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DX CALENDAR

Sat. Mar. 17	WZEP	1460	DeFuniak Spgs, FL	5kw	0430-0500 EST	NRC/CCM
Sun. 18	WLBE	790	Leesburg, FL	5kw	0330-0400 EST	NRC/CCM
	WQBQ	1410	Leesburg, FL	5kw	0400-0430 EST	NRC/CCM
Sun. 25	WIMS	1420	Michigan City, IN	5kw/500w	0430-0530 EST	NRC/CCM
Mon. Apr. 2	WVVW	630	St. Marys, WV	1kw	0400-0430 EST	NRC/CCM

WZEP-1460, P. O. Box 1460, DeFuniak Springs, FL 32433 will conduct a special DX TEST on 3/17/90, 0430-0500 EST. This test will include Morse Code IDs. Thanks to Mr. Wyatt Cox, Owner-Manager of WZEP. -CCM/NRC
 WLBE-790, Drawer 799, Leesburg, FL 32749-0799 will conduct a DX Test on 3/18/90, 0330-0400 EST. This test will be WLBE's normal monthly maintenance and will consist of tones, voice and Morse Code IDs. Reports to Mr. R. Dean Sever, Chief Engineer. Arranged by CCM for NRC.

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We have a very short column for you this week. Apparently not too much is going on DXwise. But here we go:

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

1580 MEXICO, Durango-XEE (apparently ex-590). Inspired by Chris Knights tip 2/19 0845-1000 looped KDAY-1580 and KCWW's QRM to catch brief bits. On 2/26 KDAY was off, KCWW-looped, and XEE came up good at times w/nearly non-stop mx, Tropical, ballad, rancho from 0840 to 0945 "Radio Hacil" (Spanish?) ID at 0915. Needed new state(9 unheard now). (AWP-CA) (Thx to Chris Knight in reporting this.PM)

VERIFICATIONS

1575 JAPAN, FEN-Sasebo, sent site/freq "generic" FEN/AFRTS QSL card via MPS (Military Postal system) in 12 days for no return postage, and address label. No v/s. (MH-OKINAWA)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, IRCA!! Thanks to everyone in the club for their great support of BI in the past year. A brief reintroduction: I'm getting old (hi), been DXing from various locations in an organized way since the mid-70's. Less organized, I was living in Columbia, SC, circa 1970, faithfully trying to listen to Chicago's Super 'CFL (1000) with annoying splatter from WNOX-990 Knoxville. By the time I found DX clubs, I was in Chicago and WCFL was a local, and now WLUP-1000 is one of the only "clear" channel stations in the U.S. that a pre-teen could conceivably want to search for and listen to. I don't understand how, in the era of satellite saturation, endless evenings of Larry-Williams-Raphael-Net and 99% teen listenership to FM (or TV, or cable, or video, or cassettes), we keep getting new, active MW DXers - but welcome!

The purpose of this column is to keep IRCoids updated on AM band changes and potential changes - for your listening pleasure, for clues as to what you're hearing and tips for what you might now be able to hear. To work, it needs your contributions (hint hint HINT) and feedback to me on what types of info you find most and least useful/useable. Gracias.

OFF THE AIR

call	KHz	power/antenna	state/city
WJTO	730	1000/500	DA-2 ME BATH was news-talk, oldies, now silent
WSUZ	800	1000/330	ND FL PALATKA was sat. country, now silent
WFYP	980	2500/1000	DA-2 FL GULF BREEZE was oldies now off (Thomas-FL)
KHAM	1000	250/	ND-D AR HORSESHOE BEND was country, now silent
WCGA	1100	10000/	ND-D GA WOODBINE was religion, now silent
KJOP	1240	1000/1000	ND CA LEMOORE was Spanish, now off the air
KPBA	1270	5000/31	ND AR PINE BLUFF was KZLR, silent pending sale
WTOW	1320	500/	ND-D NC WASHINGTON was sat. ad. standards, now off
WWFL	1340	1000/1000	ND FL CLERMONT was rock oldies, now silent
WWXX	1400	1000/1000	ND GA ALPHARETTA was bus. news, now silent again
KEPIA	1480	5000/500	DA-N MO IRONTON has been off the air for some time
WSPZ	1520	2500/	ND-D GA DOUGLASVILLE gospel, silent pending sale
KGTN	1530	1000/	ND-D TX CREEDMORE was country, reported off again

BACK ON THE AIR

call	KHz	power/antenna	state/city
CFLS	920	10000/10000	DA-1 PQ LEVIS was silent, on w/FF (Wolfish-ON)
KWAS	1230	1000/1000	ND MO JOPLIN was silent, back on w/sat. oldies
WQMC	1290	1000/1000	DA-N SC SUMTER was WFIG, silent, now religious
KATY	1340	1000/1000	ND CA SAN LUIS OBISPO was silent, back on with news-talk // KUHL-1440
WAVO	1420	1000/	DA-D GA DECATUR was silent, back on w/religion
KIOV	1450	1000/1000	ND ID PAYETTE was KACY, silent, back on the air
KEGG	1560	1000/	ND-D TX DAINGERFIELD was silent, now rock oldies

NEW STATIONS

call	KHz	power/antenna	state/city
WBSO	650	10000/1000	DA-2 MA CLINTON applies to move xmtr location
WLSY	680	1300/450	DA-2 KY NEWBERG contrary to previous reports, is NOT on the air, target was 3/1 (Smith-KY)
new	730	???	? ON NORTH BAY allocation deleted
KVVQ	910	1000/500	DA-2 CA VICTORVILLE finally on the air
KXEP	1060	1000/	ND-D CA TEMPLETON requests extension of time
KKVV	1060	5000/	DA-D NV LAS VEGAS granted CP to reinstate exp. pmt
WELX	1160	500/250	ND FL CALLAHAN granted CP to reinstate exp. pmt, target date is now May 1
KTCD	1200	10000/1000	DA-N CA EUREKA app. returned to move to Cottonwood CA, add 2500 w nights, change xmtr location
WQDQ	1200	10000/500	DA-N TN LEBANON requests another extension of time
new	1340	1000/1000	ND NF HAPPY VALLEY new station granted
WWLO	1430	2500/	DA-D FL GAINESVILLE granted extension of time
KULA	1460	5000/5000	ND HI MAUNAWILI now on the air

For those wondering, "extension of time" is not a concept borrowed from particle physics...it means the new station won't be ready to go on the air by the date it previously promised the FCC, and so is asking to move that date back - meaning the CP is still alive, but isn't likely to be on soon. "CP to reinstate expired permit" is roughly similar, but means the station didn't ask for an extension before it got past the promised date. Both of these are often granted, and even when not granted there are several layers of appeal before the CP is finally cancelled - but it's still useful to know what might or might not be signing on soon.

CHANGES IN EXISTING FACILITIES

call	KHz	power/antenna	state/city
KDFT	540	1000/	DA-D TX FERRIS granted 220 w nights
WKZN	870	10000/1000	DA-2 ME GORHAM on the air ex-1590 KHz
KFRD	980	1000/	ND-D TX ROSENBERG applies for 5000/5000 w DA-2; application was subsequently returned
KIQI	1010	10000/2000	DA-2 CA SAN FRANCISCO amends app. to 50000/10000 w
KPBC	1040	1000/	ND-D TX DALLAS moved to its CP on 770 KHz in Garland TX, and then moved BACK to 1040 KHz while it worked out some problems in its 770 DA. Should make the final 770 move shortly.
WPZA	1050	5000/500	DA-1 MI ANN ARBOR app. returned for 10000/500 w
WHUM	1190	1000/17	ND PA HUGHESVILLE applies to move to 1200 KHz; 10000/250 w DA-2
WGNN	1360	1000/	ND-D GA LAWRENCEVILLE granted move to 610 KHz; 1500/ w ND-D only
KWVJ	1360	1000/1000	DA-2 TX BAYTOWN app. returned for 5000 w days DA-2
KBOP	1380	1000/	ND-D TX PLEASANTON applies for 4000 w DA-D
WOND	1400	580/1000	ND NJ PLEASANTVILLE app. dis. for 1000 w days
WFSR	1470	5000/	ND-D KY HARLAN granted move to 970 KHz
WBUL	1470	2500/	DA-D KY SHEPHERDSVILLE app. dismissed 1000/ ND-D
KTDL	1470	1000/	DA-D LA FARMERVILLE app. dismissed for move to 1160 KHz, 50000/250 w DA-N
WXVX	1510	1000/250	ND-D PA HONROEVILLE CP for 1 kw day is on air
KMPG	1520	5000/	DA-D CA HOLLISTER CP for 5 kw is on (Hilliker-CA)
KWVI	1520	2000/	ND-D IN KNOX CP for 2 kw days is on air
WYNX	1550	50000/500	DA-2 GA SMYRNA app. returned for 1800 w nights
WRSJ	1560	5000/250	ND PR BAYAMON applies for 750 w ND nights
WMTI	1580	5000/2500	DA-N PR MANATI (synch. xmtr) wants 1600 w nights
KMTI	1590	5000/1000	DA-N UT MANTI granted 10000 w days for 650 KHz CP

