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DX Calendar

- Mon Jan 28 KUEN-900, Wenatche, WA, 1000 w, D1, will test 0300-0330 EST. Send reports to Randall Beckstead, KUEN, Box 79, Wenatche, WA 98801. Arranged by Neil Zank.
- Mon Jan 28 KVEL-920, Vernal, UT, 5000 w, D1, will test 0700-0800 EST. Address: Margaret Hemmert, KVEL, Box 307, Vernal, UT 84078.
- Mon Feb 4 KGOE-850, Thousand Oaks, CA, 500 w, D1, will test 0300-0500 with tones and music. Send reports to Bill Dawson, CE, KGOE, 2524 Townsgate Road, Westlake Village, CA 91361.
- Mon Feb 11 WGIG-1440, Brunswick, GA, 1000 w, U2, will test 0300-0500 w/TT, music, & voice IDs using non-directional antenna. Phone calls will be accepted at 912-265-3870. Reports go to Bob LaFore, WGIG, 801 Mansfield St., Brunswick, GA 31520.
- Mon Feb 18 WROM-710, Rome, GA 1000 w, D1, 500 w PSA, will test 0130-0230 EST w/tones and/or mx and IDs. Test may be rescheduled for 2/25 if it cannot be conducted 2/18. Address: John Steadham, CE, WROM, P.O. Box 1546, Rome, GA 30161. Arr by Neil Zank.
- Wed Mar 5 WJAZ-960, Albany, GA, 5000 w, D3, will test 0000-0030 EST. Will be their r/c w/CE expecting lots of DXers to be listening. See last week's DXM for more info. Arr by Jim Wallace.

Odds & Ends

No DX Worldwide last week due to too few tips. No sign of this week's column as of 5 p.m. 1/21. C'mon people, cx haven't been that bad.

Errata Dept: In last week's Western Spotlight, it should have been noted that KRZD-1470 is now on 1440.

Election news: Presidential primaries are coming, with the possibility that some non-AN stations may stay on late for election coverage in their respective states. A partial listing includes: New Hampshire 2/26, Massachusetts 3/4, Georgia/Alabama/Florida 3/11, Illinois 3/25, Pennsylvania 4/22. Watch for other dates in coming DXMs. Canadian elections, as most of you know, will take place 2/18, with similar possibilities from the few Canucks not already on AN (I believe there still are one or two, hi). And finally, Bolivia will hold elections on 6/29, though I wouldn't get my hopes up for logging 6 new Bolivians that night....

Wanna buy a radio Station? John Johnson sent an announcement re KLYC-1490 in Laurel, MT. The station will be auctioned off 1/29, apparently due to a Small Business Administration loan foreclosure. In the meantime, KLYC is still on the air w/MoR mx, AP Radio news, and other features.

Coming Events: two important issues of DX Monitor. The anniversary issue will be the March 15 DXM. It's a club tradition to print as many forum/roundup/worldwide reports as possible that week and many members reintroduce themselves in that week's forum. And don't forget the April Fool's issue, 3/29. Deadline for appropriate material is 3/24. Would you believe we've already gotten our first April Fool's contribution? 73, CUN?. bp.

Broadcasting Information

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call	kHz	day/night	
new	540	5000/	Las Vegas NM granted construction permit
CFTR	680	25000/25000	Toronto ON wants 50000/25000
CJOB	680	10000/2500	Winnipeg MB wants 50000/50000
new	710	250/	Bald Knob AR wants KAPZ
appl	710	250/	Smyrna TN
WAKO	910	500/	Lawrenceville IL fined for not conducting proof
new	970	1000/500	Harbor Grace NF
new	1000	500/	Paris TN granted construction permit & wants WMUF
new	1110	1000/	Alvin TX granted construction permit
KWBY	1130	10000/	Edna TX granted KQTI
new	1190	5000/	Jackson MN granted construction permit
KVSF	1260	1000/1000	Santa Fe NM granted 5000/1000
WRRD	1330	5000/5000	Minneapolis MN wants KSJN
new	1340	250/250	Grande Centre AB
new	1360	5000/	Myrtle Creek OR granted construction permit
WTNK	1390	5000/	Meridian MS wants WFEZ
WALY	1420	1000/	Herkimer NY granted WKYZ
new	1450	1000/250	Meeker CO granted construction permit & wants KMKR
WWGO	1450	1000/250	Erie PA granted WEYZ
new	1460	2500/	Thief River Falls MN granted KKAQ
KQLA	1480	1000/	Lakewood WA wants KLAY
new	1600	500/	Hyden KY granted WSLK

From the 1/7 and 1/14 issues of Broadcasting. Canadian info from the Federal Register via Bruce Portzler.

RADIO PROGRAMMING NOTES As rumored the old CBS Sears Theater has moved to the Mutual network effective 2/1. CBS dropped it when Sears said it would no longer fully sponsor it. The new title is simply "Radio Theater". The existing format will continue: Westerns on Monday, comedy on Tuesday, mystery on Wednesday, love stories on Thursday, and adventure on Friday. Mutual affiliates have first-refusal rights to the program, which means it could appear on any station.

Meanwhile, CBS' remaining drama series Mystery Theater has discontinued weekend broadcasts. CBS found that ratings and station clearances were somewhat lacking on Saturday and Sunday.

CBS has also reshuffled its panel of commentators on Spectrum. The liberals now are Roger Wilkins and Jack Newfield. The moderates are Patricia O'Brien and Maryanne Means. The conservatives are Joseph Sobran and Kevin Phillips. Dropped were Wallace Terry, Suzanne Gordon and M. Stanton Evans.

CBS has also introduced a new series called The Subject is Young people. It's hosted by Bob Keeshan (Captain Kangaroo). It's four minutes long and fed at 0925 Mon-Fri. It replaces "Meet the Cook."

WEAM-1390 Arlington VA has switched formats from top 40 to big band. WEEY-1230 Easton PA has switched formats from top 40 to adult contemporary. Rumor has it that WWDC-1260 Washington DC will go to an all-request format soon.

Seattle-Tacoma area Radio Formats --- compiled by Bruce Portzler

570	KVI	Contemporary/personality	1220	KASY	MoR
630	KGDN	Christian	1230	KWYZ	Country-Western
710	KIRO	News/Talk	1250	KYAC	Black
770	KXA	Religious/Talk/Classical/ Ethnic	1300	KMPS	Modern Country
800	KQIN	Beautiful	1360	KMO	Country-Western
850	KTAC	Top-40	1380	KRKO	Contemporary/Rock
910	KIXI	Easy-listening	1400	KTNT	MoR
950	KJR	Top-40	1450	KRPM	Country-Western(I think)
1000	KOMO	Pop Standards	1460	KGAA	Contemporary/MoR
1050	KBLE	Gospel/Conservative Commentators	1480	KQLA	Pop Standards/T40 oldies
1090	KING	Rock	1490	KBRO	MoR/easy listening
1150	KAYO	News/Talk	1540	KZAM	Album Rock
			1560	KDFL	MoR/religious
			1590	KZOK	Album Rock



Eastern DX Roundup

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DEADLINES: Mondays - All times are Eastern Local

Splatter:

"Eight newies this week. #24 on 1570 (see WMES-1570)! Bill Townshend - DC

"666 heard." (see WYOU-1550) Niel Wolfish - ON

"Actually stronger than usual powerhouse adjacents, WPTR & WQXR." (see WVAB-1550) Mark Connelly - MA

"Appeared again this New Years Eve". (see CLANDESTINE WENJ-1620) Stan Stanbury - ON

"#13 on 1290." (see WDEC-1290) Bill Townshend - DC

"All I heard was 'Liberty, NY'." (see WVOS-1240) Mike Saltmarsh - NH

- 550 WGR NY, Buffalo 1/1 0125-0143 Fair, tel. talk show w/M ID before each call was taken. Phone # sounded like 866- 50. (MPS-NH)
- 560 CFOS OH, Owen Sound 1/9 1628 Lots of ads including Canadian Tire & ment of "downtown Owen Sound". Fair. (BC-VT)
- WFRB MD, Frostburg 1/8 1636-1646 Short ID "from WFRB" between recordings & ad for "downtown Cumberland". Poor-fair. (BC-VT)
- 580 CHLC EQ, Hauterive (Correction) The details for WKST-1280 in EDXR for December 29th should have been for CHLC-580. Sorry (NW-ON) (ed: At least one alert IRCA'er had picked it up. Tom Farmerie - MA had questioned me about the FF on WKST. Now what about the WKST report. This sort of leaves that hanging in the air. It reminds me of Murphy's Tenth Law: Every Solution breeds new problems.)
- 630 CFCY PEI, Charlottetown 1/8 2324 "CFCY" ID foll'd by Bee Gees (BC-VT)
- 680 CFTR ON, Toronto (Correction) In EDXR for December 29th 'and possibly 1213' should have been 12/13. (NW-ON)
- 730 WHMA VA, Greta 1/6 1729 S/off by OH w/ment of sister station on FM. MoR format. # 12 on 730. Good signal. (WPT-DC)
- 740 WPAQ NC, Mt. Airy 1/6 1728 S/off w/out SSB. Fair u/CBL. # 10 on 740. (WPT-DC)
- 900 CKDH NS, Amherst 1/2 1720 Dominant o/Barbados after WOTW/WKKA s/-offs; local nx then promo for 4-H Club in Truro, NS. Ground-wave is suspected as the reception was from the Boston waterfront at a time when domestic skip below 1200 khz seemed to be knocked out by auroral ex. (NC-MA)
- 1160 KSL UT, Salt Lake City 1/9 2304 Ad w/ment of North Salt Lake and Utah sports event. Strongest I ever heard them. (BC-VT)
- 1180 VOA PL, Marathon 1/4 1858 w/interval signal during brief accidental OC from WHAM. (CMS-ON)
- 1190 CHTN PEI, Charlottetown 12/25 1930 Clear ID under WOWO. (CMS-ON)
- 1230 WCRO PA, Johnstown 1/8 1813 Though unworthy of ment, wx forecast, T-40 mx. Xlnt atop channel before QSB'ing down into GY pile. (WPT-DC)
- 1240 t WVOS NY, Liberty 1/5 0056 Poor, all I heard was "Liberty, NY" then a phone caller started talking. This might be a stn carrying the Larry King Show. (MPS-NH)
- 1290 WDEC GA, Americus 1/6 1800 S/off by OM w/ment of Americus (President Carter's county, hi) & WIPE-FM #13 on 1290 Fair (WPT-DC)
- WKNE NH, Keene 1/4 0000 ID heard u/WNEF, WHIO, CJBK & WFBG. Very Poor. (NW-ON)
- 1350 WNIS VA, Norfolk 1/2 1730 Booming in w/ID, nx; heard from route I-93 in Stoneham, MA. (MC-MA)
- 1360 WBOB VA, Galax 1/2 1729 S/off by OM, no SSB. Fair amid QRN (WPT-DC)
- 1370 ???? URID, o/u WFEA sounding like W_LC or WLC (or perhaps WLTC in NC), Jan 2 at 1715. High-band skip at the time strongly favored the south (WCBC-1340 overrode usual WFBL, etc.). (MC-MA)
- 1430 WIRE IN, Indianapolis 1/9 1700 Caught "WIRE" ID in mess w/WENE and others. (BC-VT)
- 1480 WISL PA, Shamokin 1/4 1900-1907 Rare pop-in w/local nx, ID at 1901 into "Video Killed The Radio Star" by the Buggles, 1904 other T40 mx ("Jane" played) poor-fair o/u WHBC, WSAR etc. (NW-ON)
- WUEZ VA, Salem 1/7 1700 S/off, poor u/WLEE and WHBC. (NW-ON)
- 1540 WOOZ NC, Whiteville 1/7 1730 S/off in very well in KXEL null (NW-ON)
- 1550 WVAB VA, Virginia Beach 1/2 1718 Actually stronger than usual powerhouse adjacents, WPTR & WQXR; clearly dominant w/ID at 1718 heard from Central Artery in downtown Boston. (MC-MA)

1550 WYOU FL, Tampa 1/4 1728-1800 Fade-in w/SS talk, nx on the half hour into SS talk & ballad type mx, end of pgm at 1759 followed by full EE s/off w/out anthem at 1800. Is apparently all SS pgmng contrary to NRC Log. Poor but alone. My #666 heard. (NW-ON)

1570 WMES GA, Ashburn 1/5 1758 S/off by OM saying "Heart of the Great Southland". Fair. #24 on 1570. (WPT-DC)

WSWV VA, Pennington Gap 1/2 1742 Apparently hurried s/off w/out SSB. Fair signal. (WPT-DC)

WTWB FL, Auburndale 1/3 1759 S/off by OM w/ment of Auburndale. Fair sig. (I'll be near there at end of this month, hi.) (ed: Have a nice mid-winter vacation!) (WPT-DC)

