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Part 2 of that big propagation article has been held over another week due to space limitations. Maybe next week....



## Odds and Ends

**WSLC-610**, Roanoke, VA will test during regular schedule on Monday morning November 23, 1987. The test will include antenna work using 5kw day power on night pattern 0000-0100 EST, & 5kw on day pattern 0100-0200. Programming will be c/w mx w/ many IDs. Send reception reports to J. Paxton Durham, WSLC, Box 6002, Roanoke, VA 24017. (Dave Schmidt, NRC)

**WYNS-1160**, Lehighton, PA, will test every Sunday between now and Christmas from 0215 to 0230 EST. Send reception reports to Ned Richards, WYNS, 230 East Washington St., Schenksville, PA 18078. (Tom Jasinski)

**CFFX-960**, is the new call of CKWS in Kingston, ON. They ID as "96 Fox" or "C-Fox". Also **CISV-1530** is testing on 1570 and plans to move there in the near future. (Niel Wolfish)

**KGBX** and **KTTS** in Springfield, MO swapped dial positions at noon Central time on October 14. **KGBX** is now on 1400 and **KTTS** is now on 1260. (Springfield News-Leader, via Gary Larson)

**WLGW-1490**, Lancaster, NH was still trying to get permission from the local authorities in mid-August to erect their tower. The new station is likely not on the air yet. (Unid newspaper, via Howard Kemp)

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## BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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call	kHz	day/night	at city
WASG	550	700/	AL Atmore granted 3900/
WWPR	580	1000/500	MS Tupelo granted WELO (again)
KRLB	580	500/	TX Lubbock granted KJBX
new	600	1000/950	NY Brownville granted construction permit and WXIK
KAVL	610	1000/500	CA Lancaster application for 5000/4000 returned
WPBD	640	50000/1000	GA Atlanta wants WQXI
new	640	10000/1000	MI Kingsley granted construction permit, wants WDRQ
new	640	1000/250	MI Zeeland granted construction permit
WBSO	650	10000/1000	MA Clinton denied extensaion of time to construct
appl	650	5000/1000	AZ Peoria
appl	650	2500/1000	NV Las Vegas
appl	650	10000/10000	OR Santa Clara application returned
WMOO	660	50000/1000	AL Fairhope granted 22000/1000
new	670	500/	TN Farragut granted WBAV
WLKE	690	250/	WI Oshkosh appl for 400/250 returned
KVOI	700	10000/1000	AZ Oro Valley wants South Tucson AZ and 2500/1000 (this station may still be operating on its old facilities of Tucson AZ, 690 kHz, 250/ so this would be an improvement)
WCAT	700	2500/	MA Orange granted WPNS
KSUD	730	250/	AR West Memphis granted 250/500
KIZN	730	500/	ID Boise wants 500/10000
WACE	730	5000/	MA Chicopee wants 9000/500 (reapplies with lower day)
KSSS	740	1000/250	CO Colorado Springs granted 3300/1500
WZOM	750	250/	IL Brookport granted WRIK
appl	750	10000/10000	NV Carson City
new	750	250/	LA Gretna granted KAIG
KJEL	750	1000/	MO Lebanon granted 5000/
new	760	10000/	AL Spanish Fort granted WAFK
KJIM	760	5000/1000	CO Thornton wants 50000/50000
KBCB	760	1000/	KS Overland Park granted 6000/
new	760	1000/	TN Nashville granted construction permit and WJRR
appl	780	500/250	PR Vega Alta wants Sabana PR
KCHG	810	250/	TX Somerset application for 500/250 returned
KTBI	810	41000/	WA Ephrata appl for 50000/ returned
new	820	5000/2500	NY Horseheads granted WIQT (see also 1000 kHz)
new	830	3000/1000	MA Cherry Valley granted construction permit and WCRN
KSDP	840	5000/2500	AK Sand Point wants 1000/1000, which <u>Broadcasting</u> describes as an "increase" so perhaps the powers shown, which are from their original 1979 appl, never got on the air at that level
appl	840	250/	SC Cordova application returned, then dismissed (?)
KIKN	840	50000/1000	TX Pharr denied extension of time to construct
appl	860	500/210	OR Eugene application returned
appl	870	5000/250	ID Eagle (same applicant as one of the recent appl's for 1000 kHz at Eagle; presumably the 1000 kHz appl is being dismissed)
KPRM	870	10000/1000	MN Park Rapids granted 15000/1000
new	880	500/250	CA Deaart Hot Springs granted construction permit
appl	880	1600/	SC Blythewood (reapplies)
KPTO	890	50000/1000	CA Citrus Heights appl for Fair Oaks CA returned (still has pending appl for 50000/250)
new	890	1500/	MO Gladstone granted KGGN
KRDZ	900	1000/	CO Del Norte granted KGCA
new	900	1000/	NH Nashua granted WHVU
appl	910	3000/3000	CA Antioch sync-KNEW 910 application dismissed
KOLO	920	5000/1000	NV Reno granted KQLO
WGHQ	920	5000/	NY Kingston wants 5000/500
KNSA	930	2500/2500	AK Unalakleet granted construction permit to reinstate expired permit
WFMD	930	5000/1000	MD Frederick granted 5000/2500
KKIN	930	1500/	MN Aitkin wants 2500/
KBFW	930	1000/	WA Bellingham granted 1000/500

appl	940	2500/	GA Rincon (reapplies)
appl	940	???	SC Columbia application returned
WFAW	940	500/	WI Fort Atkinson granted 500/550
KRSB	950	1000/	OR Roseburg granted KTBR
KZZU	970	5000/1000	WA Spokane granted KHIT
KBLS	990	1000/500	CA Santa Barbara granted 5000/1000 (this shows the result of the granting of two applications, one each for day and night increases)
WNTY	990	500/	CT Southington granted 1000/
WHOO	990	50000/5000	FL Orlando correct old call was WWMA, not WWMA (Stephens AL)
WWRS	990	250/	WI Mayville wants 500/
new	1000	10000/	GA Remerton granted construction permit
WMPZ	1000	1000/	GA Soperton granted WJHH
WKBO	1000	10000/	NC Garner granted WHEV
WIQT	1000	1000/	NY Horseheads wants WLNL (see also 820 kHz; WIQT is moving from 1000 to 820 but is selling off the old 1010 kHz license to a new company which is applying for WLNL)
appl	1020	2500/	NE Holdredge application returned
KIQQ	1030	50000/10000	CA Folsom granted KKSA
WBZN	1030	50000/	NC Wake Forest granted WFTK
WYSL	1030	500/	NY Avon granted 1000/
KDUN	1030	10000/500	OR Reedsport granted 10000/630
appl	1050	2500/	CA Frazier Park application dismissed (one of two)
appl	1050	2100/	CA Frazier Park granted construction permit
appl	1050	1000/	CA Richgrove application dismissed
KOFY	1050	50000/500	CA San Mateo wants 50000/10000 (reapplies)
WTSJ	1050	1000/	OH Cincinnati appl for 1000/500 returned
WSRG	1070	250/	KY Elkton application for 1000/ returned
WEKS	1080	10000/	GA Marietta wants WECA
WHRC	1080	500/	IL Edwardsville wants 500/337
new	1090	5000/	CA South Lake Tahoe granted construction permit
KANN	1090	1000/	UT Ogden appl dismissed for extension of time to move to Roy UT on 1120 kHz
appl	1100	50000/1000	AZ Cave Creek
appl	1100	50000/1000	AZ Scottsdale
appl	1100	50000/1000	AZ Sun City
appl	1100	5000/	AZ Tucson Estates
appl	1100	50000/1000	NV Las Vegas
appl	1100	2500/1000	TX Bridge City (reapplies with day and night powers reversed)
KRLA	1110	50000/10000	CA Pasadena granted 50000/20000
KHAC	1110	10000/	AZ Window Rock wants Tse Bonito NM and 880 kHz and 10000/430
WDFW	1120	250/	VA Duffield granted 1000/
WSDM	1130	500/	IN Brazil granted WBZL
KBMR	1130	50000/5000	ND Bismarck wants 710 kHz and 50000/4000 (reapplies with lower night power)
KIMM	1150	5000/	SD Rapid City appl for 5000/500 returned
new	1160	5000/250	FL Woodville granted WTWF ("Tallahassee WoodvilleFL")
WVNJ	1160	1000/250	NJ Oakland wants 10000/2500 (reapplies)
new	1160	2500/	MA Easthampton granted construction permit
KCBQ	1170	50000/5000	CA San Diego wants 50000/1500
WVEE	1170	1000/	TN Collierville granted WPLX, granted Germantown TN
new	1170	3500/	VA Lynchburg granted WVZN
KERI	1180	50000/1000	CA Wasco granted 50000/10000
new	1180	10000/	TN Knoxville granted construction permit
WWLD	1190	5000/	FL Pine Castle granted WPRD
WSML	1190	1000/	NC Graham granted 1200 kHz and 10000/1000
new	1190	690/	SC Atlantic Beach granted WHIW
WYCP	1200	500/500	KY Radcliff granted WANG
KASY	1210	50000/1000	WA Auburn wants 50000/6900 (reapplies with lower night power)
KRMC	1220	250/	OK Midwest City granted KTLV, wants 1000/500
new	1230	1000/1000	NH Berlin granted construction permit and WIGW (this is the permanent replacement station for WMOU 1230 which lost its license years ago; the current occupant of 1230 at Berlin, WAXC, is an interim operator which goes out of existence with this)
KYPB	1240	1000/1000	AZ Quartzsite application dismissed for extension of time to construct new station