CALL LETTER CHANGES

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

KSPN	610	CO Vail	is now \$	KSKE	KBMO	1290	MN Benson	is now	KSCR
KBXG	710	CO Denver	*	KNUS	KZZP	1310	AZ Mesa	\$*	KXAM
WBBO	780	NC Forest City	\$*	WWOL	KZAM	1320	OR Springfield	\$	KERT
WGRT	810	IN Indianapolis	*	WSYW	WSGG	1330	AL Scottsboro	\$	WZCT
WLND	830	OH Cortland	*	WKTX	KZAK	1330	TX Tyler	\$*	KDOK
new	880	NC Winston-Salem		WPIP	CKWK	1340	NF Corner Brook		CKXX
new	880	VA Moneta		WBLU	new	1340	NF Happy Valley		CKHV
KKIS	990	CA Pittsburg		KIXA	KZZM	1360	LA Tallulah		KBYO
WEZO	990	NY Rochester	*	WRMM	KJUS	1380	TX Beaumont		KWIC
KVSD	1000	CA Vista	*	KCEO	WJCD	1390	IN Seymour	\$	WQKC
WWWX	1010	NC Albemarle		WLX	KLFD	1410	MN Littlefield		KQIV
new	1030	NV Boulder City		KGZA	WRLT	1430	TN Madison	*	WHNK
new	1060	CA Templeton		KXER	WCHB	1440	MI Inkster	\$*	WMKM
KHYM	1060	TX Gilmer		KTLG	KACY	1450	ID Payette	\$	KIOV
new	1100	TX Hudson		KWXL	WMDN	1450	MS Meridian	\$*	WQIC
WQXM	1120	GA Gordon		WYGO	WJYA	1460	GA Buford	*	WLKQ
KMMZ	1140	WY Greybull		KZMQ	KLEO	1480	KS Wichita	*	KZSN
WAIA	1170	FL St. Augustine Beach							(corrects previous listings)
		(clarifies 2/24 listing)	*	WHWY	WJFL	1490	MS Vicksburg	\$	WOTA
WWSG	1170	NY Cornwall-on-H.		WNBW	KDOK	1490	TX Tyler	\$*	KYZS
KDAN	1180	AZ Williams	*	KTRN	KZZI	1510	UT West Jordan	*	KLLB
new	1200	MI Taylor	*	WCHB	WCMD	1560	MD La Plata	\$*	WSMD
KRNS	1250	TX San Antonio	\$*	KZEP	WJTX	1580	IL Urbana	\$	WBCP
					WBBE	1580	KY Georgetown	\$	WAXU

Also, KUUS-1240 Billings MT applied last week for the calls KZBO, but now sez they won't use the new calls or change formats (they're oldies).

FORMAT CHANGES

call KHz state/city
WJLS 560 WV BECKLEY was country, now religion (switches formats w/FM)
WCEH 610 GA HAWKINSVILLE was country, now rock oldies "Pure Gold 61"
KSEV 700 TX TOMBALL business news, adds Talknet
KNUS 710 CO DENVER was KBXG, remains news-talk
WSVQ 740 TN HARROGATE was country, now rock oldies
WEND 760 FL BRANDON was business news, now flagship for SUN net. talk
WWOL 780 NC FOREST CITY was WBBO, new age // FM, now religion
(cynical question of the week - is this really a format change?)
WEAQ 790 WI EAU CLAIRE was adult standards, now country
WSYW 810 IN INDIANAPOLIS was WATI, remains fine arts // FM
WKTX 830 OH CORTLAND was WLND, rock oldies, now EZ listening to Y'town
WKZN 870 ME GORHAM was on 1590 KHz, AC // FM, now news-talk to Portland
WBKZ 880 GA JEFFERSON was oldies, now news-talk to Athens
WEPC 910 TN SOUTH PITTSBURG was country, now rock oldies
WMMN 920 WV FAIRMONT was adult standards, now AC/oldies
WSLI 930 MS JACKSON was satellite country, now adult contemp. // FM
WBBF 950 NY ROCHESTER was country, now adult standards
WYNZ 970 ME PORTLAND was adult standards, now rock oldies // FM
WRMM 990 NY ROCHESTER was WEZO, adult standards, now AC // FM
KCEO 1000 CA VISTA was KVSD, remains talk/news
WKPA 1150 PA NEW KENSINGTON was adult contemporary, now EZL // FM
WJUN 1180 IN NEWBURGH was adult standards, now oldies "Cool" (Heisey-PA)
WCHB 1200 MI TAYLOR new, black format moves here from 1440 KHz Inkster
WKNX 1210 MI FRANKENMUTH was rock oldies, now adult standards to Saginaw
KPRL 1230 CA PASO ROBLES was adult standards, now full service, oldies
WLLR 1230 IL MOLINE was WMRZ, adult stds, now country // FM (Clemmer-IL)
KNUZ 1230 TX HOUSTON rock oldies, drops Talknet
WATN 1240 NY WATER TOWN was country, now rock oldies (Wolfish-ON)
KZEP 1250 TX SAN ANTONIO was KRNS, news-talk, now classic rock // FM
WIBV 1260 IL BELLEVILLE sat. AC days, adds Talknet, Larry King
KXAM 1310 AZ MESA was KZZP, CHR // FM, now satellite adult standards
KEIN 1310 MT GREAT FALLS was country, now satellite rock oldies
KDOK 1330 TX TYLER was KZAK, remains adult standards
KVOY 1340 CA NEEDLES was country // FM, now country oldies
KSMJ 1380 CA SACRAMENTO was sat. black oldies, now satellite rock oldies
KTEM 1400 TX TEMPLE was country, now country oldies
KTJS 1420 OK HOBART country, adds Talknet
WHNK 1430 TN MADISON was WRLT, soft AC, now traditional country "W-Hank"
WMKM 1440 MI INKSTER was WCHB, black, now gospel, to be business news
(corrects last column's listing, which was based on FCC misinfo!)
KPUR 1440 TX AMARILLO was rock oldies, now Spanish (Axelrod-MB)
WQIC 1450 MS MERIDIAN was WMDN, remains black, adds sat. black oldies
WLKQ 1460 GA BUFORD was WJYA, remains AC // FM "Lake 102"
WACO 1460 TX WACO was talk, now country // FM
KZSN 1480 KS WICHITA was KLEO, oldies, now country // FM
KFBN 1490 MT LAUREL was FBN business news, now rock oldies
WNBT 1490 PA WELLSBORO was CHR // FM, now satellite rock oldies
KYZS 1490 TX TYLER was KDOK, religion, now satellite rock oldies
WLFN 1490 WI EAU CLAIRE was country, now rock oldies (Axelrod-MB)
KLLB 1510 UT WEST JORDAN was KZZI, silent, to be adult standards to SLC
WBHT 1520 TN BROWNSVILLE was country, now CNN news
WSMD 1560 MD LA PLATA was WCMD, remains AC/rock oldies
WFLR 1570 NY DUNDEE was AC, oldies // FM, now satellite country
KTGR 1580 MO COLUMBIA was country, now satellite adult standards
KUSH 1600 OK CUSHING was country, now soft AC/oldies

PROPOSED STATION SALES (* means check the format listings for more info)