1590 t WDBL TN, Springfield 1/5 1759 S/off by OM. Unable to hear full ID due to heavy QRM, but sunset chart and "L" as last letter of call led to claim. Poor. (WPT-DC)

WJSO TN, Jonesboro-Johnson City 1/5 1745 S/off, poor u/WAKR and WCBG. (NW-ON)

1620 "PRN" CLANDESTINE 12/29 2330 Concluded Beatles album and began short satirical play. Seemed to be 2nd pirate xmtr on freq after 2330. (CMS-ON)

WENJ CLANDESTINE appeared again this New Years Eve - noted from 1825 tune-in w/"Running On Empty". Is probably in New Jersey. (CMS-ON)

PER THE LIST

1360 WHEG VA, Harrisonburg 1/4 0000-0013 f/c in fair o/rest on freq, ID at end. Both this & WBTX verify quickly. (NW-ON)

1470 WBTX VA, Broadway - Timberville 1/4 0000-0015 f/c in fair-good w/ID at end. (NW-ON)

1580 WYFA NY, Patchogue 1/5 0118-0124 Good, running ET, mx, SID, "...WYFA 1580", ment of test, ID by M at 0124 "This is WYFA, Patchogue, NY 1580, 10,000 watts", then signed off. CBJ TT QRM. (MPS-NH)

REPORTERS THIS ISSUE

MC-MA Mark Connelly, 30 William Rd., Billerica, MA 01821
Ford Pinto car Rx with whip antenna
Location: mobile through Boston, Medford & Stoneham, MA

MPS-NH Mike Saltmarsh, 33 Fowler St., Penacook, NH 03303
Mont'y Wards 1479, Nat'l NC-183 & longwire

CMS-ON C.M. (Stan) Stanbury, RR #1, Ridgeway, ON LOS 1N0
HQ-200 & 90 ft 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
Realistic TRF & Yaesu FRG-7

BC-VT Bob Curtis, 17 Cobbleview Dr., Colchester, VT 05446
SP-600-JX & 240 ft longwire

Not too many but some very nice reports showed up this week. Looks like it's more quality and less quantity.

I'm going to surprise Niel Wolfish and send in my GY Records this week. Not very impressive; but, at least, I'll get them in.

Thanks, Mike Saltmarsh, for taking time out from your ham license studies to send along a DX report, and good luck when exam time comes.

73 and good DX Bob Curtis

LOS ANGELES RADIO FORMATS --- compiled by Gary Larson

570	KLAC	Country-western	1190	KEYZ	Album rock
640	KFI	Contemporary	1230	KGFJ	R&B
710	KMPC	Contemporary MoR/pers.	1260	KGIL	MoR/Big Band
740	KBRT	Contemporary Christian	1280	KFRN	Religious/non-vommercial
790	KABC	Talk	1300	KWKW	Spanish
870	KIEV	Talk/MoR/Ethnic	1330	KFAC	Classical
900	KGRB	Swing/big band	1390	KGER	Religious
930	KHJ	Top 40	1430	KALI	Spanish
980	KFWB	News	1460	KTYM	Variety/ethnic
1020	KTNQ	Spanish	1480	KWIZ	Contemporary/Oldies
1070	KNX	News	1500	KROQ	Spanish
1110	KRLA	Oldies/Disco/Contemporary	1540	KZLA	Soft Album Rock
1150	KIIS	Religious/Christian	1580	KDAY	R&B

Central DX Roundup

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Deadline: Tuesdays 85° to 110°W All times Eastern

WHAT'S NEW

- 620 WTMJ WI Milwaukee, has dropped Sears Radio Theater. CBS Radio Mystery Theater has been moved to 2330. (RAL-WI)
- 680 WRNG GA North Atlanta, recently went 10 kw nights and has taken over the channel. Logged 0135 1/4 w/ phone-in talk show and "68 Ring Radio" slogans. (GT-FL)
- 1330 WKKR IN Evansville, 12/26 1759½ fair w/ ID on call change. (RK-IL)
- 1610 WYZ-235 FL Tampa, Tampa International Airport Information Radio noted while in Tampa over Christmas. (GT-Tampa, FL)
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- 560 WFRB MD Frostburg, 12/16 0601½ fair w/ s/on. WIND off til 0615. (RK-IL)
- KMON MT Great Falls, 12/16 0505 good w/ Ai nx, SID & C&W. WIND off. (RK-IL)
- 580 CKAP ON Kapuskasing, in fair at 0250 on 1/2 w/ mx special "Sound of 70's" and stn promo. (JJR-WI)
- 630 WMAL DC Washington, 12/24 0132 fair w/ ID. (RK-IL)
- 680 KKYX TX San Antonio, heard at 1334 on 1/1 w/ YL giving nx and local spot. Over everything. New. (JJR-WI)
- WCAW WV Charleston, 1/7 at 0049 w/ IDs, wx. Fair. (TN-WI)
- CKGB ON Timmins, 12/16 0302 fair w/ nx. WMAQ off. (RK-IL)
- 690 KGGF KS Coffeyville, 12/30 0945-1002 poor to fair w/ religious programming until 1000 ID, then into more religious. (PAL-MN)
- KHEY TX El Paso, 1/5 0745 good o/ CBF w/ C&W mx, PSA, SID, nx, sports, wx at 0800. Local spots. Not heard for some time. (PAL-MN)
- 710 WKRG AL Mobile, 1/6 0150-0200 fair in null of WOR/WHB/CJRN w/ Larry King Show, ID & CBS nx. (JA-WI) 1/7 0106 fair thru WOR w/ CBS nx, s/off w/ Dixie & SSB. (RAL-WI)
- CHYR ON Leamington, 1/11 at 1442 w/ mx, "CHYR News Break" at 1446, then vanished as if off air until return in a few minutes. Weak w/ WGN splatter nulled. (TN-WI)
- 730 KLOE KS Goodland, 1/5 0810 xlnt w/ nx, wx, ID, local spots and into C&W mx. (PAL-MN)
- 740 KCBS CA San Francisco, 1/10 0824 poor to fair w/ Newsradio 74, KCBS Newstime, promos, wx for Bay Area, etc. QRM from CBX. No sign of CBL. (PAL-MN)
- 760 KFMB CA San Diego, 1/5 0822 poor to fair u/ WJR and all alone during WJR fade. Pop mx and numerous KFMB IDs by female ancr. An unexpected surprise. First time heard. (PAL-MN)
- 790 WETB TN Johnson City, loud & clear on 1/1 at 1715 s/off. Featured oldies. New. (JJR-WI)
- 810 WDMP WI Dodgeville, 1/7 at 1300 jingle ID heard under WJPW. (TN-WI)
- 850 KFUP MO Clayton, 1/5 0841 good w/ sports and wx for St. Louis and vicinity. Promptly lost at 0844 when WWJC switched on carrier. (PAL-MN)
- 860 WDMG GA Douglas, 1/7 0732 fair briefly w/ wx "33° at WDMG." (JA-WI)
- WLBG SC Laurens, 1/7 0730 good o/ GJBC w/ SSB, s/on and into nx. (JA)
- 870 WFLO VA Farmville, 12/25 0714½ good in WWL null w/ s/on. (RK-IL)
- 910 CJDV AB Drumheller, 12/31 0222-0300 poor to fair w/ continuous religious mx until 0300 then ID & wx for Red Deer, Edmonton, Calgary etc. Much unid QRM. (PAL-MN)
- 920 WKYD AL Andalusia, 12/26 0600 fair w/ s/on. (RK-IL)
- 930 WJBY AL Gadsden, in good on 1/7 at 1724 for several minutes w/ local Datsun dealer and music shop spots, ID and mx. (SEM-TN)
- WJAX FL Jacksonville, in good on 1/6 at 2100 w/ top of hour ID then into nx. (SEM-TN)
- 940 CJGX SA Yorkton, 0750 1/9 fair w/ local spot & list of school buses not running due to wx. (REM-IL)
- 950 WLSQ AL Montgomery, 0752 1/9 weak u/ QRM w/ wx & Q-95 ID. (REM-IL)
- KRSI MN St. Louis Park, 1/7 1750 atop channel w/ Howard Cossell on Ac, then wx. (RK-IL)
- CFAM MB Altona, 0747 1/9 good o/ QRM w/ local spot & ID "CFAM, The Voice of Manitoba Agriculture." (REM-IL)
- 960 WRFC GA Athens, 12/26 (maybe 12/27, not clear--ed) 1728½ atop the channel w/ spots. (RK-IL)
- KNEB NE Scottsbluff, 1/7 1841 fair w/ sports, many mentions of western NE. (RK-IL)

- 970 WUPY MI Ishpeming, 1/2 1730 wishing you a very pleasant good evening. Signing off under WAKX. No SSB. (PAL-MN)
- WDAY ND Fargo, 1/1 0930 poor-fair o/ a nulled WMAV w/ local spot & wx. Gradual fade out 0950. (REM-IL)
- 1000*KOMO*WA*Seattle, 12/31 0314-0331 fair to good w/ band mx (marches), tones, etc. ID at 0331. WCFL off. (PAL-MN)
- 1130 WLBA GA Gainesville, 1/7 0738 fair o/u WISN w/ spot. (RK-IL)
- WMGA GA Moultrie, 1826 1/9 end of wx & ID as Big Voice Radio. Very good but quickly faded out. Full ID heard way under QRM at 2000. (REM-IL)
- 1150 KNED OK McAlester, 1/5 2239-40 poor-fair w/ C&W mx & SID, then it faded and was replaced by CKOC/WIMA. (JA-WI)
- 1190 KJLA MO Kansas City, 12/31 0350 fair w/ end of nx then ID and into mx o/ unid SS. WOWO off. (PAL-MN)
- KLIF TX Dallas, 1/7 at 0145-0200 w/ program on wife abuse, IDs, into mx. (TN-WI)
- 1210 WADE NC Wadesboro, 12/26 0715 fair-good w/ s/on. (RK-IL)
- 1220 WAVN MN Stillwater, in w/ super strong signal on 1/7 from 1755 to 1801 w/ nx, sports, wx (a cool 3⁰ above zero) then s/off. (SEM-TN)
- 1230 WBHP AL Huntsville, briefly atop GY w/ clear ID by female, 12/11 at 2243. Local WNVY-1230 nulled completely into the noise. (GT)
- 1240 KAKE KS Wichita, 1/2 0531 jumped out of GY mess w/ mx and anmt for WSU Shockers womens' basketball and local spot. Fair to good. (PAL)
- 1250 WETU AL Wetumpka, 1/6 1800 fair w/ s/off. (RK-IL)
- 1260 WGWR NC Asheboro, 12/19 1700 fair w/ ID. (RK-IL)
- WLKK PA Erie, 12/31 0411 poor to fair w/ C&W mx w/ "Mike on the All Night Truck Stop." Much unid QRM. (PAL-MN) 1/14 0213 fair o/ WNDL w/ wx, SID, C&W. (RAL-WI)
- 1270 WKRW GA Cartersville, 1/7 0600 w/ SID at end of s/on. WWGA off. (RK-IL)
- WYAC SC Surfside Beach-Garden City, 1/7 0559 fair w/ SSB s/on. (RK-IL)
- 1280 WDNT TN Dayton, in w/ very good signal on 1/5 at 0608 w/ food store & farmers' Coop feed spots, time and ID. (SEM-TN)
- 1290 WWSA GA Savannah, 1/6 1729 fair w/ ID. (RK-IL)
- KBMO MN Benson, 12/26 1707 fair w/ ID, then gone. (RK-IL)
- WFBG PA Altoona, 12/26 1633 $\frac{1}{2}$ good w/ nx. (RK-IL)
- WVOW WV Logan, 12/19 1712 good w/ spot. (RK-IL)
- CJBK ON London, 12/24 0316 good w/ ID. (RK-IL)
- 1310 WJAM AL Marion, heard at 1800 on 1/1 w/ local spots, wx & s/off. o/ WIBA. Fair but mucho flutter. (JJR-WI)
- WTIK NC Durham, 1/7 1715 fair-good w/ editorial. (RK-IL)
- 1320 KNCE LA Vivian, heard w/ local spot at 1820 on 1/1. Only stn there, no WILS. New. (JJR-WI)
- WRJW MS Picayune, 1/4 1815 fair w/ s/off. (RK-IL)
- WKRK NC Murphy, punched in real clear o/ KRLW on 1/6 at 1745 w/ s/off. (SEM-TN)
- WKIN TN Kingsport, in fair to good under KRLW on 1/6 at 1730 w/ s/off and singing SSB. (SEM-TN)
- 1340 WCSR MI Hillsdale, 12/24 0504 fair w/ ID. (RK-IL)
- CKNR ON Elliot Lake, 1/5 0217 popped in briefly w/ promo. (RK-IL)
- 1350 WYLS AL York, in very good on 1/4 at 1759 w/ s/off and singing SSB. (SEM-TN)
- 1360 WDRC CT Hartford, MM 1/14 0138 poor u/ WSAI w/ end of "DRC-FM" nx. (RAL-WI)
- KRYS TX Corpus Christi, MM 1/14 0114 fair-poor in WSAI null w/ wx, ad, PSA, T40 mx. (RAL-WI)
- 1370 KAWW AR Herber Springs, 1/6 1810-15 fair w/ C&W mx, wx and s/off and invitation to tune KAWW-FM. No SSB. (JA-WI)
- WGOH KY Grayson, w/ s/off following local WCQL s/off at 1715 on 12/30. Mentioned FM sister. Nothing else heard. New. (JJR-WI)
- 1380 WIZO TN Franklin, 1/11 0733 fair w/ ID, also "Wize-0" slogan and spot for Franklin State Bank. (JA-WI)
- 1400 WGEG NC Greensboro, briefly audible w/ temp (55⁰), rain probability (30%), ID 0110 12/29. (GT-FL)
- 1430 WYMC KY Mayfield, just an ID through the mess 2245 12/11. Pop mx possibly followed. (GT-FL) 12/27 1734 fair w/ ID. (RK-IL)
- 1460 CKRB PQ Ville St. Georges, 1/3 2210 apparently the one here w/ man and woman talking in FF. Good signal. (PAL-MN)
- 1490 WMRN OH Marion, 1/7 2104-05 fair w/ end of nx, TC and ID. (JA-WI)
- WKVQ TN Knoxville, 12/26 0200 good in WOPA null w/ ID. (RK-IL)
- CJSN SK Shaunavon, 1/4 0830 on SRS good for short time w/ nx and local spots over usual GY QRM. (PAL-MN)

