school board Chairman Broughton Rowell, citing a board policy set in 1977 that prohibits electronic recording devices in board meetings, asked Emory to remove the recorder.

"When the board asked me to leave or to leave my recorder outside, I told them I was refusing to do so and they brought the deputies in," said Emory.

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# FCC Plan Could Help Two Seattle Stations

## End of Radio Giants Good for KXA, KIXI

By S.L. Sanger

The fading out of America's giant "clear channel" radio stations could be good news for two small stations in Seattle, KXA and KIXI-AM.

The Federal Communications Commission has given preliminary approval to a plan that would end the FCC's long-standing policy of giving special protected status to the powerful 50,000-watt giants that could be heard, static-free, thousands of miles away.

These stations have been like old friends for decades to insomniacs, truck drivers and other late-night listeners. In earlier times, they brought the lure of the big city, including advertising bucksterism, to inhabitants of hamlets and remote areas.

If the FCC's plan to limit their broadcasting coverage gets final approval, it would be a boost for KXA and KIXI-AM, two 1,000-watt stations that have applied to the FCC for permission to increase their power to 50,000 watts.

KXA, 770 on the AM dial, has been limited in its power and broadcast times because WABC in New York, one of the clear-channel super-stations, the American Broadcasting Company's flagship, also occupies 770. KXA is not allowed to interfere with WABC's signal, and thus is not permitted nighttime broadcasting.

The FCC's apparent intention to downgrade the dominance of the big clear channels means KXA's application will have a better chance of approval, said station manager Bob Wikstrom.

Wikstrom said if KXA's application for more power and a 24-hour license is approved, the station should be heard from Vancouver, B.C., to Portland, Ore.

KIXI has asked the FCC for permission to move its place on the AM dial from 910 to 880. The latter is a clear channel frequency now occupied, among others, by WCBS in New York, another of the dominant network flagship stations.

KIXI applied for the power increase and change in frequency six years ago. Owner Wally Neislog estimates that with the FCC's new direction on limiting the giants, a decision on his application might occur within a year.

The new policy, if given final approval, would end the dominance of the some 25 50,000-watt stations that occupy the various versions of clear channel frequencies.

Although there are more than 200 powerful stations that are protected over large areas of broadcast coverage, there are only 25 classified as "dominant" clear channels. Two heard in the Pacific Northwest are KFI in Los Angeles and KSL in Salt Lake City. KGO in San Francisco is a regional clear channel that is easily picked up in this area at night.

The idea behind allocation of clear channels originally was to provide broadcast service to small towns and remote areas at night.

At one time, these so-called "white areas" com-

prised an area with 20 million people, but by 1978 only an estimated 4 million are beyond the nighttime reach of regular radio, television or cable signals.

The clear-channel stations, most of them among the earliest licensed, were created by sealing off certain frequencies from all local competition, then allowing the stations to broadcast with 50,000 watts of power, the maximum allowed in this country.

Under the FCC's preliminary proposal, the clear channels would have their broadcast areas protected only within a certain radius, perhaps as much as 750 miles or as low as 150 miles.

Radio signals have "a higher propagation rate" at night because of the sky wave effect, a phenomenon of signals being reflected back to earth that does not occur in daylight.

The drawing up of FCC regulations, however, awaits staff recommendations and public hearings.

Another part of the FCC plan is to establish up to 125 new AM stations that would occupy the frequencies now dominated by the giants. Commission members feel there should be more voices in broadcasting, greater competition and wider opportunity for minority citizens to own stations.

Tom Head of Spokane, owner of 500-watt KQIN in Burien and long active in broadcast lobbying, said the FCC move against clear channel operations "is long overdue. The broadcasting industry is operating under regulations dating back to the 1890s. The need for clear channels was present back then, but nowadays each local area has its own station."

"It is ridiculous today to deprive nighttime service to local communities so that instead people can hear foreign radio stations or stations thousands of miles away," he said.

"My station, for instance, had to go off the air recently 10 minutes before a key national football game was over so that the listener could have the privilege of hearing KGO in San Francisco," he said.

Head recommends the FCC simply not give skip-wave protection at night to stations on clear channels and reduce their daytime protection to much more limited ground wave coverage.

Another point of view on clear channel stations was expressed by Marvin Eldon at a truck stop in Abilene, Texas.

"I know there's going to be a lot of truckers disappointed. It's like losing an old friend. I'm listening to it now," he said.

Eldon was referring to clear channel WBAP, Fort Worth, and its midnight to dawn trucker's favorite, "The Bill Mack Open Road Show."

"They play all that country music and that's what we like. I don't know what we'll do if we can't get another good station."

Eldon has no immediate cause for concern. It may take two or three years to choose the new stations. And, late night people will still be able to pick up their old friends, at least sometimes, depending on the weather and the state of the ionosphere.

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