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## Flash Tips

**KIWO-1030** is indeed going off nightly 0300-0700 EST. With KKSA now dark, the only WC QRM after midnight PST is KJDJ, providing some opportunities for midwest s/ons and Latins.

**KKGR-1230** Gresham, Oregon is now on the air, replacing KRDR which has been dark for some time.

**WASG-550** Atmore, AL will test 12/19 0230-0300 EST at 5kw & will have morse code IDs. Send reports to R Dale Gehman, GM/CE, 1210 S Main, Atmore AL 36502. Via Wayne Heinen /Jeff Tynan, NRC.

## News From HQ

### The RNI Saga Again

Radio Newyork International has come out with a videocassette on the station's history. It's an hour long and includes interviews with their staff, scenes on board their ship, and some footage of their being boarded by the coast guard. It costs \$29.95 (VHS only). They also have an audio tape of their first broadcast in 1986 for \$10. Orders should go to RNI, Montecello, ME 04760.

### Erratums

The stiff penguin flipper award this week goes to our printer who somehow reversed pages 2 and 17 when they printed the November 26 DX Monitor. Sorry about that! The 12/3 issue should have been Edition 834, and the Prairie Home Companion station list in the 11/19 DXM should have been credited to Karl Zuk.

### New Members

Welcome this week to:

Rick Dau, Oakland, Iowa  
Paul Routenburg, Népean, Ontario  
Lloyd Roupe, Knob Fork, WV  
Gilbert Torbeck, APO New York

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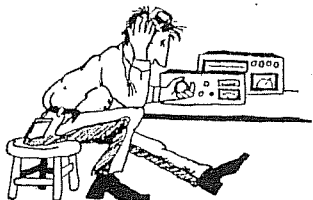
Frank Merrill Resumes Active DXing

I thought I'd try a different approach listing the bulletin contents this week. Since we have DXR, DXWW, and DXF reports virtually every time, there may not be much point listing them every week, and a summary type listing may make it easier for the other features to stand out. Any comments?

## Election News

Every two years, the IRCA holds elections for the offices of President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Board of Directors. Nominations are now open for those offices in accordance with our club Bylaws. Every IRCA member in good standing may nominate one person each for Pres and S-T, and seven persons for BoD. You may nominate yourself, if you so wish. The only qualification for club office is one year's continuous membership. Nominations will be open until January 15. Nominees will then be sent notified by mail and given instructions on preparing their campaign statements. The election will take place in March. Send your nominations to our election chairman Rich Segalas, PO Box 26254, San Francisco, CA 94126. Watch these pages for more election news, and information on the TVA Award, which will also be voted on in March.

That does it for page one, now check out the stuff inside. 73. bp.



# Eastern DX Roundup

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DEADLINES: SATURDAY'S

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(JDS1-AL) J.D. Stephens  
3605-8 Chasewood  
Huntsville, AL - 35805  
RF-2600 w/30' longwire

(JDS2-AL) Sears AM/FM car rig, car whip

(JH-PIT) Jim Hall  
240 Byron Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237  
SP-600, R-600 or R71A; several Bev., mini-Bev., lw's, loops  
wedge, amps, phaser, verticals, et al.

(WPT-DC) William P. Townshend  
4500 Connecticut Ave. NW  
Washington, D.C. 20008 w/Sony-2010

(WPT-DC1) DX'ing on 18th St. NW w/Realistic Portavision-40

(WPT-DC2) DX'ing in front of National Geographic Hdqtrs. (17th & K  
Streets NW) w/Realistic Portavision-40  
DX-302 w/30' antenna for all other loggings.

(GES-OH) Gary E. Siegel  
2728 106th Street  
Toledo, Ohio 43611  
Panasonic RF-2200

(GAH-PA) Gary A. Heisey  
Box 310 F Rd1  
Osterburg, PA - 16667  
w/GE Superadio

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540 WLIX NY, Islip 11/9/88 1900 GOOD alone; "Christian 54 WLIX"; ment  
of Mt. Sinai and ticket giveaway. Pennington Pro Jewelers in  
Bayshore; "We're Long Island's Christian Radio"; shadow  
traffic, contemp relig mx heard. (GH-PA)

560 WGAN ME, Portland 11/3/88 2000 GOOD alone; TKNT w/Bruce Williams;  
"Greater Portland, the Stn that brings you the world" promo  
for the Morning Show with Jin Crocker and Jerry \_\_\_? NBC  
nx. [I'm excited-this is my 1st Maine]. (GH-PA)

560 WHYN MA, Springfield 11/3/88 2005 FAIR STARTED MIXING WITH WGAN;  
WHYN Accu Weather forecast 41 degrees, Holyoke into Saly  
Jessie Raphael. (GH-PA)

590 CKRS PQ, Jonquiere 10/12/88 0640 found this one mixing w/WOW &  
CKEY in w/FF talk & ad con mx. Have hunted this one for  
years. ID @ 0640; strong CXs that AM to NE, had CFCH on 600.  
(GES-OH)

590 WEEI MA, Boston 11/3/88 1950 FAIR ID by/m doing local nx; "on top  
of the world around the clock WEEI nx." (GH-PA)

620 WKNI AL, Lexington 10/31/88 1745 heard w/C&W and ments of  
Loretto, TN & Lexington along w/ID for this call sign. WRJZ  
was a minor mix. (GES-OH)

640 WPBD GA, Atlanta 10/30/88 1812 had this one burying this  
frequency; ID @ 1812 for WPBD as the BIG 64 in Atlanta.  
Likely on day pattern past usual time, may have forgotten due  
to time change. Some WJTZ QRM but no Cuban thankfully.  
(GES-OH)

750 KJEL MO, Lebanon 10/24/88 1845 in solid for long period w/some  
WSB/WNDZ QRM on 10/24, heard ments of their 107 FM KIRX & ID's  
of K-JEL, spots for stores in Lebanon & Camdenton, loud w/C&W,  
ment of 5kw in s/off at 1845. Also hrd at 1730 w/ID on 10/31;  
this one gets out folks! (GES-OH)

760 WCIS NC, Morganton 11/11/88 1700 FAIR New station, "WCIS STEREO  
76, the Heart of Your Life", USA Radio Net nx, promo for focus  
on family; (no sign of more common WCPS); format sounded  
religious; ID by YL. (GH-PA)

780 WLRM MS, Ridgeland 11/11/88 1801 POOR alone; "WLRM,  
Ridgeland/Jackson"; "Tune to our sister FM Station 101.2 for

mx from the 60's, 70's and 80's." Male preacher heard before s/off by man; no SSB. (GH-PA)

790 WWAZ RI, Providence 11/3/88 2040 this along w/several other EC stns, surprised me w/their signal strength this date, this one long sought & yet rec'd this PM w/ease that topped them all. At 2040 they ran spot cluster for RI politicians, spots for Providence businesses & ID's/promos for the new "79 Waves." (GES-OH)

820 WZYQ MD, Frededrick 10/16/88 1710 fought it's way thru WOSU/CHAM QRM w/ Female Ann & C&W mx w/82 Q ID's, gave wx for Frederick. (GES-OH)

830 WRFM FL, Hialeah 11/10/88 2320 MoR SS fmt, SS m/f ancrs. Only EE ID's at ToH by w "WRFM 8-30 AM, Erray-Ef-Emmay." Eve's in AUcx mixes w/YVLT/Belize and later chan. is taken by Taino Cuban. New station on air w/DA-2 lkw (per 8/6 BI) pgmmed to Miami. (HALL-PIT)

840 KWDF LA, Ball 10/12/88 1945 WHAS was HAD auroral cx on 10/12 weakened WHAS to near oblivion. Had this one on top well at times, hrd s/off at 1945 w/ment of lkw & ID. CK's were such that Pharr, Texas was my actual target--they may be too far, hi! (GES-OH)

860 WWKO FL, Orlando 11/2/88 2300 "There's only one K-O...WWKO Cocoa/Orlando, AM 8-60, from coastal Carolina to the (? cane fields?) of the Everglades, from the heart of the citrus country to the islands of the Bahamas, this is your Inspiration stn, WWKO, K-O-8-60" is canned betw most rlgs pgms ("Word For Today" at 2300, "Radio Bible Hour" at 2330). AUcx eve's mixes w/KKOW/CBJ/Cuban Met./Prog. Ex-WCKS (& formerly WKKS?). (HALL-PIT)

920 KYST TEXAS, Texas City 10/12/88 1930 all alone for a long while, later gave way to KARN; had SS tk & flavored mx and some EE ID w/ment of AM stereo. ID @ 1930. (GES-OH)

920 WMEL FL, Melbourne 10/28/88 1919 GOOD w/promo for oldies show (SGSN), wx is 82 degrees. (WPT-DC)

960 CFAC AB, Calgary 11/10/88 0114 GOOD w/no sign of WERC. "Calgary's Best Country, 96 CFAC", "CFAC, your best country" and "960 CFAC" slogans. Wx, contest promos; 0127 spot for Tire Town into Everly Brothers song. New AB #1. (JDS2-AL)

980 WAAA NC, Winston-Salem 11/8/88 2040 FAIR ID by YL; tickets at Club Aladding, vandals at school - call crime stoppers @ 727-2800; urban contemp mx. (GH-PA)