- 1500 WTOP DC Washington, in w/ xlnt signal on 1/4 at 1930 w/ ID, finance co. spot, line-up of the Washington Capitols and Hartford Whalers NHL teams, then into broadcast of game. I've been try-in for several months to get a positive ID on this one and tonight the splatter from WLAC was very low and KSTP was weak so I hit paydirt! (SEM-TN)
- KBGG TX Merkel, in good on 1/4 over KSTP at 1900 w/ s/off & SSB.(SEM)
- 1520 KOMA OK Oklahoma City, 1/3 0130 noted w/ OC. WKBW only one audible thru OC. (PAL-MN)
- 1540*unid*??*0419 12/31 someone testing w/ Christmas mx. Some songs cut off during middle of record. Then new song would start. Poor to good signal w/ some fades. Listened until 0440, not IDs. (PAL)
- 1550 WMIR WI Lake Geneva, staying on after hours because of "blizzard conditions" and power outage in area. Jock didn't say how long the daytimer would be on til. This on 1/6 at 1810. (JJR-WI)
- 1560 WAGC AL Centre, 1/4 1758 fair-good w/ s/off. (RK-IL)
- WAGL SC Lancaster, heard from 1744-1749 s/off on 1/6 w/ jingle, 1 min. religious show & America the Beautiful s/off anthem. No WGLB or WQXR. New, stn # 1234. (JJR-WI)
- KGUL TX Port Lavaca, 1/4 1856 good w/ spot. (RK-IL)
- 1570 WFRL IL Freeport, 1/3 1625 poor w/ spot for shoe store and anmt for basketball on FM. (PAL-MN)
- 1580 WAMW IN Washington, 1/6 at 1735 w/ ID in mess w/ WTTN on. Poor but sure of ID. (TN-WI)
- 1590*WACD*AL* Alexander City, testing 0200-0215 1/5 w/ 1 kHz TT and C&W mx. "This is WACD, 1590 kHz" at 0215. (GT-FL)
- WCCL MS Jackson, 1/11 at 1800 w/ ID into nx. Fair. (TN-WI)
- 1600 WOKB FL Winter Garden, in very strong on 1/7 at 2050 for several minutes w/ time, soul mx, ID and more mx and another ID. It completely blocked out everything else on this frequency for almost 5 minutes! (SEM-TN)
- WAAM MI Ann Arbor, in good u/ WXVI on 1/7 at 1928 w/ end of spot w/ comment "located in Ann Arbor", then ID clearly heard before it dropped out. (SEM-TN)

DX TEST

- 1060 KBGN ID Caldwell, 12/17 0218 fair-good w/ DX test, OC & ID. (RK-IL)
Spot-checked 0201-0320 12/17.....nothing. (GT-FL)

PER THE LIST

- 1st Mon. KFSA-950 not on. (RK-IL)
KMTX-950 in poor-fair w/ TT & ID's every minute. (RK-IL)

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- 570 KCNO CA, Alturas 1/3 1300 fair w/ID "At 570, this is K-C-N-O, Alturas, Northern California's country music giant reaching out to you." (MB-NV)
 - 580 KFPX ID, Nampa-Boise 1/11 noted very strong all evening completely covering KMW Fresno. KMW usually strongest station. (GP-CA)
 - 610 KAVL CA, Lancaster 1/14 0107 noted s/off in passing w/ment of 0758 return to the air. 0758-0107 differs from the times shown in the NRC log (0815-0200). (SMM-CA) (MB)
 - 630 KOH NY, Reno 1/3 1226 xlnt w/spot for "On The Line With Kate" pgm.
 - 680 KNBR CA, San Francisco 1/5 1430 w/perfectly listenable signal & w/no other S.F. stns noted. Location was on U.S. 93 near Wikieup, AZ about 110 mi. NW of Phoenix & 80 mi. SE of Kingman, near Yavapai/Mojave county lines. Note that time was almost precisely at the zenith, being 1130 in San Francisco & 1230 in Phoenix, local time. Only Los Angeles stns putting in better signal were KFI-640 and KMPC-710. (JDK-AZ)
 - 700 WLW OH, Cincinnati 1/5 2308-2323 pop mx, sports report, ID "Radio Seven, WLW, the Cincinnati Connection." Ad for Avon Tennis Championships. Good signal w/XETRA-690 & KMPC-710 slop. Heard w/MW-1. Never hrd w/longwire. (MLB-CA)
 - 710 KFIA CA, Carmichael 1/3 1228 poor to fair w/relig "The Word For Today." (MB-NV)
 - *WGBS* FL, Miami 1/14 0413 very poor w/TT, then "This is WGBS, Miami." Then more TT's. KMPC completely off (no OC1). (SMM-CA)
 - 780 WBBM IL, Chicago 1/6 0439-0500 CBS "Spectrum" & "The World in Science and Technology" programs. Ad for Pope Brothers. ID "First in news, we're CBS, Newsradio 78, WBBM, Chicago." Good signal w/KABC-790 slop and KCRL off. (MLB-CA)
+1/11 2300 ID "This is WBBM Newsradio 78 in Chicago" followed by wx forecast for greater Chicago area. Faded out & then KCRL back in w/classical program "Symphony at 8"! (GP-CA)

830 *WCCO* MN, Minneapolis 1/14 0324 noted w/TT's on & off. ID and ment of testing at 0327. KIKI in fair. (SMM-CA)

860 KTRB CA, Modesto 1/3 1242 good w/"K-T-R-B" ID. (MB-NV)

880 WCBS NY, New York City 1/11 0230 fair o/Cuba w/ID. Rare in this area

920 KGAL OR, Lebanon 1/4 0025 poor w/spot for Stoddard Chevy in (RET) Albany. (MB-NV)

950 KAH1 CA, Auburn 1/3 1246 good w/"K-high 95, Foothills Radio." (MB-NV)
 (XEGM) BCN, Tijuana remains off the air to this date (1/7). No idea why. Though 940-960 is now open, KNFT-950 only daytimer noted (new, that is). (MSH-CA)
 +1/14 1500 has now been completely off the air for OVER A MONTH (4 weeks)!!! (SMM-CA)

960 KAVR CA, Apple Valley 1/12 1034-1046 MOR mx, ads for Safeway, Victorville Hardware, Apple Valley Fireside. Good signal w/ slight fading. (MLB-CA)

KAYK UT, Provo 1/7 0600-0629 w/"K-96" slogans, wx and "K-96 News Update" at 0620. Easy rock mx of late 60's/70's. Severe KABL QRM. (MSH-CA) (MB)

970 KBEE CA, Modesto 1/3 1247 fair w/soft pop mx. 1306 "K-B double E" ID

980 KVLV NV, Fallon 1/3 1306 good w/talk on stain removal, 1310 spot for J & L Trailer Sales. (MB-NV)

990 KKIS CA, Pittsburg 1/3 1311 good w/TC, wx, spot for Security Nat'l Bank & Hyatt Lake Tahoe. 1314 "K-kiss 99" slogan. (MB-NV)

1010 KCHJ CA, Delano 1/14 0310-0312 hrd s/off anmct w/KTNQ-1020 off. Ment 0800 return to air (NRC log says 0730). Very good. (SMM)

KIQI CA, San Francisco 1/3 1320 poor to fair w/talk on drug problems. (MB-NV)

1020 (KTNQ) CA, Los Angeles 1/14 0307 completely off. Began sending out TT's at 0405. (SMM-CA) (RW)
 +1/14 0443 noted off 2nd MM in a row. TT's & OC. New 1980 sked?

1040 KPOI HI, Honolulu noted briefly 0639-0641 1/7 w/local wx and clear "K-P-O-I wx for the islands" promo. XED or XEG loud & clear on 1050 w/severe slop. (MSH-CA)

1050 KOFY CA, San Mateo 1/3 1323 fair w/SS talk, "Radio coffee" slogan, and into SS mx. (MB-NV)

1060 KPAY CA, Chico 1/3 1326 good w/spot for Roy F. Brown Furniture, "K-pay" slogan. (MB-NV)

1070 WDIA TN, Memphis 1/14 0420-0436 very weak & fady o/u YVMA in CFAX null, KEX off on monthly SP. ID at 0420 "WDIA...(unreadable)... superstars..." Better ID on tape at 0436 "WDIA, home of the great rockers...(unreadable)... "Lobo," into song by Lobo. No commercial breaks ala KFRC, disco/T40 mx. New. (RW-CA)

1080 KSCO CA, Santa Cruz 1/3 1330 fair w/relig. oriented "The Moral Angle into MOR mx. (MB-NV)

1090 KNCR CA, Fortuna 1/3 1333 poor & mixing w/XEPRS, had pop mx, TC and "K-N-C-R" ID. (MB-NV)

1110 KPOP CA, Roseville 1/1 2038 Orange Bowl game, local ad, ID. Rough w/ KBND, KRLA, CHQT. (WJH-WA)
 +1/3 1341 poor w/C&W mx, 1345 PSA to check for faulty home wiring. (MB-NV)

KFAB NE, Omaha noted in passing 1/7 0645 w/snow advisories for mid-west...you might say it was a cold wx rpt, hi. Fair sig; clear freq. (MSH-CA)

1120 (KPNW) OR, Eugene-Springfield 1/14 0445 noted totally off. (RW-CA)

1130 KBMR ND, Bismarck 1/5 1805 Ai nx, local car dealer ad, ID and local nx. A surprisingly strong signal. (WJH-UT)

1140 KMMZ WY, Greybull-Basin 1/5 1800 ad for local bank, ID, WY nx. Pushed KMJJ away. (WJH-UT)

1150 KPLS CA, Santa Rosa 1/1 2051 ID during pause of action in the Orange Bowl game. KAGO, XERM QRM. (WJH-WA)

KSEN MT, Shelby 1/5 1759 local wx into nx ID at 1800. Good w/slight KSL-1160 slop. (WJH-UT)

KAGO OR, Klamath Falls 1/3 1349 very poor w/light pop mx. 1353 local nx, 1355 TC & ID. (MB-NV)

1190 KNBA CA, Vallejo 1/3 1400 fair w/ID "Sound of the North Bay, K-N-B-A Vallejo" and into Mutual nx. (MB-NV)

1220 CJOC AB, Lethbridge finally logged for rpt 1/7 0656-0710 w/nx on hour, sports, local wx and one spot for a bowling alley. Sudden appearance of a SS at 0710 destroyed sig. One second CJOC & next I have a SS. Who? On in middle of Ranchero mx. XEB? (MSH-CA)