KGBX 1260	5000/	MO Springfield wants KTTS
WBNR 1260	1000/	NY Beacon granted 1000/400
KQSA 1260	1000/	TX San Angelo call change (back) to KIXY set aside at station request, KQSA remains assigned
appl 1270	5000/5000	MA Fairhaven
KHEP 1280	1000/	AZ Phoenix wants 2500/
KREL 1280	5000/	NV Henderson appl for Winchester NV and 1290 kHz and 5000/5000 dismissed
WNLB 1290	1000/	VA Rocky Mount granted 5000/ (call may be WFLB)
WNEA 1300	500/	GA Newnan granted 1000/
KHUG 1300	5000/5000	OR Phoenix wants KESI
WFAH 1310	1000/	OH Alliance wants 1000/500
KQIQ 1320	1000/	CA Lemoore wants Farmersville CA and 5000/3100
KTOD 1330	500/	AR Conway granted KFCA
KHYT 1330	2000/5000	AZ South Tucson granted KMRR
WEAW 1330	5000/	IL Evanston granted WSSY
appl 1340	1000/1000	NH Madbury (reapplies)
WMRS 1350	5000/	NH Laconia granted WLNH (again)
WWBZ 1360	1000/	NJ Vineland wants 5000/
WAOK 1380	5000/5000	GA Atlanta granted 5000/4200
WEOK 1390	5000/	NY Poughkeepsie wants 5000/4100
WCSC 1390	5000/5000	SC Charleston granted WXTC (Stephens AL)
KHTX 1400	1000/1000	CA Truckee wants Sparka NV (also still has appl pending for 1180 kHz and 10000/1000 at Truckee)
WUEZ 1400	1000/1000	FL Sanford granted WKUS
KTTS 1400	1000/1000	MO Springfield granted KGBX
WOND 1400	1000/1000	NJ Pleasantville wants 570/570 (also has pending appl for 580/1000)
KXYC 1400	1000/1000	UT Provo granted KSRR
KCLO 1410	5000/5000	KY Leavenworth granted KCWV ("Kansas City's Wave")
WSTL 1410	1000/	NY South Glens Falls denied extension of time to construct new station
new 1430	5000/	CO Grand Junction granted construction permit
WXAM 1430	500/	KY Buffalo granted 1000/ (call may still be WLCB)
WIVE 1430	5000/	VA Ashland granted WMMM (old call may be WTVE)
KRQZ 1440	5000/	CO Wray granted KRZD (again)
KYYK 1450	1000/1000	TX Palestine granted KNET (again)
WENZ 1450	1000/1000	VA Highland Springs granted WRGF
KJUN 1450	1000/1000	WA Puyallup wants 1440 kHz and 5000/2000 (reapplies)
WQCN 1460	5000/5000	NY Albany granted WOKO (again)
WHBT 1460	500/	WI Racine granted WBZN
appl 1470	5000/3500	NC Greensboro (replacement for long lost WBIG)
WTKO 1470	1000/500	NY Ithaca granted 5000/1000
KIXK 1490	500/500	CO Manitou Springs granted KRYN
appl 1490	150/150	OK Oklahoma City to be synchronous with KOKC 1490 Guthrie OK
WEXY 1520	1000/250	FL Wilton Manors appl for 5000/250 dismissed
WSPZ 1520	1000/	GA Douglasville wants 2500/ (reapplies with lower critical hours power, 800 watts)
WKVI 1520	250/	IN Knox wants 2000/ (reapplies with lower critical hours power, 410 watts)
WJXW 1530	50000/	FL Jacksonville wants WJGR
KKCM 1530	8600/	MN Shakopee granted 24000/
new 1530	1000/	VA Haymarket granted construction permit
KKDI 1540	250/	AR Sheridan granted 880 kHz and 10000/220
WQCC 1540	1000/	NC Charlotte appl for 10000/ dismissed
appl 1550	50000/250	NM Santa Fe
WCCR 1550	250/	NY Canandaigua granted 1310 kHz and 1000/1000 (appl was apparently modified downward from original 2500/2500; this likely also kills their old appl for 640 kHz and 250/1000)
KXOJ 1550	500/	OK Sapulpa granted 2500/
KIBG 1550	2500/250	WY Saint Stephens denied extension of time to construct new station
WKIQ 1560	5000/2300	FL Inverness wants WINV
KCJJ 1560	1000/1000	IA Iowa City application to "modify facilities," perhaps from specified hours to unlimited time, dismissed for failure to prosecute; this was a contested case between this upgrade and the renewal of WQXR 1560 New York NY; WQXR won
new 1560	10000/	NY Webster granted construction permit and WMJO
WPEP 1570	1000/	MA Taunton wants 2000/

WFEL 1570	5000/	MD Towson appl for 5000/500 returned
WHII 1570	5000/	MS Bay Springs granted WIZK
appl 1580	10000/	CA Redding (reapplies)
WEAM 1580	1000/	GA Columbus wants 2300/
WPGC 1580	50000/	MD Morningside granted 50000/500
appl 1580	/500	PR Arecibo to be synchronous with WGFV 1580 Morovia
WC2N 1590	1000/1000	PA Chester granted 2500/1000
KLEB 1600	1000/	LA Golden Meadow granted 5000/

**AM STEREO UPDATE:** The FCC is still considering the National Telecommunications and Information Administration's recommendations on AM stereo. NTIA had urged the FCC to protect the pilot tone of the Motorola C-QUAM AM stereo system, in effect setting Motorola as a standard. Motorola's lobbyists are insisting on that protection after two incidents that occurred in Syracuse NY. There, WAQX 1490 and WSYR 570, both of which transmit stereo using the competing Kahn system, used a signal generator, at different times, to send out the Motorola stereo pilot tone in addition to the Kahn pilot tone and Kahn stereo transmission. The two stations apparently did it for two reasons: (1) to force on the stereo indicators on Motorola-only AM stereo receivers, which dominate the market and (2) to force some brands of Motorola-only receiver to switch to a wide AM IF bandwidth, improving the treble frequency response. What was heard on Motorola receivers whose stereo circuits were switched on by the Motorola pilot tone while receiving the Kahn transmission was a pseudo-stereo effect. It sounds in a general way like "real" stereo but the musical instruments and voices don't appear in any fixed position on the stereo "stage." Both stations ceased the Motorola pilot transmission after a time. WSYR's chief engineer found that the Motorola stereo receiving circuit produced too much noise, thus making the station sound weaker in strong-signal areas than it really was. Leonard Kahn, inventor of the Kahn system, said that this proved the inferiority of Motorola receivers. Motorola said that this was a perfect example of why stations should not be allowed to broadcast the Motorola pilot tone except when transmitting in Motorola stereo. (Broadcasting, 21 Sep 87 and Monti)

**ADDITIONAL DAYTIMERS GO FULLTIME:** Pursuant to recently-negotiated treaties, the FCC has allowed about half of the daytime AM stations currently operating on the Bahamian clear channel of 1540 kHz to operate at night. In addition, certain daytimers on 14 other class I-A clear channels on which foreign countries have priority, have also been given nighttime authority. Most of the new night operations are with powers under 250 watts. As is usually the case with daytimers being allowed flea-powered night operations, the FCC is not releasing a list of stations. (Broadcasting, 26 Oct 87 and M Street Journal, 19 Oct 87)

**K AND W CALL SIGNS TO REMAIN IN CURRENT GEOGRAPHIC AREAS:** It's now official, the FCC has decided that call signs of US broadcast stations will remain divided along the Mississippi River as they have been for decades. As rumored in this column months ago (thanks to Geov Parrish) the proposal to allow stations anywhere to apply for call signs beginning with K or W has officially been scrapped. Those stations which have the "wrong" first letter in their call signs can keep them, as before.

**SAME-MARKET FREQUENCY CHANGES:** Stations which change frequencies while staying in the same market now have an additional protection. They can be guaranteed to keep their calls during the move. Previously, a station had to officially give up the call sign for its old frequency and apply for it on the new one, opening the possibility that somebody else, in the same market or elsewhere, could apply for and receive those calls during the brief period they were in the "unused" pile. (Broadcasting, 26 Oct 87 and M Street Journal, 19 Oct 87)

**DIFFERENT-SERVICE SAME CALL SIGNS NOW ALLOWED WITH DIFFERENT OWNERS:** The FCC backed off partially on another plan to liberalize call sign handouts. The Commission proposed that any FM or TV station could use the same basic call as an existing AM station (but with the -FM or -TV suffix), regardless of whether the FM and/or TV was co-owned with and/or in the same market as the AM. The proposal would cut all three ways; i.e., AM's or FM's could use the same basic calls as existing TV's, AM's and TV's could use the same basic calls as existing FM's. Permission of the station which had the basic calls first would not be required. When it came time to make the final decision, the FCC still allowed the same-calls, different-owner, different-band rule, but required the new call sign applicant to get advance, written permission from the other one or two station(s) that had the basic call sign before them. (Monti)

**DIALUP REMOTE CONTROL CORRECTION:** The August column speculated that

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Greetings! As shown in the picture to the left, DXing and reporting to EDXR can make you quite popular among your circle of friends. So don't hesitate! Report to EDXR and become the life of the party!

Deadline: Fridays

In this week's spotlight...

- (GH-PA) Gary A. Heisey; Box 310F RDI; Osterburg, PA; 16667  
Philco radio, GE Superadio, 4' floppy loop antenna
- (TK-NY) Yer editor  
Bearcat DX-1000, Palomar loop, 130' longwires
- (WPT-DC) Bill Townshend; 4500 Conn. Ave NW #901; Washington DC; 20008  
Realistic TRF (12-650)
- 530 CJFT ON, Ft. Erie 10-26 1931 Vpoor w/ heavy 540 slop, beacon QRM. Rock/pop mx w/ Chris ??, ID "530-CJFT," local ads. (TK-NY)
- 560 CJKL ON, Kirkland 10-21 0625 Poor u/ local WFRB, w/ wx, ID by man. PSA for a safe and happy hunting season. Heard CBC nx earlier and wondered if it was them. (GH)
- 560 WFIL PA, Philadelphia 10-26 2009 Fair w/ oldies mx from 50s, 60s, 70s, w/ male DJ. ID "The oldies channel, AM 560." (TK-NY)
- 560 WVOC SC, Columbia 10-17 0516 Fair to good, no WFIL, w/ "Radio 56 WVOC," and "WVOC cares about Columbia." Dionne Warwick song. Carries Talknet. Ex- WIS. I remember WQAM here w/ T40 in 1960. (GH-PA)
- 570 WMAM WI, Marienette 10-21 0700 Fair w/ possible NBC nx at 0700, sports earlier. Man gave two calls WMAM and WLST. YL talking about  $\frac{1}{2}$  foot of snow in Ashland County. Whites says 250 watts, is this true? (GH-PA) (NRC Log #7 says 250/100, as does Vane Jones. -TK)
- 570 WNAX SD, Yankton 10-21 0650 Poor to vpoor, alone, then weak WGMS. "It's 26 at WNAX," man giving temps for towns in Dakota area. Had to hold my loop up in wedge shape to hear it. Lawrence Welk got his start at this stn. (GH-PA)
- 600 UNID 10-28 1930 Vstrong, fair to good w/ SS mx, SS YL anncr. Without WICC, they would dominate channel. WICC null. (TK-NY)
- 630 KXOK MO, St. Louis 10-20 0702 Many ments of St. Louis, wx- wind chill of mid-20s- by YL. Loud, clear KXOK ID, song "Blondie on KXOK" by man. WMAL null. (GH)
- 770 WEW MO, St. Louis 10-19 0700 Poor w/ s/on w/ Nat Anthem and ment of 1 kW. WEW, but sounded more like WEEW. YL from Univ of MO @ Columbia talking, into Sinatra, MOYL, and EZL mx. No spots or IDs. Slight static, faded to WABC. (GH-PA) (NRC Log #7 has WEW at 1 kW days, format Oldies/Big Band. A strong possibility. -TK)
- 890 WHNC NC, Henderson 10-15 1845 Fair w/ s/off w/ ment of 1 kW power. No SSB. (WPT)
- 930 WTAD IL, Quincy 10-20 0713 Fair w/ IL lotto #s, "WTAD nx time, 6:13," by man. Local nx. (GH-PA)
- 990 WHOO FL, Orlando 10-16 1900 Poor u/ strong WEEB, w/ "You're listening to the 50,000 watt voice of fade WHOO," ID by man. Heard "central FL" later. (GH-PA)
- 1040 WJTB OH, Cleveland 10-18 1845 Good w/ "North Coast's best" by man. Gospel mx. Quick s/off, 5 kW days, ment of Cleveland and another town. New for me. (GH)
- 1040 WSGH NC, Lewisville 10-20 1840 Fair, brief, w/ "Listen to WSGH mini-concert Sat." YL gave phone #s. S/off by man, ment of gospel mx, "WSGH, good night." Gone at 1845, followed by WJTB s/off at 1846. (GH-PA)
- 1170 UNID 10-18 1945 Weak w/ Talknet u/ WWVA null. Heard no IDs, many spots during breaks. Nice if stns ID more often. Closest Talknet I could find was WACV-Montgomery, AL. (GH-PA)
- 1170 UNID 10-18 2148 Fair to poor, slow fade, partial WWVA null. Man talking in FF, FF mx. (GH-PA)
- 1170 WWVA WV, Wheeling 10-26 0727 Excel w/ sports nx w/ "The Scoop," C&W mx w/ Rich Bierella, nx w/ Sherry Stone-King. Suprisingly well, no sign of pests WJCC and WBRW. (TK-NY)
- 1200 UNID 10-31 0343 Vpoor in mess o/u pop mx stn, WCAU slop. Larry King show, w/ host Dave Landesburg and guest Steve Allen. ID sounded like WBTV, but probably WOAI. Nx at 0400. (TK-NY)
- 1220 WGNY NY, Newburgh 10-20 0912 Pop mx, man talking about stock market, Yankees and Billy Martin (Both headed downhill. -TK). Poor, fading o/ top of WGAR null. "1220 WGNY" ID. (GH-PA)
- 1220 WKMT NC, Kings Mtn. 10-16 1934 Fair w/ "Weather-wise brought to you by fade muffler and radiator shop. "Listen to WKMT 1220 AM stereo. Your gospel and country stn." (GH-PA)

