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We all hope that you've recovered from the Holiday season, and all the activities and festivities that go with it (including DXing?). May 1985 be even better than 1985 for each and every one of you. Now.... on to some exciting news from the world of DXing:

First of all, many of you in the west and midwest have been receiving WBT-1110 with a better than normal signal lately. According to Bill Harms and an item in the Review of International Broadcasting, they have been operating under special temporary authority with nondirectional nighttime facilities, while their nighttime directional array is undergoing renovation. Also, despite a recent report that KUUY-1530 has moved to 870, Mike Hardester says they are still on their old frequency, and holding a contest for listeners to guess when they will move. And finally, the WQPM-1300 test scheduled for November 5 never took place. The station's chief engineer is also a volunteer fireman, and was called to a fire about an hour before the test was to begin. Some people heard test tones at the time the test was supposed to take place, but it definitely wasn't them. The test has been rescheduled for Monday, January 21, 1985 from 0100-0130 EST, and will include test tones, polka music, and frequent IDs. If you hear them, send your report to Todd Rust, Chief Engineer, WQPM, Princeton, MN 55371. Their phone number is 612-389-1300.

CONVENTIONS AND GETTOGETHERS

In case you've been wondering, the 1985 IRCA convention will take place in Portland, Oregon, July 26 to 28 at the Cosmopolitan Hotel near the Lloyd Center shopping complex. Room rates will be \$32 single, \$38 double, and \$40 twin, plus 6% tax. Activities will include tours of local radio stations and/or other communications facilities, banquet, auction, DXpedition, and more. Start making your plans to attend. We'll have more information later, but in the meantime, if you have any questions contact Bill Block at 503-256-2354 from 1600 to 2200 PLT.

ANARC Convention. If you need something to do the weekend before the IRCA convention, then consider the ANARC convention, July 19-22 in Milwaukee, WI. More than 200 DXers from all parts of the radio spectrum (AM, SW, TV/FM, etc) are expected to attend this gala festivity, which will feature sessions on many aspects of broadcasting and radio listening. For more information, write ANARCON '85, P.O. Box 24, Cambridge, WI 53523.

Honolulu Get-together. Dale Park sends word of another get-together for radio types, to be held Saturday, January 12 in Honolulu. All types of DXers are invited. For information on the time and location, phone Dale at 808-523-1284 after 8:30 pm HST.

Also see last week's DXM for details of gatherings in Denver and Seattle. That does it for the front page, now turn to pages 2 through 23 for more fascinating information from the world of broadcast band DXing. 73, bp.

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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call	kHz	day/night	at city
WDRV	550	500/	NC Statesville granted WEAM
KHQ	590	5000/5000	WA Spokane granted KLSN
WRUS	610	5000/	KY Russellville granted 5000/500
WMSO	640	10000/1000	TN Collierville wants Germantown TN
appl	650	5000/	FL Tice application dismissed
WKKK	650	10000/1000	MN Nashauk Starr, NRC says this is 10000/500; also appl for 1080 kHz & 10000/5000 dismissed
new	650	50000/1000	NY Champlain granted WGGD
appl	650	10000/	WI Superior application returned
new	660	50000/1000	MS Ridgeland granted construction permit
new	670	50000/1000	FL Miami granted construction permit (Starr NRC) (This is at odds with my records, which show the application as being for 50000/250)
appl	670	500/	TN Farragut application returned
new	690	5000/	MI Westland granted construction permit and WNZZ
appl	710	5000/	MD Walkersville application returned
KUET	710	5000/	AZ Black Canyon City CP for 5000/1000 deleted, remains 5000/ (Starr NRC)
WNRB	710	10000/	VA Blacksburg (Christiansburg?) granted WFNR
appl	750	10000/1000	NY Canton (Starr NRC)
WJHW	770	10000/500	AL Athens Connataer, NRC, says this is 10000/250
new	770	1000/	KY Nicholasville granted construction permit (Starr)
new	770	500/	VA Cedar Bluff granted construction permit (Starr)
KXA	770	50000/10000	WA Seattle since the co-owned FM KKMI 96.5 is now being sold separately from this station, the call change from KXA to KKMI seems unlikely and may have been cancelled. Leave it as KXA for now.
WATI	810	250/	IN Indianapolis wants WGRT
appl	820	2500/	CO Falcon application returned
WOSU	820	5000/	OH Columbus currently limited-time daytimer, granted 5000/1000 fulltime
appl	820	1000/	TN Jasper
new	830	1000/1000	FL Hialeah granted WTIW ("way that it was"?)
new	830	1000/	OH Cortland granted construction permit (Starr NRC)
new	840	2500/	NE Westpoint granted construction permit & KWPN
appl	840	250/	TX Jacksonville application dismissed
KLEU	850	500/	IA Waterloo granted KQQI
WLRC	850	250/	MS Walnut application for 1000/ returned
WIKV	870	???	TN Colonial Heights granted WPRQ
appl	880	1000/	TN Frayser
KIKR	880	500/500?	TX Conroe wants 500/1000
KQLX	890	500/	ND Lisbon is here, not on 720 kHz; station changed its application to 890 kHz and received grant, FCC failed to announce either (Starr NRC)
appl	890	250/250	PR Cieba (Starr NRC)
KDXU	890	10000/10000	UT Saint George word is this will finally move here from 1450 on 1/1/85 (RP)
KHSP	910	1000/500	CA Hesperia wants KVVQ
WKCN	910	500/	SC North Charleston granted Dorchester Terrace SC & 500/500 (Starr NRC)
WKSD	920	5000/	SC Orangeburg granted WHHT
WKGM	940	10000/	VA Smithfield granted 10000/5000
KFSA	950	1000/500	AR Fort Smith application for 5000/500 returned
WRFC	960	5000/500	GA Athens wants 5000/2500
KAYT	970	2500/	ID Rupert granted KBBK
WHOO	990	50000/5000	FL Orlando granted unspecified change in operating hours (I show them as unlimited-timer now)
KHAM	1000	250/	AR Horaeashoe Bend granted 1000/
WVSI	1000	1000/	FL Jupiter granted WFXI
KXRB	1000	10000/	SD Sioux Falls wants 10000/2500 (Starr NRC)
WHIN	1010	250/	MN Maplewood granted 1030 & 50000/500 (Starr NRC)
new	1020	50000/1000	ND Watford City granted KKWC
new	1030	10000/1000	AL Leeds granted construction permit
WBTZ	1080	2500/	TN Oliver Springs construction permit cancelled (RP)
KTEK	1110	500/	TX Alvin wants 2500/
WQXM	1120	5000/	GA Gordon wants 10000/

WGUF 1130	500/	MS Gulfport granted WAIZ
KVLI 1140	1000/	CA Lake Isabella wants "increase to 1000/;" records here show they're already authorized
KPRZ 1150	5000/5000	CA Los Angeles granted KISS (<u>Broadcasting</u> and Starr agree on this); granted KIIS (RP reports this)
KNED 1150	1000/500	OK McAlester wants 1000/1000
new 1160	1000/1000	MI Fenton wants WFEN
WCOV 1170	10000/1000	AL Montgomery granted WACV
WAMB 1170	50000/	TN Donelson granted 1160 kHz & 50000/ (this one caught everyone by surprise as station changed freq with no appearance of a grant; there is evidence of an application, however)
WJZN 1180	500/	IN Newburgh wants 1000/
KEZY 1190	10000/1000	CA Anaheim granted 10000/2500
new 1200	10000/1000	NY Canton granted WYHV
KNEF 1210	10000/1000	CA San Marcos may be 1000/1000 (Starr NRC)
WKTZ 1220	1000/	FL Jacksonville granted WRXJ ("rocks Jacksonville"?)
KIBS 1230	1000/1000	CA Bishop wants KBOV
appl 1230	1000/1000	NE Chadron
WMLX 1230	1000/1000	OH Cincinnati granted WDJO
new 1240	1000/1000	AL Gadsden granted construction permit (Starr NRC)
KSML 1240	1000/1000	AZ Globe wants KYOR
WUSW 1240	1000/1000	FL Cross City granted WDFL
WJTN 1240	500/250	NY Jamestown granted 500/500
KTHE 1240	1000/1000	WY Thermopolis now specified hours, granted fulltime
KFRN 1280	1000/1000	CA Long Beach application for 5000/1000 returned
WPBM 1300	1000/	SC Aiken granted WKLL
KBCU 1310	5000/	TX San Antonio wants KRNN
WNSY 1310	5000/5000	VA Newport News granted WGH (a classic 3-letter call returns!)
new 1330	1000/1000	NY Springville granted WSSP
WLVL 1340	1000/250	NY Lockport wants 1000/1000 (currently daytime directional, as proposed night operation will probably be)
WOYL 1340	1000/250	PA Oil City granted 1000/1000 (another former directional daytimer; apparently remains specified hours)
KWKC 1340	1000/1000	TX Abilene granted KORQ
KSET 1340	1000/1000	TX El Paso granted KALY
WSTA 1340	1000/250	VI Charlotte Analie granted 1000/1000 (another special case, don't know what kind)
WMAC 1360	500/	GA Metter granted 1000/
KOYY 1360	500/	KS El Dorado granted KSPG
KAUL 1380	5000/2500	AR North Little Rock granted 5000/5000
KVLA 1390	2500/	LA Ridgecrest granted Vidalia LA, 1400 kHz, 1000/1000
WWJZ 1400	1000/1000	FL Sanford granted WUEZ
WMBC 1400	1000/1000	MS Columbus granted WJWF
KPMA 1400	1000/1000	WA Tacoma wants Silverdale WA
appl 1410	1000/	NC Deep Gap application dismissed
WJED 1410	500/	TN Somerville granted WTNN (Starr NRC)
KRIZ 1420	500/	WA Renton wants 1000/
KCLK 1430	500/	WA Clarkston wants Asotin WA & 5000/1000
new 1440	1000/	AR Bellefonte granted construction permit
WBUY 1440	5000/1000	NC Lexington granted WLXN
WKHJ 1440	1000/	SC Holly Hill CP for 1000/1000 cancelled
WVBK 1440	1000/	VA Herndon granted WRHX ("Reston Herndon X?"; currently off the air)
WTHU 1450	500/100	MD Thurmont granted 500/400 (this is possible altho I suspect it's really 500/500)
WJQI 1450	1000/1000	NC New Bern granted WNOS
WKIP 1450	1000/250	NY Poughkeepsie granted 1000/1000 (another daytime directional)
KCTI 1450	250/250	TX Gonzales granted 1000/1000
new 1460	1000/	OR Stayton granted KCKX
KGAA 1460	5000/2500	WA Kirkland granted KARR
WBUL 1470	1000/	KY Fort Knox appl for Shepherdsville KY & 5000/ returned
KGHN 1470	500/	MO Brookfield wants KGNG
KJOE 1480	1000/	LA Shreveport granted KLMB
KEHG 1480	5000/2500	MN Fosston granted KKCD

WCNS 1480	500/	PA Latrobe wants 1000/500 (they're requesting a change of their existing CP for 1000/1000 to read 1000/500; the 1000/1000 never got on the air)
WISM 1480	5000/5000	WI Madison granted WTDY
KLYC 1490	1000/1000	MT Laurel granted KNFL
WHRF 1490	1000/1000	PA Lewistown granted WIEZ
WQMS 1500	1000/	AL Alabaster granted WGTT
new 1500	10000/1000	CA Burbank granted construction permit (apparently finally a permanent replacement for KROQ 1500, which lost its license years ago)
WNIZ 1500	250/	IL Zion granted WRJR
WDEB 1500	1000/	TN Jamestown wants Alladart TN and 820 kHz
KTOL 1500	1000/	WA Lacey wants 1000/500
KDJQ 1510	10000/	AZ Mesa granted KNTS ("news talk station"?)
WDGL 1520	1000/	GA Douglasville granted WSPZ
WARR 1520	1000/	NC Warrenton granted 5000/
WASC 1530	1000/	SC Spartanburg wants Fairforest SC & 650 kHz & 5000/ (Starr NRC)
KZLA 1540	50000/10000	CA Los Angeles granted KSKQ
WRSG 1540	1000/	GA Sylvester wants WXZE
KJZZ 1540	5000/5000	WA Bellevue granted KLSY
WOKG 1570	500/	OH Warren appl for 830 kHz & 5000/ dismissed (RP)
KNIX 1580	50000/10000	AZ Tempe application for 50000/25000 returned
WJTX 1580	250/	IL Urbana application for 870 kHz returned but new appl filed for Tolono IL & 870 kHz & 1000/
WZKY 1580	250/	NC Albemarle granted 1000/
WPUV 1580	5000/	VA Pulaski granted WPSK
WATM 1590	5000/1000	AL Atmore granted WSKR
new 1590	5000/	AZ Saint Johns granted KSSU
WCSL 1590	500/	NC Cherryville application for 1000/ returned
WDNY 1600	500/	NY Dansville appl for 1000/ dismissed; still has a pending appl for 1400 kHz and 1000/250 which we'll assume, if granted, will become 1000/1000
new ????	???	PA Tunkhannock granted WEMR

Except as noted from the 19, 26 Nov & 3, 10, 17 Dec issues of Broadcasting

The number of contenders in the AM stereo standards race has dwindled from three to two. The only suspense now is whether Harris Corporation will throw its support (and its stations) over to the numerical leader (Motorola) or to the audience-size leader (Kahn/Hazeltine). Things are expected to heat up further when Sony introduces its all-system AM stereo, FM stereo, cassette car unit at the Winter Consumer Electronics Show. Up until then, Motorola appears to lead the car stereo derby with all of the big three automakers equipping some cars with Motorola-only AM stereo radios. (BC)

Meanwhile, a compromise is nearing official action in the matter of presunrise/postsunset power for daytime AM stations. The agreement between the Daytime Broadcasters Association (which favors longer hours and more power) and the Association for Broadcast Engineering Standards (which favors clean listening with less interference) was being circulated among the FCC commissioners for review in early December. If approved, which seems likely, AM daytimers now stuck with very low powers in the presunrise and postsunset periods will have their powers recalculated (upward) according to the new compromise standard. (BC) It's unlikely the numbers will have been worked out in time to help any stations this winter, though. They'll probably receive their authorizations just about the time of year when sunset starts being after 1800 local time.

