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Odds and Ends

Welcome this week to:
Anthony Kahn, Alloway, NJ
Milan Krchnavek, Wilwaukee, WI
Todd Skaine, Minneapolis, MN (rejoin)
Donald Gibbs, La Mesa, CA

KFKA-1310 in Greeley, CO is off the air due to financial problems. Their FM outlet (KISF) is likewise dark. KFKA had been Colorado's oldest radio station. (Bill Nittler) ...
KBMS-1480 in Vancouver, WA is now on the air with an Urban Contemporary format, 24 hours. It replaces KAAR, which was dark for many months. (Pat Martin & Bill Block) ... The Larry King Show is now live 2300-0200 ELT, and then repeated twice, as of 4/11. KFI airs it 0100-0800. KARN dropped it completely (Dale Park) ... WMAQ's "All Night Truckers Show" is back as Tribune Networks' "Interstate Radio Network", aired 0000-0600 ELT daily. Two affiliates noted so far: KUSA-550 & WAUR-930 (ex WBYG). (Dale Park) ... Rob Harrington's computer bulletin board will be off line until late September.

Almanac News: Bill Hardy still needs a couple more volunteers with moderate to substantial amounts of time to enter data into IBM-compatible computers. If you can help, contact him at 206-532-6827 or 2301 Pacific Ave., Aberdeen, WA 98520. The Almanac will finally hit the presses in mid-summer. We'll have a prepublication price announcement shortly.

The Eleventh edition of the FM Atlas and Station Directory is now out. The book lists calls, frequencies, powers, formats, etc for over 6000 FM stations, including translators. It includes geographic & frequency sections. Cost is \$9.95 (\$8.00 each for two or more), plus 55 cents postage, from FM Atlas, 241 Anderson Road, Esko, MN 55733. Make checks payable to FM Atlas.

Convention News: Make your plans now to attend the 1988 IRCA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. The convention will be held the weekend of July 29-31 at the Days Inn in downtown Louisville. The hotel features free parking, swimming pool, and other amenities. Room rates for the convention will be \$39 single, a few dollars more for doubles. Activities will include station tours, a banquet and guest speaker, auction, and lots of opportunities to meet and talk with fellow IRCAnS. It promises to be a lot of fun. We'll have full details next issue.

The Auction! Every year, the IRCA holds an auction of radio items at its convention. The money goes into the club treasury and helps keep dues down. You're welcome to contribute items you no longer need, such as old radios, books, T-shirts, and other radio paraphernalia. We'll have more information on where and how to send the items in a future issue.

New Member Packets: We're just about caught up with sending out new member packets. Except for those who joined with the last two issues, they've been sent to all new members. If you haven't gotten yours, let us know right away.

Next DX Monitor will be dated June 11. Nearly a month from now. See you then. bp

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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 (Deadlines adjusted to match daylight savings time)

Firstly, thanks very much to Greg Monti for his many fine years of editing Broadcasting Information (he thought it was ten, went back and checked and it was only nine - Greg always exaggerates history, hi.) For the time being it seems simplest to recombine B.I. with Radio Programming Notes, which I've already been editing - but if the workload overwhelms my basic instincts of laziness I'll certainly let folks know!

There are a couple things I'm going to try doing a little differently, to simplify my writing the column and hopefully make it easier for you to read and use it. Howls of outrage can always get me to change back. To wit: breaking FCC stuff into new stations, facility changes, call letter changes and sales. I'm not going to distinguish between call letter change applications and grants, because, like station sales, the FCC hardly ever bothers to nix call changes any more - the approval process takes a matter of only days, and isn't worth noting in a monthly column. If a station decides not to change calls (as with station sales that don't go through) I'll note it here. Also I'll note call changes applied for by new owners - since those sometimes don't go into effect for months, until the new owners take control of a station.

Brand new ribbon, maybe this month the column will be legible!

A brief review of antenna types:

ND non-directional full time
 ND-D non-directional daytime only
 ND-D non-directional days, directional nights
 DA-D directional daytime pattern
 DA-1 same directional pattern day & night
 DA-2 different directional patterns day & night
 more esoteric variations (e.g., limited hours) noted as we encounter 'em

NEW STATIONS

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
KJOR	550	500/	ND-D NV RENO requests extension of time
WPBD	640	50000/2000	DA-2 GA ATLANTA on the air
KMCE	650	25000/5000	DA-2 CA RANCHO CORDOVA app. to change xmtr locatn
new	650	10000/1000	DA-2 OR JUNCTION CITY returned, yet again
KKMT	710	10000/	ND-D MT ENNIS granted another extension of time
KAIG	750	250/	ND-D LA GRETNA applies to change xmtr location
WAFK	760	? / ?	? AL SPANISH FORT applies to move city of license to Saraland AL (closer to Mobile)
new	760	2500/250	DA-2 FL PALM CITY returned, yet again
WJRR	760	1000/	DA-D TN NASHVILLE on the air or should be soon
new	780	500/	DA-D PR SABANA returned
new	780	5000/450	DA-2 UT SPRINGVILLE (near Salt Lake City) granted
WAWB	810	2500/	ND-D GA HAHIRA requests extension of time
KSRT	830	2500/1000	DA-N CA ORANGE requests reinstatement of expired CP, applies for change in xmtr location
KVEG	840	50000/25000	DA-2 NV NORTH LAS VEGAS granted extension of time
WLPY	840	250/	DA-D VA PURCELLVILLE requests extension of time
new	880	1000/	ND-D VA DAYTON returned
new	890	500/	DA-D MA DALTON dismissed
new	890	250/	DA-D NY FAYETTEVILLE dismissed
new	890	? / ?	? NY SOLVAY (near Syracuse) granted
WGPL	890	2500/	DA-D PA BETHEL PARK requests extension of time, applies to change xmtr location
new	890	? / ?	? PA CASHTOWN granted
new	890	10000/	DA-D PA NICHOLSON (near Scranton) granted
new	890	2500/	DA-D PA SHICKSHINNY dismissed
new	890	2500/	DA-D VA FALMOUTH (near Fredericksburg) granted
new	890	1500/	DA-D VA STAFFORD dismissed
KAJD	950	5000/500	ND AK JUNEAU requests extension of time
WGRR	960	2500/2500	DA-N AL PRICHARD (near Mobile) on the air, finally

new	1000	10000/	DA-D	ID EAGLE	granted
new	1030	5000/1000	DA-2	FL FORT PIERCE	returned
WFTK	1030	3500/	DA-D	NC WAKE FOREST	granted change in xmtr locatn
new	1060	5000/	ND-D	NV LAS VEGAS	granted
WIBS	1090	250/	ND-D	VI CHARLOTTE AMALIE	requests ext. of time
new	1100	25000/1000	DA-2	AZ CAVE CREEK	reapplication
new	1100	50000/1000	DA-N	AZ SCOTTSDALE	returned
new	1120	1000/	ND-D	NC WILMINGTON	granted
WRAZ	1160	500/250	DA-2	VA FIELDALE	applies to change xmtr location
KTLL	1180	25000/1000	DA-2	CA PLACERVILLE	requests extension of time
new	1180	7500/250	DA-2	FL HOLLY HILL	returned
WMYT	1180	10000/	DA-D	NC CAROLINA BEACH	granted change xmtr locatn
new	1180	1000/250	DA-2	TX CLAUDE (near Amarillo)	granted
WNDT	1180	4500/	DA-D	VA DANVILLE	applies for 7000/ DA-D
new	1200	5000/1000	DA-2	NC ATLANTIC BEACH	returned
new	1200	5000/800	DA-2	VA CHUCKATUCK	returned
KFRP	1210	10000/500	DA-D	CA ROCKLIN	requests extension of time
new	1240	580/580	ND	MS SOUTHAVEN	app., by former owners of WMSO-630, also in suburban Memphis; they hope to have this on the air by fall 88
new	1250	500/700	DA-2	NE DAKOTA CITY (near Sioux City IA)	granted
KXXT	1290	500/	ND-D	TX KERRVILLE	granted change in xmtr location
WJRA	1310	1000/	ND-D	AL PRICEVILLE (near Huntsville)	on the air
new	1340	1000/1000	ND	MI L'ANSE	granted
new	1390	2500/710	DA-2	NH BOW	returned
new	1520	1000/	DA-D	TX HOUSTON	app., synchronous w/KYND-1520
new	1550	50000/250	DA-N	NM SANTA FE	amends app. to 38000/250 DA-N
new	1600	1000/500	DA-2	NY JOHNSON CITY	returned

New station notes: we'll list transmitter location changes for CP's, since having to find a new transmitter site is usually a pretty reliable indicator that the station won't be on the air for a while yet.

CHANGES IN EXISTING FACILITIES

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
WETC	540	5000/	DA-D NC WENDELL-ZEBULON amends existing app. for 10000/ to become 8000/ DA-D
WVLK	590	5000/1000	DA-2 KY LEXINGTON applies for 5000/1600 DA-2
WCHT	600	1000/	DA-D MI ESCANABA application returned for move to 750 KHz, Gladstone MI, 400/ DA-D
WVCH	740	1000/	ND-D PA CHESTER app. dismissed for 50000/ DA-D
KWFN	840	2500/	ND-D NE WEST POINT granted 4100/ ND-D
WTBL	860	10000/	DA-D PA PHILADELPHIA granted 10000/500 DA-1
WGHO	920	5000/	DA-D NY KINGSTON granted 5000/500 DA-1
KKIN	930	1500/	ND-D MN AITKIN granted 2500/ ND-D
KSWM	940	5000/	DA-D MO AURORA granted extension of time for move to Republic MO, 5000/5000 DA-2
WBEU	960	1000/	ND-D SC BEAUFORT granted move to Hardeeville SC
KTLE	990	10000/	ND-D UT TOOELE granted extension of time for move to 1010 KHz, 50000/ ND-D
KVSD	1000	2500/500	DA-2 CA VISTA granted change of day & night DAS
KXEG	1010	1000/250	ND AZ TOLLESON applies for 7500/250 DA days
KOFY	1050	50000/500	DA-2 CA SAN MATEO reapplies for 1000 w nights, I already show a CP for 10 kw nights. Help?!
KLOH	1050	8000/	DA-D MN PIPESTONE applies for 8000/5000 DA-1
KDRY	1100	11000/1000	DA-N TX ALAMO HEIGHTS applies to change city of license to San Antonio TX; 11000/1500 DA-N
WCCS	1160	5000/1000	DA-2 PA HOMER CITY granted 10000/1000 DA-2
KTLV	1220	250/	DA-D OK MIDWEST CITY app. returned for 1000/500 w
WKRA	1220	1000/	ND-D NY NORTH SYRACUSE granted extension of time for move to 1200 KHz, 1000/1000 DA-N
WKDX	1250	1000/	ND-D NC HAMLET app. for 1240 KHz returned
KNWZ	1270	1000/	DA-D CA PALM DESERT amends 4000/590 DA-2 app. to 4000/750 DA-2, move to Thousand Palms CA
WNRS	1290	500/	DA-D MI SALINE applies for 2000/1000 DA-2
WTAQ	1300	5000/500	DA-2 IL LA GRANGE granted 5000/4000 DA-2
WCVG	1320	500/	DA-D KY COVINGTON applies for 500/420 DA-2
WVBZ	1360	1000/1000	DA-N NJ VINELAND granted 5000/1000 DA-2
KQIL	1370	5000/1000	DA-N CO GRAND JUNCTION applies to move to 880 KHz, 10000/4500 DA-N
KBBO	1390	5000/500	DA-2 WA YAKIMA applies for 5000/400 DA-2