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- 1250 WCAE ?? 10-31 0409 Fair to poor w/ Larry King show, host Steve Landesburg. Talk show promo (1200 to 1500), ID "Nx talk radio, 1250-WCAE." Mutual nx at 0430. The only WCAE I have listed is ch. 50 in St. John, IN. Is WTAE Pittsburgh talk/ nx format? (TK-NY)
- 1310 WDKD SC, Kingstree 10-14 1845 Fair u/ WDGT, w/ fishing rpt w/ ment of Surfside. (WPT-DC)
- 1320 WQIK FL, Jacksonville 10-16 1950 Fair w/ some WJAS, w/ only ID "WQIK FM 99," spot for office in Jacksonville. Vanderbilt/Georgia Bulldogs game. (GH-PA) (WQIK has an FM side on 99.1, so it's probably them. -TK)
- 1330 WLAT SC, Conway 10-16 2000 Fair, fadey, alone for awhile, w/ Mutual nx, "WLAT Conway" by man. "WLAT Best C&W mx." (GH-PA)
- 1340 WMON WV, Montgomery 10-16 2210 Fair w/ "WMON" ID by man. Possible C&W mx, then back in jumble. (GH-PA)
- 1520 WIDD TN, Elizabethtown 10-20 0830 Vpoor, noisy, no WWKB, w/ "Radio 15 WIDD" by man. Meht of several towns in TN, incl Johnson City. (GH-PA)
- 1530 WBCW PA, Jeanette 9-14 1929 Fair w/ s/off by man, w/ studio location. (WPT-DC)
- 1540 ZNS1 Bahamas 10-16 1935 Tentative Fair, fadey, KXEL/CHIN mixing, w/ no calls. Spots for lumber yard on the Islands, Baygon Insecticide "#1 in the Caribbean. Ments of Bahamas. (GH-PA) (Your guess is as good as mine. Readers?? -TK)
- 1550 WCCZ FL, New Smyrna Beach 10-16 2110 Fade w/ WBSC w/ game, w/ local football game, ment of Daytona Beach, Edgewater. "You're tuned to fade New Smyrna Beach. Weak WCCZ later. (GH-PA)
- 1600 WKWF FL, Key West 10-18 2230 Weak w/ "Greatest hits of all time on WKWF." Clear out of a pile up w/ weak WRRL. Are they still 500 watts? (GH-PA) (NRC Log #7 says 500/500, as does Vane Jones. -TK)

Many thanks to Gary Heisey and Bill Townshend for a great column this week. DX is picking up here at my QTH, with R. Paradise on 825 booming in from St. Kitts. With some luck, maybe I can cross the Mississippi DX barrier this season. 73s, great DX, and see you in seven...

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(the following is transcribed from Radio Netherland's "Media Network" program of 23 October 1987, hosted by Jonathan Marks)

"Currently the Bermuda government in the capital of Hamilton is examining a plan by two American businessmen to establish a 500 kw medium wave AM station on the northwest shore of one of the islands for the purpose of external broadcasting. Part of the aim would be to promote tourism to the islands, and the primary target for this station would be listeners in an arc stretching from Washington DC, USA in the south up to Toronto and Montreal Canada, and over to Boston Massachusetts in the north. Edward Shober (?) is a broadcasting consultant and one of the people behind the project. When we reached him in New Jersey USA this past Tuesday we asked him for more information."

Edward Shober: "Our plans are to construct a station and originate all final programming from Bermuda, largely with Bermuda residents as employees of the station, and the portion of the station which carries programming. We are looking for a very narrow demographic of listener from what we consider to be the upscale area, and that's the area where Bermuda is looking for tourism. Now we do find that that is also a very significantly overlooked demographic here in the United States."

Jonathan Marks: Mr. Shober says the plans involve choosing a frequency in the lower part of the newly expanded medium wave dial in North America, that's between 1600 and 1690 kHz. Around 95% of radios of recent manufacture in the United States tune to 1610 or 1620 kHz, and they have one of those channels in mind for their project. The station at the top of the dial would be commercial with no initial backing from the Bermuda government. But isn't medium wave radio in general having serious problems competing with VHF FM stereo in the USA and Canada?

ES: "That is a small disadvantage from the point of view that listenership has dropped in recent years. Over the medium term we don't expect that will be a major problem because most of the demographics which we are seeking are people who are over 40, the people who are still used to listening to AM radio in the majority."









# WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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DEADLINES: Each Tuesday

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 740 KATK NM, Carlsbad 10/27 2101 C&W music leading into ID "You're listening to Carlsbad's best country music on FM 92 and AM 740, KATK Carlsbad," then into more C&W. A total shock, as the loop was pointed due south & no sign of KSSS! Semi-auroral conditions, with A index 20+. New, NM #44. Ex-KBAD, never logged with old call. (ØW-CO)
- 810 KMIK NM, Santa Fe back on air with new calls. 10/26 1400 ID "KMIK Santa Fe-Los Alamos" with talk show. 1600 with "Steve Allen Show" from NEC. Gave address as 121 Sandoval, Santa Fe, 87501. Used slogan "The Mike 810." (BN-CA)
- 950 KTBR OR, Roseburg 10/25 0900 weak under KAHI/XEGM with s/on, buried by 0902. Unable to get enough for report, but heard 2 clear "KTBR" IDs. Call change, ex-KRSB. (RW-CA)
- 1290 KRGE TX, Weslaco 10/19 0315 a real steamroller flattening KMEN & everything else in its path with CHR and a real excitable girl DJ, "Serving the Rio Grande Valley." Nary a spot heard in 45 minutes, the hits just kept on comin'. Ex-KRGV. (DL-HI)
- 1400 KSRR UT, Provo per call to KXYC, has changed calls to KSRR, format now relig., 0600-0000 sked MLT. (RW-CA)
- 1580 (KPIK) CO, Colorado Springs silent for several weeks. Presumably will return with newly granted call KWYD, but when? (ØW-CO)
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- 530 AK, Nome 10/18 0730 non-directional beacon (NDB) at Pt. Davis with aviation weather & NOTAMS stumbled upon while checking 531 (the only plus for analog tuning I guess). Also heard earlier in cw IDing as JNR; 400w per FAA. (DL-HI)
- 540 KSHO CA, Hesperia 10/19 1002 with news while on the trail of KVIP. Small irony here; I probably mouthed these calls 50 times a night as evening jazz DJ when they belonged to now KRTR-FM here. Same owner, Saul Levine of KKGQ, "America's Jazz Station" in LA. (DL-HI)
- 560 KBLU AZ, Yuma 10/25 0200 fair with ID "AM Top 40, Saturday mornings on KBLU Yuma, a service of Sun Country Broadcasting." (DP-CA)
- 590 KSUB UT, Cedar City 10/25 0206 fair full ID, ment. of s/off, would be back on at 6am, then appeared to continue with Talknet. (DP)
- 630 KXDC CA, Monterey 10/2 0159 fair with ID "We're KXDC, AM & FM, Carmel-Monterey. We're Ecstasy." (DP-CA)

650 KORL HI, Honolulu 10/25 0539 very good with "Hawaii's incredible combination, AM 65 and FM 101." (DP-CA)

670 KPUA HI, Hilo 10/25 0358 good under KBOI with Cadillac ad, ment. of volleyball coverage, into Neil Diamond song. (DP-CA)

720 KUAI HI, Eleele 10/25 0305 poor with woman DJ with news, sports, SID, into Michael Jackson song, then Jody Watley. No Hawaiian music. (DP-CA)

KSAH TX, Universal City 10/26 0730 suddenly appeared with excellent signal over JJ with several "Radio Festival" IDs, and 5 mentions of San Antonio, local news, faded rapidly, gone by about 0735, came back up at 0745, then totally gone. New, been after this for a year! (RW-CA)

+10/26 0730½ surfacing in Spanish with fair signal; mentions of San Antonio. Believe this jibes with FCC/LSR time for Oct., San Antonio. (RHM-WA) (You & Robert were listening to this at the exact same time!--NH)

750 KAMA TX, El Paso 10/25 0549 poor with lower key Spanish programming. Numerous ments of KA-MA. (Looked all over my foreign list for this one). (DP-CA)

760 \*KFMB\* CA, San Diego 10/26 0413 totally off with TT, s/on for RS at 0630. (RW-CA)

780 KAZM AZ, Sedona 10/27 2150 MOR pops, DJ chat. Good signal with no sign of WBBM in semi-auroral conditions. (ØW-CO)

790 KURM AZ, Rogers 10/24 0107 poor in QRM with s/off anncr. 5000w day, 500w nite, slogan "Curm Radio." Anncr. was Pete something. Not needed, but haven't heard for a long time. Was looking for WETB test. (ØW-CO)

810 (KGO) CA, San Francisco 10/25 0420 totally off. Weak SS in background, carrier on at 0535 with man DJ, ment. of xtmr adjustments, will return at 6am. (DP-CA)

+10/25 0440 totally off. (RW-CA)