- 1220 CJOC AB, Lethbridge 1/9 2357-0000 hockey game Broncos vs?? Fair signal w/fade and KGFJ-1230 slop. Haven't hrd CJOC in awhile. (MLB-CA)
- 1230 KAAA AZ, Kingman 1/7 0000 "K-A-A-A, K Triple A" ID, nx, gone quick as it came, clear signal. (RT-NV)
- KIBS CA, Bishop 1/6 2009 ad for GMC dealer in Bishop, ment of Ram's win, ID. In KCBN null. (RT-NV)
- KDAC CA, Ft. Bragg 1/6 2015 wx, ment of Pt. Arena, ID. Faded. (RT-NV)
- KGFJ CA, Los Angeles 1/12 0428 fair in 1230 mess's null w/promo to win Super Bowl tickets from The Forum, nice ID. New, ex-KKTT which is ex-old KGFJ (KGFJ/KKTT/KGFJ). (RW-CA)
- KPRL CA, Paso Robles 1/7 2024 "KPRL news time 5:24," nx, listing of jobs available in area. Stayed on top of freq several minutes.
- KWG CA, Stockton 1/7 0244 "KWG Jackpot" mentioned, (RT-NV) faded. (RT-NV)
- KCBN NV, Reno 1/3 1404 good "K-C-B-N" ID & promo for window sticker contest. (MB-NV)
- KREW WA, Sunnyside 1/9 2214 atop w/SS pgm. Had ad mentioning "...Shopping Center, en Soonyside..." (bp-WA)
- 1240 KJOP CA, Lemoore 1/1 2106 ment of Hanford, ID. Fair sig. (RT-NV)
- KROY CA, Sacramento 1/3 1406 poor w/old pop mx, 1411 ID. (MB-NV)
- KSUE CA, Susanville 1/3 1408 poor w/pop mx, 1409 spot for store in Susanville. (MB-NV)
- 1250 KNCO CA, Grass Valley 1/1 1958 s/off. Very rough w/KWSU, etc; using Beverage. (WJH-WA)
- +1/3 1412 fair w/pop mx, 1413 ID, TC, temp, & spot. (MB-NV)
- +1/5 1959 "Name that ?" contest into possible s/off. Expectedly strong. (WJH-UT)
- 1260 KTEE ID, Idaho Falls 1/12 1900 on top w/legal ID. No sign of usual pest KWEI. New. (RET-CA)
- KWIQ WA, Moses Lake 1/9 1930 fair w/s/off anct. (RET-CA)
- 1270 KWRL NV, Sparks 1/3 1416 good w/pop mx, 1418 "Mostly music, 1270 Sparks" ID. (MB-NV)
- 1280 KJOY CA, Stockton 1/3 1419 fair w/pop mx, 1420 "K-joy" ID. (MB-NV)
- 1320 KOLT NE, Scottsbluff 1/7 0725 local wx then ID into mx. Atop. Must have thought it was KCPX before, hi. (MEM-ID)
- KELO SD, Sioux Falls 1/10 0235 briefly atop KCPX et al w/"13 KELO" ID & request line #. CHQRW (sic) mysteriously absent but was back in by 0300. (bp-WA)
- 1330 KLBS CA, Los Banos 1/12 my closest unheard finally logged after countless tries; good fade-up w/s/off anct at 2015. (RET-CA)
- KGAK NM, Gallup 1/8 2028 fair o/u KFAC w/promo to hear the winter Olympic games "on the big K," into C&W mx. Common at SSS and at night way u/KFAC. (RW-CA)
- KOVE WY, Lander 1/14 0815 fairly steady signal, good read in KURL "null" w/horrendous QRM. (JJ-WA)
- 1340 KBET NV, Reno 1/3 1426 fair w/C&W mx, 1428 "K-bet" slogan and into big promo containing parts of many C&W songs, "Best music in the country" etc. (MB-NV)
- KIHR OR, Hood River 1/12 0353-0400 very weak in KMAK/KBET/KRAW null, but topping KATA/KIST. Ments of Indian Creek Apts, offers to shovel snow. ID at 0357, another ID 0400 into Ai nx. New. (RW)
- 1360 KFIV CA, Modesto 1/3 1431 fair w/pop mx, 1435 phone number given (529-KFIV). (MB-NV)
- 1370 KXLF MT, Butte 1/12 1936 fair w/ID & local spot. New. (RET-CA)
- 1390 KCEY CA, Turlock 1/3 1441 poor to fair w/old MOR mx, 1444 TC, ID, a bunch of classified ads were given, then a spot for the Wine Garden Hotel in Turlock. (MB-NV)
- +1/8 0341 very clear, announcer mentioned "Your brand of Country Music! 100% more country music on Great Country KCEY." (GP-CA)
- 1400 KTRT CA, Truckee 1/8 2017 weak o/mess w/wx for Tahoe basin, talk on energy sources. (RW-CA)
- KART ID, Jerome 1/6 1915 ID, notice about Idaho Committee for "...", "More of your country mx on K-A-R-T." (RT-NV)
- KVEG NV, Henderson 1/7 2122 "Vegas Country Weather," ID, good sig.
- KWNA NV, Winnemucca 1/6 20C0 ID, then ABC nx. Don't laugh-- (RT) First time heard, despite closeness to Reno. Fair sig. (RT-NV)
- +1/10 1035 weak in KRE null, o/KART. Spot for motel in Elko, ID "...on your northern Nevada friend, KWNA." (RW-CA)
- 1410 KMYC CA, Marysville 1/3 1447 fair w/old pop mx, 1450 "K-M-Y-C playing the best music" then into disco mx (clearly not the best kind of music, hi.). (MB-NV)

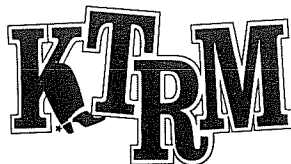
- 1420 KITI WA, Centralia-Chehalis now fulltime. First noted as unID 1/9 w/ syndicated "countdown" type pgm 2250, Ai nx 2300 u/KUJ. Much monitoring o/the next few days finally netted a YL w/"K-I-T-I" ID and wx 2159 1/13. Very poor here, inaudible 90% of the time, but sometimes has brief peaks o/KUJ. Considering the distance (75 miles) they probably beam about 2 watts this way w/the rest going into downtown Aberdeen. (bp-WA) (Guess we'll have to check it out, hi.--NH)
- 1430 KJAY CA, Sacramento 1/1 2000 ID into s/off? Reception was very tough so I don't know if it was s/off or not. (WJH-WA)
?KJAY? 1/3 1452 poor w/raving preacher. (MB-NV)
- 1440 KVON CA, Napa 1/3 1609 poor w/pop mx, 1610 "K-V-O-N" ID. (MB-NV)
- 1450 KONE NV, Reno 1/3 1454 good w/C&W mx, 1455 "K-O-N-E" ID, spot for Family Savings & Loan. (MB-NV)
- 1470 KXOA CA, Sacramento 1/3 1456 poor to fair w/spot for La Breeze Waterbeds, "1470 K-Z-O-A" ID. (MB-NV)
- 1490 KICO CA, Calexico 1/10 2101 xlnt, way on top w/ID "...mx, for your listening pleasure on KICO." 3rd time hrd in 3 years. (RW-CA)
- KOWL CA, South Lake Tahoe 1/3 1458 xlnt w/a skipping mx record.
- KBKR OR, Baker s/off 0200 1/10 o/u KBRO et al. (bp-WA) (MB-NV)
- 1520 WKBW NY, Buffalo 1/14 0324 great signal killing KYXI w/"Disco Nights." ID. (RW-CA)
- 1550 KRGO UT, Granger 1/8 0335 hrd ABC network nx, very good reception w/ local KKHI off. (GP-CA)
- 1580 KNIX AZ, Tempe-Phoenix 1/7 0449-0502 C&W mx, ID "Your kind of Country in stereo, FM-102 and AM-1580, KNIX" and "Arizona Country, KNIX Tempe-Phoenix, KNIX-PM Phoenix." "Stereo Concert" program at 0500. Strong signal, like local. KDAY off. Must now be fulltime as hrd nightly mixing w/local KDAY. (MLB-CA)
- 1590 KEND TX, Lubbock 1/10 0302 nx on capping an oil rig, then ID into C&W mx, and a few more ID's, then KLIV took over, & possibly KRAD. No KZOK. OK! Could snow have a hand in this bp, hi.(MEM)
- 1600 KWOW CA, Pomona 1/8 very clear next to semi-local KLLV-1590. Disc Jockey was giving the wx for the San Gabriel Valley 0320. First time hrd here in Northern Calif. KWOW only 500 watts at night. Good sounding station. (GP-CA)
- KUBA CA, Yuba City 1/3 1505 fair w/agricultural nx, 1507 spot for odor control company, 1604 "The music of America, K-U-B-A" ID.
- KATZ MO. St. Louis 1/9 0203 in briefly w/Mutual nx and (MB-NV)
"K-A-T-Z" live ID. Weak during KZOK xmtr trouble (they were off) (JJ-WA)

UNID's:

- 860 1/14 0503 unID w/SSB way down in the mud of KOAM, unID classical, & someone else. WDMG? (RW-CA)
- 950 1/9 0201-0410 good o/all w/TT's & OC's on & off (sometimes as long as 10 min. at a time). Played instrumental mx ("When the Saints Go Marching In," etc) 0357-0410, then off. Absolutely no ID's (that I was able to hear, at least). Looped north. Signal strength, loop direction & type of mx played point to KAH1. If so, they were quite illegal by testing at 11pm PLT, and w/no ID's. (SMM-CA)
- 1000 1/14 0552 unID TT noted rather weak o/u HJAR. Not KOMO who tests occasionally on MM's. This was looping east. KKIM? (RW-CA)
- 1080 EC LPRT hrd 1/9 0305. Best possibility is CBUD? Walking all o/KMJJ & KRLD. Atop as they were on 540, 860 & 900. (MEM-ID)
- 1270 KI?? unID noted 0700 1/13 w/female annrc, EZlistening mx, & ID w/ definite "K-I-" M or N. Has been noted in the past, but no ID. Surfaced, as before, briefly o/KFJZ & then back under. Either KIML or KINN may be the one as listed in NRC log, but which? (MSH-CA)

Quite a few reporters this week! Keep up the good work. How about someone from Oregon reporting? And what has happened to Canada??? Gee, no stiff penguin flipper award AGAIN. ♡

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Privyet. Still no new stations heard in the 80's, though I did get WISM-1480 at 2230 ELT on Dec 31--that's after 0000 GMT January 1, so I guess it counts for the 80's. CKAN, that CP for Newmarket on 1480 still hasn't gone on the air yet. I thought it might hit the air on January 1. I survived Wurtzel. (A great essay topic for those "What did you do on your Christmas Holiday" compositions that they hit you with as soon as you get back to school). I actually had a good time in NYC but after attempting DX in Wurtzel's loft, two blocks from the Empire State Building, I'll never complain about CFTB slop again! The spurs there are incredible. There's even a 2nd harmonic from WOR on 1420. (At least you didn't try FM DX there-PRM) Bill, Paul Mount, and I drove out to the Jersey swamplands ("meadow" is too good for them) to check out the slop mills i.e. transmitters. I forgot to bring my Molotov Cocktails. (That's okay, I don't drink and drive, hi-PRM). I spent a little money there too. Among other things, such as \$45 in mint U.S. stamps (the P.O. guy who sold them to me said postal rates wouldn't go up until 1981), I also came back with a GE Superadio. I got it at Brandsmart for \$49. Didn't hit 47th St. Photo, where I got my RF-2200 during my last visit to NY in July '78. For all you bargain hunters, Brandsmart isn't open to the general public, you need a Brandsmart card or college ID to get in. I really like the Superadio, it's almost as good as the DeForest Crosley. Seriously, every BCB DXer should have a Superadio. Audio quality is amazing if your idea of excellent audio quality is to listen to SSS from GA or that GYer from One Horse PA through a 6 1/2 inch speaker. Had no problems getting all this stuff across the border, though the Customs officer threw everything out of my suitcase, and then didn't even help me repack it because he was so disgusted that he couldn't charge me a whopping duty. Cem'desyat tri (or 73, anyone "govorit po-Rooski"?) Desvidanya...Misha.

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Happy New Year! Well, as 1980 begins I can sum up how 1979 was for DX. In 1979 I went from 474/147 for 31% to 664/233 for 35%(heard/verified), giving me 190 new stations and 86 new verifications. As it turns out, I managed to end up hearing and verifying more in '79 than 1977 or 1978, mainly because of the past three months which accounted for 95 new stations, w/52 (a record) in November, so it was a good year. Latest varies in from WFBC (to verify SC, leaving KS and ME unverified, although I can count Maine verified as I have a WPNO ID on tape. Problem is, both states are rather hard to hear often from here. Others in the mail, WIRE, WWJ, & WTOW, but no DXM's in 3 weeks. (Seattle ran out of envelopes? -PRM) Graveyard DX Records fans, 1230 and 1240 are on their way to Seattle, so they should "grace" DXM soon. '73's & have a good year!

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A Happy DXing New Year to everyone. I'm typing this while listening to a full hour of Neil Young songs on WPLJ-FM. Songwriters like him have influenced me to write better. As an example, see the closing items in this Forum. Big changes are in the works for AM, FM and SW radio that will affect us all. I just sent in a news item about daytime radio stations organizing to operate at night. On top of that, the FCC votes 6-0 to adopt 9 khz spacing on AM and to add hundreds more stations. What will DXing be like in 1982-3? Exciting, or a jungle of noises? Those items prompted me to write the following two limericks. I hope you notice the new change in my writing style. Please let me know if you agree with me. Thank you Tim Noonan, N. Wolfish, and Mike Saltmarsh for your letters. I will answer you all.