980 WAAV NC, Leland 11/11/88 1725 one (1) poor ID; stocks by YL, business update brought to you by United Carolina Bank. (GH-PA)

1100 WSGI TN, Springfield 10/7/88 0710 nice surprise catching WWWE off & hearing these guys w/Springfield ments & police blotter for Robertson Co. Sheriff. (GES - OH)

1160 WOBM NJ, Lakewood 11/6/88 1745 GOOD alone; "1160 AM Star Country", DJ Terry Moss, ID, C&W mx, local nx by Lynn Richmond at 1800. (WW-RI)

1180 WHJM TN, Knoxville 10/28/88 1650 It pays to read the bulletin; first day I saw ment of this in IRCA I hear it the same PM. Is new MYL in K-ville, ID @ 1650. (GES-OH)

1220 WKMT NC, Kings Mountain 11/5/88 2100 heard PSA for Gastonia, NC event & ID at 2100; no WGAR as my QRM was unn. WCPH-TN. Nice for #2900 heard; C&W mx. (GES-OH)

1230 WCBT NC, Roanoke Rapids 11/4/88 1740 FAIR sports w/ment of NC by OM, ID. (WPT-DC)

1230 WKBO PA, Harrisburg 11/10/88 1800 FAIR wx rpt by OM, ID. (WPT-DC1)

1260 WRDZ OH, Cleveland 11/5/88 2110 WRDZ by/M, into mx by female vocalist, sounded like contemp religious mx; EX-WMJ1. (GH-PA)

1270 WORL FL, Eatonville/Orlando 11/7/88 0210 "WORL Eatonville/Orlando", "Power Station w/Best Mix of Hits" (T40/pop), o/Cuban Reloj. (HALL-PIT)

1270 WTJZ VA, Newport News 11/3/88 1827 VERY GOOD w/distorted audio, local spot for Insurance company "Phone # .640-1270 Southside." ID by Yl sounded like mx by Blk. (GH-PA)

1300 WQBK NY, Rensselaer 11/7/88 1629 nx & ID w/ment of Albany-Schenectady, nice early EC reception. (GES-OH)

1300 WAOK GA, Atlanta 11/10/88 1951 GOOD [Ex. 1380] spot for Boardwalk; Humperdinck song. (WPT-DC2)

1300 WAVZ CT., New Haven 11/10/88 1725 Nx, wx by OM (WPT-DC1)

1300 WKXI MS, Jackson 11/15/88 0238 Several "Thirteen WKXI" ID's atop mess, mixing w/WFER. "Soul Source" w/UrbCon. (HALL-PIT)

1310 WDCT VA, Fairfax 11/3/88 1720 FAIR w/ID; traffic for Beltway, sponsor Airtech systems in Northern VA; "Spirit 1310." (GH-PA)

1320 WOBL OH, Oberlin 11/5/88 0123 FAIR but fadey w/WOBL HS football. "You've been listening to...on 1320 WOBL" sponsored by Lorain County Community College & Wayne Optical. Announcement about Browns ticket winner. (JDS-AL)

1350 WRNY NY, Rome 11/4/88 2200 good w/oldies & ID; no WSLR/CKAR QRM, more of previous dsy's EC domination. (GES-OH)

1350 WSLR OH, Akron 11/5/88 0204 GOOD w/SNN nx, "WSLR, the only station you need for great country music. We're Whistler 1350", into country. (JDS-AL)

1360 WCGL FL, Jacksonville 11/5/88 1945 GOOD ID by/m, gospel mx; ment of FL Baptist Convention in Northeast Florida. (GH-PA)

1380 KLIJ MN, Brainerd 11/17/88 0106 Peaked o/WPHM/unID that sd/lk WRAG w/local sports update, Air Force PSA, call SID by ladies to Talknet 0106. (HALL-PIT)

1380 WSFL NC, New Bern 11/8/88 1735 Ex-WWMC Contest promo, ID by/m = "106.5 WSFL" into old Moody Blues song. (GH-PA)

1410 WSCW WV, South Charleston 11/10/88 1715 POOR "Join WSCW Tomorrow morning for another day of spiritual listening", s/off w/sung prayer. (GH-PA)

1430 WDEX NC, Monroe 11/5/88 1905 FAIR w/WDEX sung ID out of NBC NX - into gospel mx. (GH-PA)

1440 WSSL SC, Greenville 11/5/88 1834 FAIR w/Fox Network promo, wrestling promo w/"Superstars of the WWF are coming to Greenville", WSSL jx. (JDS2-AL)

1460 WXOK LA, Baton Rouge 11/4/88 0006 GOOD w/promos "The first AM Radio Station to join the cable FM Stereo Band" and "The Hot One now on 89.7 Cable FM-WXOK"; R&B mx, slogan "More music-Power 1460." (JDS-AL)

1510 WMHQ NJ, Dover 10/27/88 1950 terrific surprise way over WLAC for a good 20 minutes; in/oldies till apparent pattern change at 2000. They must have forgot to make switch, boy was I upset they goofed, hi! This along w/WNLC were most wanted on 1510, now I'll replace WMHQ w/WLRB in this dept., are you listening Frank Merrill o/there in IL, hi! (GES-OH)

1510 WLKR OH, Norwalk 11/9/88 1704 POOR w/only 2 clear ID's by/M (sounded like a s/off but seemed early for that); quickly lost to WAHT, WLAC, others. (GH-PA)

1530 WRPM MS, Poplarville 11/13/88 1900 U/WCKY on Bev. w/New Orleans/LA fb fed by WWL-870 w/2 accidental "WWL NXRadio 87: ID's on 1530, 1949 legal ID. WRPM w/ WWL's audio; WWL w/game via sat.?" (HALL-PIT)

1550 WCCZ FL, Smyrna Beach/Edgewater 11/16/88 2100 Oldies, "Magic 15-z is WCCZ Smyrna Bch./Edgewater, South Volusia's Radio Station", last hrd as C7W/rlgs. On 83-watt auth. at this time and gets out well (has been hrd by others, i.e. G. Heisey-PA, and into ON). (HALL-PIT)

1550 WCLY NC, Raleigh 11/9/88 1715 Brief w/2 clear ID's and possible religious program just after WKBA went off. CBE and WBSC closed in; Ex-WSES. (GH-PA)

1580 WPMO MS, Pascagoula 11/14/88 1750 EXCELLENT C&W mx, promo for WKRG-TV. (WPT-DC)

1580 WPMO MS, Moss Point 11/11/88 0358 "K-99 FM, Your New Country Connection", CST TC's, ABC affil. Eve's/morns various times w/QRM: WKKD/WVVO/WAMJ/CBJ/the HJ and/or YV/XEDM/ or VOA Antigua. (HALL-PIT)

1580 WNZT PA, Columbia 11/8/88 1850 WEAK very fadey; ID = "Newstalk Radio, 1580, WNZT" by YL into Columbia live program phone call in show. (GH-PA)

1580 WAMJ IND, South Bend 11/6/88 2359 POOR w/static; s/off by/M with address 1129 \_\_\_\_\_ Road, South Bend; sounded like slow sung SSB; WVVO left in noise. (GH-PA)

1590 WCSL NC, Cherryville 11/8/88 1858 FAIR very fadey, "Carolina Country WCSL will begin election coverage" by/M into C&W song; faded @ ToH. (GH-PA)

1590 WKPT TN, Jonesboro 11/7/88 1930 EZL mx usually faded on ID's; slogan = "The choice is EZL WKPT"; Sertoma club of Kingsport, other TN town ments. (I saw WUSJ was for sale in DXM and believe WKPT was WUSJ...Yes! this was WUSJ-rb). (GH-PA)

1600 WLNQ NY, Sag Harbor 11/10/88 1740 GOOD nx, wx, ment of Easthampton; pests WINX/WWRL nowhere to be heard. (WPT-DC1)

1600 WPDC PA, Elizabethtown 11/3/88 1738 FAIR nx by YL, sorts, wx. (WPT-DC1)

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UNIDENTIFIED'S

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1350 Unid 11/5/88 0140-0230 Testing w/tones, tones & more tones of varying pitch and duration. Did pause to play songs by Crystal Gayle & Don Williams & a Dixieland Jazz song. HELP? (JDS-AL)

1380 Unid 11/5/88 1840 GOOD w/Oklahoma vs. Oklahoma State football; Dale Park, do you have a listing for Oklahoma or OSU FB network? (JDS2-AL)

1550 Unid 11/5/88 1822 Promo for a concert in Oklahoma City, PSA for childcare. Believed to be C&W mx. HELP? (JDS2-AL)

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QUIPS & QUOTES

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FROM ROBERT WIEN, SAN JOSE, CA: re. the Unid's in the 11/5/88 DX MONITOR: 2 possibilities for the 810 Unid: WJXL in Jacksonville, FL or WJLT in Crozet, VA; for the 1540 Unid it's either WTBI or WJOS (can anyone else ID these Unid's? -rbj); the calls for the 1150 Unid are definitely KEZQ (just granted).

A big welcome to fellow law enforcement Officer Gary Siegel of Toledo, OH...keep those fine reports coming. And finally, but not least, a big thanks to all of this week's reporters. Until next week, continued 73's de DX de Mr. B.

RAY BRIEM SHOW --- "DX SPECIAL!"