KCMO MO, Kansas City 10/19 0725 skipped in o/u KGO with sports bemoaning plight of hapless Chiefs. (DL-HI)

+10/25 0446 fair with ID over HJCY into what sounded like Talknet. (RW-CA)

830 KNCO CA, Grass Valley 10/25 0157 good with s/off. Address, powers & times given, national anthem & slogan "The best from the foothills." (DP-CA)

870 KAIM HI, Honolulu 10/25 poor, telethon with relig. music. Phone number 735-2424. (DP-CA) (Time?--NH)

KROL NV, Laughlin-Las Vegas 10/25 0222 good with ID, sports monologue from the Union Plaza Hotel. (DP-CA)

880 KKMC CA, Gonzales 10/17 0200 USA Net News and ID "Good Friends, Good News, Good Music KKMC" and PSA for Salinas Valley Community Church; over KWIP & then back into the noise. (BN-CO)

900 KNUI HI, Kahului 10/25 0600 fair under XEW. Many IDs, music by Huey Lewis. (DP-CA)

KKAP TX, Floydada 10/27 1025 ad for "Kap Fun House" on Halloween, sponsored by KKAP AM & FM. Played songs by Tony Bennett, Doris Day, etc. (BN-CO)

930 CJCA AB, Edmonton 10/18 0345 overcoming KDEO-940 slop with Bohannon and some local spots. (DL-HI)

940 KPRE CA, Fresno 10/18 0330 ID popped through KDEO lull. Heard again 10/26 during rare KDEO SP with format similar to KDEO's own C&W. (DL-HI)

970 KNUU NV, Paradise 10/26 0930 faded up while trying for KHIT-WA, with ID "You're listening to Nevada's only all-news station, K-News 970." (RW-CA)

KZUU WA, Spokane 10/28 1953½ heard with excellent signal with KZUU ID for AM & FM. So, haven't changed to KHIT yet! (NH-WA)

1010 KCHJ CA, Delano 10/12 1005 AP news & "California Country" ID. (DL)

1030 (KIOQ) CA, Polson-Sacramento has gone silent for xtmr adjustments. Will return to the air in mid-November under new calls, KKSA, and new format, which is unknown to me. (FPJ-CA)

+Per call to station, they are currently silent, but will come back on air with yet-to-be-disclosed format, with new calls KKSA in "late November." (RW-CA)

KBUF KS, Garden City 10/26 0747 strong in KTWO null with KC wheat & sorghum report, a few local spots. (RW-CA)

1040 CKXY BC, Vancouver 10/12 0346 with CHR & "Vancouver's Music Power" ID under KLHT. Call not heard but I've seen a change from CIOF reported. Any confirmation on this? (DL-HI)

+10/30 1300 jingle ID that sounds like CKXY, but NRC "AM Switch" lists as CKXY. (RHM-WA) (Sounds like CKXY to me!--NH)

- 1050 KNXX NM, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque v/1 says they hope to be RS by 11/9 but still just testing. Power co. hasn't brought power into them yet & they are still operating with temporary gas generator. 1000 day/ 500 night. (BN-CO)
- 1060 \*KPAY\* CA, Chico 10/26 0410 ET'ing with loop tape of various tones, mentions of "50 Hz," "63 Hz," all the way up to "16,000 Hz." ID "...standard cartridge at 7½ ips...all tones on this tape should be referenced for further instructions..." etc. This'd make a great DX test! (RW-CA)
- 1080 KASH AK, Anchorage 10/12 1155 "KASH" ID & C&W at this optimum hour For AKs. Everything else from NA is gone. (DL-HI)
- 1090 KBOZ MT, Bozeman 10/12 0500 generally weak but occasional good peaks with C&W and NBC News, with KING off. (DL-HI)
- 1120 KLIM CO, Limon disregard my previous report...still C&W...must have been a special rock program I heard on 10/5. (BN-CO)
- 1140 KRSR NV, Las Vegas 10/26 1949 ad for Merwyn's, then hard rock "music." Great signal until 2005, prob. a power cut. No legal ID heard, but several "Crusher" electronic voice slogans heard. Ex-KMJJ. (ØW-CO)
- 1150 KSAL KS, Salina 10/19 0750 with news headlines solid for 2 or 3 min. then swallowed on good skip AM for KS no. 1. (DL-HI)
- 1180 KOFI MT, Kalispell 10/18 0845 presented itself mid-song at what must be ant./power change time. Long hunt for this one. (DL-HI)
- KKAR NE, Bellevue 10/18 0700 CBS News & network public affairs programming. Also 10/19 0840 with regional news. (DL-HI)
- WHAM NY, Rochester 10/19 0709 finally one from the old home state. Very readable after KOHO-1170 s/off with morning show from "Rochester's News Leader." Longer hunt for this one. (DL-HI)
- 1200 CKDA BC, Victoria 10/20 0900-0910 several ads & rock music. (BN-CO)  
+10/26 0404 rock music, ad for Speedway Volkswagen. Not very strong but no QRM whatsoever. WOAI was off & no sign of the usual Cuban. New, BC #6. (ØW-CO)
- 1230 KIFW AK, Sitka 10/12 1105 ID & news, for 1st AK GY right after s/on I believe--nothing here a few minutes prior. (DL-HI)
- 1240 KADS OK, Elk City 10/19 2128 woman with weather, ad for Captain Dave's ("watch the game on our big screen TV..."); soon lost in horde. New, OK #31. (ØW-CO)
- KCVL WA, Colville 10/16 1933 end of United Stations News, ad, then ID by woman. Coming in quite good over the mess. New.(NH-WA)
- 1250 KHIL AZ, Willcox 10/16 2008 pop music, many local ads; legal ID at 2021. "K-Hill" slogans. Not needed, but much easier now with WREN silent. (ØW-CO)
- KKFX WA, Seattle 10/12 0815 "K-Fox, Seattle's Hottest Rock" ID and CHR over KTMS for a change. (DL-HI)
- KWSU WA, Pullman 10/27 2258 man/woman with pleas for \$ during Northwest Public Radio's pledge drive. Classical music. Not strong, long fades, and QRM from KXET & others. Not heard often here, but will be easier with WREN off. (ØW-CO)
- 1260 KGIL CA, San Fernando 10/12 0912 from another of my former residences, armchair level IDing as "Newstalk 1260." (DL-HI)
- 1270 KAJO OR, Grants Pass 10/9 0930 news & ad for Caveman Heating, ID 0933. (BN-CO)
- KIML WY, Gillette 10/26 2029 several minutes of business listings, then C&W music to 2100 AP News. Good at times but fadey and KXKL-1280 slop. Still don't have this verified. (ØW-CO)
- 1280 KFRN CA, Long Beach 10/19 0430 relig. "Family Radio" occasionally over, mostly under reg. KKAL. (DL-HI)
- KRZE NM, Farmington as of 10/27 is the "Rock of New Mexico" playing old time rock & roll and dropping C&W. "The Basin's Rock Store." (BN-CO)
- 1300 KYNO CA, Fresno 10/12 0250 with Dick Clark's Rock, Roll & Remember on "Fresno's Oldies Channel." (DL-HI)
- 1320 KGNR CA, Sacramento now carries SMN's "Pure Gold" oldies format during the evenings. (FPJ-CA)
- 1360 KSCJ IA, Sioux City 10/5 0631 s/on well over AN KRKK, and pretty well in control of channel at 0700 & 0730 checking. (RHM-WA)
- 1410 KWYO WY, Sheridan 10/26 1909 news, stocks, sports, local ads. Very good signal at times, way over much closer KCOL! Was my most wanted WY station. (ØW-CO)
- 1450 KCONY UT, Moab apparently had been off the air for several weeks. Heard back on 10/23 1230 with ID, C&W. KCRW still off, though. (BN-CO)

- 1480 KRXR ID, Gooding 10/23 1050 request program giving phone number 934-4497 and ID as "AM 1480, your #1 Choice," ad for lumber yard in Buhl and frequent ments of Magic Valley. (BN-CO)
- 1530 CISV ME, Winkler 10/18 0633 C&W music, weather to 0700 Broadcast News. Fair/good strength, not much fading. KFBK nulled. (ØW) +C&W completely on top of freq. for a real surprise 10/24 0200-0300, frequent IDs. No sign of KFBK, but Spanish which I think was Mexican. (BN-CO)
- 1550 KXEX CA, Fresno 10/19 0125 finally revealed as the Spanish heard reg. with KKHI. Both EE and "Radio Centro" ID 0130. (DL-HI)
- KNTR WA, Ferndale 10/12 1020 relig. with spots for Langley BC. Disappeared abruptly at 1030; switch to day pattern? (DL-HI)
- KVAN WA, Vancouver 10/12 1015 in & out with KKHI/KNTR with Seahawks contest & usual morning chatter. (DL-HI)

DX TESTS

- 700 KGRV OR, Winston 10/25 0744 fair/good with NRC test. TTs, OC, IDs as "KGRV Winston-Roseburg." Mixing with CKRD, WLW had faded away. Used 25kw day power until 0845. New, OR #3! (ØW-CO)
- 790 7WETB? TN, Johnson City 10/24 0045 heard a station testing with what sounded like a dial tone, but nothing else identifiable in GRM. WETB maybe? (ØW-CO)

UNIDS

- 1070 10/26 0400 unID carrying Larry King in KNX null. Good at times, seemed to be CFAX, but didn't know Canadians carry Larry King! (RW-CA)
- 1610 UnID WA State DOT testing 10/30 1310 for "Snow Line Report." Hood Canal THIS not heard, nor has NOAH Weather-radio been heard. DOT has had transmitter(s) in Stevens Pass area, so suspect this as location. (RHM-WA)

Welcome to WDXR, Doug. Dale's move to the midwest has left a void in our reporters from Hawaii--glad you will be able to fill it! The holiday season is fast approaching...I'll list special December deadlines next week. ♥

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JM: "People over 40 years of age with a high income are also likely to be interested in adverts for holidays on Bermuda, home computers, investment services, and (missed due to distortion), but what about a name for the service?"

ES: "We've whimsically though about calling it "Zed-16", the letters zeta-echo-delta-sixteen simply because here in the United States, that's not how one says the letter zee. In the United States, the FM stations and many of the AM stations are using a single letter followed by their frequency"

JM: "Although the name hasn't been fixed as Zed-16 yet, the plans for the high powered medium wave station have taken two years of thorough research. At the earliest, the station could begin broadcasting in the spring of next year, but there are a few more hurdles to go yet."

ES: "We're at a stage where an application has been filed with the Bermudan government. The Bermudan government has taken it under consideration and has convened a committee to specifically evaluate the proposal, determine what difficulties are involved and to report to the minister. The committee has met several times already, once including a public hearing which happened this summer, and the report to the minister is expected out in November, although preliminary reports may have already been transmitted. We have not been formally informed of the intermediary determination, however the indications are positive."

JM: "In case you're wondering, the station in Bermuda will only put out its programs of internation music, features and commercials in the local evening hours so as to take advantage of long range medium wave AM reception. We'll keep you informed."