Good news for graveyarders: It's official. Mexico has signed the diplomatic note which allows all but ten class IV (local channel) AM stations in the US to increase from 1000/250 watts to 1000/1000 watts. Mass authority was given 12/15, so virtually all graveyarders in the US should now be 1000 watts at night. The ten stations not covered by the mass authorization (KSON 1240 CA, KSOX 1240 TX, KOLE 1340 TX, KAAP 1400 CA, KTUC 1400 AZ, KFLT 1450 AZ, KAIR 1490 AZ, KDAP 1450 AZ, KIBL 1490 TX and KVOZ 1490 TX) will get their increases in two steps: 1000/500 watts authorized immediately; 1000/1000 watts authorized 7/15/85. Reason: Mexico needs time to get its corresponding border stations on class IV channels up to nighttime powers that match their US counterparts so the US signals won't temporarily swamp the Mexicans if one gets the increase without the other. Others not covered by mass authorization (must apply for it): daytime directional graveyarders, graveyarders with less than 1000 watts daytime at present, graveyarders with odd, low powers. (BC)

RADIO PROGRAMMING NOTES:

call kHz at city
WLEL 570 NC Raleigh new station is black-gospel (Braun NRC)
KFXD 580 ID Nampa now SNN StarStation adult contemporary (Nolan NRC)
WKTY 580 WI LaCrosse now country, was easy listening & adult contemp (RP)
WEEL 590 MA Boston adds Dow Jones/Wall Street Journal network (BC)
KLZZ 600 CA San Diego now adult contemp "class AM," was news-talk as KOGO
KSHR 630 OR Coquille now country, was adult contemp (RP)
XETRA 690 BCN Tijuana now soft rock oldies, was contemp hits (Nolan NRC)
KMPC 710 CA Los Angeles now official Music of Your Life, was in-house
produced adult standards format before, no major change (BC)
WURL 760 AL Moody new station now on air, format unknown (RP)
KROW 780 NV Reno now country, was SMN adult contemp (RP)
KKIX 800 IA Iowa City now adult standards, was country (RP)
WYDE 850 AL Birmingham now religious, was rock oldies (RP)
WVFR 850 CT Ridgefield new station now testing, may be on in March, format
not known yet (Fitzherbert & Geary NRC)
WQKA 850 NY Penn Yan now adult contemp, was contemp hits as WOZO (RP)
WEEG 880 GA Jefferson new station is country & religious (RP)
KQLX 890 ND Lisbon new station (signon 11/19) is country (Mozer NRC)
WALT 910 MS Meridian now black "T-91," was SMN adult contemp (RP)
KKAM 920 CA Palm Springs now adult standards, was adult contemp as KDES
WNNH 930 NH Rochester now country, was adult standards (RP)
KADO 940 TX Texarkana now black, was country (Nolan NRC)
WJCH 960 FL Sebring now country, was adult standards (RP)
WLTS 990 LA New Orleans now adult contemp "light," was rock oldies WYAT
WJEP 1020 GA Ochlochnee (oh-CLOCK-nee) new station is religious
(Connatser NRC)
KHWH 1030 CA Folsom new station is country (RP)
WXSS 1030 TN Memphis new station is black-oriented adult contemp (RP)
WJTB 1040 OH North Ridgeville new station is black album rock (RP)
WADC 1050 WV Parkersburg now adult standards, was country (RP)
WAMT 1060 FL Titusville now country, was adult standards (RP)
CKST 1070 AB Saint Albert now adult contemporary, was rock oldies; has also
declared bankruptcy and may go off (RP)
KWAH 1080 HI Honolulu now contemp hits, was silent, last KZHI (RP)
KLSZ 1090 CO Aurora now adult contemp, was adult standards as KKBK (Kramer)
KIIO 1100 CO Grand Junction now adult contemp, was news-talk as KREX (RP)
WQJW 1140 NY Warsaw now country, was easy listening and adult contemp (RP)
KDEF 1150 NM Albuquerque now adult standards, was silent (RP)
WAVS 1170 FL Davie now black/religious, was silent (RP)
WFKB 1180 KY Florence new station is adult contemporary (RP)
KNBA 1190 CA Vallejo now country, was adult contemporary (RP)
CFGN 1230 NF Port Aux Basques now //CFCB 570, was //CFLW 1340 (RP)
KIPR 1260 TX Huntington now black, was country (Nolan NRC)
WORL 1270 FL Eatonton now adult contemp, was black (RP)
WWTC 1280 MN Minneapolis now black, was rock oldies (RP)
KLUP 1280 OK Poteau now religious, was country as KTEW (RP)
WATO 1290 TN Oak Ridge now adult contemp, was adult standards (RP)
WHLF 1310 IN Indianapolis adds Mutual net (Kemp NRC)
WXMC 1310 NJ Parsippany now adult contemp & contemp hits "Lucky 13," was
silent (RP)
WEEL 1310 VA Fairfax now easy listening, was all news with CNN net (Monti)
KOMY 1340 CA Watsonville now Spanish, was adult standards (Nolan NRC)
KLKI 1340 WA Anacortes now country "Lucky 13," was adult contemp as KAGT
KAPA 1340 WA Raymond now country, was variety formats (RP)
CRWK 1340 NF Corner Brook new station is country (RP)
CFLW 1340 NF Wabush now adult contemp days, album rock nights //CFCB 570;
was adult contemp days, contemp hits nights (RP)
KLYR 1360 AR Clarksville now country, was adult contemp (RP)
WYXY 1360 FL Cypress Gardens now adult contemp, was country (RP)
KCEY 1390 CA Turlock now contemporary hits, was country (RP)
WDOE 1410 NY Dunkirk now adult contemp, was adult standards (RP)
KCRX 1430 NM Roswell now country, was Spanish (RP)
WMFJ 1450 FL Daytona Beach now religious, was contemp hits (RP)
WKEI 1450 IL Kewanee now easy listening & adult contemp, was easy listening
mornings, country rest of day (RP)
WBAR 1460 FL Bartow now adult contemp/oldies, was country (RP)
KNDR 1470 TN Alcoa now contemp hits, was country as WEAG (RP)
KTEL 1500 AR Jacksonville now silent, was easy listening (RP)
WIXR 1500 SC Mount Pleasant now rock oldies, was SMN adult contemp (RP)
WKDC 1530 IL Elmhurst now easy listening & adult standards, was silent (RP)

KZRK 1540 AR Ozark now silent, was SMN adult standards (RP)
 KSKQ 1540 CA Los Angeles now Spanish "Super KQ," was country as KZLA (RP)
 WYNC 1540 NC Vanceville now contemp hits, was country (RP)
 WPWS 1560 LA Crowley now black-gospel, was religious as KAJN (Nolan NRC)
 WBGZ 1570 IL Alton now country, was adult contemp & easy listening WOKZ
 WLDW 1570 MA Westfield now easy listening, was all news (RP)
 WKBH 1570 WI Holman new station is adult standards (RP)
 WORG 1580 SC Orangeburg now adult contemp, was religious as WPJS (RP)
 WASB 1590 NY Brockport now silent, was adult contemp (RP)
 WQBR 1600 FL Atlantic Beach now adult contemporary, was a combo of easy
 listening and adult contemp as WJNJ (RP)
 KCRG 1600 IA Cedar Rapids now adult standards, was adult contemp (RP)

Networks: ABC's six full-service radio networks are expanding program offerings: Added to the Rock net are 1-min "Newsbrief"s at :45 past afternoon drivetime hours, "Backstage with the ABC Rock Network," 1-min entertainment show fed weekdays at 1645 ET and an additional newscast at 1145 ET. The Information net adds headlines at :27 past most hours. The Contemporary net adds "News in Brief" at :52 past the hour; FM adds "The FM News Minute" at :48 past. Entertainment and Direction add 2-min sportscasts on weekend mornings. Entertainment has moved its hourly newscasts to the top of the hour (were at the bottom). ABC Talkradio will not move origination of its overnight talk shows from Los Angeles to New York for a few more months yet, presumably to find replacement talent for Ira Fistell and Ray Briem, neither of whom will leave the current originating station, KABC 790, if Talkradio pulls out. (BC) The Associated Press net adds "To Life," 5 minutes a day for middle aged and older women, fed at 0818 ET beginning 1/7. Also "Real Estate for Real People," 90 seconds for the small investor fed at 1032 ET and "The Business Report," 2 minutes of trend analysis fed at 1815 ET, both beginning 12/31. (BC) CBS has announced that its new, 5-year deal with Major League Baseball contains a game-of-the-week package as well as the All-Star Game, league championships and the World Series for the 1985-89 seasons. The new, weekly games will air on Saturdays beginning in May. (BC) There's a new radio network as of 12/1, the Concert Music Satellite System (CMSS), operated by a consortium of major market commercial classical music stations. It feeds, among other things, the Metropolitan Opera Saturday broadcasts, specials, artsy talk programs and virtually every syndicated classical or arts program now produced by these major stations. All transmissions are in stereo and many will be used by AM public radio stations soon. (BC & Monti) The Dow Jones network added "The Wall Street Journal Focus" on one major business story per day, 60 sec fed at 0520 ET, began 12/3. (BC) Mutual's "America in the Morning" show, now heard 0505-0530 ET, will expand to 0505-0600 ET on 1/7. (BC) NBC (Source?) is now feeding Dr. Ruth Weathermer's "Sexually Speaking" call-in show nationally, complete with toll-free lines. It seems to be mostly on major market FM stations so far, but I suspect a few AM's carry it. If you're not used to explicit, clinical language better hold on to your chair first time you listen; 2200-2400 ET Sundays. The show's been on WYNY 97.1 New York for a couple years now. (Monti) New from Weatwood One net is "Encore" with William B. Williams (of WNEW 1130 New York), 2-hr weekly nostalgia show, starting 1/1. (BC)

Syndication: "Dance Music International," weekly 1-hour music-and-features on danceable music worldwide starting 3/1. (BC)

The Electronic Media Rating Council, a trade group that lobbies private ratings services on behalf of broadcasters, has recommended that Arbitron not impose a "cooling off period" in so-called hot call letter cases. A perfect example of this case is in progress in Denver where KPPL 107.5 changed calls to KRXY-FM recently. KJJZ 1390 immediately picked up the KPPL calls and is in fact using the same on-air slogan, "K-people," that the 107.5 station used to use. Before call letters were deregulated, the FCC would not allow another station in the same market to pick up recently-used calls for six months. Now, stations can pick up the "hot calls" immediately. Suppose a listener, or a lot of listeners, who are being surveyed by Arbitron say that they listened a whole lot to "KPPL" during the fall ratings period. Are those people actually listening to KRXY-FM and just basing what they say on the old calls they've remembered for years from 107.5? Or are they hip enough to pick up on the new calls of the 1390 station? Needless to say, major ratings inaccuracies - especially an artificial inflation of the 1390 station's audience - can result from this. The National Association of Broadcasters and the National Radio Broadcasters Association both seem to have endorsed a

"cooling off period" concept. If enacted by Arbitron, that service would simply refuse to report even the existence of stations that just picked up hot calls for a period of 3 or 6 months. This would act as a punishment to those stations since ad agencies who use the ratings books to buy air time wouldn't see that station listed at all in that market and would be less likely to place commercials on it. Another possibility is that a footnote would appear on every single page of the ratings report, reminding readers that a hot-call conflict exists in this market and that ratings may not be accurate.