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1989--0806 UTC

ONCE AGAIN, THE AIRWAYS COME ALIVE WITH NEWS AND VIEWS FROM OUR PANEL OF DXPERTS! JOIN RAY--AND OUR GUESTS; STEVE MILLER OF RADIO WEST; STEWART MACKENZIE OF THE AMERICAN SHORTWAVE LISTENERS' CLUB; GEORGE JACOBS, WORLD-RENOWNED SHORTWAVE ENGINEERING CONSULTANT; TOM KNEITEL, EDITOR OF "POPULAR COMMUNICATIONS"; AND LARRY MAGNE, PUBLISHER OF THE "PASSPORT TO WORLD-BAND RADIO". CALL IN AND ASK QUESTIONS, OR TELL TALES ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCES IN ANY AREA OF DXING, WHETHER IT'S LONG-WAVE, MEDIUM WAVE, SHORTWAVE, UTES, FM/TV/VHF/UHF, MICROWAVE (SORRY, NO OVENS INCLUDED!), OR SATELLITE DXING. LISTENERS FROM OUTSIDE THE LOS ANGELES AREA MAY DIAL 1-(213)-879-8255, TO JOIN IN -- JUST LET THE CONNECTION RING, UNTIL WE ANSWER--THEN, IT'S YOUR TURN TO GO ON THE AIR, WITH RAY AND THE PANEL--REMEMBER, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!! (STARTING TIMES MAY VARY-CHECK LOCAL STNS.)

PRIME AFFILIATES

WABC- 770 KHZ	WNIR-100.1 MHZ	KABC- 790 KHZ
WSB - 750 KHZ	WISN-1130 KHZ	KTAR- 620 KHZ
WKOX-1200 KHZ	WJNT-1180 KHZ	KOH - 630 KHZ
WIOD- 610 KHZ	KSTP-1500 KHZ	KNST- 940 KHZ
WERC- 960 KHZ	WPTF- 680 KHZ	KFIY-1270 KHZ
WJBO-1150 KHZ		KTKK- 630 KHZ
KPRC- 950 KHZ		KZIA-FM - 101.7 MHZ



1220 KHVL TX Madisonville, 11/13. 1859 w/sign off after KVSA gone. [FM-IL]  
KVSA AR McGehee, 11/13. 1858 w/what sounded only like a long legal ID, but obviously a sign off, carrier abruptly cut. [FM-IL]  
WAYE AL Birmingham, 11/13. 1900 with a legal ID and then into religious programming. [FM-IL]  
WFAZ VA Falls Church, 11/12. 1658 w/program from Living Word Ministries. Then "WFAZ Community Calendar" w/community notes. IDing as "AM 12-20 WFAZ." [TL-IN]  
1230 KRSY NM Roswell, 11/16. 2014 w/ID "All day, KRSY. Radio". A real shocker! One of my first catches on newly laid 1200' longwire. In spite of ID coming in moderately well, it immediately faded into a SS sta, or perhaps they played something in SS. [FM-IL]  
1240 KVSO OK Ardmore, 11/16 in and out for 2 hours. 2054 noted w/rock oldies, announcer Brad Pierce on "AM 12-40 KVSO." [FM-IL]  
1250 KIKZ TX Semione, 11/16 alone but weak. 2020 w/ID "...?..Country, KIKZ" and spot for business at 102 W. ? in Semione. [FM-IL]  
1270 KFBD MO Waynesville, 11/18. 0850 with spot for Bridal Sweet in downtown Rolla. Simulcast slogan "B-98". Rock. [FM-IL]  
1280 WQUE LA New Orleans, 11/10. 2117 w/rock music simulcast of Q93 FM (WQUE), promo for Countdown contest, spot for Prince concert coming to New Orleans. [FM-IL]  
1300 KWCK AR Searcy, 11/18. 0912 w/spot for Food-4-Less in Searcy. Simulcast slogan "Quick Country 99." [FM-IL]  
WFBR MB Baltimore, 11/18. 1633 w/local news read by woman. References to Baltimore and MD. "WFBR News" mentioned in newscast. [TL-IN]  
1310 CHLW AB St. Paul, 11/12 fair in KNOX null. 0804 w/Broadcast News, sports, "Radio LW" ID. New for me, AB#36. [SA-MB]  
KARY WA Prosser, TENTATIVE, 11/25 briefly weak mixed w/KFKA (Now back on the air.) and KEIN. Lost to KLIK. 1015 w/"Morning Farm Report", spot for merchant in Yakima. No ID heard. WA#66 if them. [JcJ-MT]  
KZIP TX Amarillo, 11/17 w/various noise including another SS. 0059 w/sign off in EE after SS programming. [FM-IL]  
WGH VA Newport News, 11/11 very poor in 888 mess. 1641 w/contest promo: "Name that prize and win it...Match game on 97 Star WGH". New for me. [TL-IN]  
WTK NC Durham, 11/11 in briefly. 1717 w/C&W music (Song by Ricky Skaggs who is a Dixer by the way!). ID "13-10 WTK". New. [TL-IN]  
WTUX IN Indianapolis, 11/13. 0313 w/"two in a row by Jo Stafford Kicking off the 3 o'clock hour here on WTUX." MOR or MYL. [FM-IL]  
WMC NJ Parsippany, 11/18. 1724 w/spot for business on Rte 46 West, phone 335-4446, woman w/ID "...WMC where you hear the music of your life." NJ is supposed to be rare here, hi! NJ#4. [TL-IN]  
1320 CJSO PQ Sorel, 11/11. 1803 w/man in FF, sports (hockey) scores. Nice SID. New for me, not listed in the new 9th edition of MRC log, but is in the 8th edition WRTE. [TL-IN]  
1330 KGAK NH Gallup, 11/18. 0600 w/legal ID. Truly a real shocker while actually looking for SRS daytimers on a near-vacant frequency. [FM-IL]  
WBTH VA Danville, 11/12. 1709 w/quick ID at tune in, "48 at WBTH". Then mention of upcoming DJ and into AF 40 promo. [TL-IN]  
WESR VA Onley, 11/11 good. 1642 w/top 40 music. ID "The tradition continues with expanded local news on the shore's best 1-0-3 WESR." Music continued. New for me. [TL-IN]  
1340 KORQ TX Abilene, 11/16. 2200 ending Texas State Network News, then ID: "AM 1340 KORQ Abilene, a TSN station." [FM-IL]  
1350 KTXJ TX Jasper, 11/11. 2102 w/"KTXJ Country 13 in Jasper" during break from HS football game. Never did determine teams. Appears KTXJ often dominates 1350 during Auroras. [FM-IL]  
WBEM PA Windber, 11/18 in mess. 1653 clear ID "AM 1350 WBEM" [TL-IN]  
1360 WWBZ NJ Vineland, 11/18 very good. 1710 w/South Jersey local news, promo for South Jersey Symphony Concert at Millville HS, SID "13-60 WWBZ". NJ#3, 2nd NJ heard this week! [TL-IN]  
1380 WSYB VT Rutland, 11/16 poor behind WQHK. 1620 w/man with sports, lots of clear IDs. A very rare state here VT#2. Also heard 11/20. [TL-IN]  
1390 WDOT VT Burlington, 11/18. 1639 w/C&W music, DJ Marty Connors (?), PSA for hunting safety, spot for Landair Motors on Kellogg Road in Essex Junction. New, VT#3, 2nd in 3 days. Excellent conditions to the East from here lately. [TL-IN]  
1410 CKSL ON London, 11/19 quick fade up. 1621 w/man giving promo for upcoming election coverage "on 14-10 CKSL." [TL-IN]  
KRIL TX Odessa, 11/16 dominant much of evening. 2006 w/"It's 6 past 6 at KRIL 1410 on your AM dial." NBC News, MOR music. Either they goofed on the TC or Odessa has moved to MST zone. [FM-IL]

