



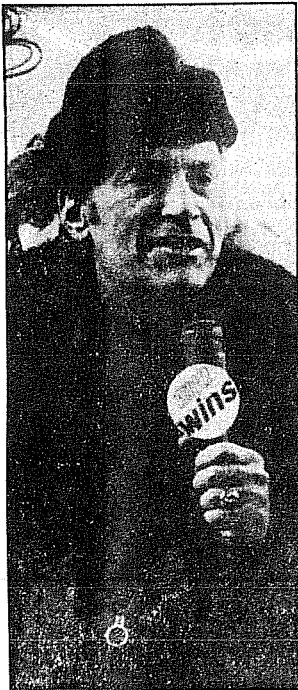
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The late Murray Kaufman

By Paul Simon

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Murray Kaufman, the disc jockey known as "Murray the K" who introduced the Beatles to millions of American teenagers, died of cancer at his home Sunday, his manager said yesterday.

Sixty-two-year-old Kaufman, who rose to fame as "the Fifth Beatle" when he promoted the British rock 'n' roll group in the 1960s, died in his sleep at 11:55 p.m. Sunday, said his manager, Rick Olsson.

Olsson said Kaufman's death followed a lengthy bout with lymphoma, a form of cancer. Kaufman had suffered from the cancer for more than eight years and was hospitalized often in 1981 at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles. After each treatment Kaufman returned to his home in suburban Studio City.

"He was unique . . . he combined his own special on-the-air talent with his ability to inspire the best of other people's talent. He was a pioneer and an innovator," said Dick Clark, whose American Bandstand on ABC-TV has been a mainstay of rock music since the 1950s.

"He was one of the prime movers of rock 'n' roll," said promoter Sid Bernstein, who arranged Beatles concerts in 1964 at New York City's Carnegie Hall and in 1965 at Shea Stadium. Kaufman was emcee for both.

U.S. exposure

Kaufman grew up in The Bronx, N.Y., and worked at a number of radio stations. He typified the high-powered top-40 rock disc jockey.

He was credited with helping spawn the rock generation by giving British rock 'n' rollers such as the Beatles, Rolling Stones and The Who exposure to U.S. audiences.

He also helped build the careers of such favorites as Smokey Robinson, Dionne Warwick, Bobby Darin, Jimi Hendrix and Tony Orlando.

Bernstein recalled in 1980 how Kaufman went about bringing the Beatles to the United States. He said Brian Epstein, the group's manager, argued, "We have no American air play at all. How do you expect to sell tickets?"

No problem, Bernstein said. "Murray the K" provided the air play, Bernstein handled the tickets and U.S. Beatlemania was born.

"He'll be remembered as the Fifth Beatle," Bernstein said. "I doubt if they regarded him that way, but he enjoyed it. He was the first guy to get to them and become their friend."

Kaufman worked in New York for WMCA in the 1950s, and in the early 1960s was the evening disc jockey on WINS, then a rock station. In the mid 1960s he went to WOR-FM and was part of the first progressive rock station in New York City.

"I guess I remember mostly Murray's driving forces, energy and insatiable thirst for success and quality on the air," said Stan Z. Burns, whose show preceeded Kaufman's at WINS. "Of course, his involvement with The Beatles was the zenith of his career."

Stricken with fever

Around 1970 Kaufman went to CHUM in Toronto, and in 1980 played host to a syndicated program, "Soundtrack of the 60s."

Last year, doctors told him his cancer was in remission. However, a week before a July 13 benefit concert for cancer chemotherapy in New York's Madison Square Garden, he was stricken with a fever and complications. The show, featuring such 1960s stars as the Young Rascals, Roy Orbison and Martha and the Vandellas, was canceled because the performers would not go on without Murray the K.

Kaufman had said before the concert that he would do it only if it were to benefit other cancer patients.

Tuesday, February 23, 1982

What's Happening?

The real question is more like what isn't happening. As some of you no doubt noticed, there was no DX Monitor last week. The reason was simple: as of deadline I had less than 10 pages of material for a 24-page DXM. Three columns hadn't arrived due to various reasons (not the P.O. this time), and I saw no reason to fake it. Phil Bytheway concurred and Don Kaskey approved. This week you will find the usual columns in their usual places. However, take special note of the Roundups. Two weeks worth of all three columns barely fills 4 1/2 pages. It's tough to blame a Roundup editor for a sparse column when no one is reporting. By all rights, I should have had enough material to do a double issue this week. As it is, the Publishing crew will consider adding another issue some time this year to make up for the one we missed. The good news, of course, is that we saved the printing and mailing cost. Now we can afford to throw another party, hi!

The Post Office doesn't get off scott free this week. Somehow they've managed to lose an article on Jens Frost and Andy Sennitt (of the WRTH) which was mailed to bp several weeks ago. No carbon, natch. I visited Jens and Andy when in Copenhagen last summer.

Cyndi Bemel, formerly of KZAM-1540 (now KJZZ), has been hired by JOBUI-FM, Osaka, to do an American rock music show. She will be the first American woman on Japanese radio, and her program will have a target audience of 17 million! Take THAT, Arbitron, hi! Re SMW's WDXR link-up of Bill Ballance (KFMB) and Jazzbeaux Collins: Jazzbox is now at WNSW-1130, NYC, doing a revival of his old Purple Grotto show. The "long term contract" he referred to is a two-year obligation, though I tend to think he'll return to the WC sooner. His KGO cookbook is available thru Betty Graham 017 Pinole Valley Rd Pinole CA 94711

BROADCASTING INFORMATION ✓

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call	kHz	day/night	
WAYR	550	1000/	Orange Park FL granted 2500/
new	585	50000/50000	Pago Pago AS granted construction permit (note that even though this is USA FCC grant, it's in the 9 kHz part of the world)
WHPH	610	500/500	Winchester VA wants WVAI
WWLX	620	500/	Lexington AL wants 5000/
KGDN	630	5000/1000	Edmonds WA wants 5000/2500
KWRO	630	5000/	Coquille OR granted KSHR
KBRW	680	10000/5000	Barrow AK wants 10000/10000
appl	750	10000/1000	El Paso TX
WVAL	800	2500/	Sauk Rapids MN wants 660 kHz & 10000/1000
new	850	250/	Walnut MS wants WLRG
KTRB	860	10000/1000	Modesto CA wants 50000/10000
KSKO	870	5000/1000	McGrath AK wants 5000/5000
WOKK	910	5000/1000	Meridian MS wants WALT
WGHQ	920	5000/	Kingston NY wants Port Ewen NY & 5000/500
KLER	950	1000/500	Orofino ID wants 1300 kHz & 1000/1000
KNEZ	960	500/500	Lompoc CA wants 1200 kHz & 10000/5000
WPIP	980	2500/500	Pompano Beach FL wants 2500/1000, wants WBSS
WEEB	990	5000/	Southern Pines NC granted WCEL
KIQI	1010	50000/5000	Hayward CA wants Sunnyvale CA & 25000/10000
WGNU	1010	1000/	Crestview FL wants 10000/
KRAV	1050	1000/	Tulsa OK wants KGTO
WNCR	1060	250/	Saint Pauls NC granted 1080 kHz & 5000/
KBUG	1060	500/	Springfield MO granted KLSM
WCIR	1070	10000/	Beckley WV granted WJKK
WWWE	1100	50000/50000	Cleveland OH wants WUSA
KPRZ	1150	5000/1000	Los Angeles CA wants KUSA
WDIX	1150	5000/500	Orangeburg SC wants WIZX
appl	1160	5000/1000	Raleigh NC
WWOK	1190	1000/	Graham NC granted WSML
KVLL	1220	250/	Woodville TX granted 1490 kHz & 1000/250
KSUN	1230	1000/250	Bisbee AZ wants KBZB
KKRC	1230	1000/250	Sioux Falls SD wants KYKC
WEER	1250	1000/	Warrenton VA granted WPRZ, wants 5000/
KNGO	1250	500/1000	Grass Valley CA appl for 830 kHz & 5000/1000 rtrnd
WDIS	1260	2500/	Port Walton Beach FL granted WFTW
KSPL	1260	1000/	Diboll TX granted KIPR
WJBL	1260	5000/	Holland MI granted WWJQ
WYNG	1300	1000/	Goldsboro NC granted WSSG
KOZE	1300	5000/1000	Lewiston ID wants 950 kHz & 1000/500 (switch frequencies with KLER-950 above)
WKTX	1300	1000/	Aiken SC granted WPBM
WAUC	1310	500/	Wauchula FL wants 500/1000
appl	1330	500/	Wishek ND wants KWSK
WDAL	1330	5000/	Meridian MS wants WJDQ
KCKN	1340	1000/250	Kansas City KS granted KRKR
WVNR	1340	250/250	Poultney VT granted 1000/250
KATL	1340	1000/250	Miles City MT wants 770 kHz & 10000/1000
WLLY	1350	1000/	Wilson NC granted 5000/
WAVC	1350	5000/	Warner Robins GA granted WCOP
KGB	1360	5000/1000	San Diego CA wants KCNN
KOKE	1370	1000/	Austin TX wants Rollingwood TX & 5000/500
WWAM	1370	5000/1000	Cadillac MI granted WKJF
KJET	1380	1000/	Beaumont TX granted KTLK
WXIC	1380	1000/	Waverly OH wants 660 kHz, power not listed
KFML	1390	5000/1000	Westminster CO wants KJJZ
WTCY	1390	500/	Bellefontaine OH granted WTOO
KEEY	1400	1000/250	Saint Paul MN granted KLEB
new	1400	1000/250	Springerville AZ wants KRVZ
KBCC	1410	1000/	Cuba MO wants 5000/
WAZY	1410	1000/	Lafayette IN wants WFTE
KXIT	1410	500/	Dalhart TX appl 1240 & 1000/250 returned
WINI	1420	500/500	Murphysboro IL, wants 1000/1000
new	1420	2500/500	Payson AZ granted construction permit
new	1430	2500/2500	Monroe NC granted WDEX

new 1460 500/ Mount Pleasant TN granted WXRQ
 WYYY 1470 500/ Kalamazoo MI wants WKLZ
 new 1490 1000/250 Sidney NY granted WCDO
 KOJO 1490 500/250 Laramie WY wants 1210 kHz & 25000/1000
 WDEN 1500 1000/ Macon GA wants WPTC
 appl 1500 1000/ Alamo Community NM
 KEAM 1510 5000/ Nederland TX granted WDV E
 WVOB 1520 250/ Belair MD granted WHRF
 WCSP 1520 250/ Port Gibson MS granted Crystal Springs MS & 1000/
 new 1530 250/ Chilton WI wants WMBE
 WKXR 1540 1000/ Exeter NH wants WMYF
 WYNA 1550 1000/ Raleigh NC granted WRZR
 WSDL 1560 1000/ Slidell LA wants 1000/250
 WLQB 1570 1000/ Flint MI granted WWMN
 WRDI 1580 1000/ Hammonton NJ granted WTYO

-- from the Jan 25, Feb 1, 8, 15 issues of Broadcasting - - - - -
 RADIO Format news: KPRZ-1150 Los Angeles CA from religious
 PROGRAMMING to Music of Your Life (MOYL)...KAFY-550 Bakersfield CA
 NOTES to country...WJYI-1080 Marietta GA (x-WCOB) to MOYL...
KFML-1390 Westminster CO to jazz (wants KJZZ)...WTHI-1480 Terre Haute IN
 from country to beautiful music...KYSS-930 Missoula MT to soft rock...
WVOJ-1320 Jacksonville FL to country gold...WOKY-920 Milwaukee WI from
 top 40 to MOYL...KRKR-1340 Kansas City KS (x-KCKN) from country to top
 40...KROW-780 Reno NV (x-KCRL) from classical to pop using the new
 Transtar full-format pop network & slogans "Reno's new Star Base
 Station" and "The Mighty 780"...WIVK-850 Knoxville TN made an abortive
 attempt to switch from country to rock. After a few days, the uproar
 of protest was so intense, they slid back partly toward country...
 The new KTEK-1110 Alvin TX is on with country...WKFX-930 Gadsden AL
 (x-WJBY) is a varied format of pop & country with slogans "93-KFX" and
 "The Fox"...WPCN-960 Mount Pocono PA is now on the air with a pop
 format & CBS net...WERU-1190 Sun Prairie WI is on the air with MOYL
 and APR net...WABB-1480 Mobile AL from top 40 to MOYL with slogan
 "New 14-80"...The new KENU-1330 Enumclaw WA should be on with pop by
 the time you read this...WOKG-1570 Warren OH (x-WTCL) is a mix of pop,
 oldies, country and disco, reportedly, with "OK-15-70" slogan.