KKOB-770-NM, WAJN-790-TN, KBLN-910-TX, KFMY-960-UT, KCFO-970-OK, WTCA-1050-IN, KDAN-1180-AZ (now silent, sold by a transsexual dentist - I'm not making this up!), KMGR-1230-UT, KWHK-1260-KS, WTKL-1260-LA, KPBA-1270-AR (now silent), KBAM-1270-WA, WWTC-1280-MN, KRAN-1280-TX, KXOL-1320-OK, CHQM-1320-BC (sold w/FM to owners of CFUN-1410; one of the AMs will have to be spun off), WDKC-1330-FL, KHLB-1340-TX, WELE-1380-FL, KJME-1390-CO, KEBE-1400-TX, WDOV-1410-DE, KKLO-1410-KS, WBSM-1420-MA, KKIP-1440-AR, WXOK-1460-LA, WECH-1490-FL (now silent), WLFN-1490-WI*, WINU-1510-IL, WHBT-1510-MI, KMND-1510-TX, WSPZ-1520-GA, WCGO-1600-IL

STATION SALES THAT FAILED: KJUN-1450-WA

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES: WKTP-1590 Jonesborough TN is added to the list of stns granted exemptions by the FCC so that a licensee can own multiple stations of the same service (in this case, AM) in the same market. Why bother getting a license to build a synchronous transmitter when you can just buy a competing station and either simulcast it or sign it off (ala the late WGLI-1290)? The main reason the experiment in licensing synch. xmtrs ran aground is that the whole exercise has become moot! And speaking of translators, KGMI-790 Bellingham WA has applied for a translator in Blaine WA to relay the AM; if approved, it would be the first FM translator used to directly relay an AM feeder station.

To follow up on the KTCB-1200-CA app. and Rth's comments a couple issues ago, there's actually ample precedent now for new AM stn CPs picking up and moving 100 miles or more. Most recently, WLJH-1120 Denham Springs LA was originally licensed to Petal MS, and WMMI-830 Shepherd MI was supposed to serve Marshall MI. Again, why bother going through the process to license a new station when you can just buy the languishing CP of someone else in the next state, and move it where you want?

The latest directory issued by Canada's Broadcaster magazine has deleted CBH-860 Halifax NS, CBAF-1300 Moncton NB, and CBD-1110 Saint John NB. It's probably safe to assume that each of these CBC facilities is permanently off the air.

Also off the air are two of last year's crop of new satellite program services. The Financial Broadcast Network (FBN), based with XEKAM-950 Tijuana (San Diego), has folded; XEKAM is reportedly off the air, tho I've gotten no confirmation of this. Only two other stations were carrying the FBN format at the time of its demise. Seattle-based Braiker Radio Services is also reportedly planning to have folded its tent by the time you read this; they have about 15 AM & FM affiliates.

It's spreading...Simulcaster WUSQ-610/102.5 Winchester VA is now also using the "There's only one...WUSQ" slogan. If they're truly serious about the proposition, sign off the AM and let us hear KFRC, hi.

On the other hand, sometimes there's hope that radio will catch up with the rest of the world...a jury in Pittsburgh awarded nearly \$700,000 in damages to the former news director of an FM station there, who was constantly insulted on the air and made the butt of sexually degrading "jokes" by the allegedly humorous morning DJs. I think the FCC's enforcement of obscenity regulations is a bad idea - I don't like any branch of government deciding what's safe for me to hear - but this has to be considered a victory for those of us who don't think sexist, racist, sophomoric radio is an adequate excuse for entertainment or for community service, two qualities AM and FM radio desperately need.

Much of the station data for this column comes from weekly issues of The M Street Journal and assorted DX Monitor columns. Other contributors this issue: Tony Fitzherbert (Fairfield CT), Gene Smith (Louisville KY)

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In This Issue

All sections are in this issue. This bulletin is being prepared a little later than usual but all should receive it by Monday, in the USA. Those mailing material for DXM are reminded that we continue to use Saturday, seven days before the date of issue, as the deadline for ALL columns and plan to continue through the season. Columns received later will be used in the following bulletin. -Don Erickson, IRCA Editor-in-Chief

DX WORLDWIDE EAST

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Reports included from William Wyllie with a batch of the Cubans, and Randy Stewart has finally IDed Dominica-595. In the last several seasons the Dominican BC Corp.-595 has seemed much more dependable (at least here) with their 10kW. Good luck getting the QSL, Randy - I tried twice with no luck, even including mint Dominica postage stamps. Let us know. This weekend I'm planning to visit the E-W web. site and erect a 3500' wire, so perhaps next week my name will appear below. See you next week:

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

- 595 DOMINICA, Roseau DBS 0225 2/22 : Finally caught this one before they left the air -- full s/off after end of rlg's pgm... Caribbean accented male ancr, mention-ed freq's of 595 MW and 88.1 FM; gave compl mailing addr., cable addr., plus phone #'s, all as listed in WRTH; said goodbye "until 5:30 tomorrow morning", into NA. Seemed to pronounce country name w/accnt on 3rd syllable--"dom-i-nIC-a"...I never knew, thought it might be "do-MIN-i-ca..." Country #16 on MW. Rpt sent. Fr level & steady as a rock, but bad slop from Relej-600/Rebelde-590/ domestics. (Stewart-MO) (Congrats, Randy. You must mean Rebelde-600 and al-though there is a low-powered Rebelde on 590 Relej rules the roost w/60kW. The '90 WRTH lists 150kW Rebelde on 590 but currently is not in svce. ed)
- 600 CUBA, Urbano Noris 0620 2/25 : Gd w/Rebelde pgm'ing. Not hrd too much lately. (Wyllie-MA)
- 630 MEXICO, Monterrey XEFB 0520-0603 2/26 : Mixing w/KXOK w/Mexican mx, ments of Monterrey, full call ID 0603... slgn, both at ID time and on jingles, sd/1k "R. Centro" (or "R. Disco"??)--not listed this way in WRTH. (Stewart-MO)
- 640 CUBA, Guanabacoa 0521 2/17 : Occ strong, EE/SS songs. Caught me by suprise when I hrd "Something Stupid" by Frank & Nancy Sinatra". Interference from 630 WPRO. (Wyllie-MA)
- 650 unID, 0250 2/22 : SS sports coverage fr-pr in WSM semi-null (couldn't get rid of it completely) --no ID could be pulled out.. didn't seem to be //Cubans. Assumed unneeded HIAT. (Oddly, YSS-655 not hrd tonight..they haven't moved off their split, have they?)(No. ed). Lots of T-storm static. (Stewart-MO)
- 660 CUBA, Santa Clara 0409 2/17 : Fadey byt gd u/WFAN, SS mx, "R. Progreso" ID. (Wyllie0-MA)
- 670 CUBA, Arroyo Arenas 0403 2/17 : SS sports of some kind, "R. Rebelde" ID. Seemed to be in // w/620. Odd to hear Cuba on 620? (Wyllie-MA) (No, there is a set of Rebelde transmitters on 620. ed)
- 690 CUBA, Cardenas 0526 2/17 : SS mx incl "La Bamba". "R. Rebelde" ID, fr sgml. WRTH '90 lists this as Progreso. (Wyllie-MA) (Has had Progreso net for a long time. May have just had the Rebelde relay that eve, as Cubans often switch back & forth on an irregular basis. ed)
- 710 CUBA, 0512 2/17 : Rebelde booming in o/WOR. Strong most of time but tonight VERY strong. Who do you hear (CMBC/CMHC) or both at once? (Wyllie-MA) (Wm., there are at least three synchros. xmtrs here with Rebelde feed, per FCC. There is no way to determine which xmtr(s) you are hearing, at least not w/o LOCAL DF.ed)
- 730 MEXICO, XEX 0710 2/25 : No sign of CBC stn, & oddly on Mexico big band mx was being played. Many ments of Mexico & "Musical" ID's, strong. (Wyllie-MA) (Wm., the musical ments were likely part of a program name. ed)
- 740 unID, 0520 2/25 : Weak u/Canadian, possible ID "R. Maracaibo" but not sure?? (Wyllie-MA) (Would be YVNC, Venezuela. ed)
- 750 NICARAGUA, Managua HTA750 0536 2/26 : Noted Sandino in passing doing their typical mx'al thing w/automated TC's etc...on the night of their big election, no less. Loud, mixing w/WSB. (Stewart-MO)
- 770 COLOMBIA, Bogota HJXX 0601 2/26 : "R-C-N Bogota" ID fr-pr, popped out of sludge. (Stewart-MO)
- 940 MEXICO, 0603 2/25 : Strong w/SS mx, "Super Q" ID's, 0705 "XEQ Mexico". (Wyllie)
- 950 unID, 0315 1/27 : Noted FF & SS here, caught part of ID "National" but ?? (Wyl)
- 1110 COLOMBIA, (?) 0530 past 0630 2/26 : 1 of the HJ's w/non-stop Nicaraguan elect-ion coverage. Live phone-ins, TC's as local Colombian time. Fr pr in WWNE null, faded at ID time, of course. (Stewart-MO)
- CUBA, 0310 1/27 : R. Taino BOOMING in, not //830 (830 not on). (Wyllie-MA)