(BC=Broadcasting, RP=RadioPhiles bulletin, NRC=Natl Radio Club DX News)

RECENTLY ANNOUNCED PENDING STATION SALES:

KLLS 930 TX, WXGI 950 VA, WJMX 970 SC, WVOV 970 VA, WRAR 1000 VA, WKNG 1060 GA, KPLS 1150 CA, WHUE 1150 MA, WRUN 1150 NY, WLDS 1180 IL, WAVI 1210 OH, KDEC 1240 IA, KBUC 1310 TX, KKCC 1320 OK, WJAS 1320 PA, WALL 1340 NY, WCOP 1350 GA, WIXZ 1360 PA, WMTA 1380 KY, KCKO 1380 WA, KFRA 1390 LA, WCCS 1390 NC, KHOS 1420 TX, KLBB 1440 MN, KMED 1440 OR, KLBW 1450 OR, WWCN 1460 NY, WESL 1490 IL, KLYC 1490 MT, WGUL 1500 FL, KYCS 1500 TX, WRAN 1510 NJ, WAHT 1510 PA, WRSR 1540 GA, WWWW 1550 GA, WCGR 1550 NY, WVAB 1550 VA, WKIQ 1560 FL, KPCA 1580 KS, WCRV 1580 NJ.

The sale of KKBQ 790/92.5 Houston/Pasadena TX has been approved and, at closing, will represent the highest price ever paid for an AM-FM station: \$35 million cash. The proud new owner is Gannett, publisher of USA Today newspaper (and 59 other newspapers) and owner of 7 other AM's, 7 other FM's and 6 TV stations. (BC)

THE FIRST FIFTY COUNTRIES FROM HAWAII

by Richard E. Wood

Having received precisely fifty countries since my move to Hawaii's Big Island three months ago, to a home in Hawaiian Paradise Park there two months ago, and having built my first beverage a month ago, this is a good time to offer a list of the fifty countries heard, with outstanding stations from most of the countries.

This information might be relevant to DXers in other parts of Hawaii. For example, Peter V. Taylor's recent report from Kauai, while very brief, showed similar reception trends (including non-reception of American Samoa and Midway Island, as also here). On the other hand, he heard Argentina, as I have not yet; but since building it, I have been exclusively using my NNW-55E beverage which is unfavorable to South America. I have heard just two Brazilians on it, compared with the six heard on a 100 ft. random wire, and of those, only the one on 1280, a frequency with nothing loud in Alaska or the Pacific Northwest, the region favored by the beverage, is often heard in the clear.

DXers on the Honolulu side of Oahu have strikingly poor reception from the U.S. mainland and Canada. They are also subject to some of the most horrendous splash, mixing and harmonic situations anywhere on U.S. soil, and in Waikiki, to giant levels of TVI from vast numbers of aging and abused television sets in hotels and condominiums. Nevertheless, on those frequencies that remain clear, a DXer has reported American Samoa (which I am confident I will get in time) and many Down Under stations.

The info should also, in many cases, be of value to listeners in Alaska and the West Coasts of Canada and the U.S. For example, as the listing below for Ecuador shows, I also heard Bruce Portzer's catch in Seattle of an unusual Ecuadorian. And those Europeans and the single African I have heard are among those most likely to be heard on the West Coast too. But my first-heard and generally most frequent European, the Deutsche Welle relay on the island of Malta, midway between Europe and North Africa, on 1557, is, for some reason, seldom reported by U.S. mainland DXers. In fact, it was a double surprise--hearing my first European on 1557 was a surprise, and finding that it was DW Cyclops rather than Nice, France, the European much more commonly reported there by U.S. DXers, was the second surprise.

Speaking of Europe, it is well known that the only part of Europe in which

5. Japan. A huge selection, and rather boring stations. JQWF-1440 Sapporo takes over the even channel strikingly early, thanks to its northeasterly site. Also loud are JQQR-1134 Tokyo and JOHR-1287 Sapporo.
6. Korea, North. Many frequencies, though fewer than I hear from the more decentralized South Korea. Loudest are Kangnam 667, Chongjin 783, Kaesong 810 and the pseudo-clandestine Voice of Reunification, Haeju 1053.
7. Korea, South. HLAZ, Asia Broadcasting, Jeju, 1565, with Russian evangelical programs at Hawaiian dawn, is the best of many.
8. Kuwait. R. Kuwait-1341 with the Urdu service at 1600-1800.
9. Oman. BBC relay, Masirah Island-1413 in Urdu and Hindi.
10. Philippines. VOA Poro Point-1143 in Vietnamese and with English lessons.
11. Saudi Arabia. BSKSA Ras-al-Zawr-1440 often at booming strength and overriding Sapporo there. Beacon for Middle Eastern conditions.
12. Taiwan. BCC Taipei 1460.
13. Thailand. VOA/Voice of Free Asia Ayuttaya (Bangkok) 1575; also several commercial stations heard.
14. United Arab Emirates. UAE Radio Dubai on the excellent non-plan frequency of 1481 at local dawn. Hope it stays there.
15. USSR, Asian. The powerhouse, heard for more than 12 hours a day in winter and carrying the Chinese service of Radio Moscow, is Vladivostok-1476. The closest to me, with earliest fade-in, is Magadan-1008 in Russian.
16. Yemen, PDR. (South). Al-Hiswah (Aden)-1188 at Hawaiian dawn.

Pacific (11 countries)

1. Australia. A huge variety, none more obvious than others. I'll choose 3LO Melbourne-774.
2. Eastern Caroline Islands. WSZD Ponape-1449.
3. Fiji. Best of the bunch is Rakiraki-1323 in Fijian and English.
4. Hawaii. All stations are heard at Hawaiian Paradise Park all day, but KZ00-1210 is very weak.
5. Marshall Islands. WSZD Majuro-1098. The stress is on the first syllable.
6. New Zealand. As for Australia, numberless stations but none dominant. Easy to recognize is R. Pacific, IXP-1593 with its religious phone talk shows.
7. Polynesia, French. RFO Tahiti, Mahina (Papeete), 738, is the first Polynesian to fade in at local dusk; its sign-off is 0730 (Sat. 0900).
8. Samoa, Western. Another early fade-in is Afiamalu-1404. If this executes its planned move to 747 it will make it easier for me to try for Guinea and France on 1404.
9. Solomon Islands. Lata-1386 in Pidgin English.
10. Tonga. A32 Nukualofa-1017 with mainly Polynesian hymns.
11. Wallis and Futuna. RFO Mata Utu-1188. A country most non-OXers and non-philatelists have never heard of.

Europe (5 countries)

1. Albania. Lushnjë-1458 carrying Radio Tirana's foreign service in Greek 0430-0455.
2. France. France-Culture, Nice-1557. The program name is paradoxical because when heard until 0500 it isn't carrying French culture, but Portuguese, and after 0500, Arabic, for migrant workers in France.
3. Italy. Genoa and synchronized network-1575. Italian news at 0430.
4. Malta. Deutsche Welle relay, Cyclops-1557. Has Arabic 0415-0550; thus from 0500 beware of confusion with Nice also in Arabic.
5. Switzerland. Schweizer Radio DRS-1 Sarnen-1566, heard with German 0515.

Africa (1 country)

1. Tunisian. Sfax-1566 in Arabic 0500. This station is known for low modulation.

genuine loggings of Hawaiian AM stations have been made since World War II in northern, sub-polar Europe, chiefly on Expeditions in northern Finland and Sweden. (I have seen blatantly or subtly faked reports from Germany and Italy, but that is another matter). Thus, my Finnish DX friend Simo Soiminen often writes and asks me whether I have heard Kvitsøy, Norway, 1314, yet, or Turku, Finland, 963, or even Hörby, Sweden, 1179, which would be a possibility even though it is only 1 kHz from the American channel, since no U.S. station is potent there. But I have no answer no, southern Europe and the Mediterranean area is best here in Hawaii, just as it is on the U.S. mainland. In the list below, the most northerly country heard is Switzerland (again, a surprise).

Most reception is done on a Trio R-1000, virtually identical to the Kenwood R-1000 imported to the U.S. The beverage overloads it on many frequencies, creating mixing products and harmonics, but I simply turn the attenuator to its 20 db position. The results are still better than on my ICOM IC-R-71A; even after adapting it to my 12V DC operating conditions, it is outperformed by the R-1000 in sensitivity on MW, audio intelligibility, and drain on my limited solar-powered 12V batteries.

Let's turn to the first fifty countries heard, arranged, not in order of reception, which would be of little help to readers, but by continent and alphabetically within each continent.

North America (3 countries)

1. Alaska. Take your pick. KFQD-750 is the loudest, other clear channels include KDLG-670, KNOM-780 and KFAR-660. The regional KBBI-1250 is amazingly consistent.
2. Canada. Most easterly heard is CBK-540. My first Canadian graveyarder was CIVH-1340. CKDA-1220, CJVI-900 and CKLG-730 are very powerful.
3. U.S.A. Again, take your pick. East Coasters heard include WAVA-1140, KYW-1060, WNRC-660, WCBS-880 and the powerful regular W8Z-1030.

Central America & Caribbean (8 countries)

1. Anguilla. Caribbean Beacon-1610 is a regular using a simple longwire.
2. Cayman Islands. Radio Cayman, George Town-1205 was heard once at its 0430 sign-off.
3. Cuba. CMKV, listed as Urbano Noris, is about the best.
4. Guatemala. TGJ-880, Radio Nuevo Mundo, is consistent.
5. Honduras. HRN-670, La Voz de Honduras, heard once.
6. Mexico. Once again, take your pick. XEG-1050 seems best of all, then XERF-1570; from Mexico City, XEB-1220 or XERPM-660. The best graveyarder is XES5-1450, Ensenada.
7. Netherlands Antilles. The potent PJB-800, Bonaire.
8. Nicaragua. Until I built the beverage which favors KFQD, HTA750, R. Sandino, usually dominated 750.

South America (6 countries)

1. Brazil. Leaders are ZYH455, R. Tupi, Rio, on 1280, and ZYI458, R. Globo, Rio, 1280. Reception is more or less nightly.
2. Chile. CB118, R. Portales, Santiago, 1180, at its 0410 sign-off.
3. Colombia. HJPM, R. Galeón, Santa Marta, 895.
4. Ecuador. HCR56, R. Superior, Machala, 890. WLS is almost nightly here, but this Ecuadorian reaches amazing strength.
5. Peru. OAX4C, "Once Sesenta" (I have never heard the word Radio used), 1160. Its "Woody Woodpecker" theme between each selection makes ID easy.
6. Venezuela. YVLB, La Voz de Carabobo, Valencia, 1040 at 0400 s/off.

Asia (16 countries)

1. China. Numberless frequencies, but 1116, which partially carries the Russian service and is listed (I think correctly) as Heilongjiang, is noted for its very late fade-outs, well into Hawaiian daylight.
2. India. AIR Rajkot-1071 with the external service in Urdu and some English noted.
3. Indonesia. RRI Banjarmasin-1134, 50 kW from Indonesian Borneo (Kalimantan). Not to be confused with AIR Calcutta also on 1134 and heard.
4. Iran. VOIRI Bandar Abbas-1566, carrying the foreign service in Arabic and jammed by a bubbling Iraqi jammer. Heard at Hawaiian dawn.