WEUC 1420	1000/1000	ND	PR PONCE applies (again) to move to 650 KHz; 2000/2000 DA-1
KTDL 1470	1000/	DA-D	LA FARMERVILLE application returned for move to 1160 KHz, 50000/ DA-D
WIEZ 1490	1000/1000	ND	PA LEWISTOWN applies to change CP for 660 KHz, 6000/1000 to 5400/1000 DA-N
WWBC 1510	1000/	ND-D	FL COCOA requests extension of time for move to 770 KHz, Rockledge FL 5000/500 DA-2
WEXY 1520	1000/250	ND	FL WILTON MANORS granted 3500/250 ND
WKVI 1520	250/	ND-D	IN KNOX amends 2000/ ND-D app. to reduce pwr to 1800 w, critical hours power to 310 watts
WLIT 1550	50000/	DA-D	AL MOBILE granted extension of time for move to 660 KHz, Fairhope AL, 22000/1000 DA-N
KWYD 1580	5000/	ND-D	CO COLORADO SPRINGS granted 10000/ ND-D
WEAM 1580	1000/1000	DA-N	GA COLUMBUS granted 2300/1000 DA-N
WHHM 1580	250/	DA-D	TN HENDERSON granted 910/ DA-D
KXEM 1590	500/	DA-D	CA McFARLAND application returned for move to 750 KHz, Bakersfield CA, 500/1000 DA-1

CALL LETTER CHANGES

(\$ means change accompanies a station sale; * check for format info)

WKIS 740	FL Orlando	is now	WWNZ	WWVD 1240	NY Schenectady	is \$	WVKZ
WCZE 820	IL Chicago	*	WXEZ	WRKT 1300	FL Cocoa Beach	\$	WXXU
WJSE 890	PR Ceiba	\$	WRRE	WDVH 1390	GA Gainesville		WAJD
KEWQ 930	CA Paradise		KKXX	WKYL 1430	MS Laurel		\$ WLAU
WAMX 930	WV Huntington		\$ WRVC	WMMH 1460	NC Marshall		\$ WHBK
KIMN 950	CO Denver	*	KYGO	KAAR 1480	WA Vancouver	\$*	KBMS
WNOX 990	TN Knoxville	\$	WTNZ	WTRL 1490	FL Bradenton		\$ WKLV
KLSE 1060	AR Van Buren		KAYR	KBXT 1490	MN Duluth	\$*	KQDS
KRBE 1070	TX Houston		KKZR	KDLN 1490	MT Dillon		\$ KDBM
WECA 1080	GA Marietta		WFTD	WOKB 1600	FL Winter Garden		WXXO

Question for any Florida readers: what happened to the calls and/or license of the now-silent WXEZ-1530 Babson Park FL? I don't show there ever having been a call change or license revokation, but there must have been for the calls to have gone to Chicago.

FORMAT CHANGES

Call KHz state/city

WTKN 570	FL PINELLAS PARK	was WPLP, remains news-talk to Tampa Bay
WBIL 580	AL TUSKEGEE	was black, now SMN Stardust adult standards
KJBX 580	TX LUBBOCK	was KRLB, AC-CHR // FM, now rock oldies
WWLX 590	TN LAWRENCEBURG	new, variety // WKNI-620 & FM
KSPN 610	CO VAIL	was KRUV, soft ad con., now AC // KSPN-FM (Nittler-CO)
WKNI 620	AL LEXINGTON	was WWLX, variety, still variety // WWLX-590 & FM
CFBK 630	ON HUNTSVILLE	was AC/CHR, now gone forever (moved to FM)
KFI 640	CA LOS ANGELES	AC, talk, adds NBC talknet evenings
WPBD 640	GA ATLANTA	new, SMN "Heart & Soul" black oldies
CFDR 680	NS DARTMOUTH	was adult standards, now CHR to Halifax
WLAD 800	CT DANBURY	rock oldies, now silent due to fire
KCHG 810	TX SOMERSET	new, adult standards
WXEZ 820	IL CHICAGO	was WCZE, soft AC "Cosy," now easy listening // FM
KTRB 860	CA MODESTO	country, adds NBC Talknet nights
WLS 890	IL CHICAGO	was AC-CHR/talk, now AC/talk, has formally given up on its nearly 30 year CHR tradition
KBLG 910	MT BILLINGS	news-talk, adds Larry King overnights
KYGO 950	CO DENVER	was KIMN, AC/CHR, now "AM 950" country to complement the FM; will air more news & run "Music Country Network" overnights. Another of the very very last AM CHRs dies.
WGRR 960	AL PRITCHARD	new, is SMN Stardust adult standards
WJIZ 960	GA ALBANY	was WGOP, now black // FM 96.1
WNVR 1030	IL VERNON HILLS	new, on finally, suburban news-talk (Chicago)
KKZR 1070	TX HOUSTON	was KRBE, CHR // FM, now SMN "Z-Rock" hard rock
KWAI 1080	HI HONOLULU	was silent, back on w/talk "K-108" (Lamerson-HI)
KWJJ 1080	OR PORTLAND	change simulcast times // FM from midnight-10 AM (Pacific time here) to 7 PM-6 AM; otherwise AM is more traditional country & more info than FM
CKTY 1110	ON SARNIA	was CKJD, CHR, now country - my #2 hometown stn finally dies!
KMMZ 1140	WY GREYBULL	was country, now adult contemporary

WOBM 1160 NJ LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP was CHR, now country
 KBOV 1230 CA BISHOP was AC-CHR, now adult standards
 KBSR 1230 MT HARDIN was country, now rock oldies
 KOZA 1230 TX ODESSA was soft AC, now silent (even softer)
 WBAB 1240 NY FREEPORT call change from WGBB now accompanies AoR // FM
 WJRA 1310 AL PRICEVILLE new, on the air
 KMRR 1330 AZ SOUTH TUCSON was KHYT, CHR, now adult standards "The
 desert's memory maker" (Hall-CA)
 WQNX 1350 NC ABERDEEN was WSCT, adult contemporary, now news-talk
 WGFA 1360 IL WATSEKA was country, now easy listening // FM. Trivia time:
 calls stand for "World's Greatest Farming Area"
 KLPZ 1380 AZ PARKER was country, now adult standards and country
 WTOO 1380 NC ASHEVILLE was WRAQ, still gospel
 WEOK 1390 NY POUGHKEEPSIE was adult contemporary, now adult standards
 WRIV 1390 NY RIVERHEAD was soft AC, now adult standards
 WPKO 1390 OH BELLEFONTAINE was WOHP, religious, now AC // FM, breaks
 away for baseball games, will have a new format in fall 88
 KMLA 1400 TX TEXARKANA was KFSS, CHR-AC, now country // FM, this was a
 bad month for long-time CHR holdouts on AM!
 KSTN 1420 CA STOCKTON was CHR, now urban contemporary
 WKSR 1420 TN PULASKI was adult contemporary, now country
 WNYG 1440 NY BABYLON was soft AC, now rock oldies
 WNFL 1440 WI GREEN BAY was live rock oldies, now Transtar sat. oldies
 WKIP 1450 NY POUGHKEEPSIE was ad. contemporary, adds talk & NBC Talknet
 KXOA 1470 CA SACRAMENTO was MOYL adult stds, now satellite AS (Perry-CA)
 KAYK 1480 CO PUEBLO was adult standards, now silent, to be religious
 KBMS 1480 WA VANCOUVER was KAAR, silent, now black to Portland
 KBLF 1490 CA RED BLUFF was talk, now SMN Stardust adult standards
 WEAG 1490 FL STARKE was WPXE, country, now oldies // FM "Eagle 106.3"
 KQDS 1490 MN DULUTH was KBXT, silent, now album rock // KQDS-FM-94.9
 WLGW 1490 NH LANCASTER new, adult contemporary
 WDXB 1490 TN CHATTANOOGA was country, now rock oldies
 WBZI 1500 OH XENIA was country // FM, now solo country (FM went to AC)
 KDKO 1510 CO LITTLETON was SMN "Heart & Soul" black oldies, back to
 basic (and non-satellite-delivered) black, Denver metro
 KOZR 1550 CA APPLE VALLEY new, will be SMN satellite adult standards
 WVAB 1550 VA VIRGINIA BEACH was rock oldies, now silent

* * * Fun-Time Reminders: How You Can Make This Column Better * * *

- 1) Send in news of format changes. Your local stations are someone else's DX - format clues help people pick out and ID elusive signals.
- 2) Send in news of new stations. Stations newly signing on are a significant source of new loggings for a lot of DXers. Even better, if you know ahead of time when the station is coming on, send THAT in, so your fellow DXer can work the channel before it gets hopelessly blocked by another NSPer!
- 3) Get another editor. No, no, just kidding. Well, you decide.
- 4) Send in a Dial Card of your local stations. See 1) for the reasons.
- 5) Root for the Orioles. I mean, 0-21 to start the season, they've proven themselves to me. You can help, too...

* * * * D I A L C A R D * * * *

Floyd Perry sends these reviews of Sacramento and Modesto-Stockton CA:

SACRAMENTO

KFIA 710 CARMICHAEL contemporary Christian
 KNCO 830 GRASS VALLEY adult contemporary
 KPOT 890 CITRUS HEIGHTS not on air (unbuilt CP)
 KAHI 950 AUBURN adult standards (big bands)
 KKSA 1030 FOLSOM adult standards.
 KRCX 1110 ROSEVILLE Spanish
 KRAK 1140 SACRAMENTO country
 KSAC 1240 SACRAMENTO fine arts/classical
 KGMR 1320 SACRAMENTO live rock oldies (CBS) days, SMN satellite oldies
 ("Pure Gold") nights
 KSMJ 1380 SACRAMENTO black oldies (SMN's "Heart & Soul")
 KJAY 1430 SACRAMENTO Spanish, religious, public affairs, whatever pays
 KXOA 1470 SACRAMENTO adult standards (Transtar's "AM Only")
 KFBK 1530 SACRAMENTO News-Talk (ABC), NBC Talknet nightly

STOCKTON-MODESTO

KPLA 770 RIVERBANK religious, ethnic, slogan "77 West"
KTRB 860 MODESTO country days (NBC), Talknet nights
KLOC 920 CERES Spanish
KHYV 970 MODESTO fine arts/classical (ABC)
KWG 1230 STOCKTON live rock oldies days, Transtar's "The Oldies Channel" satellite rock oldies nights
KJOY 1280 STOCKTON adult contemporary/rock oldies; Larry King overnights
KFIV 1360 MODESTO CHR // KFIV-FM-102.3
KMIX 1390 TURLOCK country
KSTN 1420 STOCKTON urban contemp./black teen (lots of rap, funk, etc.)
KCVR 1570 LODI religious mornings, Spanish afternoons/early evenings

NEW FEATURE: TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Instead of strictly reading all these lists and getting Really Bored, I thought it'd be nice to put some of this esoteric knowledge to use and get some of you Really Bothered as well. A little something extra to puzzle over while waiting for that !@#\$\$!@ tone to ID.

May's Trivia Question: WWKB-1520 (Buffalo NY) and KOMA-1520 (Oklahoma City OK) are co-owned; it is only the second time (that I know of) that the two major U.S. clear channel stations on one frequency have had the same owner. What was the first pair? Hint: they both still have the same call letters and freqs as when last co-owned. Answer next month...