- 1410 WLSH PA Lansford, 11/19. 1645 w/music by Bobby Vinton, spot for Obrils in Summit Hill. 1645 complete sign off "This is radio station WLSH, Lansford, PA signing off..." No SSB. [TL-IN]
- WRIS VA Roanoke, 11/9. 1659 w/religious program ending. ID "WRIS Radio, Roanoke, Virginia." Christian music followed. 9th MRC log lists WRIS as 72 watts night. [TL-IN]
- 1420 CJHT PQ Chicoutimi, 11/11 poor. 1815 w/man in FF, many references to Chicoutimi. 1817 w/8ID. New, good conditions to PQ at this time, and 10th new station for me this date! [TL-IN]
- 1430 KCLK WA Asotin, 11/25 quite good w/KLO, KEZW nulled. 1045 w/C&W music, 1059 ID "94 FM KCLK Clarkston, Lewiston, & AM 14-30 KCLK Asotin." 1100 Mutual News followed by Pet Patrol. Spots, and numerous IDs as "94 FM 14-30 AM KCLK." New for me, WA#67. Wonder if they are now 5KWD (were 500WD w/CP for 5KWD, 1KWN). [JCJ-MT]
- KSKS TX Tulsa, 11/10. 1732 w/rock oldies, "Say you heard it on Cool 106." Mentioned Tulsa. Another FM clone. Note "COOL 106" is Owasso, TX 106.1, but I still don't know their call letters! [FM-IL] {JCJ: Frank, I still snow KSKS-1430 Tulsa and their Owasso FM as KVLT-FM. Any updates? John.}
- WDIC VA Clinchco, 11/17 very weak in SSS mess. IDs clearly heard but with a ripply signal. 1715 man w/sign off. "5000 watts...WDIC invites you to tune in again..." [TL-IN]
- WNAV MD Annapolis, 11/19. 1651 w/woman w/spot for Mr. Donut "If it says WNAV on it you'll get breakfast on us, 14-30 WNAV." Business news on West Street. [TL-IN] {JCJ: Maybe frosting writing? John.}
- WNJR NJ Newark, 11/11 very good. 1623 w/spot for Chevrolet dealer in Irvington, spot for a play in Newark. ID "WNJR". Black soul music. NJ#2 (not counting NYC station transmitters in NJ) [TL-IN]
- 1440 KRDC CO Wray, 11/12 fair. 1755 w/Colorado Sports Roundup, local games results, interviews. New for me, CO#42. [SA-MB]
- WMLA IL Normal, 11/12 poor. 1800 w/"WMLA AM and FM" ID into news. New for me, IL#44. [SA-MB]
- 1450 WEZR IN Fort Wayne, 11/16. 1655 w/rock oldie "Running Bear", ID "Stereo 14-50 WEZR." John Clark w/business news. First time heard, just 75 miles away, but first time! [TL-IN]
- 1460 KBRZ TX Freeport. 11/11. 1802 w/talk about a football game tomorrow, "that game will be broadcast on KBRZ", then weather forecast and tide report. Noted again 11/12 at 2048 w/mentioned football game with Angleton Wildcats vs ?? Should I really be hearing this station? [FM-IL]
- WPRW VA Manassas, 11/12. 1830 w/quick ID at tune in "you heard it right here on WPRW" Man w/college football scores. [TL-IN]
- 1470 KWRD TX Henderson, 11/10 w/WMBD nulled. 0804 w/lengthy spiel about Rust County library system & its central branch in Henderson. [FM-IL]
- WQSM MI Kalamazoo, 11/16 severe WNDU splatter. 1656 w/several IDs, spot for "Made in Michigan". New here. [TL-IN]
- WTKO NY Ithaca, 11/11. 1809 w/local news by woman. "WTKO Radio News". Area weather w/mention of downtown Ithaca. Lost to CKO. My 900th logging! [TL-IN]
- 1480 KOKA LA Shreveport, 11/12. 2024 w/Black Gospel, man giving call letters several times. When did they move here? This is the 3rd freq. I have heard KOKA, first on 980 in the early 60s from MI. [FM-IL] {JCJ: Frank, this move was some time ago, if you check back thru your DX Monitor's "Broadcast Information" sections you'll get the complete story on this call-swap. John.}
- 1490 WIBM WI Medford, 11/14. 0638 w/TC and weather, Polka music. WI#60 [SA-MB]
- 1510 KIFG IA Iowa Falls, 11/12 good. 0850 w/"KIFG AM & FM, Iowa Falls" ID then into weather. New for me, IA#48. [SA-MB]
- 1530 KLRA AR England, 11/16. 1835 w/C&W music. "...right here on the All New KLRA." Promos for KLRA-FM 96.5. Call change from KELC I guess. Heard No. Little Rock mentioned in spot. [FM-IL]
- WBCW PA Jeanette, 11/17 in good w/WCKY. 1659 w/song by Cars. 1702 w/sign off "WBCW Jeanette...good night. No SSB. [TL-IN]
- WYGR MI Wyoming. 11/14 very poor u/WCKY. 1659 w/man w/community notes w/address as "WYGR Radio, PO Box 9591, Wyoming 49509." [TL-IN]
- 1550 WNTN MA Newton, 11/11. 1609 w/Irish religious music (Irish accented DJ). ID "You're listening to 15-50 AM WNTN in Newton, Mass." [TL-IN]
- WSER MD Elkton, 11/17. 1600 w/local spot, ID "You're listening to Cecil County's Radio Station 15-5, WSER, Elkton." Into local news w/announcer Lori ?? [TL-IN]
- WXVA WV Charles Town, 11/14. 1600 w/Neil Diamond song, woman w/ID "We are WXVA, Classic 15-50 for Charles Town, Martinsburg, & Winchester." Into news. New here. [TL-IN]







NANCY HARDY, EDITOR

# WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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## WDXR DEADLINES: MONDAYS

### REPORTERS FOR THIS ISSUE:

- (DA) Doug Allen-P.O. Box 5646-Woodland Park, CO 80866  
TRF, TS 430S, 160 meter dipole; 620' NE-SW & 600' SE-NW  
Beverages
- (GL) Gary Larson-2806 Lincoln-Burbank, CA 91504
- (RHM) Roy H. Millar-Marysville, WA 98270  
Grundig 5077, SM-2
- (RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118  
GE Superadio, GE long-range portable, SM-2

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- 560 KWTO MO, Springfield 11/12 2230 "56 Country KWTO," Local spots.(DA)
  - 570 KGRT NM, Las Cruces 11/12 1934 ID, Motel 6 ad. 155 watts on top.(DA)
  - ?KOV? TX, Dallas 11/12 2140 several good IDs sure sounded like KOV.  
Was it a slurred KLDD or new call? (DA-CO) (Their slogan is  
"K-Oldies," which sounds quite similar.--NH)
  - 800 ?KQAD? MN, Luverne 11/20 0725 poor with tri-state weather forecast  
with mention of southwestern MN, IA, SD. No ID except "K101."  
80 watts? (DA-CO)
  - 830 KFLT AZ, Tucson 11/19 1858 Spanish relig., English ID into English  
relig. (DA-CO)
  - 840 KVEG NV, North Las Vegas 11/14 0003 poor, WHAS still dominates.(DA)
  - 860 KTRB CA, Modesto 11/20 0738 C&W, PSA, & station promos. (DA-CO)
  - 890 KBYE OK, Oklahoma City 11/20 0818 church service at ? on Martin  
Luther King Blvd. & other local relig. spots into relig. (DA)
  - 900 KGRB CA, West Covina 11/13 0220 on with new night service, host  
Marshall Detrow playing MOR big band. Called from work, he  
said they've been on a few weeks. Night power is 250w. In case  
of listeners hearing them, the number is (818)330-5211. (GL-CA)
  - 910 KALL UT, Salt Lake City 11/13 0000 legal ID into ABC News. (DA-CO)
  - 930 KLCY MT, East Missoula 11/20 0650 Southgate Mall spot & ID. (DA-CO)
  - 990 KGTM TX, Wichita Falls 11/19 1908 "Classic Country, stereo KGTM,"  
o/u CFW. (DA-CO)
  - 1000 KXRB SD, Sioux Falls 11/20 0744 s/on with 46 watts? (DA-CO)
  - 1090 KKYN TX, Plainview 11/12 1953 "This is best country, KKYN." (DA-CO)
  - 1130 ?KRDU? CA, Dinuba 11/12 1943 talk about building Manor House in  
Exeter "the plan is unfolding." Pattern change & nothing. (DA)
  - KBMR ND, Bismarck 11/13 0930 weather, ID to "Country Crossroads."(DA)
  - 1140 KRAK CA, Sacramento 11/12 1739 several IDs & local spots. CA #22. (DA)
  - 1180 KERI CA, Wasco 11/19 0030 ID into English relig. under KKAR. (DA)
  - 1210 KONY UT, Washington 11/13 1000 "We're the heart of Dixie; Washington,  
Winston, St. George, KONY, Dixie's pride." (DA-CO)
  - CKWA AB, Slave Lake 11/18 0605 with CFOK-CKWA call in weather fore-  
cast at close of BN newscast. I'm sure I've heard on other  
occasions, but never picked up call before. KASY off at 0300,  
to return at 0830, except Sat. & Sun. at 0900, per s/off amct.  
(RHM-WA)
  - 1280 ?CJMS? PQ, Montreal 10/27 2202 French, no ID. Several mentions of  
Montreal. Is there another French on this freq.? No sign of  
CBF-690's U1 pattern. (DA-CO)
  - 1400 KSTA CO, Delta 10/27 2106 "Tell your friends aout the new Delta  
Radio."(DA-CO) (My Log shows this as KPLG.--NH)
  - KCOW NE, Alliance 10/27 2046 on top with ID, local weather. (DA-CO)
  - KBRB NE, Ainsworth 10/27 2300 weather & s/off with SSB. (DA-CO)

1460 KENO NV, Las Vegas 11/13 2315 "AM Stereo 1460 KENO." (DA-CO)  
1560 KLLV CO, Breen 11/20 0900 ID into relig. (DA-CO)  
1570 KVRA SD, Vermillion 11/20 0928 weather & spots for Vermillion. (DA)  
1580 KDAY CA, Santa Monica 11/17 0220 "AM Stereo KDAY" under KNIX. (DA)

Help with UNIDs:

1230 "KZOU" Little Rock (ex-KOKY) is on 1250, not 1230! Maybe DA-CO thought he was listening to 1230 when he was actually listening to 1250! (RW)  
1600 "KCTL 105.5" is probably KOCL 105.5 Centerville, UT, AM is KBBX, Centerville, 1kw nights, so apparently simulcast. Y-108 is undoubtedly KRXY Lakewood, CO. (RW-CA)

UNIDs:

1000 11/21 0311 unID OC strong in KOMO null. Either KKMx or KVSD? (RW)  
1090 11/21 0332 unID TT strong in XEPRS null. No sign of KBOZ, probably them. (RW-CA)  
1590 11/12 1900 "This is K Triple L, K-L-L-L." Help! (DA-CO) (Must be KLLL Lubbock, TX, ex-KEND.--NH)

Thanks to all the reporters this week--Doug, Gary, Roy & Bob. If it weren't for the four of you there would not have been a WDXR. ♡

"LIVE FROM GILLEY'S" STATION LIST (See Next Page)

This list includes stations carrying the weekly one hour program, "Live From Gilley's," featuring top-name country music performers recorded at the legendary Gilley's nightclub in Pasadena, Texas, a suburb of Houston. Gilley's became famous as the setting for the 1980 movie, "Urban Cowboy." The radio program began in 1981.