Network news: New to the ABC/D net are WPRO-630 RI, WKBW-1520 NY,
 WROW-590 NY, WCBE-680 MD, WJW-850 OH, WLLP-1270 AL, WNQE-1060 LA, WUHN-
 1110 MA, WRZR-1550 NC, WFBL-1390 NY, WTLB-1310 NY, KMBZ-980 MO (x-RK02),
 WPBM-1300 NC, KRKE-610 NM, WPHG-980 VA, WKAZ-950 WV, WIDD-1520 TN, KOKK-
 1190 SD, WIVK-850 TN, WTIM-1510 CA, and WCVS-1450 IL. New to ABC/I:
 WABC-770 NY (x-ABC/C), WEEP-1080 PA, WPXZ-1550 PA, KENR-1070 TX, KRMG-
 740 OK, KWHK-1260 KS, WJTP-1130 NC, KBRX-1350 NE, WRRO-1440 OH. New
 to ABC/E:KMTI-1590 UT, KERV-1230 TX, WPOK-1080 IL, WOSO-1030 PR. New
 to CBS: WHLO-640 OH. NCAA Basketball on CBS begins 3/3 on a special net
 called CBS-NCAA, a joint venture with Jim Host Assoc...New to the MBS
 Larry King Show are WEKR-1240 TN, WRGA-1470 GA, WBAC-1340 TN and WGIL-
 1400 IL...New to NBC: WSLI-930 mS, WTYO-1580 NJ, WNAK-730 PA, WJKK-
 1070 WV, WLRV-1380 VA and WFSR-1470 KY...New to NBC/TS: KXRX-1500 CA,
 KJJR-1400 MT. The Source has also signed with the syndication firm
 Starfleet Blair to supply it with 21 live album-oriented artist concerts
 during 1982 and 83...WPOW-1330 NY has been heard on the Syracuse Univ.
 basketball net...WMAQ-670 IL is the new flagship station for White Sox
 baseball for 1982 through 86.

Syndication: Stations (on AM) carrying the National Radio Theatre of
 Chicago series are KBBI-1250 AK, KAIR-660 CO, WSUI-910 IA, WITN-
 930 NC, KWON-1400 OK, KOAC-550 OR, WRCK-1600 PA, KWSU-1250 WA and WBAA-
 920 IN...There's a new, 2-minute commentary on agribusiness called the
 National Farm Report...Revista Reportera Forbes is the Spanish version of
 the MBS Forbes Magazine Report, in syndication...Los Angeles syndi-
 cator Westwood One's 8 new series this year are: Rock 'n' Roll Never
 Forgets, Budweiser's Concert Hour, Country Music Special, Wheels,
 Competitors, Take the "A" Train, Coleman Country and the Playboy Advisor.
 Sources: Rich Toebe, San Ramon CA; Tom Connatser, Sevierville TN;
 Robert Kramer, Chicago IL; Rich Harrison, Ocean Grove NJ; Stan Morss,
 Bradford MA; Ernest R. Cooper, Provincetown MA; Mike Knitter, Cambridge
 WI; Kermit Geary, Walnutport PA; Jerry Starr, Hubbard OH; Mike Cooper,
 Atlanta GA; and the above Broadcastings.

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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Deadlines: Tuesdays 3/9, 3/23, 3/30, 4/13, 5/11, 6/8

Please note that the 3/16 deadline has been changed to 3/23.

- 700 WLW OH Cincinnati, 2/9 0938 ID, mx & TV ads. Real good for this time of day. (MAT-NC)
- 750 WSB GA Atlanta, 2/9 0950 mx, wx & ID. Deep fades - most days fades out by 0745 or 0800. (MAT-NC)
- 820 WBAP TX Fort Worth, 2/10 2237 Dallas-Wash., D.C. NBA post game show, ID, ads. West coming in good this time of night. (MAT-NC)
- 850 KOA CO Denver, 2/10 2229 ID, tire ad, then fade in by WRUF, even w/ null by Gyro. Still early for KOA here. (MAT-NC)
- WRUF FL Gainesville, 2/10 2224 sports show, high school football draft, ID, into mx. (MAT-NC)
- 970 WFUN OH Ashtabula, 2/9 1715 (tentative) nx by local DJ, "97 wx", (ad for "Golden Dawn"?, only ID was "Fun Radio"). A lot of QRM. (MAT)
- 1140 KSOO SD Sioux Falls, 1/28 1800-1808 Ai nx, local nx w/ Don Frederick including "Capital Legislative Report", poor-fair w/ WRVA & CKOC slop. (NW-ON)
- 1190 WHIY AL Moulton, 1/28 1732-1736 C&W mx by T.G. Sheppard, ID and local anmts by YL. Poor w/ WOWO. (NW-ON)
- WBDY VA Bluefield, 1/30 1700-1707 Mutual nx, 1705 ID "One of America's most progressive country stations: WBDY Bluefield." Fair in WOWO null after local CJMR s/off. (NW-ON)
- 1260 WCHV VA Charlottesville, 2/10 1944 wx rpt (temp. 22^oF) by m. Fair in WWDC null. (WPT-DC)
- 1290 WNLB VA Rocky Mount, 2/16 1801 s/off by m w/ ment of location of studios. Fair. (WPT-DC)
- 1500 KIEL AR Jacksonville, 2/1 1845 s/off by m mentioning power of 1000 watts and their FM stn. Very poor & hardly audible. Auroral cx. (NW-ON)
- 1520 WBN0 OH Bryan, 2/4 1756 ID by m, poor-fair in WKBW null. (NW-ON)
- KOMA OK Oklahoma City, 2/3 1814-1824 bombing in o/ WKBW w/ C&W & ID's as K-O-M-A. Good signal. (NW-ON)
- 1540 WSWG MS Greenwood, 2/1 1833-1837 spot for Howard's Discount Centre on Highway 7, ID & T40 mx by Triumph. Fair o/ KXEL & others. (NW)
- 1550 WRHC FL Coral Gables, 2/11 1815 s/off by m after nx in SS. Fair. (WPT)
- WOKJ MS Jackson, 2/1 2015-2023 over CBE w/ Jackson State basketball. Fair-good. (NW-ON)
- WSAO MS Senatobia, 2/2 1830 s/off mentioning their PSA power at 50 watts. Good o/ WAAY & CBE. (NW-ON)
- 1490 WESB PA Bradford, 2/2 2038-2106 w/ local high school basketball. Fair w/ WBTA, WMRP & CFPS. (NW-ON) (Outof order!!!!--ed)
- 1560 WPAD KY Paducah, 2/1 1834-1840 w/ ID's & C&W mx, fair-good w/ no sign of WQXR. (NW-ON)
- WTNS OH Coshocton, 2/1 1754 s/off (probably late because of wx) talking about WTNS-FM & giving an address for comments on WTNS programming. Poor w/ WTOD. (NW-OH)
- 1590 WVNA AL Tuscombria, 2/3 1754-1758 C&W mx, ID, spot for Muscle Shoals Nat. Bank, TC & more mx. Poor in WAKR null. (NW-ON)
- 940 WESA PA Charleroi, 2/22 1801 s/off by m w/ ment of 250 w power & FM 98. Fair. (WPT-DC)
- 960 WWST OH Wooster, 2/22 1800 s/off by m w/ ment of FM on 104.5. Fair to good. Last thing hrd was "WWS1" then out. (WPT-DC)
- 1310 WIBA WI Madison, 1/20 1730 man talking, "your sports action", WIBA nx, weak signal. (PP-OH)
- 1350 WOYK PA York, 1/20 1630 lady; "we'll have a look at WOYK nx after this", then ad for store in downtown York. Strong o/ WSLR. (PP-OH) (Paul, please note their correct call letters.--ed)
- 1410 WHLN KY Harlan, 1/22 0649 ment of politics in Harlan Co., Ky. Mixing w/ other stations. (PP-OH)

Eastern DXers

MAT - Mike Todd, Box 392, Banner Elk, NC 26604

(RF-2200, Gyro & 31 m sloper "V" antennas)

WPT - Bill Townshend, 4500 Connecticut Ave. N.W., #901, Washington, DC 20008

(Realistic TRF, Sony ICF-S5W)

NW - Niel Wolfish, 15 Donwoods Grove, Toronto, ON M4N 2X4

(PRG-7, GE Superadio. SM-2)

PP - Paul Pellettiere, 7726 Fern Dr., Mentor, OH 44060

(DX-160, 50' longwire)

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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UnIDed, SPECIAL, CHANGES, ET. AL.

- 1290 WOMP OH BELLAIRE, very poor W/CW IDs "WOMP Bellaire, OH" every 5 min or so, way under WHIO & WIRL 0305 2/1. TMJ-IL, 2/1 0319 inaudible except for code IDs U/WHIO & WIRL. RG-IL
- 1330 WEAW IL EVANSTON, 2/15 1831 W/mx, wx & S/Off, back on reg. sked. KDF-IL
- 1350 WBLT VA BEDFORD, hrd poorly W/DX Test 0001-0004 tune out 1/18. TMJ-IL
- 1500 KCLF LA NEW ROADS, 2/10 1900 poor O/weak QRM W/S/Off ment. 0600 S/On & C&W format, ex-RQXL. REM-IL
- 1510 KDDE TX NEDERLAND, 2/9 1855 W/rel. pgm, very good sigs W/light QRM & no sign at all of WLAC, IDs as "Ka-de" also "the new KDDE, Nederland", S/Off W/SSB gave stn. address & asked for comments. DF-IL
- 970 WKIS GA ATLANTA, 2/3 1745 fair-good W/"96 Rock AM" slogan & lots of lcl spots, T40 mx. JA-WI TMJ-IL
- 980 KSGM IL CHESTER, hrd briefly W/school & factory closings 2250 2/? W/WSIX & WONE//
- 1050 WHFS AL ALEXANDER CITY, 2/2 1830 fair w/quick S/Off no SSB. JA-WI JA-WI
- WSMT TN SPARTA, 2/1 1820 fair W/automated C&W mx & S/Off owned by Elson Broad.//
- 1070 WAMN FL TALAHASSEE, 2/10 0629 ID just readable thru KHMO. DF-IL
- WKDR NY PLATTSBURGH, 2/10 0652 nice ID here just before CHOK built in-suprise #2 this AM. DF-IL
- WGOS NC HIGH POINT, 2/10 0631 very good W/lcl wx & ID "WGOS High Point's Music Station" then into lcl nx. DF-IL
- CHOK ON SARNIA, 2/10 0654 strong sigs killing WIBC W/spot for Sacks Dept. Store of Sarnia, rr mx. DF-IL
- 1080 WUFO NY AMHERST, 2/10 0651 in like a ton of bricks W/Buffalo area wx, ID as "Magic WUFO" & into laid back soul mx. DF-IL
- 1110 KTEK TX ALVIN, 2/6 1914 poor mixing W/KFAB W/C&W mx & S/Off no SSB. JA-WI
- 1230 WSSO MS STARVILLE, 2/7 2258 fair W/pop adult mx & ID. JA-WI
- 1260 WGVN MS GREENVILLE, in briefly W/"GVN Delta News" 1751 1/4. TMJ-IL
- 1270 KADL AR PINE BLUFF, 2/7 1844 xint O/nullled WHBF W/C&W mx & S/Off W/vocal SSB, REM-IL
- WLIK TN NEWPORT, 2/3 1812 fair W/stock report & lcl wx then lost to patt. change. JA
- 1410 WTIM IL TAYLORVILLE, has decided not to go fulltime & so has abandoned their CP, still using 500w PSA though. DF-IL
- KJCH TX CLEVELAND, 2/7 1907 very poor U/mess W/nx & wx & into C&W mx. REM-IL
- KMAL TX VICTORIA, 2/9 1853 W/ID & C&W mx, fair W/light QRM. DF-IL
- 1420 WTCR KY ASHLAND, 2/5 0000 popped in O/WINI W/"WTCR now leaves the air", SSB. RG-IL
- 1430 KEES TX GLADEWATER, 2/5 1925 very good way O/QRM W/C&W mx & amct. that was on for emergency wx. REM-IL
- 1470 KTDL LA FARMERVILLE, 2/8 1900 fair W/S/Off & inv. to tune FM KWJM. JA-WI
- 1490 KOTN AR PINE BLUFF, 2/8 0119 fair W/"KOTN Newstip" promo & wx. JA-WI
- KKRA MN ALEXANDRIA, 2/10 0705 xint sig. ending ABC nx, spot, promo, World of Sports U/WOPA. DF-IL
- 1500 KIEL AR JACKSONVILLE, good at S/Off mixed W/KSTP 1814 1/19. TMJ-IL
- KDFN MO DONIPHAN, followed KIEL S/Off ment. KOEA FM 1815 1/19. TMJ-IL
- KBGG TX MERKEL, 2/9 1916 good no QRM, deep fades, oldies rr, YL ancr, several IDs, especially strong for S/Off. DF-IL
- 1530 KWOK OK WAGONER, 2/4 1855 poor U/WCKY S/Off & SSB. JA-WI
- 1550 WCTW IN NEW CASTLE, ID & mini wx W/CBE looped 2149 1/27. TMJ-IL
- WBZL MS GREENVILLE, 2/6 1845 poor U/NSAO W/S/Off, no SSB. JA-WI
- 1560 KBRN TX ABILENE, 2/9 1920 poor U/QRM W/MoR mx. REM-IL
- 1580 KPFD AR VAN BUREN, S/Off way U/CBJ 1830 on 1/28. TMJ-IL
- KA: I NE COZAD, W/NE State nx & spot 1755 1/28. TMJ-IL
- 1590 WLFA CA LAFAYETTE, preceeding W/MX S/Off 1730 2/5. TMJ-IL
- WLBK KY LEBANON, 2/9 1830 W/2 IDs noted fair in much QRM. DF-IL
- WTVB MI GOLDWATER, W/ID "Radio 16 TVB" & into rr mx 1848 1/29. TMJ-IL
- KYOK TX HOUSTON, good W/call in show 1850 2/5 W/WAKR nullled. TMJ-IL
- KEND TX LUBBOCK, surfaced briefly W/ID 2025 1/27. TMJ-IL
- 1600 KXVI TX MCKINNEY-PLANO, 2/8 1920 poor O/QRM W/ID. REM-IL

FREAK

- 960 KGIR MO CAPE GIRARDEAU R/C times are 0105-0115 not time as listed on list. RG-IL

Dem Guys

JA.... Jim Albrecht 3313 N. Weil St, Milwaukee, WI 53212

(RF-2200, TRF)

DF..., David Faulkner Box 602 Witt, IL 62094

(TRF)

KDF... Karl Forth 2714 N. LeClaire Chicago, IL 60639
 (HQ-160, spiral loop)
 TMJ... Tom Jasinski 503 Jensen Shorewood, IL 60436
 REM... Robert McKinney RR# 2, Box 120 Clinton, IL 61727
 (R-300, SM-1)
 RG... Rob Gerardi 420½ N. Main St. Benton, IL 62812
 (RF-2200)

SPECIAL, UNIDED, CHANGES, et. al.