PROPOSED STATION SALES (* means check the format listings for more info)
KSSK-590-HI, KESR-600-CA, KERB-600-TX, WHJB-620-PA, WNBC-660-NY, KSKY-660-TX, WAPE-690-FL, KWOA-730-MN, WRPX-740-WI, WYNR-790-GA, KFGO-790-MD, WDSC-800-SC, WCKS-860-FL, WLSI-900-KY, WFVR-910-GA, WLLL-930-VA, WIPR-940-PR, KLDAD-960-OR, WFLA-970-FL, KGLN-980-CO, WNYR-990-NY, WAKN-990-SC, WNOX-990-TN, WLUP-1000-IL, KZRC-1010-OR (traded with KSLM-1390), KTNO-1020-CA, WBDX-1030-TN, WANQ-1040-NY (unbuilt CP, and who would buy a stn with THESE call letters?), WKAO-1040-SC (unbuilt CP), WVCG-1080-FL, KRLD-1080-TX, WNEW-1130-NY, WVSG-1170-NY, KMOA-1190-AR, WOOO-1190-FL (unbuilt CP), KGIR-1220-MO, WCOU-1240-ME, KLTN-1240-NM, WATN-1240-NY, KWTR-1270-CA, KWKI-1270-TX, KYYN-1280-OK, WSSG-1300-NC, KTKR-1310-CA, WBBT-1340-GA, KZAM-1320-OR, WHPI-1340-IL, WGAW-1340-MA, WGSW-1350-SC, KLFF-1360-AZ, KSLM-1390-OR (traded with KZRC-1010), WMME-1400-ME, KXGF-1400-MT, WHCC-1400-NC, KPPEL-1420-LA, KPUR-1440-TX, KSIG-1450-LA, KEYY-1450-UT, KWFN-1460-CA, WRVK-1460-KY, WOKO-1460-NY, WSRO-1470-MA, KXAR-1490-AR, WTRL-1490-FL, WCKC-1490, WRED-1490-GA, WLGW-1490-NH, WFLB-1490-NC, KBKR-1490-OR, KWMC-1490-TX, WKRP-1500, KADI-1520-MO (unbuilt CP), KHAT-1530-NE, KNZS-1540, WKVL-1550-TN, WRDJ-1560-AL, KTER-1570-TX, WMRE-1580-TN, WLFA-1590-GA, WDNH-1590-PA, WGIV-1600-NC
Also sold: The Texas State Network, based at KRLD-1080 Dallas.

Why do we list station sales? Cuz new owners are more likely to change the operating schedules, formats, call letters, or even the physical facilities. They're more likely to do things like check to see if the ground system was ever connected to the tower, or if the afternoon guy ever bothers to change antennas at sunset. Lotsa things can happen!

STATION SALES THAT FAILED: WDDT-900-MS, WEGA-1350-PR, WGSW-1350-SC, WZAZ-1400-FL, WIQR-1410-AL, KJQN-1490-UT, WCEG-1530-MA

OLD JOKES THAT FAILED: Can't NRC's Mike Knitter think up any April Fool's humour other than announcing that IRCA has folded? I mean, recycling is wonderful, but four times in five years?

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES: Forgot to mention this last month: for those of you that find phone numbers useful in identifying locales and hence stations, be aware that on 3/5/88 Colorado split into two area codes. Most of the state remains 303, the southeastern part became 719 - roughly the area south and east of Leadville, major cities in that area are Colorado Springs and Pueblo.

The FCC has reaffirmed their rules establishing new full-time AM stations on Canadian, Mexican and Bahamian Class I-A channels. The FCC will resume processing applications for stations on the 14 clear channel frequencies. Processing had been suspended for about a year.

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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Deadlines: 5/2, 5/30

- (GH-PA) Gary A. Heisey; Box 310F RD1; Osterburg, PA 16667
Philco radio, GE Superadio II
- (LH-AL) Lynn Hollerman; 1237 Willowbrook Dr., Apt. 5; Huntsville, AL 35802
DX-302, 30' longwire
- (5P-) Dale Park; 1516 Hinman Ave., #705; Evanston, IL 60201
DXing in Michigan
- (5P-MI1) Sheraton Airport Inn, Romulus, MI, w/ a Sangean ATS-803
- (5P-MI2) Silverdome parking lot, Pontiac, MI, w/ a Delco car rx
- (5P-MI3) Post office, Romulus, MI, w/ a Delco car rx
- (5P-MI4) Ypsilanti, MI, w/ a Delco car rx
- (5P-MI5) Ann Arbor, MI, w/ a Delco car rx
- (5P-MI6) Lodi Township, MI, w/ a Delco car rx
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- 550 WGR NY, Buffalo 3-24 1650 Fair o/u WKRC, w/ "L.A. Law" theme, ID by man, ment of secret # contest, "Eye in the Sky Traffic Centre" w/ YL. (5P-MI2)
- 560 WVOC SC, Columbia 3-30 2305 UNID Talknet QRM, w/ CBS nx, ads, wx, ID, into Talknet. (LH-AL)
- 570 WWNC NC, Asheville 3-29 2055 Streisand/Diamond mx, ad, ABC nx @ 2100. Lost in static. (LH-AL)
- 590 WKHX GA, Atlanta 4-1 1928 Fighting WVLC, w/ ments of "KIX 101.5," ID, ment of Atlanta, into Restless Heart. Ex-WPLO. (LH-AL)
- 610 WDAF MO, Kansas City 3-30 2244 G&W mx, "61 country" IDs, DJ David Ryan. Nx @ 2255 w/ Kathy ?? (LH-AL)
- 620 WRJZ TN, Knoxville 3-30 2255 Preaching w/ GA address, ads, ID @ 2300, into ABC nx. (LH-AL)
- 680 WCNN GA, Atlanta 4-6 2057 GA Tech baseball "...here on the WCNN GA Tech radio network," back to Tiger Stadium. (LH-AL)
- 790 UNID 3-16 0740 Fair w/ "WPEZ" or "WVEZ-FM," spot for Captain's Quarters restaurant, ment of Louisville, KY, southern IN. Old T40. WAKY?? (GH)
- 820 WIQT NY, Horseheads 3-17 1816 Poor w/ song by Bread, live NASCAR promo, "Hey O Mary" relig program, ABC nx @ 1900. Moved from 1000. (GH-PA)
- 830 WMMI MI, Mt. Pleasant 3-24 1702 Fair w/ local QRM/QRN, possible CFJR, w/ Central MI area nx w/ Menita Preston. MI Nx Network nx w/ Jeff Larkin, SNN nx w/ UPI stories @ 1710, into oldies via satellite. (5P-MI2)
- 880 KBOA MO, Kennett 3-31 0825 Vpoor w/ electrical QRM, w/ wx, agri forecast, ID, farm prices. (LH-AL)
- 880 WRFD OH, Worthington 3-25 0820 Poor w/ WKAR QRM, w/ "Through the Bible Radio," CNN nx @ 0827, into Chuck Swindall program. Uses slogan "Covering 80 out of 88 counties, we are OH's power stn, 88 WRFD." (5P-MI1)
- 930 KWOC MO, Poplar Bluff 3-16 1916 Poor w/ ID by YL, C&W mx, then gone. (GH)
- 930 WAMX WV, Huntington 4-1 1934 Duelling WKCT, w/ ID, rock mx. Ex-WGNT. (LH)
- 930 WEOL OH, Elyria 3-26 0926 Fair w/ WWJ splatter, w/ "American Know-How Show" @ 800-527-TALK, w/ vet Dr. Jim Humphreys. Ads, ment of Dairy Queen/WEOL contest. (5P-MI3)
- 930 WKCT KY, Bowling Green 4-1 1933 Duelling WAMX, w/ ID, "Sweet Caroline," time/temps @ 1950. "93 WCKT," into Leo Sayer mx. (LH-AL)
- 960 WERC AL, Birmingham 3-31 1120 Vheavy QRM, w/ call-in program, ABC nx, IDs, back to call-in. (LH-AL)
- 970 WKHM MI, Jackson 3-24 1708 Poor w/ WWJ QRM, w/ Paul Harvey (also on WJR and WPZA-1050), AC mx. (5P-MI2)
- 990 WNOX TN, Knoxville 4-2 2024 American Dance Track program w/ song countdown, ads, ID as "Power 95." (LH-AL)
- 1000 WLUP IL, Chicago 3-24 2230 Fair/poor between CBW and CFRB, w/ "Beth and Tim Show" w/ guest TimReed of "Frank's Place." (5P-MI1)

1010 KHLT AR, Little Rock 3-26 2336 RTV sports show "RTV Roundtable," ads, ID, into NBC nx @ 0001. Ex-KLRA. (LH-AL)

1010 KHLT AR, Little Rock 4-7 0625 Fair/good w/ "K-lite" IDs, and "Little Rock's favorite, K-lite 94." Old T40 mx w/ DJ Dave Taylor. Tentative. (GH-PA)

1050 CFYN ON, SSM 3-24 2310 Poor o/u UNID, w/ Maple Leafs Hockey @ Calgary, Wintario lotto ads, Gold Rush-Leafs contest. #/CHYR-730. Tentative. (5P-M11)

1050 WPTC OH, Cincinnati 3-30 2158 Instrumental mx, ID by DJ, wx, into mess of wavering stns. (LH-AL)

1090 KAAV AR, Little Rock 3-30 2205 Baptist preacher show, ID "KAAV, the power and the glory, 1090, Little Rock," into "Voice of Power." (LH-AL)

1110 CKTY ON, Sarnia 3-24 1720 Fair w/ WCXI QRM, w/ C&W mx w/ male DJ, ID, wx, talk on hockey. Ex-CKJD. (5P-M12)

1130 WSJP KY, Murray 4-7 2150 Mx, ID, "Ted Williams Show," into radio ads ad. Faded quickly. (LH-AL)

1140 KNEI IA, Waukon 3-18 0730 Poor in WRVA fade, w/ "IA Hawkeyes game, hear it on KNEI FM 164" by man. (GH-PA)

1150 WMST KY, Mt. Sterling 4-7 2153 Several songs in a row, ID by DJ, into ABC nx. (LH-AL)

1160 WAMB TN, Donelson 3-29 1101 Mutual nx, Dodge ad, wx, ID, into MOYL. "Health Report" @ 1112. (LH-AL)

1170 WHVI AL, Hanceville 3-30 1126 C&W mx, AL Radio Network nx, many IDs. Ads, community nx @ 1203. (LH-AL)

1180 WXLA MI, Dimondale 3-26 1547 Poor w/ WOWO QRM, w/ urban/post-modern mx w/ several "AM 11-80s" IDs. No clear ID. Hiroshima's "Hawaiian Electric," the public utility's theme song back home. (5P-M16)

1230 WBVP PA, Beaver Falls 3-21 1900 Poor w/ promo for "Talk radio WBVP," local nx. (GH-PA)

1280 WGBF IN, Evansville 4-7 2209 Surprisingly strong w/ heavy metal mx, ID, "Rockin' w/ the Sandman," into more mx. (LH-AL)

1300 WKXI MS, Jackson 4-7 2320 Strong in spurts w/ mx, ID by DJ, "Keep it here on kicks." (LH-AL)

1330 UNID IL 3-16 1850 Good for 5 mins w/ "Sunny 1330" ID, traffic for Chicago. Gregory Abbott song, spot for Olsen Rgm. WSSY?? (GH-PA)

1350 WHMI MI, Howell 3-26 1236 Poor o/ WSLR, WEXL QRM, electrical QRM, w/ Paul Harvey Sat nx, AC mx, local ads. ABC Sontemp nx @ 1255, "WHMI Howell Brighton" ID. Uses slogan "Your voice, your choice." (5P-M15)

1430 WIRE IN, Indianapolis 4-7 2328 C&W? mx, ID by man @ 2330. Poor in hvy QRM. (LH-AL)

1480 UNID 4-6 2150 Kansas City/Toronto baseball, ments of Detroit. Ads, ID @ 2200 sounded like "AN." CKAN?? (LH-AL)

1490 WABJ MI, Adrian 3-26 1218 Fair w/ WSDS splatter, w/ PSA, man w/ area wx from ColorRadar Wx, "From your friends @ AM 15 hundred." Ad, ABC sx w/ Fred Manfra. (5P-M14)

1510 WJCO MI, Jackson 3-26 1156 Fair w/ WSDS and WLQV splatter, w/ end of "Live From Galley's." Jx "WJCO has the winning songs," C&W mx w/ male DJ, gave # as 782-1510. Uses "The new WJCO" slogan. (5P-M14)

1520 WHOW IL, Clinton 3-16 0830 Poor/vpoor w/ ments of IL, school menu report, "WHOW" by YL. (GH-PA)

1520 WSVL IN, Shelbyville 4-7 2334 WCKY QRM, w/ Foreigner mx, ID by DJ Jim Paxton, into more mx. (LH-AL)

1540 KXEL IA, Waterloo 4-6 2125 Hvy QRM, w/ YL preaching, ID on 1/2 hour not caught. More preaching 'til 2146, ID, into "The Perfect Way" pgm.(LH)

Great column this week, gang!!...Welcome to EDXR, Dale...hope you enjoyed Spring Break '88...Robert Wien of CA checks in to ID some UNIDs in the 4/2 EDXR. He writes "GH-PA's UNID 1030 'Vernon Hills' is WNVN-1030 Vernon Hills, IL. WGCI is in Chicago. LH-AL's UNID 'WHY' on 1360 is WHY. They switched from 1470 to 1360, has existing CP call change to WHRD...There is a new CP for Huntington, WV on 1470 kHz. 5000w, D only." Many thanks for your support, Bob...73s de TK...