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Not much happening here the last two weeks DX-wise. I was called to an emergency meeting on chemical/biological warfare at Camp Lejeune, N.C. a couple of weeks ago so there's been a 14-day gap in radio pursuits. Since my return, I've been playing around with the R70 and have discovered a couple of things that might be of interest. Until recently, the R70 has been a little bit of a disappointment for MW DXing (for me anyway). For example, there have been several instances where the \$100 Sony 6500 has provided more readable on MW than the highly rated ICOM. I finally discovered the reason. My R70's AGC circuit tends to lock up a little early with the result being a desensitization on channels where signals of moderate strength exist (like most of the MW band at night). That is, running the RF gain wide open (with the pre-amp on sometimes) is definitely counterproductive to eeking out the weaker signals that exist under the general din. What was necessary for me to do was to turn off the AGC circuit and cut the RF gain control back to a minimum level necessary to produce the desired results. This is the way I use the R390A at work and other Rxs I've had but I had it in my mind that this wouldn't be necessary given the R70's reported dynamic range...I was wrong. Much better results for me are attained by judicious control of the RF level and manual gain control. For example, last night nothing much was really readable on 1360 with the AFC on and RF full blast; with the AGC off and the RF reduced, WIXZ, a 1 kwer out of McKeesport, Penn. came in nicely (but weakly). When I flipped the AGC back on and rotated the RF knob, it just disappeared. A lot of things seem to improve (e.g., selectivity, audio, etc.) when RF is placed under manual control; give it a try. Oh yeah, have any of you R70 owners done any tinkering with the detector? That's my next area of concern and any leads would be appreciated. Finally, those who ordered the Vernitron filters; please bear with me. The promised delivery date of 11/9 has come and gone and after \$35 of phone calls Vernitron finally tells me they are to be shipped 12/7. 73s.

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Hello DX'ers. I just got back yesterday from a trip out west. I am on a two week vacation from WHND/WNJC-FM so I have a little time to write down some words of wit. Had a good time out west, and listened to many stations. I did a lot of DX'ing on the car radio, which is a modified Ford radio. I would have to guess that I heard about 85 new stations, and air-checked about a dozen or so for the archives. I visited KHND in Harvey, N.D. and talked with their GM/owner. Perhaps I should write an article about the differences between KHND and WHND, one being in a large market and the other in a small market. KHND is operating at 1470 kHz at only 500 watts due to a problem with the transmitter. Besides DX'ing and my business dealing, I visited my sister & brother-in-law in Anamoose, N.D. When I got home Monday night, I was treated to a call from Gary Siegel, (the guy who looked like Don Ho at the 1984 IRCA Convention). Ol' Gar and I talked radio for about an hour, and equally wondered just where Frank Merrill might be hiding. (I hear he was back in Nebraska again after the convention hi--rce) My guess is that Frank is packing the Buick with as many records as he can before the snow hits! Speaking of the 1984 Convention, a couple of people have asked if they could get copies of the airchecks of WTCL during the convention. I can make copies on my high speed duplicator if you send (4) Maxell C-120 cassettes, plus 38 cents return postage. Please send only Maxell cassettes as my duplicator is not set up for any other brands. There is a total of 8 hours of programming that was done on WTCL. Now from the H-E-L-P department...does anyone have any first hand information on the Digital readout that interfaces with the Realistic DX-160, that was written up in the IRCA tech book? I would like to add one to my DX-160, but I would like to get some comment on it first. Please write!!! I would also be interested in getting a used one if it is decent. DX'ing here in Westland, Mich is interesting. The only problem I am having is with WCAR and WCXI splatting 1100 to 1120. WCAR is the closest to me, however their audio is not as processed as WCXI. DX is not bad here in Metro Detroit. As soon as I get an outside antenna system up I will do a band-scan, however I have a lot of work to do on my antenna system before that

time comes. I have to install about 6 antennas and erect a tower too. For you format freaks CKLW has made their long awaited switch to Big Bands, and get this Rich, the new slogan is "K-800" (argh!) (Sounds good to me--confusion is good for DXing, hi. Remember 3WE and those who had the thought they finally heard Australia!--rce) I wish them the best of luck even tho I don't think they will make any great strides. Nothing else has changed on the radio front with the exception of the FM's in Detroit. Besides DX'ing I have been spending a lot of my free time putting together electronic projects for myself and the holidays. When I'm not at the dials, I'm on the bench building amplifiers, speakers, and equipment for my studio. That's about it from Wasteland! Catch y'all down the dial. Again, if anyone has any personal info on the digital dispaaly, write me. (Fred, thanks for the newspapers. Some good ones in there for me--rce)

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Holiday greetings to all. 'Tis been a busy fall here but I've been able to check the dials occasionally. Going back to 9/6 I heard some C&W on 1180 after 0600 which after some investigation turned out to be the new WFKB in Florence, Ky. This was IDed with the help of Bob Walker who I talked to a couple days after this reception. I was hoping to make it to the Louisville GTG in October but an unexpected alteration in my work schedule plus a shortage of vacation time prevented it. I hope this gathering was a good time for all who attended. It appears all is now normal on Grenada again. On 12/3 at 0515 I caught them on 535 kHz sounding much better than their old 500 watts (which I never did hear, hi!), they were talking about the upcoming election and human rights naturally. Two of the three past MM's has seen WJR-760 off. Not much unusual with them gone but 770 did yield much wanted KOB with Larry King & NBC News, this was not without a tremendous fight by WABC which did all it could to keep them covered, those #@&*c%\$!. The clear channels have proved to be interesting DX territory this fall. Amojng the new entries heard on the class 1-A's are WJEP-1020 Ga., WXSS-1030 Tenn., KHOG-1030 Ark., switch from 1440 (not considered new in my log), WJUN-1180 in Ind., KKLL-1100 in Webb City, Mo. It seems every passing day is presenting a new outlook on these previously locked frequencies. 1040 is an excellent example--WHO was the lone stranger in these parts but since--unneded WSKE has moved here from 1050 and became a pest followed by the still newer WBZW in Powell, Tenn. which made my log before the final crushing blow was dealt to 1040 on 11/6 by Ohio's newest station WJTB in North Ridgeville near Cleveland. They pack a decent signal into Toledo during the day and will greatly hamper a fine DX territory--format is black R&B, some disco, jazz and Sunday gospel. Other newsbits include the final demise of the R&R era at the "Big 8" CKLW on 12/3 with the introduction of the FYL format which at first listening seems very blase. The worst part of this change involved the ending of their evening jazz program which I thought was most unique and well done. More good radio dies! IRCA conventioners this summer in Toledo may recall listening to the distortion of WHND-560 at the hotel, well with thanks to Fred Vobbe, happily I can report that with a new tower in place along with some rephasing has cleaned their signal here nicely. Hope '85 treats all well. 73.

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Ever have "one of those weeks"? Well, I just got thru about three of them in a row. Just now I've been getting all caught up with everything and even have a few minutes to get a Forum out. Karl Zuk mentioned one of my slighter problems in EDXR - my brother had some trouble keeping my pick-up on the road and ...That's not so bad, it was a beautiful Sunday morning around 0700 and I hadn't slept since Thursday night. I had just gotten into the sack when I heard furious knocking at my door, and, well, you can take it from there. Many many thanks to Niel Kazaross who has been desperately trying to help me on my new Bev.s - one of these days, Niel, I'll finally get those up (hopefully by the time this makes print!) Meanwhile, thanks for the calls and patience especially. Am looking forward to the talkshow on the 15th - will be over when you read this. (And type this--rce) I'm having a lot of fun editing DXWW-E - I'm very glad I took it over. The contributors to that column are doing a spectacular job, almost too spectacular, for there's so much each person's tips are broken up for two or even more issue's columns. I hope nobody minds. Back to my Bev.s, Niel suggested I contact Mark Connelly for help on constructing the baluns needed. Are you reading, Mark? Very hopefully I will have been able to call you by the time you read this - if not expect a call if you don't mind. Referring to the Dec. 1 DXM's EDXR (Karl Zuk), I see I wasn't the only one to nab WFLS-640 - Mike Brooker also nabbed them. Also, on Robert Ritchey's WKCN-910 logging, yes Karl, WKCNC is the correct call for the AM'er, I logged them here 11/16/83 at s/off - and reported it to the Jan. 28, 1984 EDXR. I'm still wondering why Gardner Smith's 1450 KPHC (logging) was even included, hi. Also Karl, L&C on my 1470 is loud & clear - it's on the abbreviations

list. Do you want a copy of the list? Yes or no, If I remember I'll include a copy with my next report. And finally (!), my logging of WHEX-1560 is, I believe correct--as a matter of fact, I heard "WHEX" in an ID, so you must have a type (Z and X are right beside each other on a typewriter, making for an easy mistake). I'm also in the blue as to why "KFF-941" in Yonkers, N.Y. (1622) couldn't've (is that a word??hi) just got a construction permit for a "normal" channel.....This, to me, seems unnecessary, and I somewhat agree with Karl's views on this Jolly Roger. I have so much more to say it's unbelievable, but I gotta run, so 73s and Merry Christmas 'is it that time of year already? hi)



Western DX Forum

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HEADLINES - WEEKLY ON TUESDAY

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Just a final report on DX'ing here in Korea. I haven't had much time for really serious DX, but have done a considerable amount of bandscanning. As far as the nearby countries are concerned (S.K., N.K., PRC, Japan, USSR, etc.), things are pretty much as expected. Japan is the first to fade in, followed by Korea then China. In Seoul, Japan is usually lost in QRM to China, but on the east coast of S. Korea, Japan dominates in the evenings.

In the wee hours it's another matter. Nearly all Chinese stations s/off between 1400 and 1600 UTC as well as the NHK and non-KBS stations (except AFKN).

On MM, most of the Japanese commercial stations s/off, so it leaves a fairly clean band for DX. However, most KBS stations broadcast the Social Education program after 1500 seven days a week so they must be dealt with. Most of them can be nulled out and along with the channels on which KBS does not broadcast makes for excellent DX possibilities for stations to the west.

I heard several stations from the Middle East almost every MM that I tried, however, because time was limited and my hotel had a HNL, I didn't hear much more than that in the western direction.

Southeast Asians were nearly a wash. The only reliable station was VOA 1575 Thailand. (And to think, they're a pest here, hi-Rth.) The only other country heard from that area was Indonesia 1206. DU's and TP's (on the east side) were non-existent. Maybe I could have found some with more persistence, but none were found.

I don't understand about Southeast Asia, however, not being able to hear them here in Korea may help explain why in part SE Asia hasn't been heard that often on the west coast of North America. Just a thought.

All in all, DX here has been downright fun and I'm looking forward to picking up where I left off the next time I come back here.

Gotta run. Ch'il-ship-sahm. 73 de WJH. Ahn-nyoung! (Great hearing from you Bill while you were in Korea. Please keep in touch-Rth.)

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Hi. On 03 December, 1540 here was on only with an OC and at 0200 PLT, KSKQ signed on using EE/SS ID's and jingles with slogan, "Super Kah-Coo (K-Q). (Oh how creative, hi-Rth.) They're still at the old KZLA studios at 5700 Sunset Blvd., with transmitter in El Sereno. Tried stopping by around 2300, but was unable to see the station. Did talk to station manager Ed Estrada who said I could stop by during business hours. (Well, of course-Rth.)

Also, I believe, on 02 December, KPRZ 1150 changed back to KIIS. Didn't know of the change, otherwise I would have taped it.

Oh, KSKQ's request and talk number is (213) 520-1540 (what else, because there's no Q on the telephone dial). I called to mention I was one of the first to hear the call change and s/on and was mentioned on the air.

KIAC & KZLA-FM uses 520-94FM for request line.

Drove by the old KROQ studios on Magnolia and from I could see, it's void of all equipment. Called KROQ-FM and was told 1500 was sold to Edward Stoltz who has another station in the Sacramento area. As to when 1500 becomes active, who knows? Also, KROQ-FM is owned by Mandeville Broadcasting. 73.

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I would also like to add my comments regarding the continuing controversy over MW propagation. Does it really make that much difference? Either you hear a DX station or you don't. I find the subject interesting, but we do not need to get into a personal vendetta with this. I've always believed that one of the main purposes of a DX club is to promote friendship. Let's not get into a situation as we did a decade or so ago. We just don't need it. Enough said, so on to more of an uplifting subject: DX and QSL's.