# DX WORLDWIDE EAST

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■ As I've been commenting, TADX has finally been picking up around here, and finally - last season in Pittsburgh good TAcx began as early as September, while this season they seemed to be trying hard, but nothing really good until early November. Also, there's still some possibly TP carriers showing here. Times are UT:

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## TRANS-PACIFIC DX (or ??)

- 738 unID, pr-fr carrier 1005 10/31. +11/2 @0958 very weak. (Hall-PIT)
- 772 unID, wouldn't guess TP - unID carrier 1006 10/31. Prob an LA, but wasn't there a Japanese stn (JO1B) here in '85? (Hall-PIT)
- 882 unID, new freq. for possible TP's here, v. poor 1000 11/2. (Hall-PIT)
- 756 unID, v. pr/nil carrier 1007 11/2. +11/3 1027 with other t TP freqs. not in. (Hall)

## TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 585 SPAIN, Madrid 0255 10/15 : SS talk by m & w, fair. (Hakiel-NY)
- 603 unID, TA carrier 0342 11/3 : Don't often hear TA's on this freq. here - carrier was fair strength, wavy fades. (Hall-PIT)
- 666 PORTUGAL, Lisboa 0250 10/13 : Good w/nice vocals by m - PP talk. (Hakiel-NY)
- 684 SPAIN, Seville 0253 9/10 : Fr w/SS talk by m & w. (Hakiel-NY)
- 765 t SENEGAL, Dakar 0647+ 11/4 : Audio on big carrier in severe slop - sounded AA (prob. a vern.), fading by 0700. (Hall-PIT)
- 747 unID, TA het fading in/out w/765-Senegal, losing strength by 0700 11/4. Could this be Burkina Faso (Upper Volta) or perhaps Canaries? (Hall-PIT)
- 846 ITALY, Rome 2356 10/22 : Good w/US pop mx, II talk. (Hakiel-NY)
- 882 CANARY ISLES, Tenerife EAK74 0446 9/12 : Bftl SS mx, lady ancr. Good w/WCBS phased. (Hakiel-NY)
- 999 SPAIN, Madrid 0504 9/14 : SS nxcast by man, good. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1134 YUGOSLAVIA, Biograd 2236 10/17 : Ethnic mx, Slav talk. Good. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1215 ALBANIA, Lushnje 0414 10/22 : Fair w/light mx, Slav talk. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1251 LIBYA, Tripoli 0409 10/12 : Tirade by AA man, good. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1304 unID, NOT 1305 at 0608 on 11/2. Carrier of fr strength, seemed to loop TA approx. (Hall-PIT)
- 1314 NORWAY, Kvitsøy 0313 9/20 : Good w/soft mx, vocals - Norse talk. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1413 YUGOSLAVIA, Pristina 0418 10/21 : String mx - wild singer, Slav talk. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1422 ALGERIA, Alger 0506 9/13 : Good w/AA chants. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1458 ALBANIA, Lushnje 0403 10/22 : Fair w/Slav talk by w - probably mx. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1467 MONACO, Monte Carlo 2310 10/17 : Sermon in EE, rlg song by w, good. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1476 SPAIN, Bilbao + 6 stn's 0620 11/4 : SS talk on massive carrier - also massive dom. slopping. Later a vocal was hrd. (Hall-PIT)
- 1485 SPAIN, Alcoy + 9 0619 11/4 : SS talk on huge carrier(s) - much even chan. slop. Fading rapidly by 0630a. (Hall-PIT)
- 1503 SPAIN, Pamplona + 7 0615 11/4 : Fast SS, TC, some 1500 slop but 1503 was very strong and nicely audible at times. Later unID mx. (Hall-PIT)
- 1521 SPAIN, graveyards 0616 11/4 : SS woman, an "echo" type effect also hrd - was // one on 1584. Very strong - very nice in ECSS with little 1520 slop. (Hall-PIT)
- 1557 unID(s), possible TT 0444 - also def a TA stn in there w/unID talk. Much 1560 slop. 11/2. (Hall-PIT)
- 1562 t PORTUGAL, Covilha 0623 11/4 : STRONG as ever in xint Spain cx - presume Port. Finally, some audio after many unsuccessful attempts in the past, sounded SS/PP type, so hopefully was Portugal with PP. (Hall-PIT)
- 1566 SWITZERLAND, Sarnen 2233 10/15 : Fair w/jazz mx, GG talk. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1575 SPAIN, 0624 11/4 : Prob. Cordoba w/SS talk very strong by inland standards w/some slop from US stns. No PP heard so no Portugal tonight. Rapidly losing strength (as were the others) by 0635a due to their LSR. (Hall-PIT)
- 1584 SPAIN, (3) synchros. SER 0617 11/4 : Unbelievable -- at least 3 Spanish stn's audible at one point: one w/ SS man, another mixing w/different SS man, the third //1521 w/SS woman and an echo-type effect. A few min later mx was also noted mixing in on 1584. 11/4 was best TA eve so far this season (finally). In ECSS, 1584 showed several of the Spain graveyard carriers just slightly off-freq. creating SAH and "growl". It will never cease to amaze me how these GY's can propagate so well, esp. inland. (Hall-PIT)

- 1593 WEST GERMANY, Langenberg WDR 2221 10/15 : Pop mx, GG talk, good. (Hakiel-NY)  
 +0627 11/4 : Caught just before their dawn - LOUD w/classical piano mx. Daylighted and gone about 10-min. later. (Hall-PIT)
- 1602 SPAIN, synchronos. 0628 11/4 : Strong carriers, at least 2 slightly off-freq. (about 5-8 Hz) Fr-gd audio through slop - SS woman. (Hall-PIT)
- 1611 VATICAN, Vatican City 0320 11/3 : Vat. City State, first time in this season. Was best BCB TA at the time, woman in what sd/lk Slav. lang w/rigs ref's in talk. Anguilla-1610 was reduced nicely on R71; R. Vatican only audible using ECSS, but was very strong due to its 'clear channel'. (Hall-PIT)

P A N - A M E R I C A N D X

- 575.8 \* VENEZUELA, Villa de Cura 0130+ eve 11/2 : YVLK from 570 //9660 w/lively Ven. pops & party mx, numerous 'Rumbos!' & 'R. Rumbos' ID's. Unusual to find Venezuelans drifting (esp. to this extreme); coincidentally, as noted a few columns ago, the Rumbos net SW on 4970 was drifted to 4969a. + YVLK noted back on 570.0 next eve 11/3 //9660/670. (Hall-PIT)
- (600) CUBA, per tip from Ron Terotto in St. Cloud, FL, 6th harmonic hrd on 3600kHz @0000 11/2 v. good at times. 600 also in as always. By the way, does anyone know anything about the Rebelde // hrd u/MWV on 5 meg some time ago? Was it a spur (didn't sd/lk one when I hrd it.) (Hall-PIT)
- 650 COLOMBIA, Bogota HJXX 0335 10/7 : Fair w/LA mx-SS talk, ID. (Hakiel-NY)
- 722 unID, carrier, think an LA hrd 0958 11/2, 0315 11/2. Usually fr - maybe Cuban? (Hall-PIT)
- 730 COSTA RICA, San Jose TIHB 0312 11/2 : Radio Reloj fr/pr //4832 w/regional mx ref's. Mixing w/unID LA, others. (Hall-PIT)
- 732.8 unID, spur or carrier 0147 10/30. Seemed to go off/on briefly at the time. (Hall-PIT)
- 739.4 unID, carrier 0309 11/2, seemed to loop South. Possibly TV1. (Hall-PIT)
- 750 NICARAGUA, Managua HTA750 0308 11/2 : Sandino w/Panama vs. Nicaragua sporting event, apparently futbol. Good w/WBS. (Hall-PIT)
- 765 unID, carrier 0959 11/2 : Fr-gd, Haiti? Doubt a TP. (Hall-PIT)
- 780 BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, Tortola ZBV1 2316 9/29 : Many ads for firms in Tortola. (Hakiel-NY) (I<sup>111</sup> have to try for this too in the pre-SS pd, if I can dig the YV. ed)
- 825 ST. KITTS, Basseterre/Nevis 0127 10/16 : Sermon w/ments of hell on Radio Paradise. Fair/good. (Townshend-DC) (Welcome back, Bill. ed)  
 +0130 10/4 : R. Paradise good w/gospel pgm, m dj in EE. (Ross-ON)
- 840 ST. LUCIA, Castries 2357 10/16 : FF talk by man, ID - Power increased. Gd. (Hakiel)
- 850 PUERTO RICO, Aguadilla WABA 0400 9/14 : Good w/full call letter ID. New catch. (Hakiel-NY) (Nice logging, as well as the other Caribbean stn's. ed)
- 860 BRAZIL, Rio de Janeiro ZYJ459 2246 10/17 : Good w/nice vocals, PP talk. This stn. appears at SS briefly - almost nightly. (Hakiel-NY)  
CUBA, La Habana CMBM 0003 11/3 : 0000 ID by m "...transmite", R. Metropolitana...La Habana...victorio libre en America...", later slogan ID by woman. A few minutes earlier (2350) a stn w/2 men in interview in what sd. like Parlamento (w/some EE comments) may have been long sought PJZ86, Willemstad, Curacao. (Hall-PIT)  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, Sto Domingo HILR 0006 11/3 : SS sports event, t hrd // on 11700 (way u/Cuban LV del CID on the SW), o/u Cuban on MW w/no CJBC. Not very common here. (Hall-PIT)
- 895 HAITI, Gonaives 4VGS 2352 10/17 : Creole FF talk by man - poor/fair w/fadeout before ID. (Nice going, George - I got a carrier at least. ed) (Hakiel-NY)  
 +unID/HAITI: carrier poor and delicate 0121 11/3 per G. Hak tip. (Hall-PIT)
- 914 t SURINAM, Nieuw Nickerie 1001 11/2 : Hoping for RAN! as always. No useable audio this morning - rarely get audio here, only in superior cx and even then it's tough. Did get Dutch here once a year or two ago, in AUCx in the evening, not in morn. like this. (Hall-PIT)
- 925 t GUATEMALA, San Pedro Carcha TGJL 1029 11/3 : Continues to taunt me - presume the TG here. As I dissect the tape made from last audio here (I or 2 columns ago) I really think this was Guat. with the marimba IS. Unfortunately, as noted a column or two ago, the 1180 seems to have been VOA with a CA pgm, but still may be the true TG. (Hall)
- 1040 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla 0230 10/17 : CARACOL good, "esta es CARACOL" ID by m, also SS talk by m, musical CARACOL jx, into SS pop mx. (Ross-ON)
- 1070 PUERTO RICO, Arecibo WMIA 2332 9/22 : SS talk, 'R. Arecibo' & call letters. New catch. (Hakiel-NY) (Nice catch, George. ed)
- 1090 CUBA, Minas de Matahambre (CMAW) eve 11/2 : During call from Ron Terotto this eve, he xmitd o/phone his reception of R. Gauma on 1020; it was //my reception on 1090 - wild Cubanese mx and Ecuadoran Andes-like mx. Sds more than 1kw on 1090. Some KAAV QRM at times. (Hall-PIT) w/help  
 +0447 9/14 : Good w/LA mx, SS talk, ID. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1090.7 unID, LA carrier hetting 1090 0251 11/2. (Hall-PIT)
- 1142-3a unID, (Cuba?) eve 11/2 + always: Almost always in Carib./LA cx. As often noted here, there's an outrageous hetting noise (not a 'clean' het) on 1140 - Ron Terotto in FL rebroadcast o/phone his hetting on 1142-3 and it was exactly what I had, so may be LA or Cuban origin. (Hall-PIT) w/help
- 1146 unID/HAITI? V. weak carrier 0230 10/29 - 4VRS-1170 was in at the time). Have any other DXers heard the 4V here? +again poor 0130 10/30 and other dates. (Hall-PIT)