680 UnIDed 2/6 0132 somebody w/Larry King show U/WMAW slop, who? CR-IL
 1330 WEAW IL EVANSTON, 2/16 1715 noted back on the air w/rel. pop mx & SID as "A shot of
 inspiration, WEAW". CR-IL

All da Rest

790 WSGW MI SAGINAW, 2/6 1420 spot for Wall St. Journal, sports, nx, "79 WSGW" ID, poor
 WBBM slop. CR-IL
 1070 CHOK ON SARNIA, 2/6 0225 "You are listening to 1070, CHOK", C&W mx. CR-IL
 1130 KWKH LA SHREVEFORD, 2/8 0300 nx, wx, "KWKH 24 hour News Center" announced by man,
 C&W mx. CR-IL
 1460 WKAM IN GOSHEN, 2/17 2205 w/wx, ID & rel. pgm. C&W. CR-IL
 1480 WHBC OH CANTON, 2/19 2240 poor in mess w/promo for Larry King & spots. CR-IL
 1540 KGBC TX GALVESTON, 2/8 1925 good sig. W/sports, SS at 1930. TMJ-IL
 1550 WMSK KY MORGANFIELD, 2/10 1830½ S/Off ment. 250 watts & FM sister stn WMSK 95.?,
 mixed W/WMOO. TMJ-IL
 WLUX IA BATON ROUGE, 2/10 1845 S/Off ancmt. in mess. TMJ-IL
 KOKA IA SHREVEFORD, 2/10 1848 from nx into RR mx, wx rpt, spot. TMJ-IL
 WSAO MS SENATOBIA, 2/10 1838 w/nx, wx, weak U/WMOO. TMJ-IL
 1590 WCCL MS JACKSON, 1905 2/8 W/ID & "Double Gold" C&W mx, poor w/WNTS. TMJ-IL TMJ
 1600 KATZ MO ST. LOUIS, 2/17 2140 hrd briefly W/soul mx & "Radio 16 KATZ" ID, severe C&W//

A FREAK

1350 WRWH GA CLEVELAND, F/C as per list 2/15 0005-0010 W/TT, weak W/WJOL slop. TMJ-IL

The Illini Duo:

TMJ... Tom Jasinski 503 Jensen Shorewood, IL
 ("Whatchamacallit" modified radio)
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Western DX Forum

RIC HEALD, P.O. BOX 4861, SANTA ROSA, CA 95402-4861 (707) TOPaz 5-1260 to
 2200 PLT, 1900 PLT FRI & SAT ppd (Left over from two weeks ago--JJ/ed.)

Greetings and all that nonsense. Typing this late from work, holding one
 forum because he didn't put a return address on his forum, and I'm not about
 to drive home and get it, hi. Due to heavy workload, this won't get mailed
 until Friday evening; hope it gets to Seattle on time.

Have done some dial scanning at LSS in the car. Listened to XEPNK bombard
 KRNV the other night. Don't you love the way Mexican daytimers go off right
 at sunset? Hi. Driving home from KPLS at 0030 11 February, noticed WCBS quite
 good and when I went up to 1190 (to listen to King), they were being sloped
 by WOAI! As soon as I got over the hill off the Plain and into the canyons
 of the Russian River, the good stuff was gone but did notice sleezy KEZY do-
 ing a number on KEX. I was going to DX once home, but having to get up six
 hours later discouraged that. Yup, pulled another 6PM-Midnight after a full
 day at the travel agency.

Still looking for a new place to live. My roomates are leaving at the end
 of the month, and I'm not in a position to pay \$500 a month for a house, hi.
 Would like to get nearer to Santa Rosa, I mean, I'm driving 50 miles + a day
 seven days a week.

Fall ratings in the Santa Rosa were interesting. The big five are in a
 near five-way tie. Best news is that Country Plus and KNEW were even. We
 finally caught up. KQTE with MYL did a rousing .7, hi.

Club policy says that if you live on or near a border for reporting you
 may choose one that you feel most comfortable with, but you cannot switch
 back and forth, you must stay with one. We used to have a regular reporter
 from Minnesota in WDXF as an example, who was east of the Mississippi. Did
 Paul drop out of IRCA?

Rick Evans, I see a little irony here. When you were prez, I was an editor.
 Now you're an editor and I'm on the BoD. Let's hope you don't experience as
 an editor what I did when you were prez.

Steve, your remarks about the joys of a loop are similar to my experiences
 when I built my first loop back in '64. I urge all members who still use
 longwires to make a small investment in a loop and watch your totals sky-
 rocket, I mean, if I can build a loop, ANYONE can, hi.

Well, see ya in seven. Best of DX and 73 de RCh. .

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***** OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

760 KFMB CA, San Diego Wed 2/3 0105 to confirm earlier speculations (see KAFY-550 tip 2/6/82 WDXR), I happened to hear Bill Ballance ment that he is busy working on his new syndicated show & that they've just lined up a 50kw stn in Kansas City (KCMO-810 50/10kw). He also ment that he's celebrating his 5th year on KFMB. At 0150 he called his friend Al "Jazzbeaux" Collins! (Remember him from KGO-810, KKIS-990, et al, fame?) Collins was live on a 50kw Big Bands stn in New York "w/a strong signal in Boston & Newfoundland" (call not given). Collins ment that he has a "long term contract" w/the stn. (SMM-CA)

- 550 KMVI HI, Wailuku 2/3 0648 TC of 1:48 into MOR type mx. They have the longest stn jingle I've ever hrd (1:55). KARI nulled, KEOQ QRM.
- 580 *KUCC* CO, Montrose 2/8 ETing w/rock mx. 0245 must have been (EH) day pattern, as loud & clear, and normally inaudible here at night--only 45 air miles west of them. (BN-CO)
- 910 KNEW CA, Oakland 1/30 2000 o/KALL w/nx read by woman anncr. (BN-CO)
- 1110 *KRLA* CA, Pasadena Sa 2/6 0306 testing on a Sat morning--which is very unusual! (SMM-CA)
- KPIP CA, Roseville Sa 2/6 0307 fair u/KRLA OC; strong w/LRLA off (KFAB looped out) w/Mexican mx. ID'ed 0359:30 "Serving the Sacramento?" Valley--fulltime; Spanish (speaking?) radio--this is KPOP from Roseville." Otherwise was using "R. Capital" IDs--which fits, since Sacramento is the capitol of Calif. Beware: NRC lists KPOP as C&W! New. (SMM-CA) (Changed calls to KPIP & formats a few years ago!--NH)
- 1150 KYKK NM, Humble City 2/8 1908-1920 in w/C&W o/KFAB at SSS. (BN-CO)
- CKIQ BC, Kelowna 2/2 0801 good o/KAYO w/nx, wx, "IQ" slogan into rock song. (EH-WA)
- 1230 KLAV NV, Las Vegas 2/8 0212 good on top w/wx, rr. Has been rare in recent months. (RW-CA)
- 1240 KESE CA, Monterey 2/3 2045 fair w/ment of Seaside & Monterey, ID into C&W mx. (EH-WA)
- KXLE WA, Ellensburg 2/2 2013 dominating channel w/sports, local ads into ABC Commentary. (EH-WA)
- KGY WA, Olympia 2/8 0503 very good & alone w/WA sports, Olympia/Tacoma wx. (RW-CA) (BN)
- 1250 KUUK AZ, Wickenburg s/off 1945 1/15, C&W mx, ID as "K--double U--K."
- 1260 *KVSF* NM, Santa Fe ET w/TT 2/8 ID 0220. (BN-CO)
- 1310 KTKR CA, Taft 2/7 2000 good in KDIA null w/SS, ID "El disco mejor en Bakersfield, en-kah-teh-keh-erre." (RW-CA)
- 1320 KCPX UT, Salt Lake City 2/8 0220 good u/unID OC (probably CHQM) w/rr mx, Ac nx, local nx on hour. (EH-WA)
- 1330 KGAK NM, Gallup 2/7 1943 good o/KFAC w/promo for local EKB game.(RW)
- 1340 KAIN ID, Nampa 2/2 0730 fair u/KAGT OC w/Larry King, Mutual nx on the hour & 1/2 hour. (EH-WA)
- KKAM TX, Lubbock 1/28 MOYL 0135 ann. contest & mailing address. (BN)
- *KAGT* WA, Anacortes 2/2 0700 noted ET'ing w/OC most of this AM. First time I've caught this local testing in nine years. (EH-WA)
- KOTY WA, Kennewick 2/3 0618 "37" at K-O-T-Y into C&W mx. (EH-WA)
- 1390 KBLQ UT, Logan 2/7 1947 topping KCEY w/Beatles mx, local spot.(RW-CA)
- 1400 ZEDO WA, Longview 2/3 0605 on top briefly w/ID into local nx, wx. Ment of KLYK-FM. (EH-WA)

1420 (KSTN) CA, Stockton 2/8 0300-0630 noted off this time, occ. TTs & OC, but mostly totally off. Quite rare SP. (RW-CA)
 ?KTOE? MN, Mankato 2/8 0340 tent. after sitting on freq. for 40 min. w/ KUJ precariously nulled, this tent. fade-up w/unID PSA, then ID as "14--K???", this slogan fits KTOE per IRCA Almanac. Are they NSP? RR mx also hrd. (RW-CA) (Why not "14--KITI"??--NH)

1450 KEED OR, Eugene 2/4 0548 good w/C&W mx, "K--double E--D" slogan, ski wx report. (EH-WA)
KONP WA, Port Angeles 2/4 2035 good w/ID, TC into Mutual sports. (EH)
CKSP BC, Summerland 2/5 0740 fair w/"OK-80" slogan (twin w/CKOK-800) into rock song. Ment of Jim French Show. (EH-WA) (BN)

1460 KWIP OR, Dallas 1/28 SSS 1900 Oregon nx & good ID before quick fade.
 1470 KBXN UT, Tremonton new, on the air as of 1/28 hrd 1008 w/"Golden Country." (BN-CO)

1480 KPHX AZ, Phoenix MM 2/1 0335 strong "Mexican"-type stn w/numerous "Phoenix" ments. Legal ID at 0402 "KPHX, Phoenix--1480," then ID in SS. Two full minutes of OC (test?), then back into SS talk & mx. New, but will be a pest now that they're fulltime. (SMM-CA)

1490 CFWB BC, Campbell River 2/2 1959 good w/C&W mx, ID, into nx. (EH-WA)

February f/c's heard--all 2nd MM: February f/c's not heard--2nd MM
 KCLV-1240 NM (RW-CA) KVSH--940 NE (RW-CA)
 KMCL-1240 ID (RW-CA) KEXO-1230 CO (RW-CA)
 KVSF-1260 NM (BN-CO) KEMY-1240 MT (RW-CA)

Looks like the DX season is slowing down. Remember to DX for the Anniv. Issue deadline of March 11. Not too much time left! ♡

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 OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

920 KQEU WA, Olympia Sa 2/20 0800 as anticipated they've finally changed calls, had noted w/KITN ID as recently as 2/14. Now using "K-Q-92" and "The New 92" slogans. This ID was between Larry King & Mutual nx so they still have Larry King AN. (BH-WA)

1410 KVEG NV, Henderson 2/14 2100 noted shocking freq. change ex-1400. Xlnt at times o/KERN, but generally u/KERN, in CFUN null. Still using same "Vegas Country 14" slogans, still NSP as well, apparently. W/them gone from 1400, 1400 was almost completely dead in KRE null except for KSLY. Just stumbled on this one. (RW) (Anyone know if they're still "Henderson" or changed to "North Las Vegas"??--NH)

 590 KSUB UT, Cedar City 2/13 2315 very loud o/KTHO w/Southern UT St. BKB.
 600 KCLS AZ, Flagstaff 2/13 2310 completely eradicating KOGO (RW)
 w/Northern AZ/UNR BKB, several local spots; no sign of KSKO. (RW)
 (KOGO) CA, San Diego 2/22 0308 totally off on rare SP. (RW-CA)
 780 *KROW NV, Reno 2/22 0305 noted w/TT. (RW-CA)
 1140 (KRAK) CA, Sacramento 2/22 0311 totally off, KMJJ strong on freq. KRAK has been going off more often on MM's in last few months. (RW)
 1400 KXIV AZ, Phoenix 2/14 2200 good on top of KONG after KVEG has vacated freq. May now become the pest in place of KVEG! (RW-CA)
 1450 KOBO CA, Yuba City 2/14 2032 good on top of mess in KEST null w/wx, then lost to KONE. (RW-CA)
KEEP ID, Twin Falls 2/14 2051 noted blip ID & wx way u/KONE. Ment of "... here in Twin Falls, 16° here at 14-50 Keep." (RW-CA)