The TIS stations sure have been getting out. Two stations up at Snoqualmie Pass and one at Chief Joseph Dam have been heard a few time lately. I Talked with Allen Hull, Radio Systems Manager, Washington Department of Transportation, Olympia, Washington, today (12 December), and was told that he was in charge of most of the Washington TIS stations. There's a new one that just came on at Discovery Bay, Hood Canal Highway (104/101) on 1610. There are four transmitters (five watts each), up at Snoqualmie/Cle Elum Pass, and five transmitters near I-5 and I-90 near Seattle (also five watts each). Tumwater, just south of Olympia is using four or five transmitters (five watts each). Also, the Washington Department of Transportation is now in control of the Seattle-Tacoma Airport (Don't you mean, Henry Jackson Airport? Sea-Tac is no more - take it from a travel agent, hi-RtH.) Those are currently off the air, will probably return next spring and also Mt. St. Helens transmitter will return in June. Send reports to: Allen Hull, Radio Systems Manager, Department of Transportation, IC8, Transportation Building, Olympia, Washington 98504.

Reports out to: KGAA 1460 (new format, MYOL, ex-G&W, new owners), KZZR 1230 Burns, Oregon (I now have reports out to the last three Oregon stations I need QSL'ed to have them all), KFRB 1240, KBKR 1490, KUKI 1400, KFIG 1430, KWNK 670, KCHJ 1010, KCEZ 1370, KBSN 1470, KXEX 1550, KBXN 1470, KCVL 1240 (ex-1270), TIS 1610 Snoqualmie Pass, TIS 1610 Chief Joseph Dam, 2NM 981, 3SH 1332, Macau 735 (tent.), KCONR 1410, WIND 560 (f/up).

QSL's in from: KFXM 580, KINS 980 (finally after 20 years of trying), KNGR 1090, KMYC 1410, KIMC 880, KDFC 1220, KORY 1270, KPHX 1480, KTBI 810, KWTQ 1020, KQQQ 1150, WXSS 1030, 2MW 972, 3HA 981, HLKY 837 (thanks to Bill Harms on this one), Thailand 891 (after 15 months and a f/up), KLTQ 860 (soon to be 50 kw), KRKS 990, KAAAR 1480, C-106 (not sure if CJAM as yet, as only call listed in letter is C-106).

A cassette tape back from BCC station, Taitung, via Taipei with air check of Taiwan MW station, but no mention of QSL. Will have to try again, and a New Years card from North Korea, no QSL, but there might be hope, as this is the first time I have ever gotten mail from them. I sent out two reports, one from Seaside and the other from Vancouver, BC. Apparently, at least one of my reports got through.

Ric, KMVI 550 is also a very bad pest here. I remember back in '69 and an east coast station was testing. That frequency was clear for nearly everyone that MM, except for me. KMVI was AN that night, so they really blocked the frequency. KMVI is the strongest Hawaiian heard here, 365 nights of the year. KIPA 620, KHLO 850 and KNUI 900 can also be pests at times. Sometimes with the signals of Hawaiian stations, I might as well live there, hi.

Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year and best of DX in '85. Good luck with your job search, Ric. 73.

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Happy 1985 y'all!

Pat, KMVI is indeed every night of the year. a regular pest. BUT, I'm moving to Seaside. KIPA can be a pest? Dang, here you are in KGW's backyard and I'm 300 miles away. How can I get rid of KGW short of cutting their guy wires? Hi. When I can put a small null on 'em, in comes KNGS and KTAR. Every time I hear KNUI, I figure it's time to hear KIPA, but no luck so far. There's a specific reason I want to tape KIPA. My boss at KRED worked for them several years ago before joining his brother as part owner at KRED

Gary, no station is going to accomodate you outside of business hours and reasons for that are simple. Theft. I had a friend from our local CB club call me one evening saying he had been knocking furiously at our door but no answer. My response was simple, "Common sense would say nobody's around on a Sunday night," not to mention the studio is three rooms away from the front door. In fact, our rules say no guests period during a jock's shift. Oh sure, I'll give you a quick tour, but that's about it. It's just plain too distracting to the DJ on the board, especially nowadays when so many combos (AM/FM) are using one jock for both operations. I did have one bad experience the Sunday before elections when a candidate for city council thought he could just barge right in. FCC says, whomever's name is on the log is in total charge and when I ordered him out until the GM arrived, he refused, so I started calling the sheriff. . . he left. . . quickly, hi.

Eureka darn near got snow this last weekend. Our high on 15 December was 38! The hills all around sure looked pretty and for the first time I could pick out our FM tower and the TV towers on Redwood Ridge, Kneeland Mountain. The snow made them stick out like sore thumbs. I love the name, Redwood Ridge. There's not a tree in sight, and what trees there were (before they were logged) pines and doug-firs! Ya see, redwoods generally don't grow above 1,000 feet above sea level and Redwood Ridge is 2400 feet.

Well, time to hit the road, visit the post office then it's party time at K-RED. Now let's see, how much does a taxi cost back to town? Hi. 73 de RtH.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! everybody!!!

Eastern DX Roundup



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The column that made Croton famous!!!

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GS Superadio, 1100 feet of wire squashed by a car. (no joke!)

- 540 WDM/ MD, Pokomoke City. Apparently out in Penguin Land this is regarded as a great DX catch (Semi-local here.) Even on good days (with generator firing on all eight) they only run 500 watts, but now in EST they are on long past sunset with PSSA, so watch for it. Owned by the Big Bay EC Service. They often use the term "Delmarva", which stands for the tri-state DE, MD, and A area of the Eastern shore. Frequent promos for the towns of Crisfield, Salisbury, Snow Hill, Princess Anne, and Berlin. A great little town...if you like crabs!! (GS-DC)
- 540 UNID 12-7 0520-0552 Fairly strong carrier, burying the Cuban, with test tones, dead air, etc. Possibly proof of performance test, but who?? (KJZ-NY)
- 640 UNID 12-7 0400 Station with American pop records, usually in pairs, and announced by a low-key and inaudible CW announcer. Over/under R.Progresso, Cuba, with WHLO, Akron,OH, off the air. Possibly new WRLE, Mt.Holly, NJ? (KJZ-NY) (still no KFI)
- 690 WTX LA, New Orleans. 12-4 1753 Good to very good, on top with Top 40 music, ads, and nice and slow W-T-I-X ID. (JH-FA)
- 740 KRMG OK, Tulsa. 12-8 0200 Excellent signal at 20 db over S-9, strongest ever heard. Nice sung ID by accapella women's chorus. Larry King show after 0205 news. (GS-DC)
- 780 WABS VA, Arlington. 12-8 1645 with sign off. Most stations say "We will return at 6am." This one says "The Lord willing, we will return," And if the creek don't rise, (or the bank foreclose.) Don't know why they sign off in broad daylight. Guess the Lord didn't grant a PSSA to 1800. D-1000. (GS-DC)
- 800 CHLW CN, Windsor. 12-7 0235 as rumored, one of the giants of rock n' roll is no moah. Now IDs as "K-800, Music of Your Life." Another victim of early brain death. Eoo-hiss!!(GS-DC)(I mourn, too-kz)
- 820 WBAF IA, Fort worth. 12-8 0235 ID city as "Cowtown" (thass what he said.) Rolling in with weather report for Oregon, Wyoming, New York and all points in between. Think this is a clear channel? (GS-DC) (A regular here-kz)
- 930 WGMT HI, Huntington. 11-25 1731-1740 C&w format, IDs and Hawaii trip contest promo. Fair with CHNS, Espanola,ON, in WEBB, Buffalo, MI null. (NJW-CN)
- 940 WFLV FA, Lebanon. 12-1 1602 "WFLV Lebanon" ID into "Top Ten Recording Acts of 1984" program, poor and soon lost in CEM, Montreal, PQ, and WEBB, Buffalo, NY slop. D-1000. (WB-CN)
- 1010 WELS MC, Finton. 12-9 1630 Promo for their morning talk show "AW in the AW." "Your sunshine station in Jnston." Null of local WYST, Baltimore, MD in SSS. New catch, #79 in MC. (GS-DC)
- 1050 WJXY SC, Conway. 12-9 1740 Briefly on top with South Carolina weather and Christmas music. Replaced by SSer off frequency. (GS-DC)
- 1100 KKLL MC, webb City. 12-8 1715 in under nullled WWEB, Cleveland, OH with spot for Mercantile Bank of webb City, "a full service bank offering a complete range of loan and deposit services for the webb City-Joplin metro area" into "Coast to Coast Top Twenty" program, poor and soon lost in WWEB null, though pop music came through under WEBE, no other IDs were heard. Pretty sure of this because of all the local ads mentioning webb City/Joplin, but latest MRC log lists this as gospel format. (WB-CN) (Mike, who is the NRC??-hl-kz)
- 1110 WBT MC, Charlotte. 12-10 0245 Noted silent with open carrier. No sign of CKJD Sarnia ON or anyone else but the Columbian (HJEW) (GS-DC)

Much more Eastern DX Roundup.....continues!!!.....No Anchovies!...
You must have the wrong man...I spell my name Danger.....

- 1150 WJCK MD, Gaithersburg. 12-8 2125 ID as "the world's First All Comedy Radio." Guess they've never listened to radio Moscow! Promo for the WJCK T-shirt. This station will soon go off the air forever, so get'em while they last. Write WJCK Radio, 20201 Watkinsville Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20879. Enclose \$8.95, and specify size (S M L XL) (GS-DC) (Or call 1-800-EDKR.-hi-kz)
- 1150 CJRC ON, Ottawa. 12-7 0100 Dominating channel with French Fries. CKCC Hamilton, ON usually dominates with Anglais. (GS-DC)
- 1170 WBRW NJ, Somerville. 12-1 1556-1600 with spot for New Jersey Savings Bank, promo for craft show in Somerville, talk by man on winter solstice, message for a historical museum in Somerville, WBRW ID at 1600 into NBC news. Fair to good in WWVA, wheeling, w null. (WB-ON)
- 1170 KYCC LA, Tulsa 12-8 1801 with state and local news, news item about proposal to repeal 55 mph speed limit in Oklahoma, fair in WWVA, wheeling, w null. (WB-ON)
- 1270 WCBC MD, Cumberland. 12-1 1750 with CBS news and mention of football coverage. Andy Williams record. Good. (KJZ-NY)
- 1270 WXYT MI, Detroit. 11-27 2345 New call, ex-WXYZ, with ID as "XY-T for Talk." (JH-PA*)
- 1310 WEEL VA, Fairfax. This was most likely the KZ UNID 11-13 1730, as they have CNN news at various times. Also, GS's logging of WEZR was correct. Before my trip to Korea, I noticed they were parallel to WZR-FM for a few days last summer. However, have not noticed usage of this call since. (WJH-MD) (Thanks alot!-kz)
- 1310 WSSJ NJ, Camden. 11-27 2350+ Unbelievable signal per Smith tip. SS pops and EE announcer. Channel unusually quiet leaving this and WIBA, Madison, WI, on top, using my temporary 200 foot east-west wire through the brush. 250 watts for this station just doesn't sound right. (JH-PA)
- 1310 WIBA WI, Madison. 11-27 2400+ Peaked up over WSSJ, Camden, NJ in time for local weather, ID and news at midnight. Channel very quiet on 200 foot east-west long wire. (JH-PA)
- 1370 WXXI NY, Rochester. 12-10 2400-0008 noted signing off at this time nightly, nice strength many nights. ex-WRFK. (JH-PA*)
- 11370 WGTC IN, Bloomington. 12-10 2400 with "This is (call)...ington on the air for testing purposes." Christmas music cutting in and out believed to be them, but ?? New station or call change? Call is almost positive. (JH-PA) (Jim, you had WTIC, but your description fits WGTC to a tee. Call change, ex-WTIC-kz)
- 1350 WBEA VA, Arlington. This logging in a past EDKR should have been Arlington, VA and not Shelby, NC. ex-WBWA. (WJH-MD) and (GS-DC) (I should have questioned this more, the call change came too fast for Shelby, NC, now WCCS, and until recently WADA. Sorry-kz)
- 1470 WMMW CT, Meriden. 12-3 0700 with ID into AF net news. Good. (KJZ-NY)
- 1500 WDEB TN, Jamestown. 12-4 1727 Sign off after ads, over other sign offs, in slight WTOP, Washington, DC, null. Invitation to tune to 103.9 FM. They had an application for 820 kHz returned not too long ago. (JH-PA)
- 1550 WNIN MA, Newton. 11-23 1521 with ID and spot for "Night On The Town" magazine. Fair and alone. (NJW-ON)
- 1550 WSHN MI, Fremont 11-25 1711 ID as "100-WSHN" by YL into C&w music, fair to poor with CBE, Windsor, ON. (NJW-CN)
- 1570 CHLO PQ, St. Thomas. 12-7 0250 English language Music Of Your Life. Two other Canadians pounding in: CFOR, Grilla, CN and CHLM, Montreal, PQ. XERF doesn't stand a chance any moah. (GS-DC)
- 1570 WBUZ NY, Fredonia. 12-6 1728 Poor with CHLO, St. Thomas ON, etc. QRR. They want to change their call to WCGT per July 14 BC info column. (JH-PA) (Nancy Hardy-take note-remember Buzz-1570?-kz)
- 1570 UNID 12-6 1725 Poor station with possible sign off, sounded like WNR. Call sure sounds like this. Ideas? (JH-PA) (wone here, sorry-kz)
- 1570 WGRG OH, Warren. (no date) 1700 sign off announcement, no SSB, in fair to poor under nulled, CFOR, Grilla, ON. Ex-WTCL. (WB-ON)
- 1580 WSRF FL, Fort Lauderdale. 12-3 0153-0200 with oldies music, 0159 ID "Rock N'Roll the way it used to be from WSRF, Fort Lauderdale... Surf 16," Good to very good, and alone on frequency. Thought this was an engineering test until I heard the old "Surf 16" ID. Not heard in quite some time. (WB-ON)
- 1580 WHEA PA, Columbia. 12-4 1643-1645 with traffic report mentioning York and Lancaster PA, spot for Chrysler-Plymouth dealer, sign off at 1645 with announcement mentioning 500 watt power and giving address as P.O. Box 270, Columbia PA 17512. No SSB, Fair-good. (WB-ON)