- 1163a unID, 0234 10/29 : Unstable-quality carrier (or TVI?) w/1165-Antigua het. (Hall)  
 1170 HAITI, Port-au-Prince 4VRS 0120 10/16 : Talk in FF by man, fair o/WVA. (Bill Townshend-DC)  
 +0231 10/29 : 4VRS R. Soleil fr u/WVA w/FF/Creole rigs hymns. (Hall-PIT)
- 1203.8 unID, carrier fair w/1205-Cayman het @ 0230 10/29. Still there from several issue ago. (Hall-PIT)
- 1560 CUBA, Ciego de Avila CHIR 0618 11/2 : QXR off MM leaving CM/XE. R. Enciclopedia fair w/standard SS girl/lite mx. (Hall-PIT)  
MEXICO, 0615+ 11/2 : Mixing w/Cuban, new XE here, but which one? Presumed XEAFJ first, but numerous slogans 'Musica de (sd/lk Pegue)' would be XEMAS, but their ske doesn't have them on @ this time. Ranchera w/accordion. John Wilkins, et al, does XEAFJ use a 'Musica de ?' type slogan? Ernest Cooper, re one of my recent forum what was the XE you've hrd here? (Hall-PIT)
- 1574.8 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, St. Domingo 0237 10/29 : HIAJ from 1570 w/SS m talk, good at times on Beverage. Apparent s/off @ 0302 leaving weak TA-1575 het. Also s/on 1000 (also have hrd s/on here 1030 another date) on 11/2. (Hall-PIT) +Audio difficult here. I suspect they've drifted to combat the het from the Turks & Caicos Beacon.
- 1613 GUATEMALA, Rabinal 0327 11/2 : 'RAB' poor. (Hall-PIT)

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# A dial hopper samples radio morsels

**S**TRONG-SIGNAL AM radio stations around the country offer a bit of the flavor of the regions they represent. You can get gumbo here, chili there, softshell crab or sweet potato pie. Following are a few tastes:

**Cincinnati:**

"700-WLW with The Bozo, startin' into year No. 2 of Interstate 700. Good mornin', here's Connie." (The tune is "Once a Day" — a 1965 country heart-winger sung by Connie Smith.)

Bozo: "There's a lady that's travelin' down the highways in a truck. Her handle is 'The Naked Lady.' Mmmmm. And she's on the phone here right now. Anyway, she's calling from the Circle City, right?"

"I wanted to call and tell ya, Happy Anniversary. I'm sorry I haven't called ya, but I've been in Seattle."

"What have you been doing in Seattle, Naked Lady?"

"Oh, I dropped off some freight over there at Boeing Aircraft."

"Oh, Good, good... We'll be lookin' for you as you drive by."

**New York:**

A woman with a British accent: "Edward Grieg's Sonata in D Minor, played by pianist Glenn Gould. And the time now in New York is 2:14 precisely on the stereo stations of The New York Times. WQXR-FM, 96.3, and WQXR-AM, 1560."

"Well I trust this oncoming day brings you a happy day, one which although, I suppose, like any day, will be fraught with problems, things to resolve, things to just plain solve, may they go well, may they come without requiring too terribly much agonizing. I think the music helps. It somehow neutralizes those unanswered questions just a bit."

Pittsburgh Press  
 via Jim Hall

**Detroit:**

On WJR (760): "The battle for third place continues tonight as the Minnesota North Stars come into Detroit to meet the Red Wings. These two teams have supplied some fireworks in the past games, and we'll look for a good one tonight, with our broadcast beginning at 7:25..."

**Louisville:**

On WHAS (84) with talk-show host Milton Metz, who specializes in 'gripes, squawks and complaints.' The caller is Paul.

"Yeah, I have a gripe on, uh, several things. One thing that gripes me, and I think it should be a government regulation, are these cars that have dark windows. You can't see who's driving, they could be wanted by the FBI or anything, but you can't see them. I've never been in one so I guess they can see you."

"Oh yes, they can see you. I don't think there's any law against it. Why should there be a law permitting you to look into someone else's car?"

"Well they might be wanted."

**Charlotte:**

On WBT (1110), a female reporter's voice: "March 28, 1984. Tornadoes ripped through the Carolinas causing widespread destruction."

Gruff, rural voice: "That wall was 16, 18 inches thick, solid brick. It took it out just like matchsticks."

"One year later, WBT news returns to the communities hardest hit..."

**Montreal:**

On the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. (French language), a sports-cast in French punctuated by recognizable snippets such as "Phœadelphie, deux, Chœcago, trois," "Deviils, de New Jersey," "Oilaïrs, de Edmontœn," "Bruins, de Bostonœ," and "le basketball."

From Ontario province (CBC, English language):

"A bi-election was held today in Saskatchewan to fill the vacancy left by Colin Thatcher. The former energy minister was removed from office after being sentenced to life in prison for the murder of his ex-wife. Rick Swenson, of the Progressive Conservatives, is the new member for the riding (district) of Thunder Creek, near the city of Moose Jaw."

And then: "Canada has dropped into second place in the men's world curling championships in Glasgow. The Al Hacker rink from Thunder Bay lost 6-3 to both Denmark and Sweden, the team's first losses in the tournament..."

"Now the weather forecasts for Ontario... For White River, Algoma and the Sault, partly cloudy with fog patches overnight, low minus 2 to minus 5. Thursday, cloudy with rain developing, high 3 to 7. Friday, colder with rain or wet snow."

**Buffalo:**

From WGR (96.9): "10:42 — we'll take a break. When we return, extension 55, I've got two open lines now, 886-6450. Doctor's office horror stories, we all have some, let's tell them right now."

**Raleigh:**

From WPTF (680): "It's a Land's Jewelers Night Song in progress from Studio A, with Tom Avery. Nice talking with Lisa in Fayetteville tonight. Lisa was having a little phone trouble early tonight. Glad you got it fixed so you could get through and request this record — I like it, too — by Bobby Vinton, 'Please Love Me Forever.'"

**New York:**

"Ahhhhhhhh! Growlin' through the night with the music with the out-tasight. You got the Wolfman on 66-WNBC"

— Peter B. King



# DX Worldwide - West



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DEADLINES: 11/17, 12/8,  
12/15, 12/22.

First off I will be on vacation from November 21 to December 6/87. So there will not be any columns for a couple DX weeks. Even an editor gets some time off. Hi. Hopefully while I am gone DX will be good and I will get a lot of reports when I get back. Not a whole lot to report this week. According to Chuck Boehnke-Hawaii KULA - 1460 has been testing with Open Carrier of late. According to info station is located at Maunaville which I believe is on Oahu and is 5KW. That is going to be tough, unless KDON is off. Maybe a good night might bring it in. Reports this week from Doug Lamerson-Hawaii and Randy Seaver-California. Long time since I have heard from Randy. Nice to see him in the pages again. On with reports:

## PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 820 MEXICO, Mexicali, BCN XEYX semi-local came on in March or April. First heard while in Arizona Easter weekend. IDed 5/4 1230 with call "Ygriega Eckis, Ocha Veinte," mentioned "Valle de Mexicali" and the towns of San Luis, Morelia, etc. (RS-CA) (I notice this is also regular at SR here in the NW o/u KGNW about every morning. PH)
- 830 MEXICO, Culiacan, Sinaloa, XEVQ an evening and morning regular. S/on 9/24 1250 with anthem S9+5 level. (RS-CA)
- 890 MEXICO, Fresnillo, Zacatecas, XEYQ "Radio Fresnillo" 9/26 1154 ID as Yay-Koo" and TC "Radio Fresnillo" ID 10/26 1134. New for me. (RS-CA)
- 950 MEXICO, El Fuerte, Sinaloa, XEORF, heard 9/24 1234 with call, power, Freq. 1257 w/"Radio Orf" or similar. XEGM off, presumably for long needed maintenance. New station for me. (RS-CA)
- 1610 ANGUILLA, The Valley, Caribbean Beacon Radio" usually fair to good in evenings. Taped s/off 10/27 0600. 9/21 0506 w/S8+4 best level. (RS-CA)

## TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 531 AUSTRALIA, 10/19 1321 Not familiar enough yet to know which of the 3 East Aussies this was Local time given as 11:21 (2321), pop mx and U.S. style spots but weak signal and high static level prevented good copy. As a guess I'd say 2MC (DL-HI) (2MC is the most common Aussie here on 531 KHZ. Hrd very often, 4XA-NZ is also fairly often (PH)
- 657 NORTH KOREA (PDR), Kangnam, noted 10/26 1240 w/S8+3 signal in KTHN null. Usually male/female talk, yelling, etc. (RS-CA)
- 666 UNID, FE probably JOBK as it seemed //837, 891. 10/26 1241 with lots of KTHN/KBOI/XETRA slop. S8+2 signal best. (RS-CA)
- 720 U.S.S.R., Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, FS noted in JJ 10/26 1202 and on. S8+3 best level with KDOWN still off. WIRTH lists JJ at this hour. (RS-CA)
- 729 JAPAN, Nagoya-JOCK NHK1 program here most AMs with het on 730. On 10/26 1237 JOCK was clear at S7+3 level and most Domestic were betting it! (RS-CA)
- 736 TAHITI, Papeete-in FF at 0720 10/12 Finally took time for a logging Their het is a constant pain on 740 (DL-HI)
- 747 JAPAN, Sapporo-JOIB NHK2 program //774 and 828. Best 10/26 1123 at S9+0 YL w/EE lessons. (RS-CA)
- 774 JAPAN, Akita JOUB NHK2 program 10/26 1124 S9+0 (RS-CA)
- 810 UNID, 10/26 0755 Hindi mx and talk presumed to be Fiji at this hour Just atop KGO (DL-HI)
- 819 UNID, KK either S or N at 10/26 1232 in WBAP null with weak audio, S7+3 best (RS-CA)
- 828 JAPAN, Osaka-JOBB NHK2 program noted most AMs at fair to exc levels Best of the season 10/26 1231 w/S9+0 signal (RS-CA)
- 837 JAPAN, Niigata-JOOK NHK program here weak mixed w/other stations 10/26 noted // 666 at 1244 and //846 at 1218. (RS-CA)
- 846 JAPAN, NHK1 program //837, 10/26 1218 Other stations noted at times. Taped across 1200 w/no signs of pips or ID in KOA null. (RS-CA)