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DEADLINES FOR RECEIVING WDXR TIPS: Sat. 5/28, Mon. 6/27, Mon. 7/18

REPORTERS FOR THIS ISSUE:

- (JJ) Jef Jaisun-DX'ing from Shady Cove, OR (20 mi. from Medford)
Cheapo blaster box
- (RHM) Roy H. Millar-Marysville, WA 98270
Sony ICF-2010, AN-1, et al
- (SMM) Steve Mittman-2248 West 37th Street-San Pedro, CA 90732
Realistic TRP, 3' wedge; Kenwood KRC-939 AM stereo car receiver
- (FPJ) Floyd E. Perry, Jr.-1945 Del Rio Drive-Stockton, CA 95204
Sony CFS-W501 FM/AM stereo cassette-corder with no external ant.
- (RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118
GE Superadio, GE long-range portable, SM-2

OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

- 930 KKXX CA, Paradise 4/17 2118-2129 usual good signal, KPFE-940 splash nulled. ID "Keeping the north valley with ???, we're 930, K-Excellent, KKXX," into relig. hymns. Several local spots & PSA's near half-hour. Call change, ex-KEWQ. (RW-CA)

- 530 (WNFG-219) CA, Anaheim (Disneyland/Anaheim Convention Center) is now defunct. Came on the air approx. 1/19/87, but hasn't been on the air for at least 3/4 of a year now. (However, signs are still up regarding it on the Santa Ana Freeway.) The new KNEC-996 is just 8 miles away & on the same frequency, which would also indicate that this station is permanently defunct (or are there no minimum distance requirements for TIS stations?). (SMM-CA)
KNEC-996 CA, Orange County (Tustin-Santa Ana) 3/21 2125 new TIS (actually an HAR) on the air. Per call, power is 10 watts. Four minute tape-loop with male & female "This is a Cal-Trans construction news update on the reconstruction of the Santa Ana and Costa Mesa Freeway Interchange..." The transmitter is located right next to the Costa Mesa Fwy. at Edinger Ave. onramp. (SMM)
660 KGDP CA, Orcutt per call on 4/27, won't come on air 5/1 as planned. Still won't be on until "30-60 days," still taking measurements! (RW-CA)
- 790 TKUTA? UT, Blanding 4/18 0831 tent. with susp. local news, heard ment. of zip code "84535" which corresponds to Blanding area. Lost to KXTC/KABC. Needed for change-of-silent-status (was silent). (RW)
- 880 KMFR OR, Phoenix 4/7 1515 local "News Plus," promo for "KMFR Scavenger Hunt," Jim Zinn with sports, "AM 88, KMFR" ID, Harry Reasoner Report. Also carries Mel Allen & Brent Musburger sports comments. Ron Stevens DJ, music "Hotel California." (JJ-OR)
- 930 KAGI OR, Grants Pass 4/7 1340* oldies and "930 KAGI" ID. (JJ-OR)
- 950 KTBR OR, Roseburg 4/7 1333+ new on the air as of Oct. '87, per Rod McCoy (DJ). Music format is oldies (like a lot of So. Oregon stations, it seems). Heard with song by Christopher Cross, weather, ID as "AM 950" & "KTBR, Timber Radio." Daytime only. Signal fair to poor into Shady Cove (about 50 miles over the mountains). (JJ-OR) (Actually ex-KRSB/KYES.--NH)
- 960 KLAB OR, Klamath Falls 4/11 0615 loud o/KABL with radio pointing towards Oakland! New pest here, ID "...the country giant, K-Lad AM & FM," C&W. (RW-CA)

- 970 KHYV CA, Modesto 4/18 has switched formats from automated fine arts/classical music to SMN's "Pure Gold" rock oldies. The change occurred almost 3 years to the day that they had classical music. ID's as "Pure Gold K-Hive," "AM Stereo Oldies," "AM 970, The Oldies Station" and "Modesto's Pure Gold." They still carry Paul Harvey commentary and Oakland A's baseball. (FPJ-CA)
- 1140 KMMZ WY, Greybull 4/11 0823 faded up nicely under KRAK, no trace of KGEM or KRSR, with weather for Greybull, ID "... on KMMZ" into rock (new format, ex-C&W). New, been after this one for a long time! (RW-CA)
- 1150 KEZX WA, Seattle 4/11 0503 good on top of mess in KIIS null, heavy KRAK-1140/KLOK-1170 splash. Weather for Seattle, ID "...39 degrees at KEZX, another KEZX Album Classic," then gone under KIIS. Call change, ex-KGNW, for me. (RW-CA)
- 1210 KONY UT, Washington 4/25 0532 xlnst with Music Country Radio Network o/mess, ID. Apparently NSP now. (RW-CA)
- 1290? *KHSL? CA, Chico 4/18 0712 susp. with TT over mess. (RW-CA)
- 1300 (KHUG) OR, Phoenix 4/7 1330 apparently still silent. No sign of em. (JJ-OR) (They were granted new calls KESI. Maybe they'll be back soon.--NH)
- 1400 KEDO WA, Longview 4/23 0406 SID at close of ABC-I net news and Cadillac ad. This is a Sat. morning; I don't seem to hear KEDO on MMs! (RHM-WA)
- 1440 KMED OR, Medford 4/7 1336 heard with early fifties-style "nostalgia" Format, used to be pop & rock. (JJ-OR)
- 1450 KGRZ MT, Missoula 4/11 0300 ID "This is your Talknet station, 1450, KGRZ, Missoula," then NBC News. (RHM-WA)
- 1480 CKER AB, Edmonton 4/18 0734 surfaced with ID; rare here. (RHM-WA)
- 1530 *KFKK* CA, Sacramento 4/25 0323 noted with TT. (RW-CA)
- 1550 KQWB ND, West Fargo-Fargo 4/14 0705 blasting in all alone with ID "KQWB, where we play your kind of music, 24 hours a day," into song "Reflections." No one else on freq. at time! (RW-CA)
- WQXR NY, New York 4/11 0608 good over GY-type mess with classical music, faded under WPAD. Great cx to east this morning. (RW-CA)

F/C tent. heard:

2nd TH: 0650-0700 KKSL-1560 TX (RW-CA)

HELP WITH UNIDS:

- 810 Doug Lamerson's unID in 3/26/88 WDXR of "EZL instrumentals" is probably KMJK, Santa Fe, NM. Heard here recently at SSS with simulcast of FM (KLSK?) 104.1. Format is New Age (light jazz)--which is similar to "EZL instrumentals." Very minimal talking with infrequent IDs as "Magic 104" (FM might now be KMJK-FM??). Listed as daytimer, but may have been MM testing. (SMM-CA)
- 970 Pat Martin's unID in 4/23/88 WDYR of So. Calif. Spanish station would be KVIM, Coachella. Has very infrequent IDs as "Kah-Beh-Eh-Emme." (legal IDs usually 3-4 mins. after :00, say "KVIM, Coachella, Calif.). If any "Radio Mexicana" IDs were heard, that would be XEJ, Ciudad Juarez, Chih. (KVIM & XEJ mix here equally at night.). (SMM-CA)

UNIDS:

- 525 4/25 0523 continuous Morse code, apparently new (not noted before), broadcasting continuous letter "v" (...-), loop NE, splash from INE-521. Almost like "UUU" in Stanton, VT (526 kHz) but it was definitely "v." No listing for a "VVV." Ideas? (RW-CA)
- 690 4/18 0506 call that sounded like KPOI; what is KQMQ's FM ///? Or, does KVOI have a FM ///? Whatever it was, it was definitely a dual call. (RHM)
- 1150 4/11 0500 under KIIS/KEZX with NBC News, then what sounded like either Larry King or Talknet. Unsure, probably KSAL-KS. (RW-CA)
- 1290 4/11 0707 weak u/mess in KMEN null with TC of "...7 minutes after 6 here at ???" into oldies/rock-type format. Lost u/KVIX-KGVO-KOWB. Probably either CIPX-MB or KOIL-NE, both needed here. (RW-CA)
- 1560 4/14 0653 with partial ID while trying for KKSL-TX f/c. ID as "???" double X," then lost. Only logical choice is WFXK Gordon, GA (ex-WIZY) and this is at their LSR approximately. Xlnst conditions to east this morning with KQWB-1550 blasting in. Will keep trying...(RW-CA)

It appears the DX season is beginning to wind down. If you get some good DX remember to report it to your local editor, hi. ♥

DX WORLDWIDE EAST

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■ Some good reading for you this week, with reports from George Hakiel and Ron Trotto, and myself. 4/18 was good for high banders here, with a good opening to the Iberian Peninsula allowing over 10 stations from Spain to be logged. TA DXers should note that at this time of the year (spring/summer) Spain/Portugal suffer less QRM from more northerly Europeans whose sunrise occurs well before the Iberian Peninsula's allowing for numerous Portuguese/Spanish stations to be "in the clear" (TA cx permitting). Mark Connelly appropriately termed this "Iberian Peninsula Conditions". Of course, the terminated longwires and Beverage at roughly 65°-70° sure help here. Help with a previous tentative: Paging back to the 12/20/86 (Vol. 24 #13) DXW-E, page 12, George's tentative Venezuelan "R. Vision" on 820 must have been the one as there has been a "R. Vision Guayana", YVSH, in Upata (in Estados Bolivar), 15kW listed for the frequency. A good catch, George, as stations from eastern Venezuela, and inland, aren't too common on the BCB. Upata, at 15kW, may be one of the better bets for an eastern YV. Schedule is listed as 0900-0400 - reported time is well within the schedule. Reporters, please note that the next deadline for DXW-E submissions is Friday, May 27 - I had to push it up about 4-days since I'll be out of town thereafter. Next deadline after that will be Tuesday, June 28, so please get any reports in by 27 May so as not to have them published a month later. On to the DX - times/dates are UTC:

TRANS - ATLANTIC DX

- 585 SPAIN, Madrid 0422 4/19 : Briefly strong w/2 SS men, growl from a probable second station slightly high on 585 - another Spaniard? (Hall-PIT)
- 603 unID, 0423 4/19 : Seemingly a 1kHz TT briefly fr/gd. TT seemed off by 0425, then just a hopelessly fading carrier. Any help here? (Hall-PIT)
- 855 SPAIN, Murcia 2319 3/7 : Gd w/lady ancr, vocal mx. (Hakiel-NY)
- 891 ALGERIA, Alger 2315 3/7 : Gd w/AA mx, AA talk by m & w. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1089 ENGLAND, Brookman's Park 2351 3/13 : Gd w/pop mx, EE talk. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1107 EGYPT, Batra 2356 3/21 : AA mx & talk, fr/gd. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1134 YUGOSLAVIA, Zadar 2317 3/22 : Gd w/man & woman in Slav. talk, instru. mx. (Hakiel-NY)
- +0514 4/15 : Pr in slop, Slavic-sounding talk, but may have been Spain in SS. (Hall-PIT)
- 1143 U.S.S.R., Kaliningrad 2352 3/27 : EE talk, pop mx, fair //1386kHz. (Hakiel)
- 1413 YUGOSLAVIA, Pristina 0322 4/12 : Fr w/exotic mx, similar to AA. Slav talk. (Hakiel-NY)
- 1422 GERMANY, Heusweiler 0134 2/23 : Fr/gd w/US pop mx, GG talk. (Hakiel-NY)
- unID, 0408 4/19 : unID mx over slop briefly, presume German. (Hall-PIT)
- 1467 MONACO, Monte Carlo 0411 4/19 : Choral singing at fair level in slop, pattern change @0415, disappeared. (Hall-PIT)
- 1476 SPAIN, Bilbao (+6 stns) 0505 4/18 : RCE poor in slopping from 1480. Occ peaks o/slop w/various SS ancrs, //1503. (Hall-PIT)
- 1485 SPAIN, Alcoy (+9 stns) 0456 4/18 : An unID outlet (as with 1476 and most of the other Spain loggings) pr/fr at times //1575/1539/1602/1521/1584 w/SS ancr, typical Spanish vocal mx. (Hall-PIT)
- 1494 unID, 0435 4/15 : Briefly strong carrier, snippets of audio. Mostly in hash - don't usually get much here, presume France or USSR. (Hall-PIT)
- 1503 t POLAND, 0500 4/15 : Presumed Stargard Szczecinski w/woman in Polish-sounding tongue. Too much 1500 slop to be certain. (Hall-PIT)
- SPAIN, Pamplona (+7 stns) 0500 4/18 : Occ v. gd on peaks o/slop. Pips to 0500 w/SS "Informa nacional..." etc. //1476, no Poland. (Hall-PIT)
- 1521 CZECHOSLOVAKIA, Cizatice 0448 4/15 : M in Slav. talk, firm signal against notched 1520 slop. Occ peaks to v. gd/v. readable. 0505 nx w/rpts from field. (Hall-PIT)
- SAUDI ARABIA, Duba 0126 4/23 : Pr/nil w/m chant. Fading, was only BCB TA in at time. (Hall-PIT)
- SPAIN, 3 synchros listed 0503 4/18 : Fr/gd at times w/good 1520 separation - //1584/1602/1485/1575/1539. (Hall-PIT)
- 1538.8 SPAIN, unID outlet 0516 4/18 : Pr //SER net (1584 et al.). Best readable audio past 1540 slop was in ECSS/LSB. M & w SS ancrs. (Hall-PIT)
- 1548 t ENGLAND, London et al. 0452 4/15 : AT40 (i.e. WHAM "Careless Whisper"), 0453 sd/1k a SID by women (do they use them anyone?) fol/by possible EE talk by w. (Hall-PIT)

- 1557 MALTA, Cyclops 0400 4/19 : V. poor, Deutsche Welle 10-note Beethoven IS barely audible. Cayman-1555 het notched. (Hall-PIT)
FRANCE, Nice 0428 4/15 : BIG OC 0428, 0429 a 1kHz TT v. loud. 2nd stn u/ may have been Malta. France on @0430 w/AA woman, fol/by unusual AA-type mx. (Hall-PIT)
- 1562 *t PORTUGAL, Covilha 0414 4/7 : Soft mx w/vocals, PP talk, no ID heard, so tentative, only 1kW. Pr/fr. (Hakiel-NY) (Nice logging, George. This must certainly be the one here as confirmed by Richard Eckman when he was in UK. I even get this carrier here (see below), and was lucky enough to manage some audio last season, reported in DXW-E, I believe. ed)
 +unID, but no doubt Portugal at 0438 4/18 : Just a carrier in xInt Iberian Peninsula cx. V. gd at times by 0518, indicating Iberian area. (Hall-PIT)
- 1566 SWITZERLAND, Sarnen 0432 4/15 : M in GG, fr w/occ bad slop. Also 0403 4/19 fr/pr w/GG man in speech. (Hall-PIT)
- 1575 PORTUGAL, Porto-Canidelo 0521 4/18 : By 0521 Portugal, w/PP m ancr, was mixing in over Spain (see next logging). (Hall-PIT)
SPAIN, 2 synchros. 0454 4/18 : SS m, fr/gd w/slop //1602/1584/1485/1521/1539a. Portugal in w/Spain later. (Hall-PIT)
- 1584 SPAIN, graveyarders 0458 4/18 : Incredible signal, //1575 et al. @0506 a 2nd Spain stn u/, and by 0525 a real gy - a possible 3rd Spanish stn amidst growl/rumble created by slightly off-freq. carriers. Ea. had separate pgms. w/only one parallel the 1575/1602 SER group. Also same times 4/15 w/SS ancrs, 2 stn's audible then, and other dates. (Hall-PIT)
- 1593 WEST GERMANY, Langenberg 0405 4/19 : WDR w/gd firm signal w/instru. "Raindrops on my Head". GG w ancr. (Hall-PIT)
- 1602 SPAIN, commonwave 0459 4/18 : //SER's (1575/1584/1521 et al.) pr to fr occ well above slop threshold. Also 0436 4/15 fr, better at 0507 //1584. (Hall-PIT)

George notes that many very common coastal loggings were omitted, such as 1593, 1584, 1575 et al. They are more or less "pests" in good TACX on a coastal site, and reporting them on every reception would simply be too repetitive. I've DXed from some coastal sites myself (NH, SC, GA, NJ) and know how common they can be. ed

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

- 540 MEXICO, San Louis Potosi XEWA 0754 3/5 : LV de la America Latina in SS w/ light mx, talk by male ancr, quik ID @0754, into female singer/soft mx. Good signal with some fading present. (Trotto-FL)
- 550 JAMAICA, Montego Bay 0544 4/17 : //720/580/770 fr/pr in jumble w/reggae by "Yellowman". (Hall-PIT)
- 560 JAMAICA, Kingston 0619 4/17 : JBC good atop chan w/Carib. EE reggae. (Hall)
- 555 ST. KITTS/NEVIS, Basseterre 0426 4/17 : BIG OC, presumed ZIZ then in good Carib. cx. Also 0350 5/3 : t w/reggae/US pop, 0358 bftl anthem (instru.), seemed to leave OC leaving Nicaragua weakly at times in slop. (Hall-PIT)
NICARAGUA, Chinandega HTC555 0525 4/28 : SS fem. talk, pr/fr w/strong storm QRN at times. (Hall-PIT)
- 579.8a CUBA, many eva's the Rebelde Cuban here with deep hetting on 580's. (Hall-PIT)
- 580 JAMAICA, Galina RJR 0538 4/17 : //770/720/550, LOUD atop chan. w/reggae, West Indian acct'd m ancr. (Hall-PIT)
PUERTO RICO, San Juan WKAQ 0530 4/28 : Pr u/dominant Jamaican, Cuban, others, with shrill alarm pips used in their "R. Reloj WKAQ" ID's (not a Cuban Reloj here). (Hall-PIT)
- 595 DOMINICA, Roseau DBCC 0152 4/15 : US pop EE vocal, Carib.-acct'd m ancr, fr on peaks. Also at fair level 0145 4/22 w/EE pops, m ancr, + other dates. (Hall)
- 610 CUBA, 0051 4/25 : Radio Rebelde // audible u/domestic stn's. Most other R. Rebelde //s audible at time. 610 seems ip. (Hall-PIT)
- 620 JAMAICA, Mandeville 0432 2/29 : Fire & brimstone preacher //700kHz. This logging completes all Jamaican stn's. (Hakiel-NY) (Congratulations, George. I've managed to hear all but one here in Pgh - that would be the 790-James Hill xmtr. ed)
- 650 CUBA, (2 1kW listed) 0459 4/17 : "Rebelde, La Habana" ID by m at 0459, //net Freq's o/u WSM/other LA's. (Hall-PIT)
- t DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, Sto. Domingo HIAT 0515 4/17 : V. gd condition occ atop mess with typical Universal fmt of pop (some EE some SS lyrics) songs and also some EE/SS bilingual songs. Ref to Santo Domingo at one point. (Hall-PIT)
- 655 EL SALVADOR, San Salvador YSS 0301 4/25 : In at gd levels w/mellow SS crooners. (Hall-PIT)
- 700 VENEZUELA, Maracaibo YVMH 0338 4/6 : LA mx, ID "R. Popular", gd. (Hakiel-NY)
JAMAICA, Montego Bay 0603 5/1 : Carib. style reggae, fr u/WLW. (Hall-PIT)
- 720 JAMAICA, Kingston 0540 4/17 : RJR //others w/reggae, fr/gd w/WGN. (Hall-PIT)
- 730 CUBA, 0055 4/25 : Fr R. Progreso //640/660/690/740 et al. w/mellow SS mx. (Hall)
- 765 unID, Carrier to Carib. at 0605 4/17. Must be the Haitian. (Hall-PIT)
- 770 JAMAICA, Spur Tree RJR 0542 4/17 : Pr w/WABC/HJKH. By 0617 recheck v. gd = to WABC, o/Colombian. //720/580/550. (Hall-PIT)

- 775 unID, (LA?) carrier 0258 4/25. There was an LA (in SS) here last season. Fade in time here might point to CAm (Panama?). Anyone know? (Hall-PIT)
- 780 VENEZUELA, San Cristobal 0216 4/25 : Ecos del Torbes YVOD //4980SW. Fr/gd on Bev's w/SS m ancrs w/pgm featuring all tangos. Also a het on 780 from an LA up 780.6 - this has been high since last season. (Hall-PIT)
- 810 BAHAMAS, Freeport ZNS-3 0212 4/7 : Gd w/EE preacher in sermon. (Hakiel-NY)
- 830 BELIZE, Belize City 0204 3/11 : Xmt w/m in talk about fiscal matters, dominant. (Hakiel-NY)
- 970 COLOMBIA, Bogota HJCI 0547 2/29 : Col. accordion mx, "R. Super" ID, fair. (Hakiel-NY) (George, is this a slogan change? ed)
- 1127.1 COSTA RICA, San Jose 0302 4/25 : Fr w/EE and SS vocals. Also occ in many eve's with gd LA/CA propagation. (Hall-PIT)
- 1165 ANTIGUA, St. John's ZDK 1010 3/5 : Caribbean Radio Lighthouse w/fr signal. Hrd a m preacher w/rigs pgm @1015. Also m w/ID as "This is the Caribbean Radio Lighthouse, St. John's" into rigs mx. (Trotto-FL)
- 1186.5v unID, carrier 0317 4/29, also next eve 4/30 @0317-0330a down to 1186.1, then to 1186.3 by 0550. Seems to loop LA, fade in time may point to Caribbean. And by 5/3 at 0115 up to 1186.7. Cuban?? (Hall-PIT)
- 1200 CUBA, Palma Soriano CMJQ 0427 4/25 : On top of freq, occ l & c. "R. Revolución...Santiago de Cuba" ID. Had various rumbas/rural Cuban vocals. (Hall)
- 1204.2 unID, 0110 4/25 : I think there may be an LA here; maybe Caribbean? Not Cayman who were right on 1205. Heard same possibly LA carrier on 1204a last season. (Hall-PIT)
- 1220.7 unID, Possible LA here 0354 4/18. (Hall-PIT)
- 1335 HONDURAS, San Pedro Sula HRHH 1030 3/5 : Radio El Mundo w/fr signal. In SS w/m ancr at 1030 w/talk, then ID "Atención Central America, R. El Mundo" fol/by more talk into SS pops at 1039. Began to fade out around 1044. (Trotto-FL) (A nice catch, Ron. Keep reporting your LADX! ed)
- 1460 TURKS & CAICOS, Grand Turk, Governor's Beach 0005 2/24 : Gd w/VOA nx, ID. (Hakiel-NY) (Super logging, George - this is rarely if ever reported. Last time I saw this reported was in one of Neil Kazaross' '83 DXWM's. ed)
- 1560 CUBA, Ciega de Avila 0507 4/25 : CMIR pr after reg MM WQXR s/off (WQXR reg MM SP is 0100-0530 EST) w/US/Latin jazz/EZL/instrumentals/classical symphony (no vocals/lyrics on this channel). Also YL ancr w/occ "lite" talk. (Hall-PIT)
- 1564.8t DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, Santo Domingo 0141 4/22 : Carrier to LA - assume Dcm. Rep. as often heard this season from 1574.8/1570. Problem w/xtal? (Hall-PIT)
- 1580 ANTIGUA, St. John's VOA 0111 4/30 : VOA Relay - familiar VOA news music high-lighter and male ancr w/standard VOA nx fare. Mixing w/WVKO - no CBJ on Bev./iw combinations. (Hall-PIT)

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ADDENDUM:

Just in from Bill Harms is a report of TA's he has heard in Southern Germany. I was going to wait until next column for these, but didn't think they should be delayed that long. Bill uses a Japan Radio Company NRD-525 with a homemade three foot wedge.