No room for obnoxious comments this week! Keep those reports coming! CU in 7-kz Cops. from Dale Park in Hawaii! These stations add Larry King:
 WEN 570 Youngstown, OH, WSJS 600 Winston-Salem NC, WFAI 1230 Fayetteville, NC,
 WILE 1310 Utica, NY, WMLF 1310 Indianapolis, IN, 1340 WBRK Pittsfield MA,
 WTRU 1600 Muskegon, MI. 1530 WCRY, Cincinnati, has dropped Larry King.
 Thanks, Dale- kz....

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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- UNIDED, SPECIAL, CHANGES, et.al.
- 930 KLLS TX TERRELL HILLS, announced as the sponsor of Larry King's visit to San Antonio, per TIKs today, not WOAI. DP-HI
- 1230 KLWT MO LEBANON, joins Larry King Show net. DP-HI
- 1510 WLFZ IL MACOMB, 12/1 1115 semi local here w/WTNV confirms call change, ex-WKAI.//
- All da Rest
- 560 KLVI TX BEAUMONT, 12/5 2100 hrd while listening to Blackhawks hockey on WIND w/ABC mx, ID & C&W mx, poor. CR-IL
- 650 WKIQ MN NASHWAUK, 12/1 0707 o/u WSM w/C&W mx, ID as "Super Q". CR-IL (Per call from David Warren today, he called the station. Their facilities are 10 kw days nondirectional, 500 watts night directional east-west, ed.)
- 740 WCWY TN TULLAHOMA, 12/9 1810 weak in & out in KRMG null. Repeating tape over & over "Coming Monday morning on WCWY-AM Tullahoma the all new Christian & Gospel force... Monday morning at 6:15". LEB-IL
- 750 WPDZ WV CLARKSBURG, 12/1 1100! very good all alone w/WV mx, wx. LEB-IL
- 770 WJMW AL ATHENS, 12/1 1815 very strong & clear w/mx, ads, no WABC. LEB-IL
- 810 KBBB SD STURGIS, 12/1 1803 poor fading signal in KCMO null w/nx, wx. Checked back at 1825, still there but poor. LEB-IL
- 910 WGBI PA SCRANTON, 12/6 2108 fair w/ID & C&W mx. CR-IL
- 920 CKNX ON WINGHAM, 12/1 1804 fair w/C&W mx & ID. CR-IL
- 960 KMA IA SHENANDOAH, 11/12 1931 fair w/ID & contest promo. CR-IL
- 970 KCFO OK TULSA, 12/1 1844 fair w/Gospel mx, ID & Rel. t/k, ex-KAKC. CR-IL
- 980 WWRG DC WASHINGTON, 12/12 1830 fair w/MoR mx & "WRC" IDs. RK-IL
- 1020 KBOQ NM ROSWELL, 12/3 1900 good o/weak KDKA w/T40, ID, into mx. Also IDs as "The Q". LEB-IL
- 1130 WCXI MI DETROIT, 12/8 1827 very good w/C&W mx & several IDs during call in request.//
- 1180 KTUN TX HUMBLE, 12/8 1820 strong in & out fades w/call in contest, XMAS mx, ads for Houston stores. LEB-IL
- 1190 WSWC TN DUNLAP, 11/18 0715 poor w/s/on. CR-IL
- 1290 WKLB KY MANCHESTER, 12/6 0703 fair w/ABC mx, ID & wx. CR-IL
- KTFRN TX WICHITA FALLS, 12/7 1835 weak in mess w/ID. CR-IL
- 1350 WPDZ WI PORTAGE, 11/23 0707 fair w/ID & spots. CR-IL
- 1440 WRBE MS IUCEDALE, 11/18 1759 poor w/ID & possible s/off. CR-IL
- 1600 WAAM MI ANN ARBOR, 12/8 1900 XLNT all alone w/mx, ID into mx. LEB-IL
- WANR WV WHEELING, 12/7 0711 fair w/EZL mx, ID & ads. CR-IL

HAPPY NEW YEAR

LEB... Larry E. Black RR1 Box 108A Glenarm. IL 62536
(R-1000, SM-1)

RK.... Father Time
(R-1000, Kowalski Loop)

DP.... Dale Park 2253 Kanealii Ave. Honolulu, HI 96813-1345

CR... Christos Rigas 4832 N. Drake Chicago, IL 60625
(R-2000, ICF-2002, Kowalski Loop)

XEAW Ordered Off 1010 kc. As Mexico Heeds U. S. Pleas

Station to Continue on 1570 kc. as Government
Acts to Obtain Compliance With Treaty

IN PURSUANCE of protests made by this Government, the Mexican Government has ordered XEAW, 100,000-watt station at Renosa, below the border from Dallas-Port Worth, to cease operating on the 1010 kc. channel. XEAW has interfered with stations in this country, notably KLRA at Little Rock, also assigned to the frequency.

Complaints Studied

XEAW, operated by a company headed by Carr Collins, head of the Crazy Water Crystals Co., regularly is assigned under the Havana Treaty to 1570 kc. with 100,000 watts. It is understood the station will continue operating on that frequency.

Reports received by the State Dept. said the Mexican Communications Ministry had ordered XEAW to cease operation on 1010 last week. There was no objection to its operation on 1570 kc. since that is provided for under the Havana Treaty. The station, it is understood, fought the removal order vigorously.

Protests had been made by the State Dept. to the Mexican Government on this and other so-called border station assignments, after complaints had been received and studied by the FCC. It was alleged the assignment violated the Havana Treaty terms, since 1010 is designated as a Canadian I-A with Cuba

having a secondary outlet. The United States also filed for authorization to use a Class II station on the frequency, which facility was assigned KLRA.

Formal conversations, it is understood, still are in progress in connection with other Mexican station assignments viewed as in conflict with the Treaty and causing interference to stations in this country. The most serious situation, it is understood, is in connection with XELO, being operated on 800 kc. at Juarez, across the border from El Paso.

The station has caused interference to a number of clear-channel stations, and to reception generally in Texas. The 800 kc. channel under the treaty should be assigned in the province of Sonora, remote from the border, where interference to stations on adjacent frequencies in this country would be minimized. It is authorized to operate with 150,000 watts, but is understood to be using only a portion of that power because of lack of tubes and other essential equipment.

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

- 690 KVOI AZ, Tucson has no immediate plans to move to 700 kHz, so this CP can be considered dead, at least for now. Per phone call to station. (AD-AZ)
 - 1150 KIIS CA, Los Angeles 12/6 1949 it appears that KPRZ has switched to KIIS effective 12/1. Some of the DJ's appear to be having a little trouble w/the change and still using the old ID. Format is still basically MYL w/some top 40. The big change to all top 40 is still to take place 1/1/85. They will probably change to the KISS call then. I don't know for sure. (LHC-CA)
 - 1310 KFYI CA, Oakland 12/10 0300 call change, ex-KDIA w/s/off. Was still rr then. 12/11 1525 noted w/new all-news format, ID "KFYI, Newsradio 13, all news, all the time, 24 hours a day." Don't know if 0300-0830 nightly SP still active. (RW-CA)
+12/11 2129 good ending business nx, traffic report, wx, nx. Many "KYFI newstime" TC's. Ex-KDIA. Strong enough to even get on a portable rx in local KXRO-1320 null! Atop KNPT/KLIX. (BH&NH-WA)
+Ex-KDIA 12/11 0950 noted w/new calls & format. New format is all-news & sports. Gone back to NSP & still overmodulates, covers 1300-1320 here. (DKK-CA)
 - 1540 KSKQ CA, Los Angeles 12/5 0435 usual good signal w/"La super kah-cuh" (Kq) slogans, ID on hour in EE "This is KSKQ, Los Angeles," mentioned 50,000 watts of power, so may be 50kw nights now? Call change, ex-KZLA, now SS format. wonder if any relation to SS WSKQ-620 Newark, NJ? (RW-CA)
+Ex-KZLA 12/7 0121 w/ID, new calls & format, now all-Spanish, w/slogan "Super Kah-Koo." Not to be mistaken for KTNQ-1020's "Super Koo," of course. Their mx is rather mellow. (DKK-CA)
+12/9 2329 noted Latin contemporary mx, SS talk w/"Super Kah-Coo" slogan ID, then clear "KSKQ Los Angeles" in EE, into "Noticias." Good signal, w/some KKHI-1550 slop. Call & format change, ex-country-KZLA. (RT-CA)
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- 530 TIS WA, Tacoma testing w/ endless tape loop 12/7 0230. (GP-WA)
 - 532a TIS CA, Truckee TIS stn still on w/road reports in the mountains east of Sacramento. Fair, alone on freq. Seems to be off freq. QRM from 2MC-Kempsey, Australia on 531. (PM-OR)