- 855 PDR KOREA, Sangwon usually fair to good 10/26, S7+5 at 1053. Typical Pyongyang program. (RS-CA)
- 864 UNID, FE sounded KK 10/26 1234 Weak S6+5 signal (RS-CA)
- 873 JAPAN, Kumamoto-JOGB HHK2 program fair to good 10/26 1142 S6+0 signal
- 882 UNID, FE 10/26 1230 fair S7+4 signal no audio in KRVM null. This is probably JJ or KK, but Mongolia is possible, right? (RS-CA) (Randy: Hick Hall-Patch got a Tent of Mongolia on 882 I believe I few years back and also a couple other DXers also may have hrd it, so check out the freq. from time to time. PH)
- 891 JAPAN, Sendai JOHK HHK1 program, good 10/26 1220 w/S8+1 signal next to XEVO and before KDXU came on. (RS-CA)
- 954 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOKR good signal weak audio 9/24 1246 with female in JJ S8+3 best w/local XEGM off (RS-CA)
- 972 REPUBLIC OF KOREA, Tangjin HLCA KBS prog occasionally had big signal but tough w/XEJ and domestics on 970. On 10/26 1223 was S9+2 but weak audio. (RS-CA)
- 1005 U.S.S.R., Magadan (?) 10/12 1110 above w/het Male/Female discussion noted again following HM both w/comfortable levels (DL-HI)
- 1044 PR CHINA, Shanghai FS in JJ has been hrd w/fair to good audio. 10/26 1145 at S8+2 level 10/22 1300 w/YL talk in JJ anthem S9+1 best level R
- 1053 KOREAS, Jammer usually dominant, 10/26 1225 w/S9+2 signal (RS-CA)
- 1134 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOQR probably the JJ here 10/26 1153. Weak S7+0 KSDO 1130 came on right after. (RS-CA)
- 1143 TAIWAN, Kaohsiang-Fishery BC heard w/female in either Amoy or Cantonese at 1415 on 11/2. Check 738 for // and it may have been there, but too much noise. First time heard here without 738 being stronger. Runs 100KW along with 738 according to verie, but heard not often. (PM-OR)
- 1440 JAPAN, Sapporo JOWF 10/12 1500 w/pop mx spots and talk. Very commercial sounding. Interesting stylistic contrast with the more sedate and highbrow NHK. (DL-HI) (I find JOKR-954 and JOQR-1134 the same way. JOHR-1008 is a little more sedate and plays the older JJ MOR standards. PH)
- 1440 SAUDI ARABIA, Ras-as-Zwar 10/12 1535 the 1.6 MW behemoth demolished JOWF. Language really threw me for a loop until I regogized a couple of "Allah ho akbars" Fellow grad student from Sudan did the rest, translating the tape. IDed as "Radio Call of Islam from Messa" w/Q&A's from the Quran, etc. Power and time made this one possible they're just about my temporal antipode, SRS here, SSS there (DL-HI) (I have tried for this here, but too much distance and light I presume. I guess the same goes for India, but I keep on trying. PH)
- 1476 CHINA, 10/12 1445 armchair copy for EE lessons w/travel in China as the pedagogic prop. Don't know which xmtr, assumed to be 200KW at Wencheng (DL-HI) (I heard this several times in the past. I sent a tape to Beijing and back came a QSL for Wencheng. PH)
- 1566 REPUBLIC OF KOREA, Cheju-HLAZ sometimes a vy good signal, as on 10/22 1255 at S8+3 (RS-CA)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS:

- DL-HI DOUG LAMERSON-1777 EAST-WEST ROAD-HONOLULU, HAWAII 96848  
DXing from Makapu'u Point O'ahu/with car radio/antenna
- RS-CA RANDY SEAVER-1154 VIA TRIESTE-CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA 92011  
HQ-180AC W/ 2.5 Foot unamplified Box Loop
- PH-OR YER EDITOR  
SP-600JX, 200 Foot NE/SW Terminated LW, Ground system
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some radio stations in the US could have their transmitters remote controlled from a pay phone at McDonald's using the new dialup remote control products now available to broadcasters. Only one problem: there are no pay phones at McDonald's. Corporate policy doesn't allow them because they encourage loitering. (Parrish VA)

Except as noted from the 21 and 28 September and 5, 12, 19 and 26 October and 2 November issues of Broadcasting and from the 28 September and 19 and 26 October issues of the newly-resuscitated M Street Journal.

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## EASTERN DX FORUM

reports from members living  
east of the Mississippi River

Deadlines: Fridays.  
This column typed: 11/1/87

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Gene Martin, thanks for your call //15237 a few weeks back - tried for 774 TP & others per your propagation tip, but couldn't get anything solid. A few times around 1015a UT I got traces of what seemed like carriers on a few freqs., but they were so delicate that by the time DF was attempted they'd be gone. I've been trying many a morning when I'm home and awake -- 756 has produced possible TP carriers, and a few others, like 1620 and 1629 (per Moore tip). Details should be in DXWW-E. But credit for perhaps the most intriguing TP receptions so far this season goes to Raymond S. Moore in Walpole, MA for his absolutely outstanding Australian loggings. Details again in DXWW-E. Gene, on a different note, do you recall your call from the radio survey outfit back in the late 40's inquiring about what radio station you were listening to and you gave them "...LR-1 in Buenos Aires, Argentina"? Well, history repeats itself - the other day I received a call from a "Strategic Radio Research" in Chicago, Ill. asking what radio station I last listened to... Imagine the young lady's surprise when I answered "You're not going to believe this but it was 4VRD in Port-au-Prince, Haiti..." (It really was as I had just logged it the previous evening.) After I explained to her how and why, and plugged IRCA a bit, she seemed mildly amused and requested local market only. I gave her one or two, and added WBBM and WLS just to foul up her survey, hi. In domestic DX, does anyone know KNUM-New Ulm, MN's night Canadian Clear power authorization (860)? They were in quite well a few weeks back Aning with C&W and local ads. AU-like cx also brought FL's "R. Marti" (1180) and Bartow, FL's WPUL (1130) in strong. Is WPUL still the call for Bartow? No call ID was heard, but it was certainly them with "Seminole's Sports Network" game and ads for Bartow. Bill Harms, many thanks for the copy of your DXing in Bavaria (Part I) outline. I'm certainly looking forward to successive editions into the mid to high-band frequencies. Thanks to Ron Terotto, St. Cloud, FL (of DX South FL) for your call 10/24 - glad to see you've finally joined IRCA, and we're definitely looking forward to your contributions in DXM, especially the Help w/unID LA's for DXWW-E. Pat Martin, thanks for your recent letter - nice stationery! At present, I'm just beginning the summary of international DX activity (drawn from DXWW-E) for the last year or two. This will accompany the IRCA Foreign Log in the soon-to-be published IRCA Almanac, as will Pat Martin's DXWW-W summary. The inclusion of the Foreign Log, I think, will be a most effective innovation to the Almanac, perhaps attracting some more domestic DXers to try their hand at international DXing. Thanks Bill Hardy for the details regarding this as well as Phil Bytheway's IRCA Foreign DX Reference. And thanks to Jeff Jaisun for a most interesting letter! (to be concluded next week...)

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Big news here on several different fronts. I came out here in July with a mental list of about 10 most wanted stations, mostly from where I used to live: WLTH-1370 WKCA-1270 WCMR-1270 WIMS-1420 WPRO-900 WLOI-1540 WHEZ-1560 WKZO-590 WKMI-1360 WKPR-1420 WQSN-1470 WNDE-750. The stations underlined have already been heard, with WNDE verified. I'll have to make a new list up soon. Ten varies in during the past week! V/q KFAR-1110 KMA-960 WGAR-1220 V/f KGLD-1380 V/l WNDE-1260 WHBY-1230 WNAM-1280 WEMP-1250 WRZ-1050 WKKQ-650. WFMP noted that most of his reports now come from Finland, and commented that this hobby seems to be dying out in the U.S. WnZ-1050 noted they are now full time with 250 watts at night.

He didn't say what their schedule is now, tho. I normally try to make some personal comments on the station and on myself in my reports, and at times, some interesting remarks come back. This week, one guy said he had relatives in Port Edwards, only a couple miles down the river from where I am (and between my place and the next bridge over the Wisconsin River south), and another used to have a morning show at WSPT in nearby Stevens Point. I also comment on where Wisc. Rapids is, a brief summary of my travels, and a comment that "it's nice to be back in the midwest again". Surprisingly, several of the stations have commented on that, and shown approval of it. Finally, I broke down Thursday and bought one of the GE Superadio IIs I mentioned a couple of weeks ago. While trying it out that afternoon I logged three new stations! On the HQ I was compensating for the constant hum in the audio by turning the audio louder to drown out the hum and then turning down the volume on the headphones so I could stand to listen to the radio. The result, probably, was that some of the weaker signals were being lost. One of the new stations on Thursday is only 55 miles down the road in Wisconsin Dells. I'm looking forward to using it on MM to see what I've been missing. The nearest place that I know of to get the HQ fixed is Chicago. An unexpected side benefit to the Superadio has been a decent FM receiver, the first I've had my hands on since I left home in April, 1966. I've been busy working the FM band for the past couple of days. It's now up to 31 stations from 4 states with only about half the band explored. Time to run. Next week, Jim Hall will have an interesting question for us old-timers! 73.

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As witnessed by the latest DJIA, the number of veries into this mail box has also decreased. Over the past few months veries from KJIM 760, KJRB 790, KVOC 1230, KIGO 1400, KWSL 1470 and CKER 1480. Not too many but DX has picked up recently. KIGO's letter said they have trouble getting into Ashton (12 miles away), so they were happy to know they do get out in that direction.

And yes, I did take a huge loss the other day in the market.

73 de John.

STEVE MC GREEVY, 45 ELDA ST., SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903

I read with interest Rth's comments about KIIQ 104.5 Reno in WDXF Volume 25, issue 5 why Reno is stronger than KFOG San Francisco. Ric, my explanation may help you. In the last five years, most of the Reno FM stations moved their antennas to McClellan Peak, 20 miles SSE of Reno at an elevation of 7,600 feet, including 104.5. Also KIIQ has 25 kw ERP compared to San Francisco with 7.9 kw. The highest terrain in the McClellan Peak path to Sacto is about 9,000 feet, thus Reno has only to rise 1,500 feet (over 30 miles) horizontally and then it's downhill all the way to Sacto. KIIQ comes in very well here in San Rafael too, if I null out KFOG 25 miles south. KIIQ seems to get out the best of the Reno FM's to the east of Reno as well. (This expands on Pete Taylor's postcard. He adds that KIIQ ". . .has vertical which crawls over the mountains." Many thanks, Steve, for your info - Rth.)