UNID's:

600 KSJB? 2/22 0310 tent. w/C&W ala trucker-style, weak o/u suspected CMW w/EZL. No sign of CJOR, off this MM for some reason? I thought they were NSP. (RW-CA)
 990 2/15 0308 unID TT'er loud playing accordion version of "Roll Out the Barrel" & "When the Saints go Marching in," then off w/no ID. XECL? (RW)
 1360 KROR? 2/15 1015 tent. at power change w/ment. of "...and, in Roseburg..." but could've been KUIK. Lost immediately to KFIV/KGB in KEEN null. Freq. almost sounded like a GY at time. (RW-CA)
 1400 2/14 2135 extremely loud in KRE null way o/mess w/L.A. Kings hockey broadcast. No one listed on 1400, but think KONG is on their network. Anyone confirm? (RW-CA)

If it wasn't for Bob we would have had a pretty short column this week! Because of a change in publishing deadlines, the 3/18 deadline for WDXR has been changed to 3/25. That will give everyone an extra week to collect DX loggings, hi. ♡



WORLDWIDE EAST

Part 1

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TRANS ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

765 SENE GAL Dakar 2250 Feb 9 AA mx poor-fair: the only TA making it during extreme AU ex. (Connelly-MA)

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 535 GRENADA St. Georges Feb 7 0318-0321 R.Free Grenada causing a het on XEWA w/ Caribbean mx. (Overmann-MO)
- 542 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC Santo Domingo noted 0010 Jan 31 w/ "R.ABC" ID & also at 2320 Feb 6 w/ slow male vocal in SS. (Stutterheim-NY)
- 555 ST. KITTS Basseterre ZIZ 2300 Feb 9 BBC mx relay, lots of A hum on audie- signal good despite WGAN slop. (Connelly-MA) Noted w/ "Bulletin Board" pgm Feb 6 2330i solid! (Stutterheim-NY)
- 580 JAMAICA Galina R.Jamaica 0325-0329 Feb 2 w/ ment of Galina by OM w/ accent. Hrd w/ US T40 mx thru WTH QRM, Good. (Overmann-MO)
- 640 GUATEMALA Guatemala City TGU 1202-1212 Feb 6 w/ OM ancr giving ID at 1206 "LV de Guatemala en Guatemala, Centro America" into xylophone mx, gd - v.gd thru WOA QRM. (Overmann-MO)
- 640 SURINAM/GUADELOUPE Paramaribo KAJINA strong w/ woman in Hindi o/u Arnouville w/ amn in FR 2310 Feb 9. (Connelly-MA)
- 650 UNID 1130-1158 Feb 6 w/1000 hz TT, looped NW-SE. Who is this? Gd w/ Ecuador. (Overmann-MO) maybe The Cuban w/ TT before normal pgms as they are SE of you. I'm curious about the Ecuadorian here as sunrise in Ecuador occurs at about 1130. How often do you here it? Have you hrd a definite ID? At what time does it fade out do to sunrise? -ed
- 700 JAMAICA Montego Bay 0330-0333 Feb 7 hrd w/ OM ancr saying "The time now at JBC Radio One is 10:30, 10:30 & 30 seconds." into BFL Carib. melody. V.GD. (Overmann-MO)
- 710 VENEZUELA Caracas YVKY 2258 Feb 9 R.Capital ID, then segments of current top 10 hits incl. "Start Me Up" by the Rolling Stones & other US/UK rock hits : blasting out WOR at times, slight St. Vincent-705 het present. (Connelly-MA)
- 720 VENEZUELA Porlamar 2252 Feb 9 slow SS vocal, fr-gd but QRMed by powerhouse SR3-725 (Connelly-MA)
- 725 SURINAM Paramaribo SR3 2230 Feb 9 at "pest level" w/DD talk. Carib influenced disco instr mx, much stronger than 720 & 730 (Connelly)
- 730 TRINIDAD Port of Spain 2300 Feb 9 ascended EE talk by woman o/u CKAC both plastered by SR3-725 slop. At 2313 was briefly loud w/ Islamic pgm (Connelly-MA)
- 750 VENEZUELA Caracas YVW 2322 Feb 9 good after WMB s/off: SS nx, Caracas ID, promo for "musica romantica" format segments of US oldies were included. Alone on channel- too early for WSB & too AU for CBY (Connelly-MA) Rock Overmann-in reference to the stn you ment hearing here in your forum I feel that it is very likely to be this stn & if not YVKs then prob. Jamaica -ed
- 780 BRITISH VIRGIN Is. Roadtown ZBVI fr-gd w/ BBC mx alone on channel 2249 Feb 9. Itried for 790 Barbados, but too much weAN (Connelly) Try for s/on MM during weAN SP -ed.
- 800 t VENEZUELA Maracaibo suspected as the SS stn noted behind PJB's SS pgm 2315 Feb 9. (Connelly-MA)
- 800 NETH.ANTILLES Bonaire PJB loud 2302 Feb 9 usual SS R.Transmundial ancr w/ nx of several S.Am countries. (Connelly-MA)
- 825 ST.KITTS Basseterre 2235 Feb 9 EE preaching, childrens mx, xlnr, unfortunately blowing away chances of possible car rx reception of Surinam on 820. (Connelly-MA)
- 825 PANAMA/COSTA RICA LA mx w/ fast 1 hz SAH here 0501 Feb 13 looping U. Am. TIOS Here w/ YL DJ & R.Peninsula here w/ ID at 0546. (St-NY)
- 705 ST.VINCENT in w/ Rlg. mx (choral group) & 40i signal 2352 Jan 10 (St)
- 575 COSTA RICA TIRN A.Nacional (out of order since stan's report just arrived -ed) noted w/ election returns at 0430 Feb 8. It will be interesting to see what changes, if any, take place in TIRN's format now that the National Liberation Party is returning to power after four years as the opposition. (Stanbury-ON)
- 855 t CUBA AO Willemstad PJC2 0246-0249 Jan 24 hrd w/ OM in low voice then into BFL mx fr-gd hetting 050-060 bad. (Overmann-MO) I made this a tentative because they haven't been on 055 since 1974

- 855 t according to my info. They moved from 650 to 860 during the summer of 1960 & still are there using that same "Ocho Quinquenta" (850) ID in Papiamentu, I think. You probably hrd a drifting LA -ed.
- 870 UNID 1235-1236 w/T40 recora (Gordon Lightfoot) fr in WML's null looping NE-SW then gone. This is probably way too late for WMOA, but who else could it be? (Overmann-MO) WMOA went ss w/"R.whoa" ID's over a year ago. I also recall a mention of WMOA & WVOZ swapping frequencies. Your stn is prob a domestic or Mexican daytime -ed.
- 885 MONTSERRAT Plymouth ZJB R.Montserrat 0146 Feb 7 w/ 40's style love song following OM w/Carib. accent. Gd but faded (Overmann-MO)
- 900 t BARBADOS Bridgetown possible w/ British accented nx, poor because of choppy SAH from assumed YVMD 2305 Feb 9. slow AGC (as on an R390A) would have remedied this problem. (Connelly-MA) Barbados carries BBC nx -ed.
- 914 HET only at 0010 Jan 13, Surinam presumed. (Stutterheim-NY)
- 915 UNID man in SS here 0010 Jan 13 (Stutterheim) Prob. Ecuador -ed
- 950 VENEZUELA JARAJAS YVKG 2318 Feb 9 too good peaks o/jumble w/R. Vision ID. (Connelly-MA)
- 990 t GRENADA someone leaving the air abruptly during West Indies mx at 0346 Feb 7. Suspect this is RFG back here from 995 (Stanbury-ON)
- 1009 UNID weak carrier only noted at 0532 Jan 10 (Stutterheim -NY)
- 1100 ANTIGUA St John's ZUK 2239 Feb 9 Carib. ca ypsos/soul mx, black & talk- good & alone on channel during good Carib. mx & nearly complete AU blanking of skip domestics (Connelly-MA) That same AU only weakened midwestern clears & enhanced Latin reception somewhat here in CAL -ed.
- 1100 COLOMBIA Barranquilla HJAT 0125-0130 Feb 7 w/ ID "Esta es R.Reloj, primero en noticias y servicio" into song "Levanta el Cuello" very strong & steady (Overmann-MO)
- 1110 VENEZUELA Carupano YVQT 2245 Feb 9 ad for something in Margarita atop a weak CBU groundwave. (Connelly-MA)
- 1125 UNID weak carrier only Jan 16 0330 (Stutterheim-NY)
- 1080 CUBA R. Cadena Habana logged on this new freq w/ clear ID @ 2400 Feb 7 This may be the AMTR formerly on 1160 (Stanbury-ON)
- 1160 CUBA R. Rebelde is now carrying the SS version of LV de Cuba after instead of EE (Stanbury-ON)
- 1205 JAYMAN Is. Georgetown R. Jayman 0040-0043 Feb 1 w/ anmt of a Dolly Parton special at 2 o'clock into a Kenny Rogers song, gd but faded to just a het. (Overmann-MO)
- 1334.3 UNID het and some audio 0230 Jan 16 slow mx, man in SS, possibly rlg. mx @ 0259, man in SS again @ 0302 than moremx, sound rlg. (Stutterheim-NY) No idea -ed.
- 1562 UNID het -possibly some mx, just too much WQXR Jan 16 0338 (St-NY)
- 1600 UNID LA loud on top of channel for about 2 minutes 0045-0047 Jan 31 "R. Carol" ID or something like it. No listing here. (St-NY) A domestic, maybe ?? -ed.
- 1610 ANGUILLA The Valley Caribbean Beacon 0116-0122 Jan 31 w/ BFL Rlg, mx. @ 0122 YL lbed "This is Caribbean Beacon Broadcasting at 1610 kHz on your dial" gd- v.gd w/ slight KATZ QRM. (Overmann-MO)

REPORT FROM THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS by Bill Townshend w/L.F.-jsw

- 1540 BAHAMAS Nassau ZNS-1 hrd in Quito Jan 24 0819 w/ment of Bahamas Radio Network, fair.
- 560 USA Yuma AZ KBLU Jan 27 1228 farm nx, wx, fair... Nice catch -ed
- 640 NIJARAGUA Managua YNOSK J'n 27 0003 ID by M, festive mx, xlint.
- 740 USA Houston TX KRTX Jan 26 1225 two spots, xlint.
- 810 COLOMBIA Bogota HJCY Jan 25 2358 ID by M, xlint.
- 820 USA Fort Worth TX WBAP Jan 26 1221 C&W mx. wx, good.
- 850 COSTA RICA Guanacaste TIUCR Jan 26 2339 Rudy Vallee songs, ID, xlint
- 940 COLOMBIA Cali HJGB Jan 26 2355 ID by M, good.
- 1070 COLOMBIA HJCG Jan 26 0005 ID by M, good.
- 1070 USA Los Angeles KNX Jan 26 1231 wx, nx, stop, Good.
- 1080 USA Dallas TX KRLD Jan 26 1232 nx by M fr-gd.
- 1100 COLOMBIA Bogota HJCN Jan 26 0003 ID, nx, good.
- 1130 USA Shreveport LA KWKH Jan 26 1228 C&W mx, good.
- 1180 USA Marathon Key FL VOA Jan 28 0007 nx in SS, ID xlint.
- 1555 JAYMAN ISLANDS Georgetown Jan 27 0015 sx, bank spot, ID xlint.
- 1610 ANGUILLA The Valley Carib. R. Beacon Jan 27 0324 Rlg. pgm. Good.
- 1613 GUATEMALA Rabinal "RAB" Jan 28 0011 Aviation Radio Beacon, SW ID every 8 seconds, fair.

I hope nobody minds that I'm saving time by not underlining the country names now. Quick credits to: Kick Overmann, Florissant, MO-Superadio. Matt Stutterheim Glennford, NY- R390A etc, w/ Beverrages & Sanserino Loop Mark Connelly (proud father) Boston MA waterfront w/ AMC car rx w/whip and tuning unit. C.M. Stanbury II Ridgeway ON- HQ 200 w/ 90' LW

Please write on one side of the paper only when reporting!!! 73's - KAZ -

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All DX this week is from Matt Stutterheim in Glenford, NY

TRANS ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- 1557 FRANCE really solid, long slow fades, YL ancr, then man in FF @ 0600, electronic mx IS @ 0602 Feb 15. Het from 1555.
- 1566 CARRIER strong at 0430 Feb 14.
- 1575 UNIDS Feb 15 0545 mx by two distinct stns.
- 1584 SPAIN Feb 15 0540 in w/man in SS in the growl.