This list is current to May, 1988. Thanks to Westwood One for supplying the list.

This list was being prepared for the upcoming IRCA Almanac. However, earlier this year, Gilley's closed! It seems that co-owner Mickey Gilley, who also became an "overnight sensation" after about 20 years as a result of the movie, won a \$17 million lawsuit against his former partner, according to Conrad Durocher, a DXer and NRC member who is Mickey Gilley's lead guitar player on the road. As of October, "Live From Gilley's" is still on the air each week, but we have decided to run this list now, in the event the program ends soon, say Dec. 31, which could be before the new Almanac comes out. Any news on the fate of this program would be greatly appreciated! Thanks!

--Bill Hardy

\* indicates a daytime station. If the program airs at night, the station may have FM simulcast and run it on AM during certain summer months, or the station may have added 2-hour post-sunset authority (PSSA) or low nighttime power. News on such operations is also much appreciated.

All times are Eastern. (+1) means add one hour during the spring and summer to obtain EDT.

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Live From Gilley's Station List, see page 11 for discussion

540 KNMT-IA	Sa 1905	KAML-TX	5a 1500	KLAR-TX	Sa 1300	1430 WMNC-NC	
NDXN-TN	Sa 2100	1000 KXRB-SD		1310 MAUC-FL	Fr 1800	WVAM-PA	Sa 1900
550 KCRS-TX	Sa 2200	WDDE-VA	Su 1305	WTJK-NC	Sa 2100	1450 KLAM-AK	Tu 0100
570 WAAI-AL	Su 0000	1010 WPKY-AL	Sa 1300	WJ02-PA	Sa 1800	WSMO-AL	Sa 1900
580 WIDW-KS	Su 2100	1020 KYXE-KA	Sa 2100	1320 WFRK-FL	Sa 1300	WDLK-AL	Sa 1900
WKSX-NC	Su 1600	1030 WDSO-PR	Su 1800	WICD-MD	Su 1800	KN0T-AZ	Su 0100
590 WJMS-MI	Sa 1900	1050 WVIC-AL	Su 2200	WAGY-NC	Sa 2100	KVHL-CA	Sa 2200
600 KBEZ-MT	Sa 2100	WHSO-MD	Sa 0800	1330 WPRN-AL	Su 1700	KBFI-ID	Tu 2300
WFRM-PA	Sa 1100	WFOA-RI		Su 1800	WMDR-KY	KBMN-MN	Su 0000
WVAR-WV	Su 1600	1070 KFBI-KS		Fr 1700	WLAT-SC	KBRZ-MT	Fr 2000
610 WCEH-GA	Sa 1800	KATO-MT		Sa 2000	WAEW-TN	KVCK-ND	
KILT-TX	We 0000	1080 WKAC-AL	Su 1600	Sa 1100	1340 KPGE-AZ	KZZJ-MD	Sa 1830
620 WSNW-FL	Sa 2300	1090 WISS-WI		We 2205	WTIF-VA	KLHX-TN	We 2100
KNMS-IA		1130 WLBK-GA	Su 1700	KACH-ID	Su 1300	WSMG-MN	Mo 2000
650 KUUV-WY	Th 0000	WASP-PA	Sa 1330	KVBR-MN		WSHO-VT	Sa 2300
680 WRGC-NC	Fr 1800	1140 KRAK-CA		KPRK-MT	Su 1900	KCLX-WA	Sa 1205
690 KRCD-OR	Su 1900	WCJW-NY	Sa 1300	WCBQ-NC	Mo 1300	1460 KCCL-AR	
710 WFNR-VA	Sa 0300	1150 WYNE-WI	Fr 2000	KXPD-ND	Sa 1800	KSO-IA	Su 0000
730 WFNC-NC	Su 1300	1220 KJAN-IA		KXYX-OK		WBKC-OH	Su 1900
740 KSSS-CO	Su 2100	KDFD-KS		KTHR-OR	Sa 1605	WERR-PA	Sa 1800
KDMC-TX	Su 2200	1230 K1FW-AK	Sa 1300	KTEO-TX	Su 2000	WPRW-VA	Sa 2000
750 KMMJ-NE	Su 1700	K1ND-AZ	Sa 1200	WHAP-VA	Su 1800	1470 KDEW-AR	
790 KXXX-KS		KPAK-CA		KAPA-WA	Fr 2100	NRGA-GA	Fr 2100
WSIG-VA	Mo 0300	WANO-KY	Sa 1300	1350 KCKC-CA	Su 0200	WFSR-KY	Sa 1800
800 WJAT-GA		W1KB-MI	Su 1800	K1DH-CD	Sa 2100	WKHF-MI	Su 2000
820 WZYD-MD	Sa 2300	KMRS-MN	We 2100	WXCL-IL	Su 0000	KHND-ND	Sa 1600
860 WTRB-CA	Sa 2100	KELY-WV	Sa 1900	WHRV-NY	Su 1500	1480 WDSO-RI	Fr 1900
KSFA-TX		KZZR-OR	Su 1800	1360 KNIR-LA	Su 1600	1490 KXAR-AK	Sa 2300
900 WLSI-KY	Fr 1500	KTDD-OR	Su 2000	WFFF-MS	Tu 1830	W110-MI	Mo 1805
WODY-VA	Th 2000	KWVZ-WA	Sa 2100	KEYZ-MD	We 2100	KDBH-MT	Mo 2305
910 KJJO-SD	Sa 1800	1240 WDFL-FL	Sa 1800	KOHU-OR		WSVN-NC	Sa 1800
920 WJRH-AL	Fr 1800	K1CD-CA	Sa 1400	WHBG-VA	Fr 2200	KBIT-OK	Su 2000
KLHR-CO	Th 2100	WCEH-MD	Su 1700	1370 WDXE-TN		1500 WKRP-GA	Fr 1730
WMDK-IL	Fr 1900	KOKL-OK	Sa 1900	1380 KOKD-SD	Sa 1900	WRFN-MS	Sa 2100
WKVA-PA	Mo 2100	WYGL-PA	Sa 2300	WFCL-WI	Sa 2200	1510 WJCO-MI	Sa 1000
930 WYUS-DE	Sa 1100	K101-TX		1390 KJPN-MD	Sa 1800	KCTX-TX	Sa 1700
WOUR-IL	Sa 1000	1250 WNVL-KY	Fr 2000	WADA-NC	Fr 2100	1530 K1RA-AR	
WGNR-PA	Sa 1300	K1KC-MT	Sa 2200	KLGN-UT	Fr 2100	1540 KYEL-IA	
KBFW-WA		W1RA-SC	Sa 1300	WDDT-VT		1560 WSDL-LA	Sa 1905
940 KFRE-CA	Su 1200	W1KO-TN	Tu 1300	1400 KFTM-CO	Su 2200	WCDN-OH	Su 1900
KDEO-MI	Su 0400	W1VA-VA	Fr 1900	KSP1-ID		1570 KTAT-OK	Su 1400
WADV-PA	Su 1700	1260 W1VD-FL	Su 2000	WFRP-LA		WCLE-TN	Sa 2000
K1XZ-TX		WBBK-GA	Sa 1000	WNC5-ME	Th 2200	1580 WBAE-IL	Sa 1905
950 KRYA-AK		KTTS-MO		WCCY-MI	Sa 1700	1590 WACD-AL	Sa 1600
KDEL-IA	Fr 2100	KWGH-OK		KJCF-MO	Sa 0000	WZIP-FL	Su 1700
KLJK-MD	Sa 2330	1270 W1AH-KY		KMIN-MN		WHPY-NC	Sa 1700
WDBE-WV	Sa 1800	K1HL-WI	Sa 2000	W1KK-PA	Sa 2000	KWEY-OK	
960 WPRY-KY	Su 1500	1280 WDMW-OH	Su 2100	KBYG-TX	Su 1400	W1XX-WI	We 2100
KLAD-OR	We 2200	WJAY-SC	Sa 1000	KTEM-TX	Sa 1800	1600 W1XX-MA	Fr 2100
WKZA-PA	Su 1400	1290 WCDW-MI	Su 0000	W1TW-WI	Sa 1800		
WPCN-PA		1300 WEZD-AL		1410 W1IH-IL	Sa 1500		
970 K1AK-AK	Sa 2300	WFFB-FL	Sa 2100	1420 WADC-FL	Sa 1600		
980 W10T-FL	Sa 1500	W1RX-NY	Sa 1900	KULY-KS	Sa 2000		
990 WCAZ-IL		WMTN-TN	Sa 1600	K61N-SD	Sa 1800		
W1IG-OH	Su 2000						

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Send some names today and watch us grow. You may get next year's membership for free.