(One limerick (mild political attack)
deleted per editorial policy. bp)

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It's about time for another Forum. I'll have up to 26 more nights of dial-flicking this winter, since the Antarctic trip aboard the Linblad Explorer has been scrubbed. The sweet young thing (I don't mean a sexy YL, hi) hit a shoal in the Gerlache Strait near the Palmer Peninsula and ran aground (she has been pulled loose as of this writing). She'll have to go to drydock in DSA (Chile to be exact). I've put in for the Antarctic cruise next winter already. So instead of chasing icebergs and penguins, I'll be chasing bikinis in FL and the Bahamas (the "Bermuda Triangle", hi). (What would you do if you caught a chased penguin, anyway?-PRM). Instead of seeing John Allchin in New Zealand, I'll be down on Jeff Lockwood's turf. From 1/31 thru 2/3, that is. I'll be in Auckland around 3/4/81 after the Antarctic cruise next year. Also I'll be able to catch Jerry Miller's WADXA GTG at his Baltimore MD pad on 3/1. (Have him send details to HQ-PRM). By the time this hits DXM WEAM-1390 will have a BED format, dropping the T40 next Sunday night; BED starts MM 1/14 at 0600, with a possible SP before format change. Maybe WEAM will have SP on MMs and the modulation level may go down. However, the station will still carry GWU BKB games, giving DXers a break from slop except during spots within the Colonials game. I'm not sure whether the stn will carry Notre Dams FB games next fall. Georgetown U. 'Hoya' BKB games are carried by both WINX-1600 and GY WOL-1450. The Redskins just missed the NFL playoffs by losing at KRLD-land; they'd be in if the Cardinals hadn't played dead against the Bears. (Film at 11 -PRM). After a two-week drought at the dials (including a SSS session during the Xmas tree light w/Garter seen live) the DX is beginning to roll in. After only three newies in the 3 weeks before New Year's Eve, ten stations never before heard landed in my log this week. Old Man Winter has finally caught up w/us, bringing in six inches of snow, temp. as low as 21/-6C and plenty of DX. We had an un-Xmas-like 61°F/16C at 0000 Xmas Eve and 62 XmasDay; I was soaking up the sun (eat your hearts out in the Golden West, hi). I'll be in FL when this hits print. CUN 21. LXXIII-WPT.

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Well, now that I've settled into a new location, I thought I'd write our new editor a Forum. Hi Paul, and welcome to an editorship. (Txn-PRM). As a reintro, I'm 24, and work in master control at the National Public Radio network in Washington. I'm finally out of the radio announcing business with it's high pay, hi. But I just couldn't leave radio 'cause I love it. NPR is using a satellite system to slowly replace the 5 khz phone-line network. There are about 80 stations on satellite now, with about 120 to go. The system will eventually be capable of transmitting 12 mono or 6 stereo programs at once. The apartment is in a high rise near the DC line. It's my first experience w/overload-level locals. The Realistic TRF tames them all however! Even WTOP, at about 2 miles, is not a problem. Well, not a serious problem, anyway, hi. I had 349 heard on the ECB log on Long Island, and I have 73 heard so far here. Of interest, the DC Harbor Patrol's NSP thing at 530 khz is giving boating safety tips with awful audio quality. It's right on top of the Canadian beacon at night. They announce calls as either KUF-703 or KUS-703, but those may be their VHF marine radio calls. WPGC has an awful signal, must be all skywave, hi. It's heard everywhere but here. Mike Saltmarsh: Yes, WNBC sure does stress the "N". It's the only thing to differentiate them from WABC. 73's and Happy New Year to all.

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So much to say this time. First off, I'm sorry if I offended anyone with my nuke poem. Guess I'd better watch what I say. Thanks for accepting my apology, Mark. Do you have any relatives in the Darry area? Seems someone in the USPS didn't like DXM #15. Looks like they beat it up! Follow up to the WKXL DX Test: Mike Brooker, Steve Grubb, Elliot Straus, Bill Dulmage, and Dave Fox of the IRCA heard it as well as others from OH, RI, DE, PA, PQ, and 2 from MA. The power was 1000 w and WOL-DC was giving QRM to about 1/3 of the people who heard it. I talked to Bill Wurtzel and Mike Brooker on the phone on 12/23. They told me about their 'Shopping spree'! My best and latest veries are KOA-CO, CBJ-PQ, CFCY-PEI, and pirate PRN. That gives me two more provinces, one more state and my first pirate verie. Totals as of

today are 291/94 stns, 27/26 states, 6/4 provinces, and 4/2 countries. Mike Bittner--that car you saw on the L.I. Expressway must have been Bill Wurtzel's, hi. (He doesn't have a car-PRM). I'm hoping to get the RF-2200 for my upcoming birthday. Then you'd watch my totals go up as fast as the price of gold, hi. Bruce P.--thanks for compiling the list of radio beacons. As for my stand on the booklet format, I like it better than the old way. I just put the EXMs into a shoe box which works nicely. John Z--sorry to se you leave as editor but good luck at your new job, and welcome to you, Paul. (Tnx-PRM) Setenta y tres y DX illustre.

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 And so ends my first week of Forum typing. Now that many of you received my 1979 "Summary Sheet", you'll say in a letter something like "Hope things are going well with you and Julie" who I had been seeing the last four months and orienting her to DXing here and there. Well, she still likes me and I her; unfortunately she told me Friday 1/11 that she is engaged which I was very sad to hear as I hadn't asked her yet. So now your Forum Editor moans when the distant stations play appropriate titles like "What Can I Do With This Broken Heart", "Heartache Tonight", "Goodbye Stranger" and other songs like "Travelin'" which had meaningful words. I may never be the same. That leaves me with more time than before to type this column, so you can try to cheer me up with encouraging words accompanying a DX Forum, just don't mention fish or the sea as I have no bait. I'll be experimenting with several typers to see how (bad) they look in the bulletin and how small clear elite looks. I know this typer could stand to have some keys like 'e' cleaned, I do have a brush, but even with the worst typer I use it should look better than similar sections in other clubs. I'll post deadlines once I see how long Nelsonville to Seattle delivery takes, figure Mondays for now although when you send in doesn't matter much while we're weekly. So let the rest of the club find out what you've been doing, and if you're new to the IRCA, welcome, and introduce yourself with a Forum. This concludes the Column of the 80's. 73-PRM. "p"

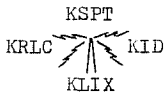
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## Geomagnetic Indices

| Fredericksburg, VA values |    |                 | Anchorage A-Indices |               |                 |       |    |
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| Date                      | A  | K - Indices     | Date                | A             | K - Indices     | Date  | A  |
| 12/10                     | 4  | 1-2-1-1-1-2-1-1 | 12/28               | 19            | 1-2-2-4-5-4-2-4 | 12/10 | 9  |
| 12/11                     | 4  | 2-1-0-1-1-1-2-1 | 12/29               | 23            | 3-4-4-3-4-3-4-4 | 12/11 | 10 |
| 12/12                     | 3  | 1-1-0-1-2-1-1-1 | 12/30               | 18            | 3-3-3-3-4-3-4-3 | 12/12 | 9  |
| 12/13                     | 3  | 0-1-1-1-2-1-0   | 12/31               | not available |                 | 12/13 | 9  |
| 12/14                     | 5  | 1-2-1-1-1-2-2-2 | 1/01                | 15            | 1-2-2-4-3-3-3-4 | 12/14 | 8  |
| 12/15                     | 8  | 0-2-2-3-3-2-2-2 | 1/02                | 11            | 4-3-2-2-3-2-1-2 | 12/15 | 15 |
| 12/16                     | 9  | 2-3-2-1-2-2-2-3 | 1/03                | 14            | 2-4-1-2-3-2-4-3 | 12/16 | 18 |
| 12/17                     | 9  | 3-2-3-2-2-2-2-2 | 1/04                | 12            | 3-2-3-3-2-3-3-2 | 12/17 | 17 |
| 12/18                     | 6  | 2-1-1-3-2-2-1-1 | 1/05                | 9             | 2-1-1-2-3-3-3-2 | 12/18 | 10 |
| 12/19                     | 5  | 2-2-1-1-1-1-1-2 | 1/06                | 6             | 2-3-1-1-2-1-1-1 | 12/19 | 11 |
| 12/20                     | 3  | 0-1-1-1-2-1-0-1 | 1/07                | 4             | 0-0-0-1-1-2-2-3 | 12/20 | 12 |
| 12/21                     | 3  | 0-0-0-1-1-0-2-2 | 1/08                | 5             | 3-2-2-2-1-0-1-0 | 12/21 | 10 |
| 12/22                     | 14 | 2-3-3-4-3-2-3-2 | 1/09                | 2             | 1-1-1-1-1-0-0-0 | 12/22 | 27 |
| 12/23                     | 2  | 1-1-1-0-0-1-1-1 | 1/10                | 3             | 0-0-0-1-2-1-0-2 | 12/23 | 6  |
| 12/24                     | 5  | 2-3-1-2-1-1-1-0 | 1/11                | 10            | 1-2-3-3-3-2-2-2 | 12/24 | 15 |
| 12/25                     | 2  | 0-0-0-1-0-1-2   | 1/12                | 4             | 1-1-1-1-1-2-2-1 | 12/25 | 9  |
| 12/26                     | 9  | 3-2-1-1-2-3-2-3 | 1/13                | 10            | 0-3-3-4-5-3-4-3 | 12/26 | 13 |
| 12/27                     | 11 | 2-3-3-3-3-2-2-2 |                     |               |                 | 12/27 | 19 |

Geomagnetic activity continues at unimpressive levels. The only disturbances of note occurred on 12/29 and 1/13 respectively. The 12/29 event was as a result of a filament disappearance on 12/26. December's preliminary mean Boulder sunspot count was 161, which was about as forecast. Higher levels of solar activity are expected in early February, the result of the reappearing previously active longitudes. However, there is no indication that this should contain any dynamic structures...mos....Dave Korinek. 1/18/80.

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I hope everyone had a nice Christmas season. Mine was good. I logged a few new ones. I finally heard 4CD 927 kHz Gladstone, Qsld., Australia. They were coming in fairly well over Fiji one morning. I have been after 4CD for a long while. Sent a taped report. Also logged Gizo, Solomon Islands on 945 kHz. They have been heard several times lately. I heard them this morning with Dean Martin and old C&W music. The language sounded EE, but there was too much slop from KJR 950 and KFRE 940. Grrrr. I also have a tentative on Port Vila, N.H. on 1125 kHz. I heard a tone on the frequency one morning recently looping toward the Pacific. Fiji was almost like a semi-local that morning, as they were hitting S/9 or better. Tonga 1017 was S/7. I heard a nice jingle from them. New veries include JOQR 1134 Tokyo. It took about four months, and they also send a program schedule in JJ. The JJ sure take a lot longer than they use to. Randy Tomer: KZ00 1210 Honolulu is regular here, heard almost every night; they are about  $\frac{1}{2}$  the signal of KORL 650. I sure hope the US stations don't go to 9 kHz spacing. If the rest of the Western Hemisphere stations have their way, we won't. I hear Canada definitely replies with a "No". I guess it would take a lot of money to convert all those LPRTs. Good DX to all. 73.

RICH TOEBE, 2350 STONEHAVEN CIRCLE, RENO, NV 89511 - 08 January 1980

Greetings to all. Herewith my first forum of the '80s. DX slowed considerably during December, what with finals in night school and the hectic holidays. But being a "verie" determined DX'er, I managed to squeeze in a little time, bagging my most wanted, VOA 1180 (probably because of the novelty value) on 23 December. As of New Years' Day, I reviewed my DX'ing activity and noted that I basically ignore the GY channels. Of course with three locals squatting on GYs (1230, 1340, 1450) is ain't that easy. Doing a little experimenting on 06 January, I found a spot in the room that would allow my receiver to null KCBN 1230 about 95%. With only one SP observed in the last three years, that made me very happy. Moving the radio as little as a half inch would destroy this effect, so I monitored 1230 all evening; results in WDXR. (Yes, the noise drives you crazy after a while). For some reason, the same cannot be done (yet) for KBET 1340 or KONE 1450. KONE and KCRL 780 are the worst around here in my opinion. KONE slops 1430-1470 much of the time (with a vengeance, usually) and KCRL has a tendency to put out a massive hum (60 cycle type) every time they pick up the UPI news feed on the hour. The hum totally obliterates 750-770, 790-800, and plays havoc with 730-760, 810-830. Otherwise it's well enough behaved to allow me to listen to KABC whenever I feel like talk programs. Not bad for a 50 kw XR about 25km/16mi from my home. I'm using a Grundig 1100 portable currently; I get pretty good performance in terms of co-channel interference (as noted above). I noted with great interest that Joe Jergel is using the Satellit 3400 - I'd be very interested in hearing about the unit's performance, as I've thought about getting one. Being a fan of Grundig radios (like the proverbial "Chevy" for life guy, I started with a 502 Music Boy in 1970, traded up to the 1100 in 1975), my heart says, yes, yes, yes, but my head says look into it first. Finally, KWRL 1270 is now KROI, first noted call change 06 December. They have a crazy s/off announcement, using part of the Sine-Off commerical. Mainly ID's as "1270 Sparks." 73 de RT.