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 575 COSTA RICA San Jose TIRN Feb 6 0000+ man in SS, then cl. guitar mx, then theme from "Mr. Lucky"- hardly sl.mx-still it was prob. TIRN... Nothing else here -ed.
- 620 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC/UNID Feb 15 0957+ Piano latin combo with ment. of "Republica Argentina"- gutteral "R" sounds. Emphasis on syllables different from Central American SS. Audio had "faraway" sound which caused me to stop and listen. Another LA on the channel which eventually dominated was the Dominican. The Argentinian, if it indeed was, was totally gone by 1005... Interesting, but we must be cautious and assume that this was just an incidental reference to Argentina. I'm not a SS expert so I can't tell you what Argentinian SS sounds like. HJL is quite common here. If you hear anything more here, please tape it for later analysis -ed.
- 715 CARRIER strong carrier-unable to pull out audio from u/wOR.0015 2/6
- 895 UNID Feb 14 2336 LA mx, slow male vocal, very weak. Loops E of most other LA's... I think Haiti is the only thing here -ed.
- 740 VENEZUELA Maracaibo in w/"R.Maracaibo ID @ 0626 Feb 15.
- 1035 HAITI Cap Haitien 4V.H Feb 13 2338+ Beethoven piano concert, then m & w in EE, Irish song @ 2346 then anmt. of SW // freq's.
- 1100 COLOMBIA R.Reloj s/on w/repeated caracol mentions Feb 15 1100.
- 1100 CUBA LV de Cuba s/on (late?) 1109 Feb 15, m & w in SS.
- 1165 ANTIGUA Feb 14 0000 Rlg pgm in EE, pgm #504 of Christian Heritage College.
- 1200 CUBA/UNID one of two LA's here was "R.Revolution" on top w/ ID @ 0450 Feb 14.
- 1471 UNID Feb 6 0013+ LA mx, man in SS 0015, too much QRM... Prob HIEH-ed
- 1478 UNID Feb 6 0015 carrier w/poor audio possibly YL in SS talk.... Probably the Cuban on the low side of 1480 -ed.
- 1505 t ANGUILLA Feb 6 0012 Solid w/soft BFL mx.
- 1546 BAHAMAS Feb 6 0008 "Evening Report" - ad for dinner ride, mention of "R.Bahamas" @ 0010; then ad for a store selling heaters among other items! Don't laugh, this took two years of trying to log! Hardy, har, har!!! hi -ed. Seriously, this isn't so easy thanx to WPTK about 60 miles north of you -ed.
- 1545 Carrier in weakly at 0003 Feb 14.
- 1630 UNID man in SS very weak, much QRM... No idea -ed.

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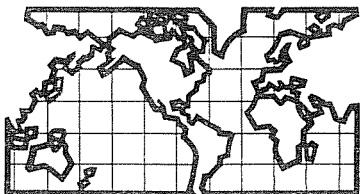
Here in California, the houses aren't big enough for all those receivers! What happened to the rest of my usually faithful supporters? CX have been AU often so I expected lots of LA DX.

73's from the worlds worst typist

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Had a few good opennings this past week, but not too much to report. Didn't pull anything new in, but did note the DU's improved somewhat. In Far East Medium Wave news, from the FERC: DZGE-Philippines moved from 850 KHZ to 855 KHZ in the Fall of 81, now has moved back to 850 KHZ, heard fair from 2000 GMT everyday in Japan, first noted on January 2, 1981 per Yasushi Ichikawa. Naohiro Oguma also of FERC reports Radio Peace and Progress/Radio Moscow on 1476 KHZ is off between 0300 and 0400 daily. Now on to the reports:

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP (All from Ken Waters-Okinawa)

- 191 U.S.S.R., Blagoveshchensk-noted at 1604-2/3 w/RR nx, not // to other Longwave Russians. (KW-Okinawa)
- 245 U.S.S.R., Vladivostok noted at 2200 1/31 w/time pips and RR nx. (KW)
- 549 U.S.S.R., Vladivostok-noted at 1800 1/31, Booming in w/JOAP off. (KW)
- 576 SOUTH KOREA, Munsan-AFKN-1915 1/31 carrying an NBA game as all the FEN/AFKN were at this time. (KW-Okinawa)
- 612 GUAM, Agana-KUAM at 2000 1/31, strong w/CBS nx after ID (KW-Okinawa)
- 774 t EGYPT, Abis-at 1846 1/31 probably the station w/Arabic chanting, faded fast after 2000 (KW)
- 630(opps) PHILIPPINES, Quezon City-1600 2/3 ID followed by The Sound of Silence, good as usual. (KW)
- 783 SOUTH KOREA, Busan-AFKN 1937 1/31 // 576 w/BB game. (KW)
- 810 JAPAN, Tokyo-FEN 1940 1/31 NBA BB game (KW)
- 954 t QATAR, Al Arish-1951 1/31 Another Arabic language station with mostly talk, Middle East coming in well today. (KW)
- 1233 CYPRUS, Cape Greco 1928 1/31 hrd this many times before in FF, but this time was in Arabic. Lots of Upbeat mx inc. inst. "Spanish Harlem" (KW)
- 1530 AUSTRALIA, Moree-2VM at 1830 on 1/31. My first Australian from Okinawa was weak but clear w/Pop mx and news every half hour. Most news items were of Australia (flooding in Tasmania, etc), Surprisingly good for 2KW, IDed at 1830. (KW-Okinawa) (Ken: Yes 2VM gets out. Hrd them here a couple times w/KFBK off on MM.PM)

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YOU THINK YOU'VE GOT PROBLEMS?

FCC sniffs out cause of poor radio reception in N. Bend

By Sharon Parshall
Journal-American Staff Writer

Sewage may cause a big stink in some towns, but in North Bend it causes static on radios.

Actually, it's not the sewage, but the plant where the stuff is treated. In August 1980, while the plant was still under construction, residents living within a quarter-mile of it began hearing a steady hum when they tuned in their favorite AM-radio stations.

So far nobody is quite sure what to do about it. But the Federal Communications Commission wants it cleared up. The FCC filed a formal complaint with the city in April 1981.

North Bend Utilities Manager Steve Gilbert said the problem seems to be coming from a variable speed control panel that regulates the flow of sewage from the collection tanks into the treatment section.

The contractor installed filters to quiet the hum, but they didn't work, said Gilbert.

"We've tried everything we could think of," he said. "We're working continuously to find a solution that's economically feasible."

Gilbert is working with both the Department of Ecology's operations and maintenance division and the FCC to solve the problem.

"I'd like to have the thing solved within the next two to three weeks," he said.

Husky sale: Television and radio rights to University of Washington football and basketball are up for grabs again, and purple and gold ideas are flourishing as local stations try to put together the most attractive packages possible.

KOMO's contract for rights to both sports expires after the 1982-83 season, and Husky administrators are hoping to negotiate for a more comprehensive package than its predecessor. KOMO paid \$144,000 for delayed television rights to UW football and \$162,000 for live football and basketball TV rights.

By contrast, the University of Oklahoma recently signed a football-basketball contract for radio only — for more than \$510,000 a year.

Federal Way radio listeners can count on more sports from KFWY, 1560 on your AM dial. Don Poier of KING-TV, Bob Robertson of KSTW and Dan O'Brien, president of the Mariners, are the newest stockholders in the station. Other owners include Wes Stock, Mariner color commentator; his son, Jeff, a Seattle Sounder full-back; Andy Cratsenberg, Sr., the principal owner, and Cratsenberg's two sons.

This news from Brian Vernon: From JOAR-1053-Nagoya, Japan, from Eiichi Minoura who is the w/s for the station. Quote "We have much suffered from the interference since December 20th, 1978, We changed the frequency of JOAR from 1050 to 1053 KHZ on November 23rd, 1978, and we had very clear broadcasting service for a while. However, suddenly violent interference attacked us on the above date. We searched the direction, the strength, and found information about the interference, since then, so we found it. It has been transmitted at North Korea (the Democratic People's Republic of Korea), and is the underground station, so called "Voice of the Revolutionary Party for Unification in Seoul", the "in Seoul" in the call sign plainly is a falsehood. The stations power is about 600 Kwatt or more in our estimation, and the frequency is very unstable, not exactly 1053 Khz. The station is for the propaganda against South Korea from the North. So South Korea naturally jams it by the same frequency modulation with echo sounds as you recorded." (Brian mentioned that he sent a cassette containing the sounds to JOAR) The letter goes on "I can hear the echo sounds of jamming the music from the Underground station, and the beat tone between the two kinds of frequency, so I could not find JOAR-1053. In our area, therefore we have been interfered by these two or more stations in Korea, so our service area is now disturbed over 50%." Thanks Brian for sending this along. I have been asked about this several times recently. No other reports this time around, except a little DXing I did. Had a fairly good morning for DU's and Island stations.

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 531 AUSTRALIA, Kempsey-2MC fair with NZ QRM at 1011 on 2/21 with rr mx, and Jingle. (PM-Cr)
- 550 HAWAII, Wailuku-KMVI, a regular here, about 365 nights out of the year, but on 2/21 was unusually strong almost pegging the s-meter, about equal with locals; heard with female DJ and rr mx all evening. Earlier before 0800, was running reg. Basketball game on Friday nights. (PM-Cr)
- 558 FIJI, Nulu Rewa (Suva), fair w/OM in Fijian at 0735-2/21. (PM-Cr)
- 567 NEW ZEALAND, Wellington-2YA, poor w/National Pgm and Mor mx, noted from 0740 on 2/21. (PM-Cr)
- 590 HAWAII, Honolulu-KSSK on top briefly w/news item, followed by Spot, TC, o/KUGN/KHQ then mixing at 0756 on 2/21. Heard fairly often here, but not very strong ever. (PM-Cr)
- 620 HAWAII, Hilo-KIPA, heard well o/KGW w/Rainbow Radio ID's, heavy rr and Jazz mx, few announcements, excellent signal, heard often here, but normally mixing or under KGW, on 2/21 at 0735. (PM-Cr)
- 650 HAWAII, Honolulu-KORL, really a regular here, but never as strong as KMVI-550, w/MOYL at 0640 on 2/21. Even had tentatives of KORL during the day (1200 PLT). (PM-Cr)
- 657 NEW ZEALAND, Wellington-2YC, much better than 567-2YA, noted at 0739 on 2/21 w/classical-opera mx in passing. (PM-Cr)
- 666 NEW CALEDONIA, Noumea-weak w/strong carrier (as usual), very low modulation w/OM in FF at 0754 on 2/21. (PM-Cr)
- 690 HAWAII, Honolulu-KKUA-fair o/u XETRA-CBU w/rr mx at 0715 on 2/21, not hrd as often as I used to, as conditions have been poor, as QRM on 690 strong! (PM-Cr)
- 702 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2BL fair to poor w/EZL mx and // 738 at 1017 on 2/21. (PM-Cr)
- 738 AUSTRALIA, Grafton-2NR, noted // to 702 at 1018 w/EZL mx, about the same in signal, noted earlier w/Drama pgm, on 2/21. (PM-Cr)
- TAHITI, Papeete-Radio Tahiti, about 40 over s/9 with Mor mx and OM in FF, time pips at 0800 and ID in FF, best hrd in a while, at 0810 back into mx, on late for some reason, normal s/off in 0730, but have hrd later in the last few months. (PM-Cr)
- 747 NEW ZEALAND, Kumara-3ZA noted o/Australia at 0900 w/low keyed ancr w/news, presumed National pgm //, on 2/21. (PM-Cr)
- 756 NEW ZEALAND, Auckland-IYA noted w/EZL mx // 567 at 0933 on 2/21. (PM)
- 760 HAWAII, Honolulu-KGU noted way o/KFMB w/Jazz at 0753 on 2/21. (PM-Cr)
- 765 NEW ZEALAND, Hastings-2ZK weak w/Clas. mx at 0817 on 2/21, // 657, and other frequencies on the Concert net. (PM-Cr)
- 774 FIJI, Nulu Rewa (Suva), here w/nx in EE // 891 at 0700 on 2/21, vy good, little QRM or slop. (PM-Cr)