# DX Worldwide - West



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DEALINE: TUESDAYS

DX this week seems to be picking up again. Not too much heard but 1584 popped up // to 576, presumed Australia. VOA-Thailand also made a showing which hasn't been reported in quite sometime. Also Classical music on 1503 briefly but no ID. A nice turnout of reporters this week including a report from Doug Allen-Colorado. Good to get your report and report often. Now on with reports:

## PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

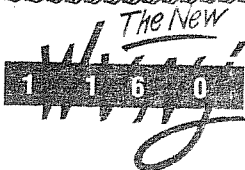
- 760 MEXICO, Mexico City-XEABC 11/17 at 0030 with many "ABC" IDS dominating first time IDed. (DA-CO)  
MEXICO, Nogales-XENY 11/17 0128 spots for Nogales, AZ, new while listening to XENY a different SS station (I think) had a Margarita" sung twice in succession? (DA-CO)
- 800 NETHERLAND ANTILLES, PJB usually over XEROK on SE beverage, XEROK dominates on dipole nightly. (DA-CO)
- 830 CUBA, Havana 11/18 dominating WCCO with EE musical program from "Heart of Havana" circa 0400-0500 no ID as "Radio Taino" hrd during a few spots I listened. (RHM-WA)  
t CUBA, 11/16 late evening forgot to record time, EE male and female news, Radio Moscow I think, Under WCCO. What is this? (DA-CO) (See above. PM)
- 910 CUBA, Matanzas Radio Reloj 11/14 0005 //760 and 930, new Reloj for me, pips and cw R's really get through. 250 watts according to WRTH. (DA)
- 970 MEXICO, Cd. Juarez XEJ 11/17 0144 "Mexicana" IDs dominating, new (DA)
- 1100t ANTIGUA, ZDK 11/17 0040 Br accented EE Later 0130 a cricket game (I think) Is the SAB present here every night ZDK or something else? (DA) (Any answers on this? PM)
- 1120 MEXICO, location unknown 11/19 0156 new station fair u/KPNW/KANN, male SS DJ w/lively SS vocals. No call letters given. Thx to John Wilkins for the tip. John thinks this station might be Mexicali. Station may be a Daytimer, as I've tried for them several times at night with no luck (Mexican Daytimers often operate at full power from 5:00 AM to 6:00 PM even in the Winter. (TRH-CA)
- 1540 MEXICO, Hermosillo-XEHOS 11/19 0100 several "La Ponderosa" IDs o/u RXFL, new. (DA-CO)
- 1555 CAYMAN ISLANDS, Georgetown 11/14 0035 good audio best this season. This is my most consistent Caribbean always better than Anguilla. I hear almost nothing from 825 which was sometimes dominant Caribbean in NY? My beverage is too short to be effective at 825, but I should hear something. I Radio Paradise directional? Also a nil on 895? (DA-CO) (As far as I know both stations are non-directional. 825 is fairly rare here also. Last Winter I heard it more often than this Winter. PM)
- 1560 MEXICO, Mexico City-XEPAJ 11/16 1003 with distinct set of call letters at 1003 noted SS in earlier segments at 090 and 0930. (RHM-WA)

## TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 576 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2FC good with Classical mx //1584 at 1456 on 11/29 best heard in a while. (PM-OR)
- 1026 AUSTRALIA, MacKay-4MK-good with pops and accented EE announcer over Jumble at 1520 on 11/29. (PM-OR)
- 1503 UNID, station with concert music briefly at 1512 11/29, couldn't check // and the signal didn't last long enough. (PM-OR)
- 1584 AUSTRALIA, heard fair // to 576 at 1456, but lost on the hour (of course), but will keep checking. Was quite good for something that is 200 watts or under on 11/29. (PM-OR)
- 1566 SOUTH KOREA, Cheju-HLAZ 11/20 0623-0645 good audio slow paced male and female talking with mentions of CBC or FEBC Radio twice and one inst. interlude. (DA-CO)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS:

DA-CO DOUG ALLEN(W2CRS)-POST OFFICE BOX 5646-WOODLAND PARK, CO 80866  
TS 430s- 30 Meter Dipole and 620' NE-SW and 600' ESE-WNW unterm.  
beverages a couple feet above ground.  
TRH-CA TIM HALL-350 G STREET F-1-CHULA VISTA, CA. 92010-4559  
ICF-2010, Radio West Loop  
RHM-WA ROY H. MILLAR-13714 30TH AVENUE,NW-MARYSVILLE, WA. 98270  
FRG7-500' LONGWIRE  
PM-OR YER EDITOR  
SP-600JX- 602-200' Term. NE LW, 1500' East Bev,1400' NNW bev.  
Grounded



November 7, 1988

Mr. Thomas Jasinski  
419 North Raven  
Shorewood, Illinois 60435

Dear Tom:

Thank you for your letter of October 12. Please forgive me for this rather late reply. I am deeply appreciative of your kind offer to monitor our test broadcasts, and would certainly welcome any QSL's. With the advent of new technology and solid state equipment, I had thought that R/Dx'ing was a thing of the past. I am indeed enlightened by your letter that such groups still exist. Throughout my early childhood years, I spent most of my time listening for distant stations on an old Phileo upright. Of course, back in those days, the AM band was not as crowded.

The power increase for WVNJ was granted by The Commission on August 1. This was a modification of an (existing) construction permit. We are a brand new station, and expect to start construction shortly, with a target, on-air date of May 1, 1989. Our original power grant was 1Kw, day and night. The modification grant also includes a site change to an area within Oakland 2.7 miles north of our original transmitter site.

I am enclosing an aeronautical map, showing our daytime coverage, and hope that you will bear with me until I can run a few copies of our nighttime pattern which will be sent to you with skywave charts. As you probably know, we are co-channelled with your neighbor to the north of you, WJJD, one of the oldest radio stations in The U.S. So, copying WVNJ through the skywave dominance of WJJD in your area may be all but impossible. Our nighttime signal is directional eastward from Oakland in a cardioid pattern with 2,500 watts. And even though WJJD has just reduced their power from 50Kw, (night), to only 5Kw, the presence of any WVNJ skywave activity may be precluded in the Shorewood, Ill. area.

Tom, thank you again for your very welcome letter. I will be following this up with further correspondence.

Yours very truly,

*Peter Murphy*  
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Aloha! This is my first report in quite a while. Other than DX-peditions, I've been dead inactive for nearly four years. I am now making up for it with a vengeance, starting a new log from scratch 11/4 (but, more accurately, 11/9, because I logged only WHLN-1410 and WJJT-1540 on 11/4, hi). Heard total is now 575 as of noon 11/18, with 36 states logged. Long-time members will maybe remember that I used to often report to these pages 20 years ago or so. I am now 41 years old, and very non-married, hi. I logged about 2,500 from Milan, Michigan during the 1960's, starting in 1960. Exact total not known because I used to count call letter changes then (my totals were nearly 2,800 under those criteria). In Toledo, OH, my totals just cracked 2,000 before I moved in 1985, having started in 1971, and I added some neat stuff to my totals in January, 1987 with two DXpeditions to nearby Michigan which resulted in the likes of KWJJ (SSS) and KVNI on 1080, etc. From Macomb I am using a GE Superadio, as well as a Kenwood R-1000 hooked to longwires laid in various directions. So far the best results are with the longwire 1200 feet long laid in a direction between WSW and SW, on which I've been hearing west Texas regional day-timers on PSSA/night powers, OK/TX/NM/KS graveyarders, etc. When the fields around me are not planted, I have almost unlimited opportunities to experiment with longwires, because my house is 500 feet from the nearest road and there is no direction in which I cannot put up a rather long antenna. I won't be consistently active because often my sked doesn't permit it, but I will be running longwires in various directions from time to time, hoping for truly exotic catches from here. I'm out for blood, hi! I wish that KQRL-650 was still on (and I strongly lament the death of this great once-#1 station in Hawaii) because the 1200' wire nearly nulls WSM and all that's there is a Mexican I haven't yet ID'ed; I think KQRL wouldn't even be that rare a catch. I'm amazed how much more common Mexicans are here, often dominant on some regionals like 570/580/950/970/980/1280/380/1460 even on the Superadio. Hopefully I'll soon get around to ID'ing some of these. Seven tea trees. (Welcome back, Frank, and one question--how long was your antenna when you had your first "shack" back at the corner of Judd Road and Saline-Milan Road, how long was your longwire there?--rce)

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It's been a busy summer and fall. Had a great time at the Louisville convention. Turnout was small but it was a fun time -- the tour of WHAS was a highlight. Visited Frank Merrill in Macomb, Ill Nov. 20 -- some unbelievable catches heard like KOOL-960 Phoenix. I think I need a 1200' longwire like Frank. Don't know if I'll be in Sacramento in 1989. I'm thinking about it. Local KTSS-1580 is still off -- it's been about a year since they went dark -- wonder if they'll return. More later and Happy Holidays.