JEF JAISUN, 12860-136th AVE., NE, KIRKLAND, WA 98033 - 08 January 1980

You folks will probably laugh when HQ gripes about the "blizzard" that hit Seattle on 07 January, but if you could see all these new condo owners sliding around in the snow, bashing up their gas guzzlers. And to think they moved here because Harper Magazine called Seattle "the nation's most liveable city." Ha, ha, hi. (So - a little snow - still a great city-Rth). Problem was the snow held up reprints of the Wedge antenna, which Phil and I were trying to coordinate. Oh well, nothing to do but stay home and DX. I've given consideration to Ernie Cooper's suggestion about not printing intimate details of reception in the report columns. In fact, I've thought about it in the past, too, as to whether or not some unscrupulous DX'er would use the info to write for an undeserved verie. What I decided is

this: Our club exists to help its members. That is why we all belong. In order to be of assistance to others, each of us should try to help as much as possible. If this means elaborately describing DX tips then so be it. What good is a tip that says nothing conclusive about a station when the information is readily available? I submit that almost every barrel has a bad apple in it. IRCA looks pretty good to me, all the way from the bottom to the top. Those who might "steal" information from others and fill out phoney reports are really only stealing from themselves, and I think it is those people who are more in need of understanding than of censure and ridicule. We are not all perfect. DX has been slow the first days of the new decade. Lots of spurs and images in places where I never had them before. I strained at 657 for a half hour last week only to hear a KIRO ID. Drat! I've got KOMO on 1018.6 and 1180, too. Dave Wurl, I know what you mean about the KOMO taped ID/OC. Many's the time I've had the gain up full, headphones on, waiting for some juicy DX to pop through, when, "KOMO-Radio One Thousand" just about blew my eardrums into my next incarnation, hi. I wonder if they allow OCs on the astral plane. (Plane or plain, Jeff? Yes, and also in VW bugs as well, hi-Rth). I did close out the '70s with some hot stuff. Thanks to bp's tips I logged New Zealand 819 and 756, and Ecuador 995 on 31 December. Both countries are new. RW: Your FF station was probably CBOF. They were in frequently throughout December, particularly from 0720-0750 ELT. I taped them one morning. Of course, around here that necessitated a KYAC SP, which has remained pretty regular 0600-0800 AN6 and 0300-0800 MM. However, this past MM the DJ left the carrier on. Musta had a hot date, hi. 73.

ANDREW J. RIMMINGTON, 559 CLARKE RD., COQUITLAM, BC V3J 3X4 - 09 Jan 1980  
Further to my last Forum: The local rumor-mongers have it that CFUN's problem has been one of arcing at the base of their towers, and that they've been doing some tinkering at the XR site to try to correct it. Seems their towers are of an unusual height for 1410, and present higher-than-normal impedance to the feedlines, which means they have to use an exceptionally high voltage to get their 50 kw out. I still haven't been able to enter in to any intelligent conversation with the staff to try to confirm this (the CE has been on vacation), but it makes sense and might explain the sudden appearance of my CHQM spur on 1500 - perhaps as a result of the work they have been doing, their signal is a bit stronger at my QTH. CFUN has always pegged my S-meter, so I have no way of telling. I've noted a couple of comments recently about the difficulty of computing GCB and GCD: I have a program here for the TI58/59 calculators, and if there are other TI58/59 owners in IRCA who'd like to see it I can write it up for DXM. I'm still a bit too sore to do any work on the receiver, but at least my typing finger's back in working order - for which I'm sure Rth is properly grateful! (Always glad to type up your forum - what happened to your fingers?-Rth). 73 for now de UGH.

GARY LARSON, 2806 LINCOLN, BURBANK, CA 91504 - (213) 843-3098 - 12 Jan '80  
Rainy weather today. Good for some DX. Am here at KCSN-FM playing polka music and helping answer phone calls. Note number above. No specific hours and none collect, hi. Recently received a couple CMCs and stickers from KDOL 1340 Mojave, CA. If anyone collects these, I'm sure the people at KDOL would send them out; or I could mail out a xerox of the CM. Would anyone in the states of OR, ID or AZ be willing to exchange or record some of their locals for me? I can be more specific later. Hope everyone who may have been caught in all those major California storms are OK and that no antenna or other DX related things were damaged. 73.

GARY PARTON, 157 ELM ST., #101, SAN MATEO, CA 94401 - 12 January 1980  
Hope that everyone had a nice holiday season and I wish everyone a Happy New Year. DX for me seems to have improved as of the week of 06 January. WBBM Chicago in under semi-local KCRL Reno most of the time during the very late evenings and early morning hours. I heard KWOW Pomona, CA the other night very clear next to local KLIV 1590; KWOW is only 500 watts at night. They sounded like about 5,000 watts the way they were coming in; good sounding station! (They've always sounded like 5 kw at night, to me, and I've often suspected they are!-Rth). It's too bad there isn't any great sports team here in Northern California. Maybe the Giants will improve this upcoming season; I sure hope so. I'm still wondering if the A's in Oakland are moving to Denver. When will they ever make up their minds? NHL hockey is my favorite sport and the L.A. Kings are the greatest team. Wish I could hear their broadcasts up here. KITS 1150 Los Angeles carries them and they have a terrible signal. 20mi/32km out of L.A. at night you lose the signal. It was great when the Kings were carried by KFI a number



of years ago. (Maybe weak in L.A. suburbs, but KIIS is dominant 1150 at nights up here - try them-RtH). It's great swapping tapes of locals with Gary Larson. Also with Neil Dickerson in Shartown, MD. The weather here in Northern California as I write this is cloudy, raining and windy. Last night it was about 30 mph, the wind that is! It's good to have renewed my IRCA membership. Once again, the DX Monitor is the greatest radio magazine. The publishing staff in Seattle does a fantastic job. Keep it up. Last night I found a new FM station in the area; KREO 92.9 Healdsburg, CA. (No relation, hi-RtH). They cover the Redwood Empire which is part of their ID. KREO use to be a station on AM in Indio, CA. Call letters were changed to KRCQ. Until next time, take it easy and 73 de GP.

MARK BIXBY, 1627 HIGHLAND DR., NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 - 13 January 1980

Long time no forum! The current prolonged XEGM 950 SP has finally pushed my totals to over 500. New stations heard so far are: KBRJ, KMTX, KAHI, KNFT, KWER, KLER, KJRG (tent.), XEORF, XERN, XEFA and XEYJ. This brings up a question (and possibly the start of a mini-controversy): Should new catches recorded on tape when a DX'er is asleep be counted the same as if they were heard live? (Absolutely-RtH). Because I normally like to sleep in until 0900-1000 PLT, I have been pretuning my PRG-7 and Wedge to 950 before going to sleep and having my father who normally gets up 0500-0600 PLT turn on my radio and tape recorder. Going through the tapes later, I have heard KMTX, KNFT, KWER, KLER and KJRG in this fashion (KMTX and KNFT have since been heard live). I have no qualms about this method, because I view it as merely a more efficient way of DX'ing. Also, because I have no idea of what's on the tapes before I play them back, isn't this the same as "live" DX'ing? (Absolutely-RtH). I would appreciate hearing some pros and cons on this matter from other members. During a recent vacation at Lake Tahoe (What were your winnings? Hi-RtH), most Bay Area stations were heard ranging from fair to good. I am glad that the "weighty 6-80" gets out so well because they are one of the few sources of semi-decent music out on the more desolate stretches of Hwy. 395. KNYO and KIBS were visited, and a CW/rate card and a business card were obtained from KNYO. Until next time, 73 de RDB.

RIC HEALD, 1058 SANCHEZ ST., SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94114 - Tele-Forum: (415) VALENCIA 1-0447 to 2200 PLT and prepaid - 17 January 1980

Howdy neighbor! If Mark's Forum and mine look a little different, they are. Ran out of the film and had to switch to the nylon ribbon. Mark, taped IDs have been considered a legit verie by the radio clubs for several years, so I see no reason why listening to taped DX cannot be considered just as legit. You have the same conditions as listening "live", after all, the tape recorder records the same QRM and conditions. But, be careful if you are going to send for veries. I would set a clock to the precise time your tape recorder came on when listening to your tape later in the day. I'm a fanatic about time, and my clock, an old Western Union battery-run clock, is never more than five seconds +- from WWV. How many DX'ers have used a tape to cull an ID by playing a segment back and forth a number of times? How many times has a DX'ers logged one or more stations under the one he or she was trying to ID through this method? One Seattle DX'er back in the mid-'60s use to set a timer to his recorder, set the receiver to a specified frequency, then listen to the tape the following morning. My first verie in 16 months arrived the other day; KIML 1270 Gillette, WY. There was a time when I looked forward to the number of veries in the mail per day, but then postage was 4¢! Tried some DX this morning around 0400 PLT and noted a terrible mixing problem with KYA 1260 and KNBR 680 - like all over the dial! Was noted during the daytime, but did not expect it at night. Ah, the joys of living in an R jungle, hi. Welcome back to IRCA, Gary, and thanks for the phone call. Tried for KREO, but next-door KYA-FM (I can see their tower from here) precludes hearing KREO. My MW DX should come to a screeching halt 04 February. I managed to pull an O800 class at College of San Mateo. Yup, going back to school after 13 years - part time. Trying to break into meteorology. Great support the last couple of weeks - keep it up gang - great hearing from you all. That's it this time around. Keep 'em comin'. One final note. Don't know if this is storm related or not, but Patrick, your letter took seven days getting here, and Jef and Rich's both took four days, and Reno mail usually gets here overnight. The fickle finger of fate award goes to the USPS this time. Well, that's it this time around. Good DX to all and c u in 7. 73 de RtH..

# Verification Signers

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|------|------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| 540  | CBK  | q       | CBC sticker, L. Dickson                                                           | RG |
| 540  | WGTO | q       | Dr. Frank L. Berry CE                                                             | JB |
| 550  | KFYP | q       | Herb Leupp CE                                                                     | JB |
| 560  | WOOF | f       | sticker Oscar Lamman                                                              | JB |
| 580  | CAP  | l       | cm-button K. Garant                                                               | JB |
| 580  | CKPF | l       | five stickers Ellen Bohn, Sec. to eng.                                            | JB |
| 580  | WCHS | q       | rate card-cm-five sticks-litter bag-ice<br>scraper unsigned                       | JB |
| 580  | WELO | q       | unsigned                                                                          | RG |
| 590  | KHQ  | q       | unsigned                                                                          | RG |
| 600  | CFQC | q       | unreadable CE VE5FV                                                               | RG |
| 680  | CHFA | l       | mug-station history Guy Pariseare Mgr.                                            | RG |
| 690  | KSTL | l       | Art Ford GM                                                                       | RG |
| 730  | CKLG | q       | cm-CFOX sticker-cm unsigned                                                       | RG |
| 740  | WKIS | q       | cm unsigned                                                                       | JB |
| 770  | KOB  | q       | unsigned                                                                          | RG |
| 810  | CHQR | l       | Nel Hayne Tech. Dir.                                                              | RG |
| 860  | WSON | l       | data sheet Henry G. Lackey GM                                                     | RG |
| 900  | CHML | q       | data sheet unsigned                                                               | RG |
| 910  | KWOC | q       | Edaund W. Parker GM                                                               | KJ |
| 920  | KDHL | q       | J.E. Hyde CE                                                                      | JB |
| 970  | KOOK | l       | Richard G. Jones CE                                                               | RG |
| 970  | WAVE | l       | q-cm-history sheet Harold Culver Dir of<br>Engineering                            | JB |
| 1070 | CBA  | q       | C. Renault                                                                        | JE |
| 1070 | CKST | l       | Pon McLeod GM                                                                     | RG |
| 1090 | WKSP | l       | Edmund W. Parker GM                                                               | KJ |
| 1130 | WACQ | l       | Fred R. Hughey Pres.& GM                                                          | KJ |
| 1220 | KZYM | l       | rate card Jerome B. Zimmer GM                                                     | RG |
| 1220 | WKMT | l       | Jonas Bridges Mgr.                                                                | KJ |
| 1230 | CJOK | l       | J.B. Cartwright                                                                   | RG |
| 1290 | KTFN | l       | R.M. (Mack) Lester GM                                                             | RG |
| 1300 | WKXI | l       | personal note J. Alex Bowab VP & former<br>IRCA member                            | RG |
| 1300 | WOOD | q       | Michael O. Loreau GM                                                              | RG |
| 1350 | WRWH | l       | Joel R. Clark                                                                     | KJ |
| 1370 | CFOK | l       | J.B. Cartwright                                                                   | RG |
| 1390 | WCSC | q       | R.L. Bullard CE                                                                   | RG |
| 1430 | WVAM | l       | G. Robert Reigh Dir. of Eng'g                                                     | JB |
| 1450 | CKYR | l       | Tony O'Coiffe PD                                                                  | RG |
| 1460 | WAKM | note    | on report letter Gerry Grainger VP&GM                                             | RG |
| 1490 | WAFJ | l       | Alan Burns                                                                        | KJ |
| 1490 | WSTP | l       | "Kellee" Executive Secretary                                                      | KJ |
| 1490 | WSVM | l       | Bill Rollins Executive VP                                                         | KJ |
| 1500 | WIAF | (visit) | Mark S., Music Director                                                           | KJ |
| 1500 | WKAX | l       | E.D. Smith PD                                                                     | KJ |
| 1500 | WKRP | l       | Michael L. Leopard GM                                                             | KJ |
| 1520 | WKMG | cm      | Foscoe Bedenbaugh Exec. VP & GM                                                   | KJ |
| 1530 | WASC | l       | James E. Harrelson                                                                | KJ |
| 1530 | WOBF | l       | Ken Mann GM                                                                       | KJ |
| 1540 | WKBA |         | Got his own letter back w/ station stamp<br>and "ok as received" on it. Illegible | JB |
| 1570 | WKOL | l       | two pens Carol Gardiner Traffic Mgr.                                              | JB |
| 1570 | WLSC | f       | Mike Allen PD & Eng.                                                              | KJ |
| 1580 | CBJ  | q       | Remi Dullaie                                                                      | KJ |
| 1580 | WBBA | l       | Fussell Knepler                                                                   | KJ |
| 1580 | WCCF | up      | Myrtle P. Butler Op Mgr                                                           | KJ |
| 1580 | WESY | up      | D. French Mgr                                                                     | KJ |
| 1580 | WGTW | l       | Ron Aicher Owner/GM                                                               | KJ |
| 1580 | WHHM | l       | Don Fennimore GM                                                                  | KJ |
| 1580 | WSBP | up      | Dewey O'Conner, Jr. PD                                                            | KJ |
| 1580 | WSKT | up      | Harry Morgan Owner                                                                | KJ |
| 1600 | KZOK | l       | Randle Sother CE                                                                  | RG |