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FRG-7, SM-1
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(Kaz-CA1) DX'ing at Bev. site in Poway, CA with R70, 1000"
Beverage at 80°
- (RK) Rolan Kunkel-189 Del Monte Lane-Morgan Hill, CA 95037
- (CM) Curtis McMenamin-2917 Georgia St.-Vallejo, CA 94591
Sony ICF-2010, Radio West loop
- (AWP) Art Peterson-851 31st Street-Richmond, CA 94804
Bendix MN-26C D/F rx, Radio West ferrite loop
- (RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118
GE Superadio, GE long-range portable, SM-2

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 990 KIXA CA, Pittsburg-Concord 2/26 0900 ex-KKIS. Usual good signal. Ad for Cellular Connection, ID on hour ment. FM and "...KIXA-AM 990, Pittsburg-Concord." They were KKIS & KIXA in December, then became KKIS again after a week, and are now KIXA again! (RW-CA)
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- 530 TIS CA, Mission Viejo noted a new sign on I-5 for a TIS here, but it wasn't on yet on 2/10. (Kaz-CA)
TIS CA, San Jose Int'l Airport good 2/18 0505 announcing the opening of new Terminal A on 2/11. Message alternates with short jingle. (AWP-CA)
+2/23 0242 "Fly San Jose International, San Jose International Airport proudly announces the opening of San Jose's newest & most modern terminal, Terminal A on Sunday February 11th," repeating loop. (RK-CA)
- 550 KOY AZ, Phoenix 2/24 1245 ID into NOS music in KOAC null. (RK-CA)
- 560 (KSFO) CA, San Francisco 2/3 2230 totally off the air. (CM-CA)
- 590 KRSC CA, San Bernardino 2/25 1004 NBC news, ads, and ID. (RK-CA)
- 650 CISE BC, Richmond 2/4 1038 excellent with "C-Isle" slogan, oldies, ads. (RK-CA)
- 680 (KNBR) CA, San Francisco 2/25 0510 off totally, freq. dead except for KBOI & XETRA splash. 2nd time off in a week! Only 3rd time heard off. (RW-CA)
- 700 KGRV OR, Winston 2/19 2122 ID "This is KGRV serving Winston Oregon for 6 years." (RK-CA)
- 730 KIZN ID, Boise 3/3 0528 "continuous country" followed by weather at 0558, absolutely no ID at top of the hour. Dominating freq. which is usually dominated by CKLG. (RtH-CA)
- 800 KNKK UT, Brigham City 2/25 2330 C&W format, ID "Country music is still country music on 800, KNKK." IS this really 30 watts? Nice steady level. (RK-CA)
- 930 KRTH CA, Los Angeles 3/3 still has not changed calls, // with FM per ID at 0617. (RtH-CA)
- 1030 ?KJDJ? CA, San Luis Obispo 2/20 2230 Talkradio till 2300 NBC news, commercials for businesses in Atascadero. Slow deep fades. ID not heard. "When Radio Was" followed news. (RK-CA)
KTWO WY, Casper 2/20 2320 weather, commercial, ID "KTWO Radio," followed by C&W. In KJDJ null. (RK-CA)
- 1080 KWJJ OR, Portland 2/20 2330 C&W, ID "KWJJ," then more C&W. (RK-CA)
- 1130 CKWX BC, Vancouver 2/20 2340 ID as "WX 11-30" then C&W music, in KRDU null. (RK-CA)
- 1200 WOAI TX, San Antonio 2/14 0149 ID with relig. call in to 1-800-183-WOAI. Excellent with CKDA phased out. (RK-CA)
- 1210 KPRZ CA, San Marcos 2/26 05601:30, ID jingle. Canned relig. programs. Good. New here. (AWP-CA) (Art, I don't quite know what time you meant there!--NH)
- KONY UT, Washington 2/26 0553 while trying (unsuccessfully) for WBIU test, call ID (ex-KCLG) and C&W music. Good. (AWP-CA)

1230 KYVA NM, Gallup 3/19 0346 atop, fair signal with SID then C&W music. (Kaz-CA1)
 1320 KUTR UT, Salt Lake City 2/25 2055 ID "KUTR in Salt Lake City" followed by LDS spot. (RK-CA)
 1330 KR DG CA, Redding 2/25 2042 sung ID "1330 KR DG." (RK-CA)
 1350 KR LC ID, Lewiston/WA, Clarkston 2/26 1015 loud in KSRO null with weather, ID. Not as common as it used to be. (RW-CA)
 1380 (KSMJ) CA, Sacramento 3/3 off the air at 0632, trace of KRKO ruined at one minute later. (Rth-CA)
 1390 KSLM OR, Salem 2/26 2031 oldies & "KSLM" ID. (RK-CA)
 1410 KCAL CA, Redlands 2/24 2130 Spanish ID & music. First time I've heard them since 1963. (RK-CA)
 ?KRFD? CA, Yuba City 2/6 2323 faded up with annct. of what sounded like KRFD. Heavy KRML & KFMS QRM. (RK-CA)
 CFUN BC, Vancouver 2/24 2140 Winter Wonderland lottery tickets promo, Granco commercial, SID "1410 CFUN." (RK-CA)
 1430 KFIG CA, Fresno 2/24 2345 Bulldog BKB (Fresno State), ads. In KNNTA null. (RK-CA)
 1470 KUTY CA, Palmdale 2/6 0000 Satellite News Network news at 0000, C&W at 0005, sung ID "KUTY." (RK-CA)
 KBSN WA, Moses Lake 2/26 1012 very strong way over KXOA with several local spots. Their day pattern must be right at me! (RW-CA)
 1480 ?KGCC? MT, Sidney 2/8 0230 I have tried for them for months. Does anyone know it this station is still on the air? Possibly caught ID, but not sure. Very poor under KRED/KWIZ/KYOS. (CM)
 1490 KR KC CA, King City 2/6 0027 ID & ad, straight KR KC ID. (RK-CA)
 1550 KMJK WA, Vancouver 2/26 1024 good & steady under KXHI/KXEX with ID "102 point 7, KMJK." Apparently simulcasting FM with AM. (RW)
 1580 KCWW AZ, Tempe-Phoenix 3/3 weather at 0623. Used "KCW" slogan. (Rth-CA)
 1590 KMTI UT, Manti 2/17 0000 Snowbird College BKB (Badgers) playing the Rick Vikings, ID at 0024. (RK-CA)

DX TESTS

1210 (WBIU) LA, Denham Springs 2/26 0530-0600 tried, not heard, only weak mix of varied stations. (RW-CA)
 1480 (WRSW) IN, Warsaw 2/4 0530-0555 tried for them but no luck. Also looked for KCZN/KKEL/KLMS. (CM-CA)

UNIDS

1270 3/3 0637 satellite sounding country music. (Rth-CA)

Most of the reports this week were hand written, and at times it was a challenge to figure out letters or numbers! I apologize if I misread something. It's the Anniversary Issue--Happy Anniversary, IRCA!!! ♥