Ernest Cooper, 5 Anthony Street, Provincetown, Massachusetts 02657

Not much doing here as I still haven't gotten around to making the decision on a new receiver. I've heard from Glen Kippel, Gene Martin, Steve Bohac, and several others. Some say "Get a modern solid state receiver like the R-71A" and others opine "Stick with the big tube receivers". (I say get one you're comfortable with--rce) I'll have to make the decision soon, or vacate the throne, hi, to paraphrase a popular expression. Maybe the gang at Ray Arruda's get-together will help me make up my mind, the Saturday after thanksgiving (five days from now, as this is being written). May I offer a suggestion? When you write to the Roundup sections and mention something like "song by George Michaels", that there are some of us who wouldn't know if he is a rock singer, an opera singer, a folk singer, or a hymn singer -- at least, I don't! And, for Todd Skaine, WHIN's nighttime power is listed in the NRC Log as 40 watts. And, Bill Townshend, what is an OM? And William Wyllie, Star Country in 1160 is WOBM, Lakewood, NJ. I hope you have better luck in verifying them than I have! I think I have the answer to the Trivia Question of the Month, from the 10/22/88 issue of DX Monitor, as to the 1,000 cycle tone on 1000 kHz. You will NEVER hear an ID from it -- because it isn't a tone being broadcast -- it is simply a 1 kHz het from the TA frequency of 999 kHz! You'll note, no

doubt, it fades out around 0230 or so, I'm sure. You should hear the same on 809 and 1089, to name two other European channels only one kHz removed from a US channel. ...Around here, WPLM-1390 is now running AN, //-99.1 FM, six AMs a week; silent Sunday AMs, leaving two c/w stations, WDOT-VT "Your Country Giant" and WMZQ-VA. I note CJVA-810 is now running AN in FF and giving WGY a good run for his money. With the AU CX these early mornings, WQK has been dominating 1320 w/c/w music, and even with the influx of all the new stations on spots like 820 and 1200, I often hear WBAP-820 and WOAI-1200 on top of their channels. Also, WPBG-1290 has been in from time to time around 0230, w/rock oldies. (Suggested abbreviation: RRO) I've noted WBAL-1090's been off between 0100 and 0300 on MMs, giving us a great chance to hear Martinique! Even the GE Superadio picks it up! They're all FF-speaking, and are 99% all-speaking. I heard and I ded this one while in St. Croix last May - it is definitely Martinique! Forward - March!

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Greetings again IRCans. How quickly AM radio can change. No sooner do I send in info regarding metro Detroit's new WDRQ-1030 but what do they do on 11/14/88 but change calls to WUFL and format to religious "Family Life" radio. Nice to see the new guy on the block gave it about 2½ months to work - not even enough time to get one Arbitron book. Give them a Golden Fleece award! Scratch the station info on them in my last Forum/roundup, hi! A change on the Toledo radio scene finds WOHO-1470 going from soft Adcon and simulcast with WWWW-FM 105.5 to full 24 hour C&W. This looks to be a good move that should pull some numbers off top-rated WKKO-FM 99.9. I don't expect them to hurt WKKO's sister, traditional C&W WTOD-1560. WTOD has a solid 5% "cult" following and has been a steady performer over the last 20 years. WTOD remains perhaps Toledo's best AMer if not its best overall run station. I do expect WOHO to improve on its poor 2 share however. During the Thanksgiving holiday weekend I ventured to the Chicago-Milwaukee-Madison area to GTG with John Clemmer to check out the sights and hopefully also visit IRCans Tim Noonan and Forum editor rce - a hit to both regardless. (I thought we had a good visit--at least you finally got to hear Vernon Hills, Ill. on 1030--rce) Unbelievably, this was my first visit to Wisconsin since 1970 --considering how many times I've visited Chi-town either at conventions, GTG's and even dates in the past 18 years - being so close to Wisconsin and not stepping foot there almost seemed ridiculous. I even made it to Minnesota last year, hi! This trip was not totally eventless. I did manage to lock my keys in my '88 Regal in the WTVB-1590 parking lot - this while trying to photo the place. After a 2½ hr adventure in seeking aid in getting into the car, success was mine thanks to combined efforts of a Coldwater, Mich., Buick dealership, the Branch Co., MI, Sheriff's Dept., and a local towing service. It did louse up my planned detective work to see what the new WLLJ-910 Cassopolis, MI is up to -- better luck next time. Best recent DX was and ID of KMTL-760 Ark. w/WJR nulled! ID at 1753 on 11/21/88-ah!!! Latest catch WKYZ-1590 Grays, KY 11/26 at 0600. 73's.

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Random notes this time around: Gene Martin, tnx for your phone call re Aussies on 1620/1629 -- I did try several times but could get nothing much past a carrier on either channel. Thanks to Glen Kippel and Pat Martin for their details regarding the Hammarlund SP-600, of which I own the 'JX-17' Model. A request: I will reimburse anyone who would be willing to copy their reprints of articles authored by the late Ron Schatz entitled "Cuban MW Broadcasting in Perspective" and "Basic Inventory of Cuban Stations", formerly NRC reprints L1 & L7. These are unavailable, as I am told, but of interest to me regardless of their currentness, or lack of. Thank you in advance. Ernest Cooper, the Collins R-390A may be the answer to your request for a selective receiver, although it does have mechanical digital readout (which I wouldn't consider a "lazy man" shortcut). Please let us know your choice. 1480 has produced three southern gospel stations here, those being WRDW-Augusta, GA ("Gospel 88"), WYZE-Atlanta, and WZJY-Mt. Pleasant, SC - so be certain of your ID's here if preaching and gospel is heard. With the erection of the 2000' Bev. to the SSW quite a few new AL/GA/FL/MS et al. and LA's have been heard. Tnx to NRC member Bill Swiger, of WV, 5 miles of 2-conductor 16AWG wire is in my basement, ready to be re-spooled and cut for a couple of planned Bev's, here in Pgh. and elsewhere. FCC has relaxed the "duopoly" rule that prohibited common ownership of two or more commercial AM's (or FM's) whose 1 mV/m contour overlap. For AM the Commission has reduced the overlap restriction to 5 mV/m (and for FM 3.16 mV/m). This may interest those in IRCA who have been discussing stations of similar proximity (see Forums in 11/12 EDXF & 10/22 WDXF). The NAB, CAB (Canadian Assoc. of BCer's) and Mexico's La Camara Nacional de la Industria de Radio y Television, in Mazatlan, Mexico have taken a mutual stand on several broadcast issues, incl.



the AM expanded band and AM quality of sound. Per Radio World, the organizations noted that increased quality of sound will help AM stn's improve coverage and listener satisfaction, and agreed to establish a task force to implement a "quality" certification mark to help consumers identify high-quality AM receivers. Apply this against FCC deregulation, loss of audience to FM, etc., etc., and I see the effort as still another attempt to "save AM", as was AM stereo, and a try at preserving the dwindling following of faithful AM listeners. The groups also recognized that the imminent expanded AM band will "afford an opportunity to provide high quality and low interference levels", and agreed to urge gov'ts to establish high-quality station allocations and technical assignment criteria. And receiver manufacturers will be urged to design and build expanded band receivers. However, from the 2nd session of the ITU's Regional Administrative Radio Conference in Rio (see item in 7/9/88 DXM) the FCC is considering offering nationwide licenses on up to 9 of the 10 new channels. Licensees would regulate the number of stations and their locations on "their" frequencies. The groups also expressed concern that the US government's intent to establish "TV Marti" poses a threat to radio and TV services in North and Central America. Without mentioning Cuba by name, it is obvious (they) avoided alluding to the controversial AM R. Marti (1180) (& other US government "practices") that have sparked harassment from Castroism.

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 Had a nice visit today from John Clemmer and Gary Siegel. Gary dropped off his Forum report, while John used a sheet of notebook paper borrowed from me to write his out. Had a good time demonstrating the dial here for them. Picked off five new stations today to bring my total here up to 122, rather puny compared to Frank Merrill's totals in his Forum report. John Clemmer verified that the heard total for Frank was 575 (I thought it was a typo) and said it's over 600 now for Frank. My thanks to Gary Heisey for his comment a couple of weeks ago regarding "Energy 1200" slogan for CFGO-1200. I heard it this morning, and put it down. I spent most of the Thanksgiving Day weekend with my Dad in Michigan. I pulled out the trusty Superadio over there and picked off the new WLLJ-910 in Cassopolis, Mich. to bring my Michigan total heard up to 286 now. Gotta run. 73.

## Information Format AM Radio's Lifeline?

By John Gilardi  
 Staff Writer

Listening to music on an AM radio in the 1990s is reminiscent of the golden age of broadcasting during the 1940s: flat and wandering signals full of static, noise and interference.

The technology for the pioneer radio band hasn't improved very much since stations began broadcasting in 1920. That has meant troubled times in the 1990s for AM radio.

But station owners, not willing to let technological obstacles defeat their business, are fighting back and are beginning to see some resurgence after years of declining ratings.

Station owners are realizing information programming is a format that can compete against FM music and hold its own, analysts said.

AM station WCNN of Atlanta, for example, plans to follow the information format trend by switching from music to a 24-hour news format later this year, said WCNN president and general manager Rob Jackson.