- 540 CBK SK, Regina 12/11 0042-0107 excellent signal w/only occasional slight fading. Classical mx. (KCM-WA)
- 570 KIPO HI, Lihue this is really a regular here, almost every night. They should really boom in if they get the boost to 5kw! IDs as "O-57," pop mx. (PM-OR)
- 660 CFFR AB, Calgary 12/9 0455-0504 fair w/slop from CKOV-630. Top 40 mx, ID at 0500 by male as simply "It's 3 o'clock in Calgary." No call, no nx, back into mx. New. (WGE-BC)
- 670 KWNK CA, Simi Valley poor u/KBOI & KDLG 12/10 0110 w/pop mx, "K-Wink" ID's. Not hrd often here, as they null the north. (PM)
- KBOI ID, Boise 12/11 2304-2317 excellent signal. NEC mx, wx, talk about snow showers. Rock mx, male DJ. (KCM-WA)
- 720 WGN IL, Chicago 11/26 0537 good/slight fading w/nx at 0600. Also hrd 12/1 0315. (LHC-CA)
- (KDWN) NY, Las Vegas 11/26 0537 & 12/10 0315 off the air. (LHC-CA)
- 740 WBAM AL, Montgomery 11/4 0650-0722 noted w/C&W-gospel mx u/KTRH. No ID's until 0701, when gave Country Countdown promo & legal ID. Then into more nonstop C&W-gospel mx. KCBS off. (DKK-CA)
- 750 ?WSB? GA, Atlanta 11/18 0252 weak w/soft pop mx, looping E-W, then lost. (AD-AZ)
- 770 (KOB) NM, Albuquerque 12/3 0352 off the air this AM. (LHC-CA)
+12/12 0305 s/off for tech. adjustments. (ØW-CO)
- WABC NY, New York 12/12 0259 ID as "?? Talk Radio, WABC New York," then ABC nx. 0306 talk show on ham radio. Poor in partial KOB null; then fair after KOB s/off 0305. New, NY #6. (ØW-CO)
- 780 KAZM AZ, Sedona 12/4 0016 very poor/severe fading w/local wx report. Slow deep fading all evening u/KROW most of the time but surfaced once or twice when KROW faded. Been trying to ID them for several nights. (LHC-CA)
- 800 CHAB SE, Moose Jaw 12/11 2355-0005 fair signal. Rock mx w/DJ Gavlin Tucker. Talk about Saskatchewan warriors hockey team of the Western Hockey League. (KCM-WA)
- 830 WCCO MN, Minneapolis-St. Paul 12/12 0006-0010 fair w/travel ad, soft rock mx w/male annrcr. (KCM-WA)
- 870 KORD WA, Pasco 12/9 0524-0537 fair w/WWL. C&W mx. ID by male "Big Country, KORD/Cord." New. (WGE-BC)
- 880 *KRVN* NE, Lexington 11/18 0246 w/TT's, weak, leaving GY-like jumble. (AD-AZ)
- 930 KIUP CO, Durango 12/9 2004 SS language program, ranchera mx. Think this is SS Sun. nite only. (ØW-CO)
- 960 KNDN NM, Farmington 12/12 0959 Navajo language program. Local anncts; ad for Sanford Auction & Flea Market, then $\frac{1}{2}$ hour of Indian songs. Good signal, but fadey, some KOOL QRM. Slogan is "K-Indian." (ØW-CO)
- 970 KVWM AZ, Show Low 12/12 0950 Peggy Lee Xmas song, ads for businesses in Pinetop and Wagon Wheel. Good signal. (ØW-CO)
- 980 KUTI WA, Yakima 12/12 1245-1258 poor w/country mx, male annrcr. High static level. (KCM-WA)
- 990 *KTKT* AZ, Tucson 11/19 0320 w/TT's. (AD-AZ)
- 1020 KYXE WA, Selah 12/12 1259-1306 poor w/AEC nx, ID at top of the hour. Lady annrcr, country mx. (KCM-WA)
- 1050 KTBA AZ, Tuba City 11/28 0919-0932 very good u/o XED w/relig. songs and local nx at 0929. (I last hrd this one when I was in Tuba City this past September. I half expected it to be in the Navajo Indian language, hi.) (LHC-CA)
- 1070 CFAX BC, Victoria 12/12 1306-1308 good w/talk program w/discussion about Christmas shopping. (KCM-WA)
- 1130 WCXI MI, Detroit 12/8 1940 English Leather ad, wx, "W-C-X-I" jingle, C&W mx to 2000 Mutual nx. Poor w/KWKH QRM. New, Mich. #2. (ØW-CO)
- 1160 KSL UT, Salt Lake City 11/17 1730-1845 good w/Brigham Young Univ. football post-game show. Some KUBQ-1170 splash. Unusual to hear KSL this early (at 2:30pm in Calif.) in the day. (LHC)
- 1170 KPUG WA, Bellingham 12/12 1309-1321 good w/soft Christmas & soft rock mx, male annrcr. (KCM-WA)
- 1250 KHIL AZ, Willcox 12/8 1913 s/off annct. "Where the Old West seems to come alive in K-Hill Country, this concludes another broadcast day for K-H-I-L, Willcox Arizona..." Fair in WIBW null. (ØW-CO)
- KIKC MT, Forsyth 12/8 1730 local nx headlines & ads. Fair o/QRM, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours before local sunset. (ØW-CO)
- 1260 KGIL CA, San Fernando 12/12 w/ID 0429 thru XEMM. KOIT off again. (DKK-CA)

1260 KOIT CA, San Francisco 11/18 0502 poor w/EZL mx. (AD-AZ)
 KGBX MO, Springfield 12/8 1836 C&W, pop mx, ad for "Springfield's finest lingerie house." In & out of QRM from WIBV & KVSF. Suddenly lost 1908, presume antenna change. New, MO #19. (ØW)

1280 KVSF NM, Santa Fe 11/18 0503 poor w/talk. (AD-AZ)
 KTOL WA, Lacey-Olympia 11/24 2000 C&W mx, s/off. Ex-1500. (GP-WA)
 +12/11 2100 ending C&W song, quick Lacey-Olympia ID saying would return at 6am, then gone. Fair in KIT null. Ex-1500. Thanks to Chris Campbell for this tip! (BH&NH-WA)

1300 KROP CA, Brawley 12/9 0010 literacy PSA, followed by that most beautiful of Yuletide carols, "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer." Fair to good all evening. UPI nx 0100. (ØW-CO)

WKXI MS, Jackson 12/8 2209 urban or "soul" mx, ads, "13 WKXI" slogans, YL DJ. Pleased to hear this (I love Deep South stations!). Good SE cx tonite; no KVOR. New, MS #2. (ØW-CO)

KBBJ OK, Tulsa 12/8 1745 wrap-up of OSU Cowboy BKB game. Then oldies mx, 40's-60's; 1800 CBS nx. Slogans include "where music and memories go hand-in-hand," & "Your 'Puttin' on the Ritz' Station." Good all evening, KVOR not a factor. New, OK #21. (ØW-CO)

1310 CHLW AB, St. Paul 11/25 0306 clear country C&W. (GP-WA)
 1320 KQDQ OR, Eugene 11/30 0900 s/on o/mess. (GP-WA)
 1330 KWLO IA, Waterloo 12/9 0105 wx from "KWLO Weather Center," then "Jumpin' Jack Flash" by the Stones. Poor u/KFH. (ØW-CO)

1340 KLKI WA, Anacortes 12/12 1012 local wx, nx. Ex-KAGT. (GP-WA)
 1390 KPPL CO, Denver 12/7 1932 local stn, new call, ex-KJZZ. Still retains jazz/blues format. Third metro stn to change calls this fall. (ØW-CO)

1390 CJCY AB, Medicine Hat 12/8 2202-2212 fair to good w/QRN. Top 40 into Medicine Hat PSA, Alberta Transportation spot and Comm. Calendar. Male DJ came out of it w/"That's your Community Calendar on Musicradio, C-J-C-Y." Call in form of SID. New. (WGE-BC)

1400 KUKI CA, Ukiah 12/11 2115 fair in the mess w/CBS nx program (not AEC, are they both nets?). Spots for Hopland business, Christmas ads. (PM-OR)

CKRP BC, Princeton 12/9 1752-1801 ex-CINL fair to poor w/CKOK feed. PSA for Xmas dance in Penticton w/proceeds to Comm. Food Bank. DJ said "CKOK's George Elliott will be on hand," Pet Report, mx to 1800. ID as "You're listening to C-K-R-P, 14-hundred AM, Princeton." Into CKOK nx. (WGE-BC)

1410 KVEG NV, Las Vegas 11/18 0515 fair w/CWM, good. (AD-AZ)
 1420 KITI WA, Centralia-Chehalis 12/7 0930-0932 o/KSTN briefly w/Seattle-area sports nx & ads. Stated they carry the Seahawks FB games. (DKK-CA)

CJVR SK, Melfort 12/10 0006-0013 good w/C&W. ID at end of song as "14-20, C-J-V-R," into spot for CJVR Christmas Card Fun Contest. Christmas SID as "We've got the holiday spirit on...C-J-V-R." Into seasonal mx. New. (WGE-BC)

1430 KFIG CA, Fresno finally caught ID & rr mx at 2105 12/11. Soon lost to KBRC. (PM-OR)

KLO UT, Ogden 11/18 0512 fair w/pop mx, used to be oldies. ID "1430-KLO." (AD-AZ)

1440 KVON CA, Napa 11/30 1110 local sports, ID. Two hours after sunrise here. (GP-WA)

1450 KACY ID, Payette 12/16 0759 in the mess w/apparent s/on, mentioned "daytime power of 1000 watts," then clear "Good morning, K-A-C-Y AM radio," instrumental SSB, DJ w/MST TC then quickly gone. Ex-KYET. (BH&NH-WA)

KQDI MT, Great Falls 12/12 0620 adult contemp. mx, "1450 KQDI" by YL DJ, MST TC, contest promo w/"Merry Christmas from KQDI." Then old Jackson Five Christmas song & faded u/ KGRZ. Logged long ago as KUDI. Someone also in w/Music Country Radio Network wx, possibly unneeded KXXL. (BH&NH-WA)

KGRZ MT, Missoula 12/12 0612 & 0622 good atop w/promo. In again 0705 ending NEC nx. Format now rock oldies, ex-C&W, but still using "The Grizz" slogan. (BH&NH-WA)

CFHC AB, Canmore 12/10 0334-0341 fair in GY mess w/C&W. ID hrd as "We still have some of the Call of the Country albums available right here at C-F-H-C." Back into C&W. New. (WGE-BC) (I believe they should be running CFAC.--NH)

- 1470 WRBD FL, Pompano Beach 12/3 0433 some sort of promo, gave complete stn address, then into R/B. One of my best domestic catches. FL #2. (GP-WA)
- 1480 KYOS CA, Merced 11/23 0910 poor, moderate fading & severe interference. Only able to hear the ID. KWIZ off. (LHC-CA)
- (KWIZ) CA, Santa Ana 11/23 0910 off the air for reasons not known. Back on at 0949. (LHC-CA)
- KSBQ CA, Santa Maria 11/23 0935 fair to good while KWIZ off. ID as "Radio Pantera" in SS. (LHC-CA)
- ?C1FJ? EC, Fort St. James 12/10 0406-0419 poor u/unID OC w/CJCI feed. Barely audible wx forecast tagged w/"In Prince George, -19." MOR mx. Caught a "C-J-C-I, Prince George" ID between songs but that's about it. Could also be CHLD. New. (WGE-EC)
- ?CHLD? EC, Grandisle 12/10 0452-0507 poor u/unID OC. ID at 0500 as "CI, Central Interior Network," into nx. "CI Newstime, five after 2," wx forecast. Slight echo sound so maybe I'm hearing both CHLD & C1FJ. What do you think, Nancy? New. (WGE-EC) (At that hour they both relay CJCI-620, so you're probably getting them both.--NH)
- 1490 KTOB CA, Petaluma 12/11 2110 hrd w/spots & ID in mess. (PM-OR)
- 1520 KSGO OR, Oregon City-Portland 12/8 2130-2140 ex-KYXI fair w/oldies mx. ID by male as "15-20, K-S-G-O, your solid gold oldies Station." Into local spots then buried in slop from KGA-1510. Back w/ID "K-S-G-O plays the best music." This change must have slipped by me as it was quite a surprise when I figured out what I was listening to!!! (WGE-EC)
- 1550 KXEX CA, Fresno 11/27 0415 strong w/SS ranchera mx, in nightly since going AN. New. (AD-AZ)
- 1560 KIQS CA, Willows s/on w/minimal details, SSB, 11/30 1430. (GP-WA) (S/on at 1430? Is that GMT? How about 0930 EST?--NH)
- 1590 KSRM NV, Sun Valley 12/6 1000 up briefly w/ID & something sponsored by Long's Drug Store, to be held at the Reno-Sparks Convention Center, followed by nx. In/out for next 30 minutes. Also hrd 12/11 0908 w/wx for Truckee Meadows, C&W mx. (DKK-CA)
- 1600 KXEW AZ, So. Tucson 11/23 0830 barely hrd u/KWOW w/severe fading. Barely able to hear ID. (LHC-CA)
- KUBA CA, Yuba City 11/30 1114 JC Penney spot, local nx, promo. (GP)
- 1610 TIS WA, Chief Joseph Dam has been fairly regular after 0200 w/dam and park info. Report sent to Corp. of Eng. in Bridgeport. (PM)
- TIS WA, Port Townsend new TIS (according to Olympia), hrd fair to poor in jumble 12/13 0500. Talking about the Hood Canal, roads open, etc. (PM-OR)

UNIDS:

- 930 11/18 0248 strong w/pop mx, looping N-S. Lost quickly. (AD-AZ)
- 1450 11/18 0506 weak w/Jim Bohannon talk show, looping NW, in super-tight KFLT null. (AD-AZ)
- 1490 12/12 0859 country DJ mentioning Conway Twitty record, MST TC, what sounded like "KORC," then ad for cafe in Billings Heights. In mud at ID time, of course, then may have introduced a Jim Reeves Christmas song. Could this be KLYC, near Billings, MT? (BH&NH-WA)

This week we welcome TWO new reporters to WDXR! A welcome to Les and to Gary. You both had excellent first reports. It's nice to see so many "W" stations in the column this week. Happy New Year all! ☺

Your Wheels

Finding Source of Radio Static

By PATRICK BOYLE,
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Question: The AM radio in my car worked fine until about a year ago. It then started to have what I thought was ignition noise. I put a noise filter on the car, to no avail. It seems much worse with the windshield wipers on. I can't get any stations without static when the engine is running. What should I do?

—W.D.K.