I R A N S - A I L A N T I C D X (Harms-FRG all)

- 1130 unID, A man speaking at 0302 2/3. This sd/lk a radio drama. Does WNEW have a radio drama show at this time? Fair signal with only slight interference from 1134. (Bill, I will investigate your unID's for you. ed)
- 1180 USA, Rochester, NY 0304-0306 2/3 : CBS nx by man ancr. The last item was about Pat Robertson's presidential campaign. 0304 a local ad. The only thing I heard for sure was a mention of "Wednesday". 0306 "WHAM Radar Weather Forecast". Fair signal, but easily separable from the mess on 1179. (Good DX, Bill. ed)
- 1200 unID, Not much to go on here. A m in FE and then the start of a song. 2/3 @ 0257. The Voice of America Munich on 1197 signed on at 0257:30 which blew away the signal. I was not able to pull out any audio after that. (ON or MA here? ed)
- 1220 unID, 0307:30 2/3 : Wx forecast. M ancr said that the current temperature was -10 degrees (I was unable to hear whether it was Celsius of Fahrenheit). This was fol/by the song "What Will It Take?". Poor to fair signal. (Bill, I'm not familiar with this song title - if it was "What Does It Take?" by Kenny G it would rule out WGAR. But then again, if it's a C&W song I'd say WGAR. ed)

- 1290 unID's, ??? A mixed up mess. I hrd the following on 2/3 : 0249 the song "I Want To Be Your Babe" . 0251:30 A male ancr in EE. 0254 A male ancr in FF w/another station playing music. (Maybe CHR M Matane, PQ for the FF - as for the EE ?? .ed)
- 1440 unID, The most intriguing logging of the night! I hrd a m in EE w/a wx forecast for a part of OH, fol/by a song 0325 2/3. I listened off & on until about 0350 when RTL signed on w/their carrier and hrd bits & pieces of a m in EE, with current pop songs being played. This was through the Saudi with a m reading the Koran and another stn, presumably the Yugoslav w/pop mx also. I assume the stn I heard was WRR0? (That would be my vote, Bill. Do you have any tapes? I'd be interested in hearing this, and any others. ed)
- 1510 unID, Not much to go on here. 0210 2/3 the only thing I heard was the song "Ventura Highway" by Ammerica, fair signal. (This is an interesting logging, though, as America is a pop/T40 group, right? If so I doubt WLAC would have the song on the playlist. Any more here, Bill? ed)
- 1560 USA, New York, NY Assumed WQXR. Noted in passing with classical mx. 0248 2/3 with good signal. (Almost no doubt here. ed)
- 1570 CANADA, Laval, PQ CKLM. A song at 0356 2/3, but could not catch type or title. A clear ID in FF was heard at 0400, fr signal.
- 1610 ANGUILLA, The Valley 0250 2/3 : The Caribbean Beacon noted in passing with male preacher.

HETS: Also noted TA hets/carriers on 1000, 1010, 1020, 1030, 1040, 1050 w/some audio, 1060, 1070, 1090, 1100, 1110, 1120, 1140, 1150, 1190, 1230, 1240, 1280, 1300 w/ some audio, 1310, 1330, 1370, 1380 w/a bunch of weak carriers mixing, 1420, 1470, 1480, 1490, 1500, 1550, 1580, 1590, 1600. Bill adds that nothing was heard below 1000. That is often the case with TA's here too, Bill, as you know. 73's and Vielen Dank, Bill.

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DEADLINES: 5/31, 6/28, 7/19

Only a short column this time around. Not too much DX heard at this OTH, but Shawn Axelrod saved the day with a report. On with reports:

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 540 MEXICO, S.L.P.-XEWA 4/21 at 1055 and 4/16 at 0818 fair w/XE mx man talk in SS, both times //900 during CBK SP. (SA=MB)
- 730 MEXICO, Mexico D.F.-XEX 4/16 at 0830 good XE mx man talk in SS, Dominating freq. during CKDM SP. (SA-MB)
- 1010 MEXICO, Guadalajara -XEHL 4/21 1047 fair w/XE ballads and "H-L ID at 1055. (SA-MB)
- 1500 MEXICO, Mexico D.F.-XEAI 4/3 0935 poor XE music ID as "XEAI" under KSTP for about 10 minutes. (SA-MB)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 738 UNID, 3/30 1142 poor het but no audio. Someday I'll catch this one. (SA) (Sounds like it might be the Aussie, keep trying.PM)

THANKS TO THIS REPORTER

- SA-MB SHAWN AXELROD-21 KNIGHTSBRIDGE-WINNIPEG, H.B., CANADA
R-70, loop, 120' LW w/Tun-3.



Western DX Forum

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DEADLINES - 31 MAY, 27 JUN, 25 JUL

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Recent veries include a QSL card from GJIB 940 for my logging in January 1987! KCTR 970 (ex-KBIT and former KOOK, KOOK calls are no longer used by their FM), KBUF 1030 (they said 25 kw D, 1 kw N, 24 hours), KBLQ 1390, KLGW 1390 (they say they welcome reports), KMDK 1390 (Health format, s/off advised people to take two aspirin and call them in the morning!), and KGIM 1420.

Local daytimer, KBLG 910 is now AN with talk programs from Sun Radio Network. CBS news on the hour, new slogan "Information Plus." Local KUUS 1240 dumped their EFL for rock oldies (mostly late '60s and '70s songs). ID'ing "From the penthouse suite of the Billings Sheraton this is the new KWB, Billings' Classic Rock station." It seems the latest trend here is to relocate your studios in tall buildings, KUUS is 24 stories up - - local KHOZ FM is in a taller bank building, but about the same level.

News item from Al Ham's Music of Your Life. MYoL will provide 24 hours with live personalities soon to be fed via satellite on Transtar to about 150 stations. Stations may opt to keep local DJs. MYoL had been distributed reel-to-reel. This should make it easier to identify an MYoL station now when DX'ing. 73 de John.

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(Continued from last issue. .) An interesting sidelight from the DXM of 12 March 1988 with the Radio Doings article on page 21, is the name of K.G. Ormiston. That's Kenneth G. Ormiston who did a lot of writing for Radio Doings. He also did a question and answer show for the magazine over KPWB one year. He helped put KHJ on the air for the Los Angeles Times in 1922 and was the paper's radio editor for a time. His calm to fame is that he was engineer for KPFG Los Angeles, Aimee Semple McPherson's station, until the end of 1925. Rumor is that Aimee's mother didn't approve of her daughter's outgoing ways towards the married radio engineer, so Ormiston was let go. But, apported to have drowned in the ocean near Santa Monica, the evangelist was reportedly that wasn't the end of it. On May 18 of 1926, McPherson claimed she was kidnapped, as she walked out of the desert from Mexico into Arizona. But there were witnesses who claimed to have seen Aimee with Ormiston at several locations in California, including a cottage in Carmel. The police and the District Attorney didn't believe Aimee's story, so they brought her to trial, but charges were dismissed when the DA found it impossible to get a conviction. McPherson and Ormiston continued to deny that they were ever together, other than at the station. Ormiston's wife divorced him. He continued to work as an engineer until his death in 1937. Floyd Hall wrote in his Old Timer column for Radio World a few years back that Ormiston and his crew put up KNX's first vertical antenna in 1933 in the San Fernando Valley. The public had nearly forgotten his role in the kidnapping hoax. Aimee still had Angelus Temple and KPFG when she died of a sleeping pill overdose in 1941.

Some DX of late: KNKK 800 UT and got a verie. Anyone know their night power? Also, KVIP 540 on 'til 0900, heard three times, they claim 15.7 watts night power in s/off announcement. 'Til next time, best of DX and 73 (Fantastic reporting, Jim, and I'd like to see a lot more of this, Jim, it's our heritage-Rth.)

TIM HALL, 350 G St., #F-1, CHULA VISTA, CA 92010-4505 (619) 426-3584
24 HRS NSP

Greetings everyone. DX here has been slow thanks mostly to a lack of silent periods by my local pests. Biggest mystery is a daily SSB on 1260 from 0658:30 to 0700 ELT, always stomped on by KGIL at the top of the hour. Seems to be KWYR-SD, which I logged from Las Vegas in '86, but so far only a partial ID. Also snagged KVSP-NM while I was monitoring this. Verie back this week from CHAM 820 for Chula Vista reception - will go nicely with the CHML 900 verie received here last year.

Several programming changes at KFI 640, the station I listen to more than any other, effective Monday 11 April. Morning drive remains Gary (Laugh In) Owens and Al (Lohman and Barkley) Lohman, but the 10-2 slot is now filled by a local version of the Dr. Toni Grant show, done live from the KFI studios, with lunchtime DJ Mark Taylor getting a few words in edgewise between

newsbreaks. From 2-3 PM, Mark Taylor finishes his shift (music format is still MoR with one NOS song per hour.) Geoff (TV game show and CA lottery host) Edwards' "KFI Home Team" afternoon drive show has been extended an hour to 3-7 PM PLT (no more national Toni Grant show 6-8 PM). From 7-10 PM they now air Talknet, but only the Bruce Williams portion (with local "tags" at the end of each segment to make it sound local - like they do at ABC Talk-radio but this really sounds clumsy), then it's Larry King the rest of the night (not back to music at Midnight PLT the way they were doing). Still very heavy personality, traffic, weather, very little music. Also, they've picked up Raiders football from KRLA.

Some comments on their programming: "LA's Morning show with Owens and Lohman" is excellent, except for their obnoxious producer, Laura Brown, who butts in, often turning her mike on just to let us hear her cackling at the jokes. Traffic reports every ten minutes, plus all night and Sundays is a bit much, even for LA. Also, the station is running 3,785,421 promos per hour (including not-so-subtle hourly reminders for folks with ratings books) more promos than music. The strangest ones are the ones they've got Bruce Williams doing, promoting Toni Grant's midday show - think about it, hi.

One unrelated note - KJJD 1030 is news-talk, except on weekends when they run Transtar's AM only adult standards. This was originally a temporary means of filling weekend air time, but has drawn favorable comments from listeners, so will likely stay. That's it for now - 73 de TRH.

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

Hi everyone. A little correction on my Vol. 25, Number 29. KTRB advertises as "The Valleys Leading AM," and it was not my opinion that they are or every will be. In fact, KRAK is the most listened to station in Stockton according to local newspaper Stockton Record, with nearby Lodi's CHR KWLN FM a close second. San Francisco's newstalks KCBS and KGO rate third and fourth respectively. From fifth to tenth are easy listening KJAX FM Stockton, rock oldies KWG 1230 Stockton, country KTRB 860 Modesto, easy listening KBEE 103.3 Modesto, urban KSTN 1420 Stockton and AOR KDJK 95.1 Oakdale. The previous as of fall '87 and as you can see, the AM's outdo the FM's six to four. The funny thing about it is that local country music station, KFMR 100.1 never made it to the top ten. (I think I know why; they're robot and sound bad - KRAK and KTRB and personality and live-RtH.)

Did anyone know that KRAK originated in Stockton? They signed on as KGDM in 1924. One day I would like to write a book on Stockton area radio stations, but as usual, I just don't have the time. Just maybe, one of these days. (And KRAK Stockton was Top 40 and ran with 5 kw. Moved to Sacramento in '62, went country and raised power to 50 kw. They still have the 5 kw transmitter for emergencies-RtH.)