- 792 AUSTRALIA, Brisbane-4QG-Opera and Classical pgm at 1057 On 2/21, better hrd in quite a while this Winter. (PM-Or)
- 819 NEW ZEALAND, Rotorua-1YZ weak w/clas. mx at 0818 on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 828 AUSTRALIA, Sale-3GI fair o/u NZ with EZL mx and brief announcements, on ABC pgm at 0837 on 2/22, also noted on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- NEW ZEALAND, Palmerston North-2XS, fair u/o 3GI w/rr mx and 2XS ID, at 1000 on 2/21. Also noted on 2/22. (PM-Or)
- 830 HAWAII, Honolulu-KIKI, another regular here, but again unusually strong on 2/21 w/rr mx, exc. all night. (PM-Or)
- 837 AUSTRALIA, Rockhampton-4RK, good w/ABC nx after pips at 1100 on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- NEW ZEALAND, Whangarei/Kaitaia-1YX/1YK noted here w/clas. mx // 819 at 0819 on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 850 HAWAII, Hilo-KHLO noted w/PSA o/KTAC/KOA for a minute, talking about The Hawaiian Extension Service at 0823 on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 870 HAWAII, Honolulu-KAIM, exc. w/Rel. pgm all night, w/little or no sign of WWL, after 1000 slight het from 2GB-873, on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 873 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2GB noted fairly good w/Talk Back phone in pgm, at 1046 on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 882 AUSTRALIA, Brisbane-4BH, good w/Pop mx o/NZ from 1000 on, before NZ on top, on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- NEW ZEALAND, Auckland-1YC, hrd as early as 0634 on 2/21, w/clas. pgm and talks. (PM-Or)
- 891 FIJI, Lautoka-Radio Fiji 2 with EE pgm at 0701, // 774, into Hindi pgm at 0800 on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- NEW ZEALAND, Wellington-2XW-Radio Windy noted w/rr mx o/u Fiji at 0819 on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 900 HAWAII, Kahului-KNUI, vy strong all evening o/CJVI w/K-900 ID's and rr mx. I might note that KNUI is hrd here most nights out of the year, but normally under or mixing w/CJVI. on 2/21, noted way over at times to mixing, but never noted under CJVI. (PM-Or)
- 940 HAWAII, Waipahu-KDEO, noted w/ Spot, then quick ID, and into talk show? A lot of KFRE QRM, were talk pgm last time hrd a few months ago, at 0850-2/21. (PM-Or)
- 970 HAWAII, Hilo-KPUA-noted o/KYTE from 0700 or so w/rr mx, on 2/21 (PM-Or)
- 990 HAWAII, Honolulu-KHVV, good w/all nx, ID's News radio 99, another semi reg. here, noted good after 0800 or so on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 1008 NEW ZEALAND, Paengaioa-1ZD good w/Pop mx (Tonight show presumed), mx by AIR Supply then TC at 0847 on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 1017 TONGA, Nuka Alofa-A3Z-noted every night here, a little weaker than Hawaiians, but hrd near 365 nights a year. Was unusually strong on 2/21 from 0600 on in Tonganese, nx noted. Much better than Kiribati 846. (PM-Or)
- 1026 AUSTRALIA, MacKay-4MK, vy good from 0900 or so, to about sunrise w/rr mx and 4MK ID's on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- NEW ZEALAND, Whangarei/Kaitaia-1ZN/1ZK noted // 1008 w/Pops at 0850 on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 1035 SOLOMON ISLANDS, Honiara-SIBC fair o/NZ at 0737 on 2/21, w/OM in EE/ Pijjan, NZ giving them quite a problem at the time. (PM-Or)
- 1040 HAWAII, Honolulu-KPOI-vy strong w/KPOI ID's and MOR mx, all evening on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 1044 NEW ZEALAND, Dunedin-4ZB good // 1008 and 1026 w/rr mx at 0919-2/21.
- 1053 NEW ZEALAND, New Plymouth-2ZP noted weakly // 1044 at 0920-2/21. (PM)
- 1080 HAWAII, Honolulu-KIOE w/YL talking about Hawaii and changes at 1006, u/o KWJJ on 2/21, noted quick ID at 1010. (PM-Or)
- 1110 HAWAII, Kahe-KHEI good w/EZL mx and ID at 1030 on 2/21, o/others on Frequency. Anouth semi-reg. here, but normally not as strong. (PM-Or)
- 1130 HAWAII, Kailua-KLEI u/o CKWX w/ K-LEI ID's and PSA, ment. Windward K-LEI, at 0909 on 2/22. (PM-Or)
- 1210 HAWAII, Honolulu-KZ00-good w/JJ pgm, noted in passing at 0723 on 2/21, also noted on 2/22, but more 1220 slop (CKDA). (PM-Or)
- 1251 WESTERN SAMOA, here noted // 1404 w/Samoan lang, and island mx, at 0845 on 2/22. Strange conditions seemed better on 21st, but only a het on 1251 that AM, noted w/audio on 2/22, and could separate from 1250-KKFX. (PM-Or)
- 1350 HAWAII, Lihue-KIVM, vy good all AM o/KSRO, etc. w/rr mx and ID's noted on 2/21. (PM-Or)
- 1404 WESTERN SAMOA, Apia-noted w/ Samoan lang, // 1251 at 0846-2/22, and 2/21, near the same time. Better than 1251 (1 KW). 1404 is 10 KW. (PM)

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After reading several forums from people, who I consider friends, who have been DX'ing while on aircraft in flight, I feel compelled to offer some advice on the subject. That is DON'T! Flying has been another interest of mine that I have enjoyed over the past 11 years. I've been at the controls of small private planes, as well as jet fighter-bombers, transports, and helicopters while I was in the USAF. I've even flown gliders for fun. And one rule I was taught, was NEVER, EVER, bring a radio, electronic gear of any kind aboard an aircraft and intend to use it while the aircraft was/is in flight! A small radio, electric razor or similar device can and does produce a magnetic field which will affect the magnetic compass of the plane, resulting in a deviation of 30 to 40 degrees above and beyond what the pilot or flight engineer can or does expect! Also, just as dimmer switches and other devices can cause RF problems for DX'ers, so can such a device to the aircraft's Radio Direction Finding equipment. The Visual Omni Range Receiver can be affected too, especially if you want to try FM DX'ing. And, I might add here, that if you want to reach your destination, DON'T EVER "fire up" an FM radio while on a plane in flight! It can reek havoc on just about every piece of navigational, communicational, and aircraft flight monitoring gear on a plane in flight! Of course, the closer to the gear you are the worse the problems will be for the pilot and crew who already have their hands full. Sure, there are Hams (and others) who have operated "aeronautical mobile", but the pilot and crew KNEW there would be deviations and the operator KNOWS when to shut off his equipment. Such conditions do NOT exist when you're just a passenger on an airliner. If you don't believe me, ask someone at the nearest FAA Pilot Briefing and Flight Plan Center at the nearest FAA Service Station. We lose too many DX'ers as it is every year due to accidents, please don't add to that score or harm others just for the sake of a few DX catches. 73's. (Rob, how about a battery-powered calculator? Would that create any problems?--rce)

Bill Townshead, 4500 Connecticut Avenue NW, #901, Washington, D.C. 20008 202-966-8046. I got back from the land of the Samba, Tango, Conga, etc. safely, thank the Lord. Twelve hours before I left town for South America, I saw the lowest temperature ever in my life here in D.C. (50 years), -4 F (-20 C). When I woke up that Sunday morning (1/17), I warmed up with RR Mx on AoR WAVA-FM (the Rolling Stones and Kinks). I'm still just as RR-crazy at 50 as I was at 25 or 30, maybe more so. It keeps you young. The official low was five below zero. This was just a taste of an old-time hard winter. I had several SRS and SSS DX sessions aboard the M.V. Santa Cruz in the Galapagos Islands 600 miles off Ecuador. My best catch was KNX-1070 on SRS. I heard several Colombians in midday in the islands. A report on the DX activity has already been sent to Neil Kazaross. Many of the RR songs heard on the AoR stations here I heard on the local stations in Lima and in Quito. I also heard the hypnotic Andean music (El Condor Pasa, for example) played with a reed flute, especially in Cuzco, the mecca of the Incas. CUN 14 or 21. 73's.

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(This is the first part of a multi-forum rpt from Glenn. We'll be starting in the middle, going to the end, then start at the beginning, hi--rce) ...On my own after returning to Florida, I was driving back to Knoxville. Visited G.M. Herb Levin at WQBA; their shortwave project will have to wait till their increase to 50 kw on MW is completed in a few months. Frequent checks of 1160 revealed during the first week of January that it might be on or off the air at any time with Radio Rebelde net, including lots of Russian lessons or beisbol in the evenings. Driving across central Florida, I again engaged in some de-facto Beveraging. I cannot recommend this technique highly enough, for those in a hurry, but some precautions: 1) have a clip wire along for easy connection to the fence; sandpaper also helps as it's probably corroded. 2) learn to recognize electric fences, and avoid them; to be absolutely safe, have along a current-detecting device and bridge the top wire to the next one or to ground. 3) beware of snakes etc. in the brush around the fence. 4) naturally, look for a long, straight portion, on the (cont.)

(Glenn Hauser, cont....) other side of the road from power lines; preferably on a stretch lacking power lines. 4) newer-looking wire is less likely to have breaks in it, but you're not really going to check its entire length to see how far it is electrically connected. 5) It's convenient to find a spot where two fences come together at right angles; of course they should not be connected and usually aren't. 6) A strap for hanging the portable radio from a fencepost, or securing it to one, is helpful. Beware of ants on/in the post. 7) try to stay on the right-of-way side of the fence to minimize trespassing charges; nevertheless, it is very likely you will get strange looks from the occasional vehicle passing on a remote farm road; of course, all interstate highways are likely to have fences alongside them to maintain their limited access. I tried this trick along I-75, but the road noise (audible and otherwise) was annoying, (headphones help) and a highway patrolman suggested I play my strange games elsewhere. 8) since the wire is not insulated from the posts, this is certainly a dry-weather activity only! Also, if the posts are metal rather than wooden, forget it. On Florida 80 east of LaBelle, Jan. 5 between 1150 and 1230 EST, I found the following by listening thru an E/W fence: WGTO had an SAH on it. WDBO-580 had a het around 1 kHz on it, Cuba, Jamaica, or Mexico? On 580 itself there was Spanish mixing, mentioning "Republica Mexicana". However, my most interesting catch was definitely IDed on 590, which was free of the Cuban--"La Reina", Reynosa, (actually XEFD, Río Bravo), Tamaulipas, was clearly to be heard, dominating the channel at midday, a mostly-saltwater path of some 1600 km, tho it is a hefty 5 kw. Reminded me of lots of trans-Gulf reception I had years ago in South Texas, but that was on VHF/UHF by an entirely different mode! (to be continued.)

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Nobody from east seems to write anything so I guess I will. I do have to apologize to anyone I have offended by my impersonal type of communication. It is not intentional. #1-I have received a terrible letter from member because in my haste I addressed him as "occupant" because I could not read signature. #2-I just got a terrible letter from station engineer of WOKO-1460 Albany, NY. I had sent two reception reports and postage only to be ignored. The third one went to general manager who told station engineer to reply. So station engineer wrote a long destructive letter telling me how much a novice I am, and he's been SWLer for an expert professional years, etc. (sic) He tells me my report stinks. (Why do I have 200 nice veries, then?). I get along perfectly with general manager but not the SWLer. True, I have never been an SWLer. All my shortwave fun has been amateur radio so I am ignorant of SWLer terminology. Now I have QSL from stn mgr and very nice letter. I am more radio DX oriented and not too much into music-formats, etc. I enjoy experimental operation on low frequencies and VLF. I still would enjoy swapping tapes with anybody. My interest is in 540-690 kHz. stations. (Please make it daytime so everybody does not write obscene letters!) In exchange I would offer any taping desired of area AM-FM. If a person wants quality on \$5 tapes of 100 stations, please forward 100 c-90 cassettes. I will record. (got in dispute over me not wanting to first send out c-90's by truckload-\$5 ones). My interest is in cheap bandscans and perhaps later better recording of length. In my short experience at SWLing I have concluded everybody is a walking "time-bomb", like air-traffic controllers. Anything more stressful than this hobby? On amateur radio the most congested band of 75 meters there is a reputation for "hot personalities" so? I can understand why nobody new to clubs contribute. They get destroyed over not being pros in SWLing terminology and language.---and most bc stations think SWLers crazy. My only experience is 15+ years amateur radio-marine-military radio, etc. I am looking for any working or not working Hammarlund receivers to buy. Cheap. If non-working and in complete junk form, drop a 13¢ postcard and I will gladly give you minimal \$\$ for what is worthless to you as is. No, I do not repair for profit--I just want one for myself but not going to pay \$\$\$ for obsolete antiques in 82.

Richard C. Evans, P. O. Box 1294, North Wales, Pennsylvania 19454

Last week, I mentioned taking a marginal report on the WFLS-1350 VA test. I got to looking it over, decided it was just too marginal, and so never sent it. Looks as though some of us get too wrapped up in this hobby. Stations don't owe us a darned thing. If they choose to verify our reports, fine. If not, don't worry about it, but go on to another one. A verie and 50¢ will just get you a can of Coke from the machine.PTL.

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Part 2

Upcoming deadlines:

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Not much DXing done lately, but I have received a verie. KVA-910 sent me a nice v/l and 4 window stickers, for my 4th S.D. verified. (Wow, that keeps me at 100%). Read Steve Taaffe's WDXF in the 2/6 DXM and his comments about BCB conditions getting worse. When I first seriously DXed BCB, in late 1976, Cx for southern Ontario were certainly more favourable. In the past 5½ years, several frequencies have become useless for DX around here: 570, 790, 970, 1150, 1320, and 1480. Some of the states I could hear in 1976/77 are either now impossible, or extremely difficult, such as Mont., Wyo., Utah, Neb., and N.D. As a Board member of IRCA, I'd like to hear from more of you if you have comments or suggestions. I've hardly heard from anyone aside from a few DXers in Wis., Ill., and Ont. 73's for now.

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Well, I've about completed setting up my listening post. I use a R-388 Collins, TRF and a SM-2 antenna. My space is limited since I live in an apartment. I hope to get another receiver and some type of small box loop this year. I won't be able to make the convention, but sure would like to. I remember how much I enjoyed Columbus back in 1975. All Atlanta area members are invited to give me a call at 441-0697. There should be several members here. All for now.