Answer: If the radio works fine when the engine is off, then the cause of the static is, as you suspect, coming from somewhere under the hood. You could have a loose ground connection on one of the electrical components. A spark-plug wire could be cracked, allowing current to flow to the grounded circuits. Or the antenna—especially the kind that's embedded in the windshield glass—could be picking up noise that otherwise wouldn't interfere with the radio signal.

If you can isolate the source of the noise, you can use noise-suppression capacitors to draw off the interference before it gets to the radio. Depending on the source, the noise will sound different.

Ignition interference is a popping sound that increases with engine speed and goes away instantly when you turn off the motor. It can come from the distributor or from a

bad spark-plug wire. The bolts that hold the ignition coil to the side of the engine compartment act as a ground for the system. Check to make sure that you have a good connection there.

A high-pitched whine that doesn't go away the instant you turn off the key but lasts another few seconds is caused by the alternator. A mechanic can install a capacitor on the alternator to draw the interference to ground.

Windshield wipers, the heater fan and other electrical components will cause interference when the ground connections are loose. Find the wire that grounds these components and tighten them securely.

If you have a windshield antenna, consider replacing it with a mast-type that sticks up from the body of the car. The mast antenna will pick up less engine interference.

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DX WORLDWIDE EAST

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More info via Neil Kazaross to tell you. First, a note on the infamous Radio Rebelde network. Neil points out that sometimes either very late at night or early in the morning, some Rebelde stations will carry the programming of Radio Reloj before beginning their own stuff. Sounds like they need filler material. Why could'nt they just turn off the xmtr for a few hours? He also says that the usual Colombian on 1100 is Barranquilla, so if you hear Spanish here take them over the Barota listing (per WRTH). By the way, these two Colombians are Reloj's, and (as well as all Colombian Reloj stations) they are NOT tickers as are the Cuban Reloj stations. A fairly short column this week, no TA loggings at the moment and just a small amount of LA's. Only new thing here is a new (bought used but it's in mint cx!) Drake R7A. I won't even say how much I paid for it because half you guys would'nt believe me, but I can say for a fact that it's worth at least 2½ fold what was paid. Times as usual.

PAN-AMERICAN DX

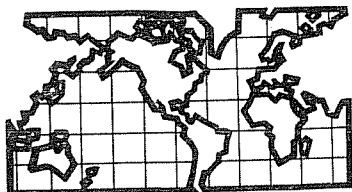
- 550 COSTA RICA, Santa Clara-TI...0320 11/24: 'R. Santa Clara' clear ID w/Cuban. Listed as P. pl. in WRTH but now actually on. Faded after 0340, but returned w/hig brass fanfares w/ID later on. (Smith-DC)
- 555 NICARAGUA, Chinandega-HTC-555-0400 11/29: Really strong, easy copy. All Elk, an interview of a w by two m. No sign of ZIZ (is it still here?) (Smith-DC) (May have been off, etc.)
- 640 CUBA, Guanabacoa-030R 11/12: R. Progreso w/LA selection. Loud hum, null to WHLO. (Maybe hum was man-made QRN.JH). (Demmitt-PA)
- 670 CUBA, Arroyo Arenas-0804 11/28: Gd in WMAQ null w/m reading nx. ID promo as 'Rebelde' w/w profiling mx offered. (Gerardi-IL)
- 690 CUBA, Santa Clara-CMFC-0400 11/18: ID & piano/classical mx w/repeated themes. Slight QRM; CRF/UNID SS. (Demmitt-PA)
- 730 COSTA RICA, San Jose-TIHR-0429 11/24: ID 'R. Reloj Reloj Reloj' like an echo chamber. Off freq. about 50 cycles (assuming XEX is right on). TIHR formerly on 700 kHz, 1st logged here 12/7/82. (Smith)
- 750 NICARAGUA, Maragua-HTA750-0222 11/9: In for a mir or so, 'La Musica Sandino' or similar by m. EE song "Out of Touch" by Hall & Oats. (I sure had fun doing this song! hi.JH) Weak. Also hrd 11/24 w/strong sig 0517 w/SS/EE rock mx, mostly EE. Pip of clock on hour. (Wyllie-MA)
- 760 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla-HJAJ-0530 11/4: Weak sig, ID, ment of Colombia as well as nx. Also 11/23. (Wyllie-MA)
- 770.4 COLOMBIA, Barota-HJKH-0501 11/24: 'R. Tequendama La Radio de Colombia' ID. Gd sig o/weak WAPC. Crisp sig but waaa y off freq. (Smith-DC)
- 780 VENEZUELA, San Cristobal-YVOD-1004 11/18: Mutilating WEPM on 100' N-S lw, 'Ecos de Torbes' ID. (Hall-PA)
- 810 BAHAMAS, Freeport-ZNS-3-2310 11/27: Pinning s-meter of HQ 145, 90db o/S-9. Thought it was WGY, but promo for "Good Time Show Carnival" at 8 Mile Pock, & nx on vintage speed racing on Grand Bahama. Solid sig, no QSB. They run 10kw, not 1 kw per '84 WRTH, right? (Smith-DC) (Gardner, what have you been drinking, '84 WRTH does have 10.ki.JH)
- 820 CUBA, La Habana-CMRU-0510 11/24: ID w/call CMCA but not the slozan, a new twist, except they are assigned CMRU. Also 0500 11/29, SID 'C-M-C-A' & ID by m also w/CMCA, no slozan. // 860 which is the true CMCA. 860 much weaker than 820. (Smith-DC) (Many possibilities - a new stn, CMRU short of prmming, CMEU merged w/CMCA, etc. etc. etc.JH UNID-0440 11/29: Clear ID 'R. Coliba, La Radio Dulce'. Nothing in WRTH & not R. Vivia from 1330. Lively mx like a Colombian, though. At least a dozer hets here. (SmithODC)
- 870 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla-HJSR-0430 11/27: 'Mar Caribe' ID. They're so proud of their 30 kw "to the antenna"! Reg here. Another SSer below. (Smith-DC)

- 930 CUPA, Matanzas-CMDD-011? 11/9: V. weak but hrd code ID 'RR' and some voice 'R. Reloj' IDs, nx. Only one listed in WRTM so must be it. (Wyllie-MA)
- 960 CUPA, unk loc.-0045 11/9: Hrd code ID from R. Reloj ('RR') but WRTM lists 3 Reloj's, so which one did I hear? (Wyllie-MA) (I could'nt say William, as they are all 1 kw each, and they were probably carrying a simulcast as usual. In these cases I always just list "Cuba" in my log (or whatever state, country, etc.)
- 1100 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla-HJAT-0625 11/23: Four rot IS on electronic organ & 'R. Reloj' ID. Also SID w/few chorus (rice!). Brisk vocal and brass mx. No sig of Cuban Reloj stn tonite. Also 0600 11/25 w/3WE silent, w/wild trumpet/drum mx. They're havin' a....party! (on MM ??). Wish we had a str like this in DC. R. Mundo/1540 is a limp noodle by comparison. (Smith-DC)
- +0420 11/3: SS mx, strongest I've ever hrd it, w/2 IDs, 'R. Reloj' and 'R. Barranquilla'. (Wyllie-MA)
- 1580 ANTIGUA-0505 11/7: VOA w/special election returns pgm, hosted by OM (See note on OM at end!!!!!!JH). (Demmitt-PA)
- 1590 UNID-0700+ 12/16: Fairly strong SS stn battling WAKR all morn. Very tentative ID as 'R. Tristos' (maybe 'Christos; etc.). (Hall)

Thanks to all for providing for such a fine column, especially to Gardner Smith who has a report in just about every week! (...and sends very interesting verifications on, shall we call them stations Gardner?). In re the OM mention in the 1580 logging this week, I will no longer use it because I agree with Ernest Cooper's forum in the Dec. 15 DXM. Nothing personal to hams, but I think a simple 'm' will suffice for a man. Sorry Ernie and all! See you next week.

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DX this week has brought in a few reports. We have a new one from Gary Penley in Olympia, Washington. Welcome and report often. I was very lucky to catch one of my better catches this past week. I was tuning around DXing off and on during the KABC/ABC Net DX Talk Show Saturday morning December 15th and caught The Voice of Vietnam from Hanoi on 1010 Khz! More info under TPs. On with reports:

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- 765 t SENEGAL, Dakar-12/10 at 0620-Strong Het, picking up strength and peaking around 0700. Audio detectable, w/low pitched OM, seemed to be Quran chants and seemed to be // 4890 SW. Also weak. No IDs tho Slowly deteriorated after 0700 (fits West Africa SR), looped E/W KOB/WJR slop. Would be first IA. (ØW-Co)

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 650 UNID, 0600-0705 11/20. Ranchera mx, have yet to replay the tape on this one. Several ID's as Radio Bien...." Followed by explosions (GP-UNID, 0510-0700 11/20 upbeat mx and several IDs as Radio Sandi, Con su programa de..... (GP-Wa)

720 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla-HJAN 12/7 at 0215. Rel pgm, 0231 ID as "Emisoras Unidas...H-J-A-N" then into Colombia mx. Far/poor WGN not a factor tonight. New HJ #9 (ØW-Co)

590 ECUADOR, Machala-0757 11/17 huge signal, now noted IDing as Radio Superior...was noted using Radio Moderna Del Ecuador last Spring. Often battles WLS in late evening (GP-Wa) (Good catch, Gary.PM)

1040 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla-HJAI at 1300 11/18 clobbering WHO with tones on hour and then ID (GP-Wa)

1320 MEXICO, Santa Rosalia, BCS-XESR 12/9 at 0609. Quiet XE vocals canned Xmas greeting, slogan sounded like "Radio Cacnia" S/off at 0658, NA 0659. Fair/good not much QRM in this loop direction, except KOLT New Mexican #63 (ØW-Co)

1590 MEXICO, Mexicali-XEYX 12/11 at 0030 poor on brief fade up in highly delicate KLIV-1590 null (enhanced by putting my hands on the rx) ID on half hour as "equis-eh....equis? ment of 1590 Khz." diez-mil(10,000 Watts+ studio location, another ID as "Radio 1590" Thx to DKK, for his tip. New (RW-Ca)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

567 t GUAM, Agana-KGUM, possibly the one with U.S. anc giving power as 5,000 watts, Commission mentioned presume FCC, vy strong DU QRM, much weaker than KUAM-612, as usual at 1058 on 12/17. I still need this one QSL'd, as I have KUAM and KTWG verified. (PM-Or)

612 GUAM, Agana-KUAM, fair to good o/JJ and others with Billy Joel record and KUAM ID, TC at 1045 on 12/17. (PH-Or)

702 CHINA, Unid station here in CC o/u JJ at 1234 on 12/15 (PH-Or)

738 t TAHITI, 12/10 at 0615 Strong het, audio just below threshold level Looped NE/SW. Tahiti a logical choice, tho Spain possible. Seemed to disappear at 0730, which hits Tahiti s/off time. Would be first TP(ØW)

1010 **** VIETNAM, Hanoi-FS heard vy well in Cantonese at 1201 on 12/15, while Tuning around during KABC/ABC Net DX Talk pgm. About fell out of the chair. First caught tail end of National Anthem, and YL with News in Cantonese. At 1210 OM with brief anmt (May have been Vietnamese) then YL continued in Cantonese, faded by 1225, but heard around 1240 in what sounded like Mandarin (signal was much weaker). Checked a few days later on SW the National Anthem, which checked out. I could not hear hardly a thing on 31 Meters and above the morning on 12/15. Low freq. were good, though. Taped report sent and I'm keeping my fingers crossed. They do QSL their EE service on 1010 Khz, but not sure about Cantonese, even tho a Foreign Service. New and Country 70 Heard! (PM-Or)

1044 CHINA, FS 1208 11/26 best this season w/Clas. mx hrd (GP-Wa)

1206 CHINA, 1224 11/26 equal to 1044 w/YL talk (GP-Wa)

1476 U.S.S.R., Vladivostok-1128 11/26 exc w/IS at ½ hour, then Clas. mx(GP-Wa)

1566 SOUTH KOREA, Jeju-HLAZ 1300 11/26 ,Rel mx louder than Domestics 1560/1570. This should be good bet for Midwest! (GP-Wa)

VERIFICATIONS:

570 HAWAII, Kauai, Lihue-KIPO-, rec direct QSL letter in 6 weeks from Robert Wilson-Manager, along w/Tourist info. Already had this QSL'd from Alan Roycroft, but I try to QSL direct if I can. (PM-Or)

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