----DX CALENDAR continued from Front Page----

WQBQ-1410, 10401 - 328 Highway 441, Leesburg, FL 34788 will conduct a DX TEST on 3/18/90, 0400-0430 EST. WQBQ will broadcast a special format for the morning and will include English and Spanish voice IDs as well as Morse Code IDs. Correct reports will be verified with a special letter. Reports may be mailed or they may be FAXED to (904) 787-4446. Thanks to Mr. Donald Connelly, GM, WQBQ, for this test. Arranged by the CO CPC Machine for NRC.
 WIMS-1420, 685 E. 1675 North, Michigan City, IN 46360 will conduct a Special DX Test on 3/25/90, 0430-0530 EST. The test will be conducted with a newly installed Harris SX-5A transmitter. The test will be 0430-0445 500w day pattern (large ellipse, major lobe SE), 0445-0500 5kw day pattern, 0500-0515 5kw night pattern (figure 8, major lobes NE/SW). The test will include Morse Code IDs. Thanks to fellow DX enthusiast Mr. Robert J. Schilling, CE. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the NRC.
 WYVW-630, P. O. Box 374, Saint Marys, WV 26170 will conduct a special DX Test on 4/2/90, 0400-0430 EST. The test will be made using 1kw ND and will consist of tones, IDs, and some music. Thanks to National Radio Club member Mr. Bob Eddy, Pres., for this test. -NRC/Colorado CPC Machine

If you notice ANY errors, please let Don Erickson, IRCA HQ, know right away. (714) 687-5910. All CPC info for DX Calendar, all changes of address, and all membership renewals should be addressed to IRCA, Donald Erickson, 6059 Essex Street, Riverside, CA 92504-1599. The deadline for last minute phone calls is Monday night. Info as late as 10AM Eastern time on Tuesday morning can usually be included.



FOR THE RECORD

All times are Eastern local. Deadlines: 3/24, 4/7, 4/21, 5/12, 6/12.

➡ RIDING GAIN

- [TML-IN] = Tom Laskowski, 1334 East Miner Street, South Bend, IN 46617
ICOM IC-R71A, loop.
- [RS-MO] = Randy Stewart, 4225 West La Casa, Springfield, MO 65802.
Realistic TRF 12-656, 4' spiral loop.
- [JcJ-MT] = Your editor using an ICOM IC-R71A with a 23" ferrite bar loop.

DOWN THE DIAL


- 660 KSKY TX Balch Springs, 2/18 good and dominating, best in LSB mode to avoid WMAQ. 1855 w/Southern gospel music. DJ was a Shannon Gray. ID "...here on AM 6-60 KSKY." New for me. [TML-IN]
- 710 KEEL LA Shreveport, 2/18. 1834-1841 w/promo for a trip to Vienna, Austria sponsored by "71 keel." PSA for Shreveport. Adcon music format. New for me. [TML-IN]
- 750 KJEL MO Lebanon, 2/18 weak but clear. 1830 w/"...FM and KJEL AM, Lebanon...." That's all I heard. New for me. [TML-IN]
- 770 WVNN AL Athens, 2/21 good, dominant at sunset. 1814 w/Alabama state news, sports. Many IDs. [RS-MO]
- 950 KYGO CO Denver, 3/4 poor in KCTR-970 null. 0345 w/C&W format. Using slogan "Authentic Country 9-50 KYGO AM." [JcJ-MT]
- 1030 KFAY AR Fayetteville, 2/18 strong, no WBZ. Rare here. 1809 w/C&W music. ID "Arkansas' favorite country, KFAY." Local spots. [TML-IN]
- 1180 KKAR NE Bellevue, 2/26 very good. 0856-0919 w/CBS and local news. Mutual feature "On The Human Side." "KKAR Radar Weather Center" reports. 0900 ID "KKAR Radio, Bellevue, Council Bluffs, and Omaha." New for me, report sent. [RS-MO]
- 1260 CFRN AB Edmonton, 3/4 good, KOIT nulled. 0150 w/rock oldies format. Using slogan "All Oldies." [JcJ-MT]
- 1480 KYOS CA Merced, 3/4 good w/KPHX nulled. 0200 w/"KYOS 14-50" ID into AI news. Not needed. [JcJ-MT]
- 1590 KMTI UT Manti, 3/5 good. 0200 w/ending of "America's Top 40" show. Tag said "...join us 8 PM next Sunday on KMTI Manti, Utah." Note also KMTI is still on 1590. [JcJ-MT]
- 1600 KRXY CO Denver, 3/5 good. 0201 station signed off "for technical adjustments." Noted back on briefly at 0235. With KRXY off KGST much stronger. Note this is not a weekly SP. [JcJ-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

March 16, 1965 Anniversary issue of DX Monitor...IRCA had reached the first milestone with 352 members...the cover page featured two pictures showing the publishing committee, Bill Nittler, Dallas John, and Dave Johnson....Bill Hardy Jr. wrote comparing the IRCA split from NRC with the USA split from England...Don Erickson had typed some 40 pages of stencils...Don mentioned he was 18 and his major at RCC was electronics...Reports mentioned that the FCC had given KBOI-950 permission to move to 670....The large anniversary issue contained reports from 105 members! (Quite impressive!!!)



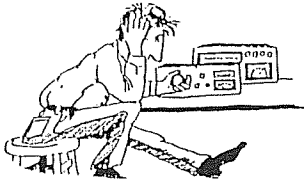
OPEN MIKE

 Small opportunities are often the beginning of great enterprises. The 26th anniversary of DX Monitor is here! 73, John

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Eastern DX Roundup

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DEADLINE: Monday's at my QTH for ALL winter issues

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(RCR-PA) Robert Ritchey, 210 S. Walnut St., Martinsburg, PA - 16662
DX-160, 400' longwire
(RB-NY) Your editor with a GE Superadio
(WPT-DC) William Townshend, 4500 Connecticut NW, Apt. 901, Wash, DC
-20008; Sony 2010
(GH-PA) Gary Heisey, Box 310F RD 1, Osterburg, PA - 16667
Philco Radio w/4' Loop
(NJW-ON) Niel J. Wolfish, 178 Florence Ave., Willowdale, ON M2N 1G4
ICF-2010 and broken Space Magnet-2
(WWiW) Wolfish & Robert C. Walker listening in Wixom, Michigan with
an ICF-2010 and Radio West Loop
(JRH-Pab) James R. Hall, 240 Byron Rd., Pittsburgh, PA - 15237-4015
Icom R71A w/ 2500' West Beverage at Wildwood/Highland, PA,
11 miles North of Pittsburgh, terminating in a pond!
(JRH-PA) James R. Hall DXing at home QTH
(KVJ-GA) Karl Jeter, 2115 Scarborough Rd., Stone Mt., GA - 30088
HQ-150, AT5-803A, 4' Loop
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- 550 KFYR ND, BISMARCK 2/4 0433 VERY STRONG and dominant at times
w/usual WGR absent on beverage. Rock mx and
"K-K-K-K-K-fire!". (JRH-Pab)
560 KWTO MO, SPRINGFIELD 2/4 0302 DOMINANT much of the morning on the
beverage; on Interstate Radio Network (IRN) w/trucker's c/w
show. (JRH-Pab)
560 WQAM FL, MIAMI 2/18 2132-2155 w/commercials for auto supply,
Wallace Brown; IDs as "South Florida's Sports Channel"; talk
show hosted by Bruce Warner (taking listener's calls); not bad
for 1,000 watts. (TF-CT)
590 WARM PA, SCRANTON 2/19 1200 FAIR oldies mx, nx, wx; ad for
"Northeast Foot and Ankle Institute", "You're listening to
WARM News." (RB-NY)
600 WMT IA, CEDAR RAPIDS 2/4 0254 DOMINANT not often hrd in PA
anymore due to presence of hp Cuban here, but on beverage WMT
was totally dominant w/5% Cuban u/. Mixing heavily at times
with WSOM in 2500' bevs beam. (JRH-Pab)
610 WDAF MO, KANSAS CITY 2/4 0121 DOMINANT "Sixty-One Country, In the
Heart of Kansas City." (JRH-Pab)
630 WPRO RI, PROVIDENCE 2/7 1709 GOOD w/wx, tides, ID by man as
"Southern New England's Information Leader, 630, WPRO", into
talk show. (RCR-PA)
640 WCRV TN, COLLIERVILLE 2/20 0630 POOR ID on the half hour then
religious programming. (RB-NY)
650 WSM TN, NASHVILLE 2/20 0620 POOR-FAIR "The Breakfast Table Show"
with Lonnie (?); c/w. (RB-NY)
670 WIEZ PA, LEWISTON 2/22 0720 nice surprise u/WMAQ w/"Oldies 670",
local ads and Weatherwatch forecast. (KVJ-GA)
680 KFEO MO, ST. JOSEPH 2/4 0247 w/Fred Sanders IRN // KWTO // KXEL,
etc. beating WPTF-NC and Rebelde Cubans here by a wide margin
on the beverage. (JRH-Pab)
680 WCNN GA, NORTH ATLANTA 2/11 1810 GOOD w/ID as "All News, 6-80";
Bob McCain sports. (GH-PA)
690 WADS CT, ANSONIA 2/19 1220 POOR-FAIR ad for Fitzpatrick's
Chrysler/Plymouth/Mazda", sports nx; IDs. (RB-NY)
710 WYFF GA, EASTMAN 2/4 0640 FAIR w/WFNR IDing as "71 AM/Woof/92
FM"; spot for concert at the Macon Coliseum; c/w. (WWiW)
710 WFNR VA, BLACKBURG 2/4 0645 FAIR w/instrumental SSB and ID at
s/on as "Super 710 Radio, WFNR
Blacksburg-Christianburg-Radford" into c/w w/DJ Dave Collins.
(WWiW)