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(Cont. from last week...) The Cuban on 820 with its rock and disco could easily be mistaken for an American. The 590 was stronger than WWL-870, which I expected to get; and WWL had a het on it. On 1140 there was weak co-channel to WQBA, and I wonder if it was XEMR Monterrey. There was no N/S fence at this spot, so I kept driving until I found one west of LaBelle; on it, no Mexican audible on 590, but instead a US stn in the CST zone, presumably WDLF Panama City (don't hold me to calls; I'm going by VJ-14). WSM-650 and WSB-770 were audible; and Belize had readable audio on 834. I performed another bandscan at Bowman's Beach, Sanibel Island, but no Beverage here, just the ICF-5900W on fresh batteries, with its excellent nulling. Here, it's over water to part of Cuba and far enough from Miami to minimize their ORM if nulled. The het on 580 was about 35 degrees further south than Miami when compared to 560 null. On 590, nothing bu "59-DLP" Panama City, so that Beverage made the difference even tho it was much further inland. The Cuban on 600 was about 30 degrees south of Miami; on 610 was another Rebelde // 600, and in the WIOD null, stronger than 600, and further south (west). 710 still dominated by WGBS and its splash. Unlike points further east, 790 was dominated by Havana, with a Florida station in its null. 820 and 860 exhibited the same null. In the WWL-870, a CM was audible // 880; on 890 a weak Rebelde. 920, 930 and 960 had Reloj, the latter audible if US station nulled. 950 has as before R. Musical Nacional (classical), but a Reloj seemed to be under it, plus a third station, also with classical!--American? Another CM on 980. 990 had Spanish audible but unnullable vs Orlando which was collinear. A bunch of parallel Cubans on 1000, 1010, 1030, 1090. 1080 // 1120 R.Cadena Habana. At 1600, Cuba-1160 was finally on the air and very strong; its null indicated a position slightly further east than Habana on 820 etc. 1130 had a het on US station. A CM was audible on 1140 in WQBA null (programming, not referring to the jammer on 1142). 1180, Reloj. 1190 // 1200 // 1210 Cubans. The Cayman-1205 carrier detectable. Another set of //Cubans on 1220, 1230, and in US null on 1240. The Cubans on 1250 and 1290 producing nasty hets (I've also noted the 1290 het back in Tennessee --at night). 1290 // 1310. On 1550, a CM in the WRHC null; 1555 Cayman het; Key West good on 1600. (To be continued...)

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Was watching Independent Network News tonight (2/23) while typing this, and found that they had a report on rock moving from AM to FM radio. According to their report, WAAC-770 will be going to News/Talk format sometime in May. Yesterday's paper carried an obit for "Murray the K" Kaufman. He was mentioned frequently in DXM back in the middle '60's. Time marches on, and the only sure thing is change. PTL.



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I've read recently in DXM about DX problems caused by nearby mountains. Here in Silver City, we're at 6,000 feet and almost on the Continental Divide at 6,230 feet. Many higher mountains in all directions, but BCB (and VHF) reception is fantastic. Between 0330 and 0600 MLT, this date (09 February), I've easily copied 50 kw stations on a line from WCCO to WWL to the east and of course, KFI, KNX, etc. to KOMO to the west.

What's amazing is that the above stations were received on an unmodified GE Superadio. Sensitivity and selectivity are unbelievable. The only thing unorthodox is my temporary jerry-rigged antenna system. This consists of about 20 feet of braided copper wire with an air-wound loading coil which is connected loosely to the outer conductor of our friendly CATV company's feed cable. Thus I'm using about 750 feet of coax braid (to the first line amplifier) courtesy of the cable company. In effect, a random end-fed longwire. It also works on a vintage Hallcrafters S-118 with a Heath Q-Multiplier.

Back to the question of mountains. The mountains here must enhance BCB and High Frequency DX because signals fall in like a brick. Of course, many of the high peaks are homes for TV translators and VHF repeaters.

No need for any tweaking of the innards of this GE rig. Also, I'm not much of an FM fan, but this thing picks up El Paso and Juarez like next door.

Some day I'd like to spring for radio gear with more bells and whistles if I could find one with a satisfactory front end for BCB without adding preamps, preselectors and such.

Meantime, I'm having a lot of fun. 73. (Welcome to WDXF Bob. Glad to have a reporter from New Mexico. Please contribute whenever you can-RtH.)

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OK, it's been a while. I'm starting to feel guilty. Let's see. . . first off, in case it didn't make the Flash Tips yet, KVEN 1450 has joined the America Overnight net as of 01 February. The AO shows are interesting, but when they air here on KING I'm inclined to prefer the XEPRS oldies I hear underneath, hi.

Mark Strickert, thanks for the Dr. Demento contest blurb, but thankfully I am out of that scene now. I mean, I still retain my sense of humor, but I will not sign any more tunes over to Warner Brothers like I did with the first Dr. D LP (the fine print on the contest form includes a usage release).

I heard and verified the KADE test, using a combination of the Wedge and the Beverage to dampen KEX. I've also heard enough Peru 880 to send them a SS report with a 45 minute tape. Sure hope they verify. Other interesting catches of late include Ecuador 1465, XEGW 1380 s/on MM 30 November at 0400 PLT, KLOV 1570 under CHUB early in the morning and the two Hondurans 880 and 890 in at the same time. Noticed a nice one-second delay between them. Plus a whole lot of unIDs. Like has anyone heard of a R. _____ Faluciadera on 838 (or 840)? Could this be another Panama slogan? The ID gave the slogan, plus what sounded like a location of "Faluciadera, _____," three syllables with a Mazatlán sound. 1057 GMT 20 November 1981 and it's on tape if anyone wants to take a crack at it. (Send it on down, Jef, por favor-RtH.) (Con queso, mi favorito, hi--JJ)

Oh yes, almost forgot. At bp's GTG 30 January, enough BoD members showed up to constitute a quorum. We met in the Kitchen, thus the monicker "Kitchen Cabinet." Among things discussed were the possibilities of IRCA getting its hands on a small computer. This is something I proposed when I was Membership Chair, with the idea that all the Wedge mail we were getting at the time could be logged in demographically. A line printer would allow us to run off address labels for the DXM and also follow up on inquiries to the club without having to dig through stacks of envelopes, etc. (I tried doing that by hand for a while, but it became a time-consuming chore.) These days a computer would still allow us address usage and it would be on call for future IRCA promotions. (We've discussed radio PSAs before). It would also be immensely handy for things like the Foreign Log and Almanac. Rather than editors trying to knock all that out on typewriters at the end of a season, the information could go

in on a regular basis, to be called up when editing is to be done. The Foreign Log would be a breeze. Print (type) would be uniform for a change and easily correctable. The computer time could be rented or we could probably buy one with funds raised through promotions (I wanna be General, hi). (I could get you a discount at a local uniform shop, hi-RtH.) I figure if we had 1500 Wedge requests at a buck a piece in four months (which we did), we could pay for a computer in a year-and-a-half, or less. How about some feedback from you members on this?

In other action, the Kitchen Cabinet voted to reduce annual dues to \$1.98. However, due to budget cuts, we also voted to institute a User Fee of \$75 a year plus first and last month's rent. The increased revenue will cover pizza expenses at Portzer's GTG's and beverage costs at my Beverage parties. We're also buying a time-share condo with the NRC in the Yukon Territory, 1) because there are no locals (literally), and 2) so we can log it. (Gee, YT and NWT were local pests. . .when I lived in northern Alaska, hi-RtH.) All in favor say oy. PTA, FTD, RSWP and PSLIC. Not to mention KNBR. (This insanity continues next week-RtH.)

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Hey, a big Eskimo to everybody. Today is a very crummy day. I just shoveled 22 inches of snow off my front walk and 25 feet of driveway. Bad - right? Well, the U.S. Snail Service decided not to get their feet wet so there was no mail delivery either. February 1st is now referred to, when referred to at all, as White Monday. (Good for you. Builds character, hi. Besides, hard to think of snow when it's 66 degrees here, hi-RtH.) No luck on the DX test for 01 February either, but DX was great on SW so I DX'ed from 0500-0900 CLT.

A big DX GTG will be held Memorial Day weekend here in St. Louis. A big cook-out and full day of festivities will be our bill of fare. If this is half as good as our 24 January blowout you all should have a great time. If you think you'll be in St. Louis or if you would like to attend, then send me a SASE for details and maps.

Work is still progressing for IRCA Convention 1982. Rich Eddie and I are starting to plan activities and tours. Still no ballot here to get the voting over with, but I'm sure it'll be here soon. I do promise the season of St. Louis' recent notoriety on TV (snow) will not be present at IRCA 1982 or my Memorial Day GTG.

I have over 400 coveragems for trade. I collect any promo junk (especially stickers), but do not want CMs or surveys. Anybody want to trade? I also have plenty of stickers for trade.

Still no awards from the IRCA Award Chair as of 02 February. A six-month wait is ridiculous. Do your job or resign. If the Awards Chair is lethargic or does not give a darn then the Awards program is of the same nature; non-existent. (I tend to agree with Terry. Believe our prez is on that problem now-RtH.) Good DX to all and 73 de TAK.

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Hello again from the land of two seasons - winter and the construction season. RtH, we saw pictures on evening news of flooding in Guerneville and environs. (Which time? hi-RtH.) I feel sorry for anyone that must put up with that (and the mudslides). Here in northern Minnesota we are having a normal winter. Snow, vicious winds, temperatures dipping below -50F (hi). Actually we are suffering one of the coldest winters we've had in 40 years. Wind chills at times going well below -100F. Needless to say, nothing and no one moves too fast in that weather.

Had a little time to DX during various storms in January (being trapped in the house by snowdrifts), and I notice that the radio industry is still suffering from their Q syndrome. I.e. Q-98, 15-Q, 16-Q, 14-Q, etc. The amount of call letter changes being applied for and granted has become ridiculous. If you haven't DX'ed much for a year or so (as I have not) you hardly recognize the broadcast band when you get back to it. And if the call changes are bad; format changes are even more numerous. Notice in latest DXM Broadcasting Information section that another old standby has applied for new call. BFL KEEY St. Paul wants new calls. Can format change be far behind?

Also it seems that there are fewer stations off MM or SM these days. A DX'er has to hope to catch some of them off unexpectedly to log much-wanted stations.

Bill Nittler, I have current issue of Broadcasting Yearbook. Would be happy to furnish addresses for SASE. That includes any DX'er who may need help. Whatever happened to the time I could hear Dodger baseball on KFI? (They went to KABC, hi-RtH.) Whatever happened to the days when WDGY was the best rocker in the Twin Cities with DJ's such as Johnny Dollar, Jumpin' Jimmy Reed and their slogan of "Wonderful Weedgy"? Whatever happened to WTAM 1100 Cleveland?

As far as that goes, whatever happened to WKYC 1100 Cleveland? Better yet, what the heck is WWWE 1100 Cleveland doing with C&W and CBS? (hi) (They finally got smart, hi-RtH.) That's it for this month's tirade. It's time to go cry in my beer.

One more thing, not only are the call letter and format changes a lot to keep track of, judging from Bill Nittler's problem of getting reports returned by the post office, the stations must also be changing physical locations with greater frequency (no pun intended).

By the way, just renewed my membership, plan to continue DX'ing, hi. 73 PAL.

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On my Christmastime visit to Hawaii, it now turns out, I took the new GE 3-5280B along with me before I had learned all there was to know about this combination AM/FM/cassette receiver. Using the radio in Hawaii, I was disappointed to discover the recording unit generated obnoxious squeals at various places across the BCB making it impossible to tape any number of distant stations I wanted to get on tape. I reported this defect in the radio in my recent article on DX'ing from Hawaii. After this article appeared, I got a phone call from DX'er Don Ingram in Los Angeles who had also purchased this radio. Don called my attention to a control on the back of the set which is labelled AM Beat, and which moves between positions marked A and B. Don told me that if I had done my recording with that control on B that I would have had no problem with recording squeals. Well, he was right as I soon discovered in checking out the receiver. I had tested that control after buying the radio 02 December, and found that it had no effect which could be detected in the operation of the radio. The possibility that it might have an effect on recording never entered my mind. Using the radio in Hawaii, I had found the recording squeal located itself on a dozen or so frequencies across the BCB, and I never dreamed I could have prevented it by simply switching that stupid control from A to B. So many thanks for the tip, Don. With the squeal problem removed so easily, I would say the GE 3-5280B makes a fine selection for the DX'er who sometimes gets far away from home and likes to record what he hears. I would recommend, however, that if the receiver is to be taken someplace on a plane, make it your carry-on luggage, never entrust it to airline baggage handlers. 73. (Gene, you've set a record for WDXF's longest paragraph, hi-RtH.)

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"Yes, we do have KWUN stickers. . . oh, you wouldn't happen to know what they're for and why we have them?" Ticket-taker at Sun Valley Cinema, Concord. In a way, I wonder too, as it's the only bizniz in the mall with the stickers. (Then again at the same time, KYA was running a contest involving the mall, but of the five stores I shopped at or visited, only one had the entry blanks. On them, you were to request a '60s song, dedicated to someone you knew then and/or now. Geeps, they don't play "Innagodda Diveda," hi. (Close enough, hi-RtH.)

How 'bout this, RtH. . . KIQI applying for Sunnyvale, with higher power day and night, even. Thought they had \$\$\$ problems. (They got approval for 50kw, Hayward, ya know. Sunnyvale? If so, there couldn't be a more deserving place, hi. They had \$\$\$ problems a year ago, dunno now-RtH.)

No significant changes noted in Sea/Tac radio from my last visit to this one (04-07 February), except for a couple of new calls (KJUN 1450 ex-KRPM, KSCR 1420 ex-not on the air, hi, and an FM'er), although enough stations took a dive in the latest Arbitron to suggest some upcoming reshuffling of formats. I got lots of promotional junk up there (including enough skiing contest entry forms from various stations to cover Mt. Baker, hi).

Next week, "All My DX" and other short stories. 73 de MaS.

FLOYD PERRY JR., 1945 DEL RIO DR., STOCKTON, CA 95204

Hello. Longtime no see. The mystery of John Hardy still lingers on.