You just cannot compete against the FM sound with a music format (on AM), Jackson said. "FM stations have such a technical advantage"

The decline of AM radio began in 1961 when FM stations started broadcasting in stereo. The market share for AM stations has plummeted from 75 percent in 1972 to 26 percent in 1987, according to Statistical Research Inc. of Westfield, N.J.

However, AM station managers are anticipating more listeners as the baby boom generation ages and becomes more receptive to information-oriented formats.

"We are seeing growth in our targeted audience of 25- to 50-year-olds," WGST station manager Eric Seidel said. "Atlanta has a big base of well-educated people... They want to know what is going on. You are seeing the answer to AM radio's problem with an intensive information format."

While it may seem like a last-ditch effort for life, AM stations are far from extinction. About 4,900 of the 9,000 commercial radio stations in the United States are AM, and their revenues amounted to about \$1.3 billion in 1987, according to James Duncan Jr., publisher of the Duncan Radio Market Guide, based in Indianapolis.

While the FM stations may be outnumbered, Duncan said the FM industry's revenues are significantly higher at about \$5 billion.

In the Atlanta metro area, 26 AM stations and 20 FM stations

prises Inc. owner of The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, has broken into the top 10 overall ratings in the No. 6 spot. News-talk station WGST ranks 12th in the market while gospel station WAGR ranks 13th, according to the Arbitron report, a ratings service.

About a dozen stations offer religious programming in the Atlanta area. Analysts said the stations survive because they broadcast shows that are sold as advertising.

But to break into the top 10, AM radio will have to attract more listeners and to make that run for respectability, technology must match programming changes. However, the industry hasn't done a very good job, station owners said.

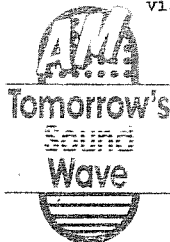
"It's been pretty much of a fiasco," WCNN's Jackson said.

When researchers thought of the idea that AM could also be heard in stereo, a number of companies developed stereo systems.

The problem: Compatibility was virtually impossible because the Federal Communications Commission in a time of increased deregulation did not adopt a uniform standard for the systems.

AM band stereo was introduced in 1982.

via Karl Jeter





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KGRB 900 W. Covina, which was a 500-watt daytimer, is now fulltime (with a local midnight s/off) per the treaty with Mexico. KGRB is // 100% with KBOB 98.3, with all ID's throughout the hour always as either "KGRB and KBOB in West Covina" or "KGRB AM 90 and KBOB 98.3 in West Covina." KGRB's new nighttime signal is very weak, and on my car radio I can hear XEW under them! Also, the unit's auto-scan won't stop on 900, but will stop for KDXU 890 and the KFYY/KNEW mess on 910.

I called the station and asked to speak with the CE and was connected to a Mr. Robert Burchett, the station owner/CE/PD, etc. I introduced myself and that I was with IRCA and was calling to inquire as to how much power KGRB was now utilizing for its new nighttime operation. In a snappy, negative voice, Mr. Burchett said, "Why do you want to know?" I was a bit taken aback, hi, but said, "Well, I belong to a radio club and . . ." He interrupted and said, "I know all about your radio club. You people never call or write and say things like, 'I've been listening to your station for 25 years and I love your station and the music and I think it's great that I can hear your Big Bands music at night. Thank you and God bless.' No, you call and start asking technical questions. You could care less about our music. You just want to know how much power we use, and things like that. Well, I say it's none of your business how much power we use!" Politely I responded that I do, indeed enjoy their music and frequently listen to them; but that I'm also interested in the technical aspects of radio stations. He said, "If you want to talk about the music we program, that's fine. Perhaps we could chat. But that is not what you are interested in. You sound too young to be listening to our music. I know all about your club and your hobby and your DX'ing. You people just tune up and down the dial at night trying to find stations. You are usually not even interested in what they are programming. I'm always getting letters from people all over the country telling me that they are picking up my station, and sending me self-addressed stamped envelopes, and asking me to send them a letter back. I just toss them in the trash. Why the hell should I care if someone in Poughkeepsie, New York is picking me up? I'm only concerned about people in my own area and if they enjoy the music we play." Well, his negative attitude, not to mention that he knocked my place of birth, hi, I began getting annoyed! I answered that it's great that people in his local area might enjoy the music they play, but different people have different interests. His listeners are interested in the programming aspects of his station; and the people in my club are interested in the technical aspects of his station. What's wrong with that? He said, "Well, the only thing that I am interested in are my listeners and the music we play. I'm not interested in DX'ers in some far off city. I'm just concerned about my local community. That's where the advertising dollars are." I asked, "Is the only thing you're interested in is a buck in your pocket?! Otherwise you can't be bothered!" He replied, "This is a business. Advertising dollars support this business. Your stupid DX'ing letters and phone calls like this asking technical questions don't support this business. I can't be having my people taking the time to write letters to you people when they have other work to do. So I've instructed my girls that when they get such letters to just throw them in the trash. I am 78 years old. I work from 6 AM to Midnight. Do you think I have time to be writing letters to people all over the country? What you do is just a hobby. What I do is work. The research; the lawyer fees; the money; the time. All you are interested in is your little hobby. Well, this is a business." I responded, "Actually, it's your average listener who doesn't understand or appreciate the work that went into allowing you to go fulltime. We DX'ers do! We understand, and we're interested in all that!" He asked, "What do you do for a living?" I told him that I work for a magazine publishing company. He said, "Look, if I bought your magazine and then called or wrote to say that I liked it, or didn't like it, that would be fine. But you wouldn't expect me to call and ask questions like: 'How many copies do you print?' or 'What is your circulation area?' You would tell me that it was none of my business. But you people think it's OK to ask: 'What is your power?' and 'What is your coverage area?' Well, I say it's none of your business! You people are just nosy. It's none of your business how much power we use or anything else about our station. I don't like your hobby. I don't like your club. I don't like you people writing me letters from all over the country. You people are a nuisance! And you can

just tell all your people in your club not to write me because we just toss all your letters in the trash." I said, "OK, I'm sorry you feel that way, but I understand your feelings and I'll tell them. But, good luck with your station anyway!" He said, "Thank you," and hung up.

So, as he requested, I'm passing this along, hi. I had never run into someone before who was so against our hobby, and although I don't agree with him per se, I do have to admit that he had some interesting and valid points. Luckily for us, not everyone in the industry feels as he does! 73 de SMW. (Well over 40-line limit, but ran in in full to not break continuity-Rth.)

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Recent veries include KANN 1120 for their new frequency. KANN says they are using 5.5 kw N instead of their licensed 500 w, for a short time. They're 10 kw D with a N/S pattern. So if you want to catch this one give it a try before they go to the lower night power. A verie from KBUY 1360 was most welcomed. They're a DX'er-friendly station - really like to get reception reports! Said my report was the first for 1988. And another most welcomed verie from KLSY 1540. I've heard KLSY only twice in three years - never did verie my 1985 report.

DX is slowly picking up here, granted such things as KVEG 840 isn't much of a DX, but it does add to the totals. 73 de John.

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Greetings and all that earthlings! Well, quite a forum from Steve. My only comment would be: At the jail I worked closely with LVNs (LPN outside CA) RNs and MDs. Most were cool in our working relationship, but there was one RN who wouldn't even let me answer the phone because it was a "medical matter!" When I mentioned this to the head nurse, his reponse was that she showed a lack of security with herself which brought on the paranoia. OK, draw your own conclusions from that.

As for station's power, it IS public information. Sorry Charlie. And construction of anything on land you own IS public knowledge. At least in CA, you have to go to your county courthouse and file your intentions. This becomes public knowledge. How else would people in Loomis be suing KFIA over a proposed transmitter site? Furthermore, publications are required to publish their circulation totals, annually I think.

However, he's 100% correct: It's a business. At K-RED the air personality staff and sales staff had a running good-natured battle. DJ's would say, without us, there's no listeners to patronize the accounts. Sales would say, without us, there's no accounts to pay your salary. But really, at a station that's not a toy or tax write-off, the heart and soul is their advertising dollars and the listeners in their coverage area who can patronize the sponsors. I was the v/s at KRED, but did it from home, on my own time, because everyone was too busy at the station. My boss there was an armchair DX'er and had an early '40s vintage console radio in his office, collected and read the reception reports, but never answered them - until I came along.

I'm sorry someone is so unhappy with our club and DX'ers in general. Other stations in the past have been burned by DX'ers and turned against our hobby. Remember, DX'ing is a hobby, and when writing a station, remember, they verie only out of courtesy and good will. They have a business to run.

Onward. . . NorCal has its first TIS airport station: WNRZ227 530 Sacramento Airport. And in the words of Cal Worthington, if it's under 10 watts I'll eat a bug, hi. At 18 air miles it's 20db o/s/9 - continuous loop giving info about the parking lots. I love the last line, ". . . and don't forget to turn off your lights," hi. Learned about it from TV news (yes, same station that chartered a jet to L.A. to bring back that woman, hi).

The nasty bug that's going around work nailed me, two days in bed, and barely getting this column out. Work on the convention was forced to a temporary halt. But, make your plans now for a CA vacation 4th of July weekend. Sacramento: western terminus of the Pony Express and Transcontinental Railroad. See y'all in '89 in Sacramento! Best of DX and 73 de Rth. .

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