Also, this is for Jef Jaisun. Did you do a song called, "Friendly Neighborhood Narco Agent" back in the '70s for Los Angeles based DJ Dr. Demento? Do you still grow zucchini squash? (hi!). (I'll let JJ answer that, but will tell you, Floyd, I have the record, hi-RtH.) 73 de FPJ.

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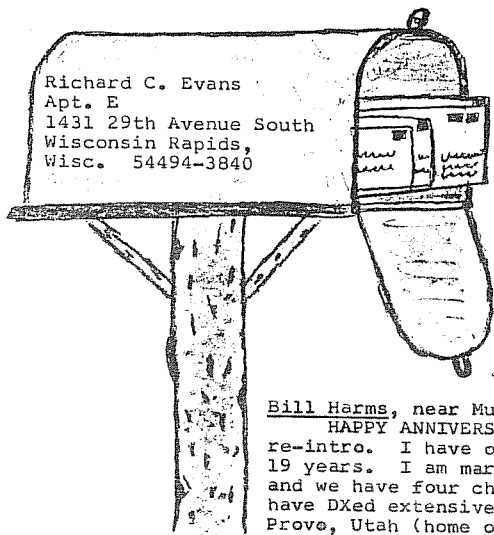
Howdy y'all! Floyd brought up some interesting comments regarding local radio, I remember when KSTN and KJOY used to battle it out for numero uno in local ratings with Top 40. And in Sacramaneto, KXOA and KROY (now KSAC) did likewise. Also, KXOA got the ire (and maybe a fine) from Uncle Charlie for illegal testing. They would pretend to go off the air at midnight MM, then come back on with day power and announce a test, and proceed with a regular show, minus any spots or PSA's. That didn't last too long, hi. And for a time, they changed calls to KNDE and used the slogan, "1-47 Rock Candy." Get it? Bad, huh? (hi).

Gary Owens brings back fond memories of the late '50s when he got his start in media not in LA, but the Bay Area at KEWB (now KNEW) Oakland shortly after their change from KLX as their evening DJ.

Thanks to a postcard from Robert Wien, he thinks my unID REL on 1600 is probably KBBX-UT, but my biggest surprise, I mean I hadn't even considered anything east of the Rockies, I mean it's been so long, hi, my unID with C&W on 1540 might be KXEL. They used to be a nighttime regular on MM, but years ago. Thanks RW. Oh yes, you'd like to hear XEMMM? How would you also like to hear Santa Fe creaming KGO? Sorry 'bout that, hi.

RW, may I call on your services once again? (Gee, he may turn this into a money-making venture if I don't watch it, hi.) From my car radio on 01 May, heard C&W on 730 at 0454 PLT and // with their FM. Calls (obviously FM) sounded like KICC or KIZ? (that was an upper case "z" that's fading fast, hi) and clobbered at top of the hour by KSVN's s/on. Ideas? And what was I doing in the car at that hour? That's the designated smoking area for this address, hi.

OK folks, here's your chance to enjoy some really warm weather, cool off



EASTERN DX FORUM

Reports from members living east
of the Mississippi River

Deadlines: 5/27 6/24 7/22

This column typed: 5/2/88

Bill Harms, near Munich, Southern Germany (Bavaria)
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IRCA. Time for the annual re-intro. I have officially been a DXer for almost 19 years. I am married to the former Rebecca Patch and we have four children which keep us busy. I have DXed extensively from Spokane, Washington; Provo, Utah (home of the Osmonds, Robert Redford and BYU); various locations in Korea, while serving as a missionary there; Maryland; and currently Bavaria (Southern Germany). I haven't kept any real totals for a long time, due to my frequent moves it is difficult to keep it up. However, I have about 700 medium wave QSL's from about 50 countries. This total is derived by adding up all the QSL's that I have collected while DXing at the above locations. Again I haven't bothered to keep a total for each location. I also DX SW (220 countries heard and 152 verified) and FM-TV. My favorite memories include DXing, amongst the sagebrush and cactus in Utah, with coyotes watching me, on Beverage antennas and picking up low power East Coast stations. DXing overseas is really fun if you are not intimidated by all the different languages. Actually the problem with languages is probably over-stated. It is not that difficult to pick up station IDs if you know what to expect and have a recorder going. Of course books like the WRTH are a great help as well. I have had fun listening to the stations from the British Isles. I have heard somewhere around 50-60 stations from North and South America is only about 40 stations. Radio Globo 1220 seems to be the most reliable TA here. Due to my inland location, it is not as easy to pick up the large numbers of American stations that the British DXer's have been able to. There is also a big difference between here and Northern Germany. Plus I don't listen every night so I have probably missed some good openings. Oh well. I am looking forward to the 25th year of IRCA. Auf wiederseh'n. 73 und gute DX de Bill.

Rick Evans, 1431-E 29th Avenue South, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin 54494
Would you believe two veries? v/1 KXIC-800 and WDAF-610 to bring me up to 58 veries here. The job in North Carolina finally fell thru after seven weeks of waiting and a pre-employment physical when they told me they had given the job to someone else. On 4/25, I had an interview in South Carolina and 4/29 I had one in south Alabama; both sound somewhat promising, plus an interview scheduled for this Thursday in Minneapolis/St. Paul. Someday...! 73.

in a pool, munch down on some really good junk food, and BBQ your favorite food, plus talk DX all at the same time. Where? My place. When? Saturday, 23 July. Bring what you want BBQ'ed, your swim suit and favorite lawnchair (I mean the pool just went in, furniture comes next year, hi), your favorite radio equipment, veries, etc. From Hwy. 99, Florin Road East exit, 3 miles to French Road (Circle K on corner - convenient for whatever you forgot, hi), hang a right, get into the suicide lane, left on Sun-Florin, and immediate right on Bellamy. Let me know if you're coming so I can stock up on the various generic munchies (why does that remind me of JJ's song, Waiting for the Food Stamps to Come, hi). Hope to see you here.

That's it for this month. Summer DX can be rewarding, so hit the dials gang and report. Best of DX and Sacramento in '89 de RTH. .

President's Report

Karl J. Zuk, 154 Old Post Road North, Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520-1932 Well, here we go again. Another try at sticking my foot in my mouth! So far I've told you the convention was on Columbus Day (it's in the summer) and that we'd be the host of the ANARC convention in 1989 (we won't.) Well, let's just say that ANARC and myself and Ted Fleischaker had a mutual misunderstanding and we all need to communicate a lot more. Details of the 1989 ANARC convention will come to you shortly in these pages, if they haven't already. I'm sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused. T-SHIRTS! Doug Pifer should be deciding on the design and price of a new batch of IRCA T-shirts soon. If you have any suggestions for the design or price, get your two cents in by writing to Doug at 4786 Macadamia Court, Oceanside, CA 92056. LETTERHEADS! Frank Aden, Jr. is offering custom made letterheads for your use generated on his computer. He has composed some nifty thumbnail pictures of radios and other related stuff that should catch the fancy of every DXer. Write to Frank at 5147 Morris Hill, Apt. 133, Boise, Idaho 83706. MORE GOODIES! American Public Radio has a catalog of all sorts of radio and related gift items, and you can get it by picking up the phone and dialing 1-800-328-5252. Tell them you want a copy of the Wireless Catalog. The current issue has a listing of all the APR stations, too. Also on APR, a great music show for those of you who like folk music, and especially Celtic music, called Thistle and Shamrock, produced at WFAE in Charlotte, NC by Fiona Ritchie. This is the best show of its kind, and worth a listen. Call your local APR station to find out when it is on. The BROADCAST INFO COLUMN will be now edited by Geov Parrish, pending approval of The Board. Geov has edited the companion column Radio Programming Notes for some time now, with great success. We welcome Geov, and thank Greg Monti for doing such a complete and mammoth job for what seems to be forever. PIRATE RADIO: I know that the club is not supposed to promote this sort of thing, but I am currently working with one of the crew of the infamous Radio Newyork International, that flew the pirate flag off the coast of Long Island last summer. He currently runs KPRC radio on 91.5 FM and 1620 AM. Should you be interested in this sort of thing, let me know and I'll hook you up. Finally, we have been again asked if we want the ANARC convention of 1990, that is, asked if we want to bid on it. This requires us to run the convention with ANARC and provide them with our efforts in return for the exposure we would get for it. Albert Lobel is thinking about maybe holding it in the San Diego area, and I'm not sure if Ted Fleischaker has thrown in the towel for the Louisville area. Any comments, suggestions or info. you would like should be directed to Albert or myself. Albert is also looking for help with the 1988 ANARCON, and would like to hear from you about that, too. CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS It has come to my attention that our rules of the road, at least in print, have become out of date. I will work on updating these documents as best I can, following the printed history of the Board's motions, present it to the Board for approval, and then resubmit it for re-publication. Any ideas you may have on this document, or anything about the club, are always appreciated. Just write me at the above address. CABLE TV If you have cable, and they let you place free ads on their billboard channels, why not write something in about IRCA? Philip Raczka did that, and I did too, and we managed to get almost 20 names of new interested parties. Please help the club and spend a few minutes to mail these announcements in. We could use the help! POSTAGE INCREASE The stamp is now worth 25c, and its time again to rethink our strategy towards money. If you know of any group or business that would like to place an ad in DXM, we are offering one page per issue maximum at \$30. The rates to Canada went up greatly, and those members will probably be hit with an increase. Should we reduce the amount of issues to keep up with inflation. Why don't you drop us a line and tell us how we can raise some money so we won't have to raise the yearly dues. And let's not forget Rick Heald. Just for the record, it seems the P.O. lost his vote for us and he thought this way about the last Board vote: He agreed that the convention should be in the summer, we should try to raise money through T-shirts, ads in DXM and barter ads with other clubs. He did not approve of the moving of the CDXR WDXR line, and did not care about our membership in ANARC. He said that the auction should remain as part of the convention, and we should place an ad in ANARCON's 1988 program, but only 1/2 of a page. Well, that's all the news this time. Keep those letters coming!

Karl

NOTES FROM THE 1988 NAB CONVENTION

The recent convention of the National Association of Broadcasters, held in Las Vegas, provided several items of interest to DXers.

At the Engineers' Luncheon, I sat at the same table with Jerry Miller, Chief Engineer of WCCO Radio and asked him how DX reports were coming in this year. He said there weren't as many as usual, but he had received some from Sweden and Finland. It seems as though the poor reception conditions we are experiencing in the U.S. are also being felt abroad.

Implementation of the NRSC pre-emphasis curve is proceeding at a rapid pace. As of the first week in April, roughly 700 stations in the U.S. and Canada have converted to this technology, which promises to greatly reduce the level of adjacent-channel splatter. The effect of NRSC was demonstrated, with two signal generators used to simulate radio stations. One was set to 1000 kHz, the other was set to 1020 kHz. While an ordinary radio and a Delta Electronics Splatter Monitor were tuned to 1000 kHz, the 1020 kHz carrier was switched between ordinary non-NRSC processed audio and a CRL NRSC processor. With conventional processing, the splatter was quite obnoxious. But when the NRSC processing was switched in, no splatter at all was noted. It is hoped that many more stations will convert to NRSC in the near future.

Perhaps of even more import to the DX world was a talk given by Oliver Richards, Analog Applications Engineer for Sprague Electric. He described a new IC chip produced by that firm which is a digital version of the Lamb RF noise blanker invented in 1937. This device can eliminate pulse type QRM, such as power-line sparking, thyristor/triac noise (e.g. light dimmers) and ignition noise. The tape he played to demonstrate the effect of the device was unfortunately too short to tell just how much noise elimination is possible, but it holds the promise of cutting out a great deal of the noise that gets in the way of hearing better DX.

Another talk was given on the subject of MF Skywave Propagation at High Latitudes. This was presented by Robert Hunsucker, an expert in atmospheric physics formerly with the CRPL. He described a 5 1/2-year project conducted by the Geophysical Institute of the University of Alaska - Fairbanks and sponsored by the FCC.