I took a trip to Carmichael and discovered that there is no Sunset Blvd. While in Carmichael, I stopped by and visited KFIA where I talked with the GM. He said KFIA has no intentions on changing its calls or format.

I disagree with you RtH in your last forum (#609). The fabrication of KGES is not 10-year-old humor, it's more like two-year-old, and I believe many members agree with me.

IRCA is a fine radio club (most likely the best) and sending fraudulent reports to IRCA is destroying its image as a fine honest club, and I'm sure others are laughing at our mistakes.

Unlike many clubs, IRCA operates on a buddy/buddy system, in which IRCans trust other IRCans. I'm sure Nancy Hardy could have called KFIA and see if a change was made, but she didn't, she trusted John Hardy (if he does exist) and printed his report presuming it to be accurate. She and other members be-

lieve that all IRCAn's are honest. I joined this club hoping it was a true, honest club, that it is the best in the world. Today I still believe it, despite the phony report.

To John Hardy, if you do exist and you are interested in destroying a radio club's reputation, why not try another club?

Good DX to all and 73 de FPJ.

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Greetings from the land of locals. DX here has improved but it's still disappointing compared to the DX conditions I was used to in Rhode Island. Reception to any part of Latin America south of Mexico has generally been poor. Clear channel Cubans are quite common and occasionally I can hear some of the stronger Caribbean splits. Belize 834 is in most nights and during good LA conditions, it's better than usually heard in New England.

TP and DU reception has been surprisingly rare even though I'm only one mile from the Pacific. When can I expect conditions to improve for TPs and DUs. (March and April, generally-RTH.) I get quite a few hets, but local and semi-local sloop makes audio extraction difficult.

Recent DX includes Peru 880, Colombia 1220, New Zealand 819 and KNUI 900, my fourth Hawaiian (big deal, hi). After several attempts I heard the new Cuban on 900 under XEW last night. It's 50 kw //880 R. Progreso. The 1160 Cuban which has destroyed a great frequency for eastern DX'ers is often heard under KSL. It's 150 kw. Most of my Cuban information comes from NRC via Chuck Hutton and Ron Schatz.

I'll be at the SCADS GTG 13 February and hope to see some of you there. Let's get a Beverage DX'pedition together. I have lots of wire and two phasing units which work fairly well with good antennas. With Beverages and longwire in Rhode Island, I could get decent nulls on most stations and superb nulls on some stations.

Congratulations to Mark Connelly for the birth of his son. Hey Mark, when will he be strong enough to tune the dial on a R390A? Hi. (I can hear Mark's wife now, hi-RTH.)

Incidentally, last night, 07 February, XEROK was off from 1800 to 2300 PLT and TWR was in with a tremendous signal, only a few db weaker than KGO. This is how TWR sounds during auroral conditions in the Northeast. 73 de KA7.

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Biggest news here is the recent death of my father. He died on 08 February after a long fight with cancer.

Bill Nittler, so you think the post office like completely accurate addresses now? I haven't sent out a reception report in many years. However, back when I did there were several times I mailed reception reports to large stations in small towns and had the exact address per the station engineer and my report was returned "No Such Address." That was back in 1972.

Haven't done much DX lately. Usually just do some SW listening. Phone calls (prepaid only) welcome here. Those who know my unlisted number feel free to use it but do not give it out without written permission from me.

73 and good DX de ASL.

BRUCE PORTYER, somewhere in AMARILLO, TEXAS

If this week's issue looks a little weird, it's because I was shipped off to Amarillo for another two weeks and left DXM in the hands of Jaisun. I can still report to WDXF from here; WDXF country is bigger than KOMO country.

I don't know about everyone else, but this season has been the pits here. I DX'd the last two MMs - the highlight of the first was hearing a new Gordon Lightfoot song on CFAX 1070. The second one was a lot less interesting; I didn't even write any notes in my logbook because there wasn't anything worth noting. This has been the worst DX season for me since 1970-71; and interesting coincidence as both that season and this one are at the same relative point in the 11-year sunspot cycle. Strangely enough, the following season (1971-72) was my best ever, so if history repeats itself, next season may be a real winner.

I was really surprised to learn KGB 1360 is dropping T40 in favor of NWS and changing calls to KCNN. Another 3-letter call bites the dust. On the other hand, the letters "KGB" have at least one other meaning, which might confuse people when covering world events, hi.

Regarding Randy Tomer's question in the 13 February DXM: I think AM radios are banned on board aircraft because the local oscillator might interfere with reception of longwave beacons. Same thing with FM possibly QRM'ing navigational aids in the 108-118 MHz band. I'm not sure why tape recorders aren't also banned, because some of them have bias oscillators that are quite potent at CB and LW frequencies (see Gene Martin's recent Hawaii article).

Ric, actually, airline employees don't fly free. They pay a service charge covering the cost of taxes, meals, printing the tickets, etc., but it's a lot less than full fare. (And a lot less than 25% that travel agents pay-RtH.)

I enjoyed Karl Zuk's comments on AM radio in the 13 February issue. It's too bad his remarks are all true. Radio listening (the non-DX kind) is a lot less interesting than it was 10 years ago. And non-DX'ers wonder why we listen to est tones, sign-offs, interval signals and non-EE talk.

Don't forget the 20 March Anniversary issue. I promised Jef I wouldn't dump that one on him too. 73.

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Well, Mark and I returned safely from our ski trip to Alberta (no broken legs, hi) and I must say that we were extremely impressed with the breath-taking scenery of the Canadian Rockies. I sure wouldn't mind living up in Canada if it weren't for one thing. It was so COLD. Once, the bottom of my ski mask froze solid from the condensation of my breath. How do people live in such cold? By comparison, the temperature was in the 70's°F in Los Angeles. Despite the cold, we had a great time and we even unexpectedly got into BC. Banff is fairly close to the BC line and on one of the highest lifts a sign suddenly said, "Entering beautiful British Columbia," and then about 50 meters further along another sign said, "Welcome back to sunny Alberta." Apparently the lift cut across a tiny portion of BC. So now I can say that not only did I visit Alberta for the first time in my life, but I also went skiing in BC, hi.

DX'ing was almost impossible, except for a few brief "openings." Openings that is, through a horrendous buzz across the entire BCE dial. This ear-splitting buzz would sometimes mysteriously go away only to reappear later on. It was the worst local interference I had ever heard; in fact, it drowned out the Calgary stations. (See WDXR for more information.)

One thing Mark and I immediately noticed in Canada (besides the accent), was how low in the sky the sun was. At its zenith (midday), I doubt if it was even 30 degrees above the horizon. Down here, at high noon, the sun is really "high in the sky;" in Canada it looked like as though it were rising all day, perpetually casting long "early morning" shadows and then it set. I never got a chance to decently DX midday (just one quick local scan), but I'm sure the conditions during "high noon" would have been comparable to what I would call SRS/SSS conditions here in SoCal. For example, from Los Angeles, hearing Bak-ersfield midday at 100mi/160km is extremely difficult (if not impossible for some stations). But compare that to some of the recent "midday" catches of DX'ers up north, whom often hear stations nearly halfway across the country. I'm sure the high latitude plays a very important factor. Of course, every DX'er has to judge for themself what their local conditions are like, but just based on a very noticeable factor that I personally observed, I believe that "midday DX" shouldn't be based solely by what time the clock says it is, but rather should be determined by how much sunshine (or lack thereof) is actually blanketing the signals. Comments? Next week, an important announcement. (I love cliff-hangers, hi). 73 de SMM.

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Apologies for no column last week. I manned a two-and-a-half person office alone nearly all week due to illnesses and that was compounded by a concentrated effort of finding housing (must vacate Guerneville end of February) and was literally going home only to sleep. Office back to normal (chaotic, hi) and will be moved back into Santa Rosa by the time this hits print. Please note new phone number. Actual address is 60 Redwood Ct., 95404. In Rincon Valley, northeast side of Santa Rosa, exactly one-and-a-half miles north of KPLS (the three towers are wonderfully framed in my bedroom window, hi), but in one of their nighttime nulls.

No time for DX so will comment on forums working backwards. Steve, now you know why I hardly DX'ed for a year after moving back to California from Alaska. Midday in my opinion, is the exact time between local sunrise and sunset, whether you have 12 or two hours of sun.

Bruce, are you saving Jaisun's "creative" (?) mind for the April Fool's issue? Your trips to Amarillo instantly get me humming, "Going home with an armadillo," hi. By the way, who does that? Jerry Jeff? (Jef, with a penguin, hi--JJ)

Neil, please don't compare LA DX from the west coast with east coast. The latter is far closer and it's nearly all water path, so it's a piece of cake in the east, as I noticed when I lived there, compared to California.

Paul, good to see you back in WDXF. I missed your forums. You're sure right about call and format changes, but as long as the "almighty" Arbitron floats around along with the mad scramble for top ratings (for top rate), this will continue. I personally think Arbitron is a pile of compost, but it's followed like a religion. He who lives by the "book," dies by the "book." (Ric, the trouble with this kind of compost is that we all have to eat it, or buy records--JJ)

Robert, you may be surrounded by mountains, but you're also quite a bit above sea level, which helps. Are you in a canyon or valley or on a plain? I'm in a deep canyon at Guerneville, deep enough to really squealch daytime groundwave reception and you can really hear the difference on a car radio driving the short distance from Santa Rosa to Guerneville.

Finally regarding taped verifications. The NRC first approved this then IRCA adopted it. Not as a more valid proof of reception than written but rather that more and more stations were simply not replying to mailed reports. There was a time when the majority of stations, a very high majority would send written reception reports. In the last ten years that number has dropped off sharply and so the clubs decided to accept a taped ID as proof of reception. Yes indeed, through airchecks from another locale one can add to their totals through fraudulent means, but if someone is bent on obtaining verifications through fraudulent means, nothing will really stop them. Personally, I haven't written for a verification in a long time and if I really want a verification, yes, it goes on tape and on rare occasions, I will write. I think I have received five veries in the last three years through the mail. I get more enjoyment now at just listening and sometimes taping.

That's it for this week. I sincerely hope things will return to normal with WDXF for the remainder of the year and this column will get out and printed on schedule. I agree with Portzer; this has been a horrendous season. But nothing can beat the '64-'65 season for me save the four years I spent in Alaska and really cleaned up, hi. Keep 'em comin'. 73 de Rth.

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Nancy and I spent Washington's Birthday weekend on the Oregon coast. We stopped by KBCH 1400 while in Lincoln City. We asked when they moved from 1380 to 1400. It happened last June. Boy, we DX'ers are an observant lot, hi. None of us noticed the change until November. Nancy heard a jingle in January on 1400 sounding like "KVCA." She couldn't figure out who it was or why all the Lincoln City ads. Actually, even on a car radio in Lincoln City, the jingles still sound like "KVCA." Hours are 0900-0300 ELT Monday to Saturday, 1000-0000 Sunday. (That's what I call a big operation, hi-Rth.)

As of last Sunday, 14 February, KITN 920 is still ID'ing as "KITN Olympia" on the hour, but uses the slogan "The New 92" the rest of the time. New format under new owners is pop music. Call change to KQEU is pending. Practically every readerboard in the Olympia area says "Welcome KQ-92 AM" or some variation of that. Maybe they're giving free ads to businesses doing that, hi. Actually not a bad gimmick for a "new" station. (Using new calls. See WDXR--JJ)

A bit of trivia: KITN now ID's only as "Olympia." Some year ago they got permission to ID as "Olympia-Lacey." When they went fulltime in 1977, their night pattern had a null over part of Lacey so nighttime ID's were just "Olympia." Evidently the new owners decided to simplify the ID, so correct your NRC log. They still have both Mutual and Ae nets. But I expect they'll trim down their former news/sports emphasis. I don't know their schedule, but they had already been NSP. If I'm ever up after midnight, I'll see if they still have Larry King. (At my parent's place in Panorama City, KITN is indeed weak at night-Rth.)

To be honest, Nancy and I don't stay up much past 2230 PLT. I have to get up early for work five days a week, we usually go camping the other two days and there is so little good DX available that we usually don't even try. Most DX'ing in this house lately is done by Nancy at sunset skip. 73 and good DX.

JOHN CLEMMER, somewhere in IOWA

Greetings from Davenport. Thought I'd drop Ric a line because I'm west of the Mississippi by a whole three or four miles. (Actually, anyone living on the border can contribute either direction so long as it's consistent. So feel free to contribute to WDXF-Rth.)

Two DX catches of note: KVET 1300 Texas, in at 12.02PM on 18 January; big surprise and much wanted. At SSS on 21 January, KBMR 1130 North Dakota, rare here, but isn't it everywhere?

Radio tidbits: WWWE 1100 wants WUSA as new call; 3WE went CWM in December. An interesting call applied for. Locally in the Quad Cities, WHBF still number one in fall ratings; FMs up though, especially WXLP and WZZC. In Peoria, Illinois, WSWT (FM) number one. WMBD top on AM.

The KNUS call sure was grabbed fast by the 710 in Denver after Dallas FM gave it up. Will be interesting to see if anyone picks up the KSWT recently given up by a Topeka FMer. K-Sweet to me is a perfect BFL call. Time will tell if other broadcasters think so too, hi. (K-Sweet? Yuk, hi-Rth.)

Will report to WDXF again if I'm ever on vacation west of the Mississippi. Good DX and 73.

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