790 WAEB PA, ALLENTOWN 2/19 1225 POOR-FAIR talk show w/topics on abortion and Nicaragua; nx, wx on "WAEB News." (RB-NY)

790 WTSK AL, TUSCALOOSA 2/18 2135 FAIR w/ID by/m, into gospel mx.
(GH-PA)

810 KCMO MO, KANSAS CITY 2/7 1857 GOOD w/nx, ID as "KCMO News Time is 6:57" by man; traffic check. (RCR-PA)

860 WGUL FL, DUNEDIN 2/11 0459 FAIR-POOR w/ID by man; Barbara Streisand song and MYL format. (GH-PA)

860 WOAY WV, OAK HILL 2/24 0730 calendar offer, PSA fro WV Association of Broadcasters; anti-abortion program, wiped out by s/on of local WAEC at 0735. (KVJ-GA)

880 KRNV NE, LEXINGTON 2/7 1900 GOOD w/PSA for census, ID by man as "This is KRNV, Lexington, Nebraska" into nx. (RCR-PA)

890 KVOZ TX, LAREDO 2/18 1915-1935 SS mx, and SS announcer occasionally breaking into EE made me stay with this u/WLS; SS talk was interspersed w/promos and PSAs in EE, mention of "All Hit Radio." (KVJ-GA)

910 KGLC OK, MIAMI 2/4 0058 EXCELLENT above all w/"KGLC, K-double S-M Miami, Sizzlin' Country" and s/off at 0100; left KJJQ: The beverage antenna cleared most of the N/S QRM here. (JRH-Pab)

910 KJJQ SD, VOLGA/BROOKINGS 2/4 0101 GOOD surprised at strength since this was just a bit outside of the beverage's beam (but then again, the beverage had no term. resistor, just bare end tossed in 7' deep pond/marsh area). Long local wx and into Ronnie Milsap mx. Station mostly alone (.) after KGLC s/off, and is not necessarily AC as reported (all mx heard this a.m. was c/w). (JRH-Pab)

920 KARN AR, LITTLE ROCK 2/4 0207 FAIRLY DOMINANT at times w/unID domestic stations, on Talknet as usual. (JRH-Pab)

920 KDHL MN, FARIBAULT 2/1 0406 GOOD w/"Nightwatch" program/magazine show on Soviet defense and other topics. Occasionally quite good and heard often. (JRH-PA)

920 WBBB NC, BURLINGTON-GRAHAM 2/18 1800 GOOD w/ID as "Pure Gold, 920, WBBB" into oldies. (GH-PA)

930 KKIN MN, AITKEN 2/4 0220 FAIR at best on beverage. (JRH-Pab)

940 WMIX IL, MOUNT VERNON 2/7 1905 GOOD w/Mutual nx, ID by man as "WMIX, a Service of Withers Broadcasting" into rock oldies. (RCR-PA)

940 WCPC MS, HOUSTON 2/11 1750 c/w mx, commercial for a discount mobile home outlet and Valentine bouquets at The Foodway then lost to WMaz. (TF-CT)

950 KLIK MO, JEFFERSON CITY 2/7 1843 FAIR c/w mx, ID by man as "950 KLIK" back into c/w. (RCR-PA)

980 WTRY NY, TROY 2/7 1635 GOOD w/rock oldies, ID as "98 WTRY" by man, into local nx and wx by female announcer. (RCR-PA)

980 WTRY, NY, TROY 2/12 1701 VERY POOR in mess w/ID, Traffic Watch, national nx by f/ann and mentions of area. (GH-PA)

980 WLUS FL, GAINESVILLE 2/18 0400 DX TEST POOR-FAIR w/Code IDs hears and only snippets of voice audio; Code IDs at 0401, 0416, 0421 and 0428. (KVJ-GA)

1030 WFTK NC, WAKE FOREST 2/7 1800 FAIR w/"WFTK Super Gospel Station, Wake Forest/Raleigh/Durham" by m/ann; s/off w/no SSB. (GH-PA)

1030 WYSL NY, AVON 2/17 1720-1730 w/"Money Talk" call-in program; ID as "Three Years of Service to Our Community, We're WYSC"; received equally strong with WBZ! (TF-CT)

1040 WHBO FL, PINELIAS PARK 2/10 2035 LOUD w/"We're Your Oldies Station, WHBO"; promo for "Call Dial-a-Maid at 526-3376" and into "Bus Stop" by the Hollies. (GH-PA)

1070 WAPI AL, BIRMINGHAM 2/18 1825-1830 w/Sinatra mx; ID as "AM 1070, WAPI" and lost at 1830 pattern change. (TF-CT)

1070 WIBC IN, INDIANAPOLIS 2/10 1620-1640 MOR mx, commercials, sports scores on "1070 - WIBC"; way atop frequency. (TF-CT)

1070 WNCT NC, GREENVILLE 2/18 1742 EZL; promo for the "Taste of Greenville Festival"; ID as "Easy 108, WNCT"; simulcast w/FM and lost at 1745 pattern change. (TF-CT)

1090 WBZB NC, SELMA 2/2 1800 FAIR u/WBAL s/off by m/CE; c/w format. (WPT-DC)

1150 WHUN PA, HUNTINGDON 2/3 1805 GOOD w/WMET off momentarily; wx report by f/announcer. (WPT-DC)

1160 WCCS PA, HOMER CITY/INDIANA 2/17 1731 promo for the second annual WCCS lawn and garden show at Indiana Mall; ad for Kirk's Department Store and Indiana transit buses; Karen Williams was the announcer. (TF-CT)

1190 WSDQ TN, DUNLAP 2/18 1830 FAIR then POOR w/"K.T. Oslin on WSDQ" by m/ann; DJ wished people a happy birthday; wx and what sounded like a s/off when it faded; WOWO null. (GH-PA)

1230 WLFH NY, LITTLE FALLS 2/3 0000 on ToH w/s/off by man and SSB by chorus. (NJW-ON)

1260 WMUU SC, GREENVILLE 2/16 1815 GOOD w/ID and slogan as "Sound of Inspiration" into "Let the Bible Speak." Also heard an unID with SSB in there. (GH-PA)

1270 WDLA NY, WALTON 2/17 1627 c/w, ad for J & J Truck Sales, Trainer's Midway Diner then lost to WSPR. (TF-CT)

1290 WNBF NY, BINGHAMPTON 2/17 0635-0645 w/oldies contest (10th caller wins two slices of pizza (WOW! - ed) [can't they afford the whole pie? - TF]; ID as "AM 1290 - WNBF - The One You Turn To." (TF-CT)