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| Call | Location             | Miles | Dx'er & Location          |
|------|----------------------|-------|---------------------------|
| WAUD | Auburn AL            | 891   | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| WDHP | Huntsville AL        | 1989  | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| WHCD | Jackson AL           | 140   | Ayers-Jackson MS          |
| WTBC | Tuscaloosa AL        | 749   | Robertson-Croswell MI     |
| KIFW | Sitka AK             | 1429  | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| KSUN | Bisbee AZ            | 1107  | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| KAAA | Kingman AZ           | 1350  | Eddie-St. Louis MO        |
| KRIZ | Phoenix AZ           | 1103  | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| KATO | Safford AZ           | 901   | Dabelstein-Omaha NE       |
| KIMO | Winslow AZ           | 1000  | Bytheway-Seattle WA       |
| KOON | Conway AR            | 1654  | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| KFPW | Ft. Smith AR         | 310   | Eddie-St. Louis MO        |
| KGAM | Bakersfield CA       | 728   | Bytheway-Seattle WA       |
| KWTC | Barstow CA           | 300   | Wein-San Jose CA          |
| KIDS | Bishop CA            | 785   | Tortzer-Seattle WA        |
| KKC  | El Centro CA         | 2675  | Wood-Kailua HI            |
| KDAD | Ft. Bragg CA         | 130   | Wein-San Jose CA          |
| KGFE | Los Angeles CA       | 313   | Wein-San Jose CA          |
| KPRE | Paso Robles CA       | 1430  | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| KRDS | Redding CA           | 472   | Bytheway-Seattle WA       |
| KAC  | Stockton CA          | 655   | Bytheway-Seattle WA       |
| KERQ | Grand Junction CO    | 371   | Bytheway-Seattle WA       |
| KDRR | Leadville CO         | 3195  | Wood-Kailua HI            |
| KDLA | Pueblo CO            | 1133  | Kesteven-Edmonton AB      |
| KSPH | Sterling CO          | 1196  | Wheeler-Erie PA           |
| KENE | Hanchester CT        | 421   | Sorensen-Emsdale ON       |
| KJED | New Smyrna Beach FL  | 854   | McCormack-W. Lafayette IN |
| KYVW | Pensacola FL         | 328   | Cartwright-PA             |
| KCMH | Quincy FL            | 697   | McCormack-W. Lafayette IN |
| WELT | Salton CA            | 536   | Wheeler-Erie PA           |
| WHLI | Dublin GA            | 2236  | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| KPON | Marietta GA          | 800   | Abraham-Bridgeport MI     |
| KSCR | Savannah GA          | 728   | Winsor-Valparaiso IN      |
| KAYM | Waycross GA          | 1072  | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| KDAR | Burley ID            | 579   | McCullogh-San Jose CA     |
| KCAR | Orangeville ID       | 623   | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| KRMK | Nexburg ID           | 665   | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| WBEC | Bloomington IL       | 475   | Wheeler-Erie PA           |
| KQUA | Moline IL            | 442   | Robertson-Croswell MI     |
| KMCO | Sparta IL            | 1756  | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| KJCD | Hammond IN           | 736   | Belanger-Minnipeg MB      |
| KCAL | Logansport IN        | 477   | Sorensen-Emsdale ON       |
| KPOJ | Tell City IN         | 557   | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| WLSW | Pease Haute IN       | 666   | Belanger-Minnipeg MB      |
| KPJC | Marshallsow IA       | 3358  | Wood-Kailua HI            |
| KHIR | Danville KY          | 2629  | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| KHOP | Hopkinsville KY      | 1894  | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| KLTC | Monroe LA            | 734   | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| KFCR | New Orleans LA       | 808   | Winsor-Valparaiso IN      |
| KLCL | Opelousas LA         | 368   | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| KBYH | Baltimore MD         | 1007  | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| KGUM | Cumberland MD        | 454   | Winsor-Valparaiso IN      |
| KKND | North Adams MA       | 224   | Brown-Ottawa ON           |
| KJPE | Jorchester MA        | 432   | Sorensen-Emsdale ON       |
| KSUZ | Grand Rapids MI      | 161   | Heimbürger-Pt. Huron MI   |
| KIKD | Iron River MI        | 1795  | Allen-Vallejo CA          |
| KWFC | Lapeer MI            | 179   | Wheeler-Erie PA           |
| WGOO | Sault Ste. Marie MI  | 370   | Wheeler-Erie PA           |
| WSTR | Sturgis MI           | 537   | Dabelstein-Omaha NE       |
| WKLK | Cloquet MN           | 406   | Dabelstein-Omaha NE       |
| KGHS | Int. Falls MN        | 575   | Winsor-Valparaiso IN      |
| KYGM | Mankato MN           | 715   | Wheeler-Erie PA           |
| KMRS | Morris MN            | 352   | Markewicz-Camp Norton MB  |
| KTRF | Thief River Falls MN | 890   | Wheeler-Erie PA           |
| KWNO | Winona MN            | 594   | Wheeler-Erie PA           |
| WOMA | Corinth MS           | 667   | Wheeler-Erie PA           |
| WHSY | Hattiesburg MS       | 861   | Kaskey-Galva IA           |
| WSSO | Starkville MS        | 664   | Wesolowski-Omaha NE       |

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| WAZF | Yazoo City MS      | 1552 | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| KODF | Joplin MO          | 286  | Dabelstein-Omaha NE          |
| KLWT | Lebanon MO         | 377  | Kaskey-Galva IA              |
| KWIX | Moberly MO         | 311  | Winsor-Valparaiso IN         |
| KBMN | Rozeman MT         | 804  | MuCullogh-San Jose CA        |
| KHDN | Hardin MT          | 3255 | Wood-Kailua HI               |
| KXLO | Lewistown MT       | 808  | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| KLCP | Libby MT           | 859  | Markewicz-Camp Norton MB     |
| KTNC | Falls City NE      | 80   | Deablstein-Omaha NE          |
| KHAS | Hastings NE        | 1280 | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| KELY | Ely NV             | 1034 | Kaksey-Galva IA              |
| KLAV | Las Vegas NV       | 830  | Bytheway-Seattle WA          |
| KCBN | Reno NV            | 1007 | Kesteven-Edmonton AB         |
| WMOU | Berlin NH          | 227  | Brown-Ottawa ON              |
| WTSV | Claremont NH       | 30   | Saltmarsh-Penacook NH        |
| WCMC | Wildwood NJ        | 110  | Edmunds-Glen Rock NJ         |
| KALG | Alamogordo NM      | 893  | Wein-San Jose CA             |
| KOIS | Doming NM          | 910  | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| KYVA | Gallup NM          | 247  | Kemper-Grand Junction CO     |
| KFVN | Las Vegas NM       | 1419 | Wheeler-Erie PA              |
| KRSY | Roswell NM         | 1105 | Winsor-Valparaiso IN         |
| WNIA | Cheektowaga NY     | 226  | Brown-Ottawa ON              |
| WENY | Elmira NY          | 561  | Winsor-Valparaiso IN         |
| WIGS | Gouverneur NY      | 206  | Sorensen-Emsdale ON          |
| WLFH | Little Falls NY    | 280  | Cartwright-Johnstown PA      |
| WFAS | White Plains NY    | 335  | Wheeler-Erie PA              |
| WSHY | Asheville NC       | 764  | Brown-Ottawa ON              |
| WFAI | Fayetteville NC    | 350  | Mount-Nelsonville OH         |
| WMFR | High Point NC      | 20   | Hall-Greensboro NC           |
| WTSP | Kinston NC         | 161  | Singer-Richmond VA           |
| WCBT | Roanoke Rapids NC  | 410  | Wheeler-Erie PA              |
| KDIX | Dickinson ND       | 3496 | Wood-Kailua HI               |
| WUBE | Cincinnati OH      | 605  | Sherman-Rosemount MN         |
| WCOL | Columbus OH        | 969  | Belanger-Winnipeg MB         |
| WIRO | Ironton OH         | 253  | McCormack-W. Lafayette IN    |
| WCWA | Toledo OH          | 185  | Wheeler-Erie PA              |
| KADA | Ada OK             | 1430 | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| WBBZ | Ponca City OK      | 1378 | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| KVAS | Astoria OR         | 125  | Bytheway-Seattle WA          |
| KRNS | Burns OR           | 461  | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| KOOS | Coos Bay OR        | 436  | Hecker-Saratoga CA           |
| KRDR | Gresham OR         | 560  | Wein-San Jose CA             |
| KQIK | Lakeview OR        | 450  | Hall Patch-Victoria BC       |
| KYJC | Medford OR         | 360  | Hall Patch-Victoria BC       |
| KTDO | Toledo OR          | 500  | Wein-San Jose CA             |
| WBVP | Beaver Falls PA    | 784  | Kaksey-Galva IA              |
| WEPX | Easton PA          | 619  | Winsor-Valparaiso IN         |
| WKBO | Harrisburg PA      | 541  | Winsor-Valparaiso IN         |
| WCRO | Johnstown PA       | 896  | Kaskey-Galva IA              |
| WBPZ | Lock Haven PA      | 185  | Edmunds-Glen Rock NJ         |
| WTIV | Titusville PA      | 55   | Gantzer-Fredonia NY (Hardy?) |
| WPRI | Westerly RI        | 336  | Brown-Ottawa ON              |
| WAIM | Anderson SC        | 865  | Kaskey-Omaha NE              |
| WOLS | Florence SC        | 2363 | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| KISD | Sioux Falls SD     | 710  | Robertson-Crosell MI         |
| WAKI | McMinnville TN     | 720  | Edmunds-Glen Rock NJ         |
| KSIX | Corpus Christi TX  | 3764 | Wood-Kailua HI               |
| KDLK | Del Rio TX         | 3540 | Wood-Kailua HI               |
| KNUZ | Houston TX         | 1635 | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| KPRV | Kerrville TX       | 88   | Kuenast-Austin TX            |
| KLVT | Levelland TX       | 734  | Kaskey-Galva IA              |
| KFEF | Nacogdoches TX     | 3900 | Wood-Kailua HI               |
| KOZA | Odessa TX          | 805  | Eddie-St Louis MO            |
| KGRO | Pampa TX           | 429  | Dabelstein-Lincoln NE        |
| KSST | Sulphur Springs TX | 882  | Nuthals-Green Bay WI         |
| KWTX | Waco TX            | 1487 | Allen-Vallejo CA             |
| KMOR | Murray UT          | 890  | Kesteven-Edmonton AB         |
| KOAL | Price UT           | 866  | Dabelstein-Omaha NE          |
| WJOY | Burlington VT      | 304  | Sorensen-Emsdale ON          |
| WODI | Brookneal VA       | 98   | Singer-Richmond VA           |
| WFVA | Fredricksburg VA   | 292  | Wheeler-Erie PA              |
| WNOR | Norfolk VA         | 1092 | Kaskey-Galva IA              |
| KOZI | Chelan WA          | 186  | Hardy-Aberdeen WA            |