He pointed out that Alaska is one of the worst places on earth for radio propagation. It has the steepest temperature inversions on the planet. The ground conductivity of tundra with permafrost is extremely low -- .015 micromhos. The ionisation of the E-layer is so constant that one can hardly speak of "Sporadic-E" propagation there, and there are frequent periods of D-layer absorption. He pointed out that the auroral oval sits fixed in space while the earth turns beneath it.

Mr. Hunsucker went on to describe the specifics of the project, in which an electronically-programmed receiver was connected to first a 200' longwire, then a 40' monopole, then finally a 170' top-loaded vertical. Stations monitored were WHAS, WBAF, KDAY, KFAX, KTWO, KPNW, KOB, WJR, Vladivostok 1476, a few Alaskans and, for part of the test, WCAU. Results were analysed on a VAX-780 computer and presented graphically.

The most consistent signal in Fairbanks was found to be that of KFAX 1100. Best signals were from KFAX, Vladivostok 1476 and KGO 810. It was found that during the spring, conditions were fair; no signals were heard during the summer; a few signals were heard during the fall; and best reception was during the winter months. Perhaps if they had asked any IRCA member they could have found that out at less expense.

On the AM stereo front, Motorola still bears the wrath of Kahn. While a majority of engineers agree that the Kahn system is technically superior, Motorola has been doing a better job of marketing and leads in the number of stations by about 700 to 100.

Other topics discussed at the engineering sessions included proposals for the regulation of various forms of interference from electrical devices, and progress on the development of very small (50 ft.), skywave-reducing transmitting antennas for the medium-wave band. All in all, some very interesting things are happening which may effect the future of medium-wave DX.

IRCA SportsCentre

DEADLINES: 5/1, 5/26 (new), 6/26-Hawaii

Dale Park
1516 Hinman Av #705
Evanston IL 60201-4659

Well folks, it's late April, and you know what that means...it's Arena Football Season! That's right, the league that ESPN made famous returns in 1988, albeit minus the Denver Dynamite and Washington Commandos, but now with six teams instead of 1987's four. The game is like small-town eight-man football, except it's on a fifty-yard auditorium carpet, and most of the players are on both offense and defense. And it's on the radio! I'm still looking for team network affiliate lists, so send them in. Time to punt...

AMERICAN LEAGUE

CHICAGO WHITE SOX Lorn Brown, Del Crandall

670 WMAQ-IL\$	990 WCAZ-IL	1240 WHBU-IN	1450 WEZR-IN	1570 WTAY-IL*
860 WCOM-IN	1220 WQSA-FL*	1320 WKAN-IL	1490 WZOE-IL	WIEF-IN
950 WXLW-IN	1230 WSAL-IN	1440 WRAJ-IL	1510 WYOT-IN*	1580 WJTX-IL
980 WITY-IL	1240 WSDR-IL	WMLA-IL	1560 WRIN-IN	KCHA-IA
		-FM-		
96.7 WKQO-IL	98.3 WIEN-IN	100.1 WCCI-IL	104.9 WYBR-IL	105.5 WDND-IL
WRVI-IL		102.3 WDRW-IL		106.3 WNDY-IN

Spanish: Frank Diaz, Jose Suarez

1300 WTAQ-IL\$ No Affiliates

DETROIT TIGERS Ernie Harwell, Paul Carey

580 WTCM-MI\$ ₁	900 WMJZ-MI*+	1230 WCUZ-MI	1340 WCSR-MI	1450 WATZ-MI+
590 WJMS-MI	930 WBCK-MI	WSTR-MI+	WVPZ-MI	WHYC-MI
WKZO-MI	940 WCSY-MI+	1240 WCBY-MI ₃	1400 WCCY-MI	WJLW-MI
760 WJR-MI\$	1150 WCEN-MI ₂	1260 WALM-MI ₃	WQXO-MI+ ₁	WNBY-MI+
790 WSGW-MI	1230 WCNN-FL*	1280 WPHY-MI+	1430 WION-MI	1460 WBRN-MI\$
850 WKBZ-MI		1320 WDMJ-MI		1490 WMPX-MI
		-FM-		
92.7 WMMQ-MI	93.5 WZRK-MI ¹	96.3 WMJZ-MI+	98.3 WONT-MI	104.7 WYKX-MI
92.9 WKJF-MI	WNBY-MI+	97.7 WIGV-MI	WCSY-MI+	WKJC-MI
93.5 WATZ-MI+	94.5 WCEN-MI	98.3 WQXO-MI+	99.3 WSTR-MI+	104.9 WPHY-MI+
	95.9 WKZC-MI		100.1 WSHN-MI	

NOTES: 1. Listed by "Michigan RadioGuide" but not by WJR Radio. 2. Listed by WJR but not "Michigan RadioGuide". 3. Listed as WELL by both sources.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES

Harry Kalas, Richie Ashburn, Andy Musser, Chris Wheeler, Garry Maddox

590 WARM-PA ₁	1150 WDEL-DE	1270 WLBR-PA	1360 WPPA-PA	1480 WISL-PA
610 WIOD-FL ₁	1210 WCAU-PA	1290 WQIN-PA	1400 WEST-PA	1490 WAZL-PA
790 WAEB-PA	1230 WCMC-NJ	1320 WGET-PA ₁	WRAK-PA	WLPA-PA\$
800 WCHA-PA	WKBO-PA	1340 WTAN-FL	1410 WDOV-DE	WBCB-PA
850 WEEU-PA	WPBZ-PA	1350 WOYK-PA	1420 WCOJ-PA	WNBT-PA
	1240 WYGL-PA		1450 WFPG-NJ	
		-FM-		
	97.3 WMVB-NJ	104.9 WRDR-NJ	105.5 WHCX-PA	

NOTE: Announcers rotate between radio and WTAF-TV Channel 29. 1. Limited schedule.

N. H. L.

DETROIT RED WINGS Bruce Martyn, Paul Woods

760 WJR-MI\$ ₁	970 WKHM-MI ₁	1230 WCUZ-MI	1320 WDMJ-MI ₁	1400 WCCY-MI ² ₁
900 WMJZ-MI*	1150 WKCY-AZ ¹		1340 WTAN-FL ¹	1520 WMLM-MI ¹
	FM:		92.9 WKJF-MI	

NOTES: 1. Listed by SRDS but not by team. 2. Listed by team but not by SRDS.

VANCOUVER CANUCKS Jim Robson, Gary Monahan, Dave Hodge, Neil Macrae

550 CFJC-BC	840 CKBX-BC ²	1240 CKOO-BC ⁷	1340 CIVH-BC ⁵	1480 CIFJ-BC ¹³
560 CHTK-BC ₉	870 CFBV-BC	CJAV-BC ₁₅	1370 CHPQ-BC ¹⁶	CHLD-BC ⁶
570 CKWL-BC ₉	920 CKOQ-BC	CFNI-BC ₁₅	1390 CKKC-BC ^{4a}	1490 CFWB-BC ¹⁵
590 CFTK-BC _a	980 CKNW-BC ^a	1270 CHWK-BC ₁₅	1400 CKRP-BC ⁷	CKOO ¹ -BC ⁸
610 CJAT-BC _a	1050 CKAL-BC	1280 CHQB-BC ^{14a}	1440 CFCP-BC ⁷	CKBV-BC ⁸
620 CJCI-BC ^b	1150 CKIQ-BC	1340 CFKC-BC ^{4a}	1450 CKSP-BC ⁷	1500 CKAY-BC
760 CFLD-BC ^b	1230 CKTK-BC ³	CKGF-BC ^{4a}	CIFL-BC ¹³	1570 CHUB-BC
	1240 CKGO-BC ¹⁷		CHBV-BC ⁸	

93.5 CKAL3-BC¹⁰ 95.3 CKAL4-BC¹⁰ -FM- 98.7 CKAL4-BC¹¹ 99.5 CFJC-BC¹ 106.1 CKGO-BC¹²
 98.1 CKIQ-BC¹¹ 103.1 CKAL-BC¹⁰

SATELLITE: ANIK D1, transponder 22, downlink frequencies 7,515 and 7,875 kHz.

SYNDICATOR: CKNW-Western Information Network.

NOTES: a. Carries all games; other stations air "Game of the Week" package of 26 games.
 Relays: 1. 550 CFJC; 2. 570 CKWL; 3. 590 CFTK; 4. 610 CJAT; 5. 620 CIVH; 6. 760 CFLD; 7. 800 CKOK (but CKOK does not carries games, only feeds them); 8. 870 CFBV; 9. 920 CKQQ; 10. 1050 CKAL; 11. 1150 CKIQ; 12. 1240 CKGO; 13. 1340 CIVH; 14. 1390 CKKC; 15. 1440 CFPC; 16. 1570 CHUB; 17. 1270 CHWK (oops).

A. H. L.

FREDERICTON EXPRESS Dave Morell 550 CFNB-NB No Affiliates

MENCTON ALPINES Brady Chamberlain 103.9 CFOM-NB¹ No Affiliates

UTICA DEVILS Jim Jackson, Dan Clinkscale 950 WIEB-NY No Affiliates

NOTE: 1. Road games only.

N. B. A.

LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS Ralph Lawler or Pete Arbogast 930 KRTH-CA\$ No Affiliates

NOTE: Arbogast does game when Lawler moves to KTLA-TV Ch. 5 for coverage.

SYMBOLISM: In case you are unfamiliar with the Bill Hardy-Dale Park system of classifying stations, here are some of the symbols used. (*) means the station operates during the daytime only, and may have limited post-sunset service. With FCC deregulation, hundreds of former daytimers now operate at night, though many run with under 100 watts. (+) means both halves of an AM-FM combo air the games. (\$) means the station is in stereo, so there is a good chance the game is also; CBS coverage is in stereo. (C) means the station is either on cable or carrier current. Other symbols for stations that are limited-time, shared-time, etc., have been dropped.

JOCKEY SHORTS: Before 670 WMAQ-IL switched owners, sportscaster Chet "Chit Chat" Coppock switched to 1000 WLUP-IL. He also brought the NBA Chicago BULLS over. There were rumors that WLUP would carry this season's playoffs due to WMAQ's commitment to all-news (and WHITE SOX games) but they were denied by both stations. WMAQ also dropped Univ. of Illinois games and "Costas Coast-to-Coast"; unfortunately it's stuck with baseball for three more years, hi...As mentioned, the Arena Football League is in its second year; Detroit DRIVE games are on 760 WJR-MI\$ with Frank Beckmann and Jim Brandstatter, and Providence's New England STEAMROLLER uses 550 WICE-RI...Though 880 WCBS-NY wasn't into pro sports last year (CBS games wound up on either 1050 WFAN or 1130 WNEW), this year will be different, as the station resumes airing New York JETS games, having outbid 770 WABC for the rights.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: Joe Fela, NRC, via Ernie Cooper, MA; Art Vuolo, Michigan RadioGuide; John Ashbridge, CKNW/Western Information Network; WJR and WTAQ radio stations; Broadcasting; various teams.

Typed 14 April. I'm running late, folks, but don't forget to support your friendly neighborhood SportsCentre guy, now in his third season of coverage of the mikes. Go on home! See you in DXM.

Geomagnetic Indices

Here is the Geomagnetic activity for the last several months. Flux is the Ottawa NRC 10.7 centimeter (2800Mhz) radio flux observed at approx 1700Z. The A and K indices indicate the amount of activity, the A being taken once a day and the K taken 6 times a day (below is the last K of the day), at Fredericksburg, VA. For some reason, sometime in January, I stopped receiving the weekly publication "Preliminary Report and Forecast of Solar Geophysical Data", which I have been using to do this report. I am currently investigating why!!

DATE	FLUX	A	K	DATE	FLUX	A	K	DATE	FLUX	A	K	DATE	FLUX	A	K
1/4	102	12	5	1/8	109	15	2	1/12	114	21	1	1/16	127	4	1
5	103	13	3	9	111	6	1	13	117	7	4	1/17	120	4	2
6	105	24	4	10	104	3	2	14	118	35	6				
1/7	106	19	4	1/11	108	10	1	1/15	122	41	2				

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