1350 KRNT IA, DES MOINES 2/17 0825 GOOD w/talk of Iowa and a garden show. Local national nx by f/ann; "Excluding KRNT forecast for Des Moines and Central Iowa." I'm glad WBEM has been silent for several months. (GH-PA)

1370 WIVV PR, VIEQUES 2/19 DX TEST (Time?) tried but not heard. (KVJ-GA)

1380 WBEL ILL, SOUTH BEOIT 2/17 0822 FAIR w/ID and spot for Freeman Outlet Mall and Beloit Industrial Park; ad for Nutri-System; in WKMC slop. (GH-PA)

1390 WNLF MI, CHARLOTTE 2/12 1715 GOOD w/ID and c/w. (GH-PA)

1420 WIMS IN, MICHIGAN CITY 2/17 0840 FAIR w/ID and talk of gift certificates, WIMS Radio Auction into soft AC; no WHK for once. (GH-PA)

1440 WSSL SC, GREENVILLE 2/12 1720 BRIEFLY FAIR w/ "12 In a Row Country" and "Whistle FM"; no WRRO. (GH-PA)

1440 WNFL WI, GREEN BAY 2/12 1730 POOR-FAIR w/ID and the "4:30 Report" with a f/ann; talk of Wisconsin in local nx. (GH-PA)

1440 WFTQ MA, WORCESTER 2/15 1648 BRIEFLY FAIR w/ID and "Cancellations" by f/ann (?-ed). (GH-PA)

1440 WWTG ME, WESTBROOK 2/15 1702 FAIR in tight null of others; cancellations for Southern Maine Tech; "G-98" IDs into rock mx. (GH-PA)

1460 WBET MA, BROCKTON 2/7 1614 GOOD wx by man, ID as "1460 WBET", mention of Brockton, local ad. (RCR-PA)

1460 WIQN AL, PHENIX CITY 2/10 2150 POOR-FAIR w/game between Auburn and Mississippi State; "WIQN Phenix City/Columbus" by m/ann, ABC Information News and spot for Tennis magazine. (GH-PA)

1460 WBET MA, BROCKTON 2/15 1640 FAIR w/local spots, wx, ID, promo for a game called "1460 Challenge"; missed their DX test a while back. (GH-PA)

1520 KOMA OK, OKLAHOMA CITY 2/3 1722 STRONG w/oldies and spots for Ferguson Pontiac GMC in Norman and the KOMA Diet Pepsi Prep Player of the Week. (WWiW)

1550 WYNX GA, SMYRNA 2/18 1757-1815 Christian mx, CBN News at 1800, ID as "WYNX, Your Station for Inspiration and Information, Smyrna/Atlanta"; Georgia's News Network at 1805; Weatherline Weather 24 hours a day, call 456-1550; lost at 1815 power reduction; at local strength! (TF-CT)

1550 WBCV TN, BRISTOL 2/18 1815-1817 WEAK w/song "May the Lord Bless & Keep You"; full service s/off by f/announcer. (TF-CT)

1570 WGSR GA, MILLEN 2/7 0635 POOR w/ID and Georgia Network News; c/w music. (GH-PA)

1580 KNIM MO, MARYVILLE 2/7 1741 POOR until 1754 fadeout; spot for Easter's Pizza and Hughes Conoco; local wx, songs by Fine Young Cannibals and Thompson Twins; also spots for O'Hara's Restaurant in Bedford, Iowa and for Maryville Florist. Male announcer gave calls several times. (NJW-ON)

1580 WWOE NC, CAMP LEJEUNE-JACKSONVILLE 2/3 1741 GOOD w/religious tune; 1745 s/off by man; "Eastern Carolina's Christian Connection, AM 1580, WWOE." (WWiW)

1580 WUIV NC, ICARD 2/7 1758 GOOD w/gospel tune; woman said goodbye and then at 1800 there was a s/off by m. (NJW-ON)

1580 WUIV NC, ICARD TOWNSHIP 2/16 1801 FAIR w/ID and s/off by m/ann as "Join us tomorrow for another day of gospel music"; no SSB. (GH-PA)

1590 WAKR OH, AKRON 2/17 1745-1758 w/ c/w; promo for Firestone, H.S. basketball and Cleveland Cavalier/NY Knick basketball; way atop signal. (TF-CT)

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unIDs & TENTATIVES

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900 unID 2/4 0400 a U.S. c/w station kept appearing on the beverage but would fade long and deep quite often w/CHML about 60% of channels audio. Male announcer; sounded like a midwestern station. (JRH-Pab)

910 WSUI IA, IOWA CITY 2/4 0155 TENTATIVE most of morning had (t) exclusively BBC World Service nx and magazine program on Indian Railways. Also was quite strong around 0230 trading places occ w/KJJQ-SD. Likely was WSUI but could not pull out any local IDs. [Help, anyone? ed]. (JRH-Pab)

930 WKY OK, OKLAHOMA CITY 2/4 0314 TENTATIVE came up on channel (t) w/man talking, ID was very similar to "WKY" and seemed like only 3 letters but I didn't have the recorder on. (JRH-Pab)

970 WHA WI, MADISON 2/7 1735 TENTATIVE FAIR w/local nx by man, wx, (t) temps given for many WI towns; "Wisconsin Public Radio News" into "All Things Considered." No ID again! (GH-PA)

1000 WZTN AL, MONTGOMERY 2/10 1825 TENTATIVE POOR mention of (t) Montgomery several times by m/ann; into soul mx; soon faded into static. (GH-PA)

1120 unID 2/10 1820 GOOD w/"Gold 107 FM" slogan into oldies. Au cx, loop South; faded out around 1828 in static. (GH-PA)

1180 unID 2/11 0500-0530 FAIR u/WHAM w/continuous kHz TT; must be someone other than WLDS. (No...this SHOULD be WLDS running their DX TEST - see the 2/10 DX Monitor, front cover - rb). (WPT-DC)

1260 WNXT OH, PORTSMOUTH 2/15 1834 TENTATIVE BRIEFLY FAIR w/many (t) mentions of the area, into BDD mx. No calls...lost to WWDC. (GH-PA)

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DX TESTS & FREQUENCY CHECKS

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980 WLUX FL, GAINSVILLE 2/18 0400-0430 DX TEST VERY WEAK code beeps, TEST then nothing more after 0416. (GH-PA)

1180 WLDS ILL, JACKSONVILLE 2/11 0502 DX TEST POOR heard code beeps (t) around 0502 under weak WHAM. Somebody played "Bridge Over Troubled Water" at 0525 and nothing more heard, no voice IDs. Poor cx' to the West. (GH-PA)

1480 WRSW IN, WARSAW 2/4 0538-0554 POOR DX TEST heard w/march music, (t) IDs and Code IDs. (WWIW)

1580 KAMI NE, COZAD 2/8 0118 FAIR tuned in at end to hear 2nd Thursday (t) f/c FREQUENCY CHECK. This is one of the more consistent f/c's heard here and is a best bet for Nebraska in these parts. Fair on channel mixing w/CBJ/WAMJ/WVKO and 1 or 2 unID domestics. (JRH-PA)

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unIDs ID'd & COMMENTS

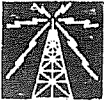
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FROM: TOM LASKOWSKI (South Bend, IN) - concerning Robert Ritchie's unID in EDXR for Vol. 27, #21, I strongly believe that it is WJNT in Pearl-Jackson, MS. They do carry Talknet and are strong here many nights often way over WHAM. Not too much else on 1180 kHz at this time.

Thanks to all of this issue's reporters and thanks to Tom Laskowski for help in ID'ing an unID. Welcome to Jim Hall this issue (sounds like "The Creature From the Black Lagoon" w/his swamp drop' - hi, ed.). Till next time, CONTINUED GOOD DX MY FRIENDS and 73 de Mr. B.

Bulletin Schedule

Future bulletins will be dated March 24, March 31 and April 7 to complete the weekly issues, then Apr. 21, May 5, May 26, June 16, July 14 and Aug. 11, 1990. This issue is dated 26 years, to the day, after the date of the first issue of our bulletin. Many have served in the past and many will serve in the future.