I went on another Nevada DX-Pedition and DX'ed at Hickenson Summit east of Austin just of US 50, 23-24 October. Superb midday reception from KOA 850, KFWO 1030, 1100 Grand Junction, Colorado, KNX, KPNW, KRVN 880. The GY channels seemed crowded past local noon as well as most regionals. It was like sunset or sunrise skip well past noon. I didn't use a Beverage, just a 150-foot wire up 20 feet in some pine trees. I wonder why daytime skip is so common in central Nevada while I don't observe it very much here in the Bay Area. I noticed the very same daytime skip June 1984 at that Nevada QTH. (I noticed similar conditions from Eureka. My only explanation is lack of locals and semi-locals thus allowing more distant stuff to come in-Rth.) 1590 Sun Valley, Nevada is SS SM between 0900 and 1100 PST, probably earlier and later as well. KRCV 1340 Reno has Christian Contemporary during the wee hours of weekday mornings.

I should add that besides the midday BCB skip, longwave at 1100 PDT was filled with beacons from Montana, Wyoming, British Columbia, Alberta and a few were coming in from afar as North Dakota, Kansas, Nebraska, Manitoba and Saskatchewan! Very unusual!

For those tower hunters, 1340 KRCV Reno is located about 100 yards north of I-80 halfway between junction of I-80 and US 395 and the Pyramid Lake Hwy. off ramp. KOLO 920 is the two sticks (self supporting) oriented east-west located at the intersection of East McCarran and Pyramid Way in Sparks. KROW 780 has three towers in Lemmon Valley. US 395 north of Reno, exit Lemmon Valley Road to end, left on Chickadee to end of subdivision and into the sagebrush. KONE 1450 tower is at their studios at Hill Road and North McCarran. Hint, towers are always easier to spot at night from high ground Ias if nobody knew that, hi), with red or those new-fangled white flashing strobe lights. (A la KGNR 1320 and Sacto's TV towers-Rth.)

Nick Hall-Patch, I recall hearing Japan 774 a couple of times during June and July at Pt. Reyes, but not until right at local sunrise, which fits in with your observations of that half hour darkness window at West Coast North America sunrise to Japan. No wonder Gene Martin mat not hear JJ's in Colorado in the summertime.

Another thing, has anyone correlated the Mid-Winter Anomaly with the minor peak in December of sporadic-E openings (skip)? Is there some phenomenon which enhances the ionosphere's E-layer to cause E-skip which also may enhance the D-layer which is absorbing to BCB signals? Just a thought. Good DX'ing and 73.

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Hello again. DX has been somewhat unspectacular lately, just a few JJ's is all, and nothing new.

In the news, there's a new computer program out called "Terminator" that shows a Mercator projection world map on the screen, along with the day and night areas, for any date and time. You want to know when the sun sets in Shanghai on 28 February 1989? This program will show you. Price is \$39.95, but you must have an IBM or compatible, Hercules, CGA or EGA. Call Spite Software at (800) 423-3500 if interested.

I just got some more information on NTSC from Circuit Research Labs (CRL). What's impressive is when you see a picture off a spectrum analyzer comparing a normal transmitted AM signal with the same signal selectivity curve of a cheap AM radio. Adding the EQ looks like there was a mechanical filter added. I mean, at 20 kHz away from the carrier there's a 20 db and at 40 kHz, the splatter is down 8 db over the normal radiated signal. DX'ers, call the CE of your local stations and encourage them to install the NRSC adapter if they haven't done so already.

Gary Heise's "WSTB" reported in edition 794 EDXR would be WFCV, owned by Bott Broadcasting Company (would sound like "Fox Broadcasting Company"); they're 1 kw-D at 909 N/ Coliseum Blvd., Suite 200, Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Mike Peters is their CE.

Finally, I see where WAJL 1440 Winter Park, Florida has moved to 1190 effective 01 October. Slogan is "Love 1190."

That's all that's new and exciting for now. 73.

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In the past I have urged each and every one of you to write to the FCC if you're American or the CRTC if you're Canadian about the problem of stations severely overmodulating. Well the very thing I've been warning you about has finally happened. A station has gone off the air because of what they call not being able to cope with the problem of FM being better than AM. This is a bunch of bullshalogy I a word I've coined as a substitute for BS, and pronounced very similar to bull and balogna put together with a four-letter word in the middle! (Still looking for that word, Albert, hi-Rth.) AM can be just as good as FM if the stations on AM would just stop over-modulating and go to AM stereo. If you have never been to Europe I urge you to spend just a week there and hear what a true AM stereo station is like without the over-modulating that is so prevalent on stations in the US and Canada. The problem of over-modulating is even worse in Mexico. Before another station is forced off the air, I once again urge each of you to write to either the FCC or CRTC or both. If the American government hears from a Canadian and the Canadian government hears from an American, it can't hurt anything. After all, we're neighboring countries and must co-operate fully with each other. AM broadcasting is to not go out of existence. Our very hobby of AM band DX'ing is about to disappear forever unless we all act now to preserve it once and for all. Get off your rear end and stop DX'ing for just long enough to write a letter to the FCC and CRTC before it's too late to do anything and you can't DX anymore. Phew. . . off the soap box. (However, our Commander-in-Chief has urged deregulation and signed into law those deregulations of the FCC. Also, while at KRED, we noticed KXGO peak modulating at 175%! They came, they checked it out, and left a short note that said, "There is nothing we can do." Next! See my forum-Rth.)

Watch for my upcoming report about ANARC-88. 73 and good DX to all de ASL. Prepaid calls welcome.

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Pardon me for not foruming lately, even if I don't have any excuses! As usual, I periodically get hung up on SWL'ing, something I've mostly given up on for DX'ing for listening to a few stations.

My most recent listening to BCB seemed to net only Hawaiians and some Japan audio. At least I was dwelling on those. The Caribbean beacons on 1610 has been coming in well here at about 0030 UTC.

I enjoyed that article on the Icom R71A mods, even though I don't have one. I'm thinking about it. And of course, I continually have a radio equipment desired list in which I buy at least one item every ten years, hi. I'm also looking at the GE Superadio. Are these new ones the same as the old ones, (reputation and performance-wise)?

Ric, as I was reading about your Alaskan DX I was saying to myself, "only in my dreams," hi. It was of course, thought provoking. Someday. (Do what I did when you're young. . . do it. Sitka wasn't all that bad weatherwise, but Venetie. . . well how about -63° New Year's Day morning? You learn about survival real quick, hi-Rth.) 73 de Doug.

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Howdee (my own trademark, hi), my first forum in WDXF. Hey folks, that's history in the making. It's nice to see I'm one of several IRCA members employed in the broadcasting industry. I'm a third year student at KBFS 1450 with an airshift from 7:00 to 9:30; go ahead and give me a call at 280-5830. . .that's when I DJ. (David, need a little more info, like AM or PM-RtH.)

Speaking of KBPS, let me give Mr. Toebe a little something to add to the slogan list. Our slogan is a bit long (hi), "Your're listening to 14-50 KBPS AM Portland serving the greater metropolitan area since 1923." This ID seems to have spurred a chain of ads and slogans referring to the history of other stations in the Portland area.

This past summer I visited KQIK 1230 Lakeview, Oregon and it's quite a small but clean set-up. The building - cinder blocks of course - has a big "KQIK 1230" painted on the front with a 50-foot tower in the back. Tiny and cramped it isn't but you can feel the heat from the transmitter in the hall between the two studios. They're automated and for the most part a 0500 to 0000 PLT operation. With KRDR dark, maybe I'll get lucky.

Portland's Arbitron came out with FM'er KKRZ getting the overall summer book. However, AM'ers still hold most of the adult numbers so there's still hope for we MW'ers. (David, how did "JJ" come out in the book?-RtH.)

One final note, let me clear the air concerning the article on Portland pirate KCOR I did for Monitoring Times. I'm not J.R. Psycho. Pat Martin visited the studio during my research and met the "real" J.R. Psycho.

73 de David Klop. . .CU soon. (Welcome to WDXF and IRCA, David. Great to have another member in the Portland area, my favorite city in the Pacific Northwest. Trx for the personal note re KVIX-RtH.)

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Well, David already used up howdy, so greetings and all that. Albert, as I was typing your forum it occurred to me that the FCC was NOT to whom we should write, but our elected officials and even 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. Why? With sadness I watched the President on TV at a news conference sign away the FCC. First in '81 lifting news, public service and public affairs requirements. Then a couple years later lifting maximum minutes of spots per hour (a station now could run spots 24 hours a day) and log keeping. Of course the intentions were that local competition would determine how much news and public affairs as well as commercial load stations would carry. So what I'm saying is to write our reps of the House and Senate. The FCC head after all is under the Administration and the head of the FCC is a Presidential appointment, so to me, it makes more sense to write our elected officials. Real simple too. I've done it many times. Here in California, for example, it's Cranston and Wilson in the Senate and Matsui reps the Sacto. area for the House. But more importantly, the FCC flat out doesn't care what happens to AM or FM. At least that's been my impression.

Steve and Pete, thanks for your info regarding "Kick" KIIQ. After KRAK, it's now my favorite station with a really wide playlist with some progressive country as well. It also explains why I only get channel 8 from Reno. Steve, your transmitter locals for 1340 and 1450 confirm what I thought or speculated when I was in Reno in '84. I saw two towers from my hotel in the direction of Sparks (at night, of course) and presumed them to be KOLQ, however KOH is also in Sparks, so wasn't sure. Good to know KROW is well out of town. Looks like southside of Reno is the spot for a DX'er to live. Three of our five TV towers are now using those strobe lights. Of course when the tower is 2,000 feet tall, low-flying aircraft can spot the strobes a little easier than a few red lights, hi. KGNR has two sticks, one considerably taller than the other (KCTC sits on the taller one, of course) and the north tower uses the regular red lights while the south tower has the strobe.

Local 1030 Folsom now back on and apparently increased their night power. Anyone know? Or changed their night pattern to better cover the south Sacto area as I can barely hear KTWO whereas before KTWO was dominant. At least for now they're off nightly after 0000 PLT.

Noted KFBK 1530 taking a break MM 02 November with the usual WCKY doing a nice trip. And either KJOY 1280 was off (would be a rare SF) or they really are that weak just 40 miles away. Heard C&W mixing with a public affairs program. Who would the C&W be, Eugene? Certainly not KJOY, hi. Could've been KJOY with the talk.

Bay Area, how well does anyone get KPLA 770 at night? RW, Nyholm, DKK, McGreevy? That pretty well covers the Bay from south to north, hi. I get nothing, just dominant KQOB over KRPM. Sacto and Bay are about equal distances from Modesto (OK, Riverbank, hi). And KTRB 860's increase to 50/10 does nothing here so they must be putting it all westerly. Tijuana still clobbers 'em.

I'm over, so until next week, best of DX and report. 73 de RtH. .

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