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| KWYZ | Everett WA         | 670  | Allen-Vallejo CA            |
| KSPO | Spokane WA         | 705  | Allen-Vallejo CA            |
| KREW | Sunnyside WA       | 142  | Portzer-Seattle WA          |
| WKYG | Parkersburg WV     | 398  | Edmunds-Red Bank NJ         |
| WHBY | Appleton WI        | 802  | Belanger-Swan River MB      |
| WCLO | Janesville WI      | 930  | Kaskey-Bryan TX             |
| WXCO | Wausau WI          | 437  | Eddie-St Louis MO           |
| KVOC | Casper WY          | 1038 | Allen-Vallejo CA            |
| CJOK | McMurray AB (Fort) | 656  | Bytheway-Seattle WA         |
| CKQR | Castlegar BC       | 281  | Bytheway/Portzer-Seattle WA |
| CJNL | Merritt BC         | 750  | Belanger-Swan River MB      |
| CFBV | Smithers BC        | 540  | Bytheway-Seattle WA         |
| CKMP | Midland ON         | 67   | Wolfish-Toronto ON          |
| CHVD | Dolbeau PQ         | 475  | Wolfish-Toronto ON          |
| CJSA | St. Agathe PQ      | 50   | Beauregard-Lachine PQ       |
| CJLP | Disraeli PQ        | 184  | Saltmarsh-Penacook NH       |

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**Notes** Loggings denoted by a "!" were originally records that belonged to Dr. Wood in Hawaii but have been changed due to the new rule about a DX'er's QTH for Graveyard Records. Still many records that can be changed, especially WMFR. Well before I finish, how about sending in your contributions to GYDXR today? 73's & Happy New Year!!!  
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## DXing Latin America & the Caribbean

### - Some Comments

Kazaross, Connelly and DeLorenzo have provided a very useful, complete summary of optimum DXing targets in the Caribbean area. In the interest of completeness, it is worthwhile to comment on a few countries where additional information is available.

3. St. Kitts. ZIZ Radio, 555 kHz normally leaves their carrier on all-night. There is no modulation present. During holiday periods such as the time around Christmas, programming is available all night. The reason stations leave the carrier on continuously is usually to avoid humidity-induced component failure in the event of a power shut-off; a real problem in tropical areas. The AN carrier may provide a useful beacon of propagation to West Coast DXers.
8. Haiti. It may not be clear that, except for 1035, Haitian programming is normally all in French. As 840 is the most commonly heard French-programmed signal for me, at least, great care must be taken to differentiate from St. Lucia here.
9. Cayman Is. 1555 seems to be another all-night unmodulated carrier which is often heard well late in the evening or early AM hours. For some reason I have found 1205 reception to be quite difficult during programmed hours, and don't believe the 1205 carrier is on AN; at least I can't hear it!
11. Puerto Rico. The WKVM-810 s/off can often be heard in the clear, Monday mornings, after WGY s/off, during summer months when DST is in effect. This was the case in 1979. ZNS Freeport may change that in 1980, though. They play the Star Spangled Banner and La Borinqueña, the P.R. anthem, a "slow, plodding" music piece.
17. St. Vincent. Again, carrier seems AN; I can pull it past WOR slop.
21. Panama. Another interesting possibility, if WABC is off, is on 770 mixed with Colombia's Radio Tequendama.
24. Jamaica. Only 4 of the outlets are JBC, the others are Radio Jamaica (which used to be called RJR. Consult WRTVH for details). They are separate systems with one of each system in each of the 4 major "centers" of the Island. During auroras in past years, I've found 550 to be readable a few times, atop.
25. Guyana. I've heard 560 at least a half dozen times, generally in the evening during Au conditions, and a few times after morning s/on, too. Reception was not that difficult. Demerara-760 was only heard here once with a lot of difficulty, in the early AM. The 560 IB was simply "C-B-S".
27. Grenada. 535 reception, here, tends to increase as the evening wears on, and they're almost exclusively a wintertime reception. The last couple of seasons, they were semi-regular at 0230 s/off but since "brother" Bishop took over, have heard them on later in the evening. Never very strong.

29. Trinidad and Tobago. Since the 610 outlet increased power to 50 kw a couple seasons ago, they don't require "auroral" cx, but merely decent skip, to be heard. They are often detectable and occasionally atop, at 0400 TC, area news, and 0402 s/off and devotion. I am quite sure that 730 has NOT increased power and are still only 20 kw, and they normally DO require Au CX to be heard here. During Au cx, 730 normally is heard shortly after sunset; 610 is generally hrd late in the evening when non-Au cx prevail. 730 is "Radio Trinidad" and have NOT used the VP4RD call letters since I was in diapers. 610 does NOT use the so-called Radio Guardian ID. They are simply "N-E-S Radio six-ten" (for: National Broadcasting Service).
34. Bermuda. Just in case you think I have it easy - this one ain't, here. No receptions in years on any of the 3 freqs, and not for a lack of effort.
39. French Guiana. The reported 0930 s/on time is doubtful. SW DX bulletins several months ago report receptions at and after 0900 which agrees with what I heard on the SW freq several years ago. During early morning reception I recommend checking // 3385 kHz which should be heard in the clear except for a Papua New Guinea station on the same freq. Cayenne runs a tone test for a few minutes prior to an IS and anthem. I tentatively had the tone on 1070 once but too weak for audio. I would have to agree, an evening auroral reception seems more likely. However evening 3385 reception seems quite difficult for most.
46. Falkland Islands. This is a fascinating item due to the interest in the SW operation here. Within the past year, the 2370 kHz outlet increased power from 500 watts to 5 kW, thus it is occasionally heard in North America and northern Europe. The most recent 2370 receptions were on 29 and 30 December 1979 when I and several other DXers got readable audio from them. Generally this is noted only during disturbed geomagnetic cx; during my reception the K-index was five. During North American winter, reception is possible only after roughly 0030 as sunset at Stanley comes roughly at sunset on the West Coast, or just after it. During summer in North America, reception has been reported just after local sunset on to signoff, as the Stanley sunset is much earlier. The listed and reported signoff is 0130 six days per week and 0030 Monday, which of course is local Sunday night. Reception on 2370 in winter seems to peak around 0100 on the occasional nights when it is heard at all. Occasionally, however they are reported on as late as 0200. This would give the probability of a favorable darkness path covering just about the whole U.S. in winter with the narrowest reception "window" occurring on the Pacific Coast, just at LSS. The authoritative Danish SW Club's Tropical Bands Survey (which covers stations worldwide in the 2000 to 5900 kHz range) lists no favorable morning schedule for this station. They are on briefly in mid-morning, well past fadeout time, and in the afternoon and evenings to 0130 as detailed above...don't get up at 5 AM your time for this one! It follows that anyone who even thinks he is hearing them on 536 should definitely check 2370 as well, which is in itself considered a top-drawer catch by many. Just be sure to tape audio from BOTH frequencies, establishing the difference in reception "sound" lest you be accused of SW-ing it. Remember that the "British colonial" type stations check reception reports probably as thoroughly as anyone does. And F.I.B.S. is reputed to be very fussy about what they will and won't accept for a QSL. Any 536 reception claim would have to be thoroughly documented in view of the 2370 reports they're getting now. With that out of the way, it "seems theoretically possible" that exceptional conditions, a quiet receiving location and a properly pointed Beverage wave antenna "could" bring in 536 reception when 2370 is making it in at the same time, earning the lucky DXer a place in the record books. For this one, good luck! For information...the 536 frequency as best I know is unconfirmed by actual DXer's monitoring although it is consistently reported/listed by official sources. The 2370 kHz freq is accurate to well within 100 Hz as verified by measurement, being nearly zerobeat with a crystal divider marker standard. Stanley is approx. 6500 statute miles from New York at a 170° bearing. Programming is a variety of record shows, drama, BBC World Service news relays, shipping news etc, all in EE.

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Receiving location is central Nassau county (not on the water, 110 ft. A.S.L.) on Long Island 30 km east of N.Y.C. Receiver Hammarlund HQ-150. Antenna primarily a 40 foot outdoor wire; occasionally a ferrite core loop is used.

-- by Bob Foxworth

# On firing Harry Harrison

The star of the day on Nov. 21 was not Al Brady, the new programming boss at WABC Musicradio. He fired Harry Harrison, the morning man at Musicradio 77 for the past 11 years that



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Wednesday. Two other deejays got the axe (George Michael and Chuck Leonard) in the following week, which will go down in history as the MoreMusicMassacre of 1979.

I liked what Imus said on his WNBC show the morning of Nov. 27 about the firing of Harry Harrison: "I want you to understand what

kind of radio station WABC is. In the coming months they're going to ask you to listen to them, and they're going to tell you about all the stuff they're going to give you and what they're going to do for you.

Remember this: they chose to fire Harry Harrison the day before Thanksgiving. Not the day after. Not yesterday. The day before Thanksgiving. I guess they were giving out turkeys this year. I mean, my God! Now, here's what's important about that. If they care that little about a guy who did very well for them over 10 years, extremely well, what's to make anyone think they care anything about anybody who listens? They don't. Frankly, I thought they did.

"WABC appears to be a shabby, shallow, panic-ridden, heartless skeleton of what it once was. There are ways to handle these matters that reflect class and ways to handle these matters that are crass . . ."

This was an unusual discussion. I had never heard anything like it on New York radio. It reminded me of the old circulation-war days in newspapers, when one paper ran editorials denouncing the other papers. On radio, however, there is a sacred white bugaboo about mentioning other stations. They act as if other stations don't even exist (except at ratings time when they start chopping off heads because of them).

The Imus statement about a fallen competitor at a rival station was a gutsy, straight-out, powerful piece of journalism. You can be sure it was nothing he did right off the top of his flat head, either. They have been sitting on him at WNBC since he came back from Cleveland, whatever the station says about complete freedom. They even tape what he says when the commercials and records are playing.

WABC Musicradio 77 is a New York institution. We all grew up listening to it. As Ron Delfin of Hicksville recalled, at around eight or nine you begin listening to WABC. And maybe after three or four weeks you can grow tired of that.

I was not one of Harry's greatest fans. I'm a personality radio man, and Harry worked for a



Harry Harrison

musicradio station, where they discourage deejays to project their real personalities. Johnny Donovan, the robot who does the 1 to 4 PM shift, is the perfect WABC jock: dull and dense in six seconds allowed for free talk between the records.

Harry did manage to get in some cutting remarks about coming home for that cup of coffee. He also was sexist and had the bad habit of talking over records. "I heard 'Grease' 760,000 times on WABC," explains H. Flam of Jericho. "I still resented Harry coming in with the weather report in the middle of the record."

Harry also used to sing along with the commercials. "Higher key please," he said one morning in May, 1978. "I can never find my key . . . The garage key? . . . Will you tell Harry to shut up and stop singing with commercials," he finally said to himself, sotto voce. They talk to themselves on Musicradio77. That's what the morning drive time format could drive a man to.

So Harry Harrison wasn't the greatest communicator in the world. He had his following. There is a generation of kids who think that Harry Harrison has been on morning driving time since Marconi developed the wireless. And now he was canned.

A radio station has the right to fire and hire. In the capitalist system the weak are supposed to fall by the wayside. It's a cruel world. What Al (the turkey's worst enemy) Brady displayed was a special kind of touch for the jugular.

"When WNBC fired me two and a half years ago," Imus told his listeners that morning, "they told me about it a couple of months ahead of time—long before it ever got into the papers. They paid me, and they brought me back. Don't look for that to happen at WABC."

Why did Brady have to be so brutal? Is he campaigning for dean of inhumanities chair at some big university? Perhaps the situation in the ratings was so dire that immediate action before Thanksgiving was necessary to save the station from going down, as they say in broadcasting, "the terlet."

Some newspapers reported ABC as fifth in the ratings this fall. But WABC flacks were claiming they were not fifth. According to their figures, they were still first. Half the people in the free world listen to the station during any week for at least 15 minutes or some such nonsense. Even the stations can't agree on the ground rules of radio statistics.

WABC, all concede, has been consistently at the top for the last 10 to 15 years. It was the most listened station in the world. Even French radio is a knock off. It was the model for the New York market since many of us were born.

Firing Harry Harrison (and the others) is a funny way to get it done on the air.

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