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HAPPY 26th ANNIVERSARY, IRCA

DAVID ROGERS, P.O. BOX 74, MAY, OK 73851

Greetings to IRCA on another Anniversary. This may be my last anniversary forum. Whether I renew will depend on my financial situation at the time. I'm 41, a charter member of IRCA (joined April 1964) and have been DX'ing since 1962. Have 575+ veries on MW, about 80 on FM and a few SW QSLs. Some of my best catches were HCJB 700, CX16 850, BBC 1214, WDR 1586, 1YA 760 and 2NR 700 (all verified). BCB rig is a Hammarlund HQ-145. Am also a ham operator since 1984, KA5VAY, have my General Class license and occasionally get on 10, 20, 40, 80 and 160 meters plus 2 meter band. Haven't been active on BCB last few years but do listen occasionally. Am presently employed at Western State Hospital at Ft. Supply as a Fire and Safety Officer. Have worked at several BCB stations over the years: KALV 1430, KGYN 1210, KSIW 1450. KSIW is the nearest BCB station to my QTH. A ham friend, Gerald Bowman works there and would probably verify reports. KSIW's sked is 0600 to 0000 CLT (Sunday s/on is 0700). When I work nights I listen to WOAI's "Road Across America" program with Ben Baldwin. It's interesting. 73 and good DX de KA5VAY.

ALBERT S. LOBEL, P.O. BOX 26762, SAN DIEGO, CA 92126

Is it time for the Anniversary issue again? Time sure does fly. As the saying goes, "Time waits for no one." A re-intro is in order at this time. I'm 42, married to Helene for almost 21 years, no little DX'ers. I've been a DX'er for 24 years and a member of IRCA for 22 years. In addition to IRCA, I belong to NRC, WTFDA, SCADS and I subscribe to the ANARC newsletter. I'm also a SW listener. My profession is appliance repair and I own my own business. Up to the end of last year I was the IRCA ANARC rep. Calls from IRCAn are welcome between 1900 and 2100 PLT most evenings. When the answering machine answers you can avoid listening to my message by pressing the "*" button on your touch tone phone. You'll immediately be able to leave your message and if I'm in and recognize your name or you tell me you're a DX'er I may just pick up the phone. If I don't do so within 15 seconds be sure to leave me a message with your phone number. I may return your call but don't expect a return call. No collect calls accepted. Well until next time 73 and good DX in '90. (If the baseball players want to strike let them play down under, and I don't mean Australia.)

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Another IRCA Anniversary is at hand. I'm 46, married to Linda for 20 years this month, and we have daughters Lori (16 in May) and Tami, 13. Life is hectic with the kids at school, Linda returning to teaching, my work at Rohr Industries as an aerospace engineer, and business travel (mainly to Europe, Cincinnati and Hartford last year). Genealogy is my major hobby interest right now, and it takes lots of time for research, filing and corresponding. I've been DX'ing since late 1962 from the San Diego area, and have kept a continuous log since the beginning. I now have about 1550 stations heard from 64 countries, 44 states, 7 provinces. Of course, I had heard 756 by January 1965, 1092 by 1970, 1428 by 1980, so you can see the '80s weren't overly productive for me. I've verified very few stations by letter, but have a fairly extensive tape collection (I haven't checked to see if the cassettes are still good.). I haven't done any propagation research for about 3 years - mainly due to lack of time and interest. The best DX opportunity for me this year was late August in Puerto Vallarta. I listened several evenings with my little Sony radio and heard a surprising number of US stations and lots of Mexicans. We were going to leave Monday, so Sunday night I decided to forgo drinks at poolside to DX one last time and try to ID some of the Mexicans. Of course, I had forgotten about La Hora Nacional when all Mexicans are running the same program. I just turned the radio off and went back to the pool. We had a great time there, very warm and relaxing after the hurricane went by. This has been the worst DX year for me since the early '70s. I have felt no urgency to get up in the middle of the night (or even 5 AM) to listen to static. Far East and DU stations were non-existent each time I tried, and that has been frustrating. I hope 1990 will be good to each of you - and I urge you to support the columns. My thanks to Ric, Nancy and Patrick for having news filled columns and to the publishers for their efforts over the years. 73.

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As this is the Anniversary issue, it's time for the annual re-intro. I'm 35, married, a research geologist at the US Geological Survey, and have been living on the WC for the past 9 years. I was a member of IRCA for several years in the late '60s and early '70s when I lived on Long Island. I returned to the flock in November 1988 and have enjoyed every minute of it. I've recently replaced my old Realistic DX-150 with a Sony ICF-2010 and feel as though I've finally come into the modern age of DX'ing. I haven't reported since last summer's convention in Sacramento (which was lost of fun) but getting together with a couple of other Bay Area IRCans, Gary Parton and Rolan Kunkel several weeks ago, inspired me to get down to active DX'ing again. I'm looking forward to concocting some interesting antennas with Rolan soon. Speaking of antennas, re RTH's question in the 24 February DXM, KGO still hasn't replaced 2 of the 3 towers at their transmitter site east of the Dumbarton Bridge. The tower that remains, standing none too straight at that, is the southernmost tower, closest to their transmitter. I guess they're still operating with 12 kw, but it's hard for me to tell as they're only a few miles from here, much to my chagrin. Enjoyed the first two hours of the annual Ray Briem DX show on KABC last night before hitting the sack. Some of the questions asked by listeners calling in seemed a little more sophisticated than those asked last year - an encouraging sign. That's about it for now. Happy Birthday, IRCA and 73.

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Hey, we made it! Another year has gone by and IRCA is still as strong as ever. The 1st Anniversary issue contained a report from me from Navy boot camp. It's hard to believe that was 25 years ago. Like IRCA I've come a long ways in 26 years. I'm now into my 18th year at KTVQ channel 2 here in Billings. I've been DX'ing since the late '50s, first from Sheridan, WY and now here in Billings. My totals are 1247 heard, 916 veries. That in cludes call changes. Other hobbies include genealogy and computers. The new computer here is a 386, including hard drive. In addition to the extensive genealogy data base, I also have a very complete radio station data base (print my own station guide). Congrats to all who work so hard to get this publication to our home. . .Don Erickson deserves a special pat on the back for all his efforts to control expenses and still provide a top-notch publication devoted exclusively to Broadcast Band DX'ing. Onward into the '90s. Courage. 73 de John.

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After a semi-long hiatus, I've decided to return to Forum/Musing. I went into "temporary retirement" from checking in to DX clubs after several of my contributions were censored, er, excuse me, "edited" by the editors in both clubs. I'm not against editors editing (that's their job) (who watches the watchmen?), but the info that had been edited from my reports was not controversial, nor was it demeaning to any of the members nor to the hobby as a whole. It seemed as if some of the copy had just mysteriously "vaporized" with no explanation. Once is an accident, twice is coincidence, three times is inexcusable. My self-imposed moratorium has been lifted in order to check in for IRCA's 26th Anniversary deadline; I'd like to see the previous record of 51 re-introductory forums be shattered. Hence the following: I'm male, unmarried and 33. I've been DX'ing the BCB (exclusively) since 1970. I've DX'ed from southern CA (in the early '70s), Honolulu (late '70s) and from here in Eugene since 1980. I've also DX'ed from parts of HI other than Honolulu and have made several treks to AK where I've taken my trusty TRF to attempt DX catches from Fairbanks and more northern environs. I have several other hobbies which compete for my woefully--short free time, so my totals aren't very impressive when compared to some of the other members. Less than 500 heard over these 20 years. My equipment includes a R. West modified FRG-7, a DA-7 amplified ferrite loop and a longwire, which constitutes my primary rig. Also in possession are a heavily modified DX-160 and a R. West modified TRF. My other hobbies? Racquetball, non-competitive, 3-wheeler racing, downhill skiing, Macintosh computers, collecting country-rock albums (Marshall Tucker Band, Jerry Jeff Walker, Bocephus, Waylon and others), NFL FB and reading. I work as a graphic designer in Salem and commute a total of 150 miles round trip to work each day. With all this going on, I've lost many a girlfriend, though I've heard that some guys actually have time for a wife and kids. (Really? . . .REALLY????). In the last few years my DX listening has centered a lot on midday, mid-winter DX'ing as well as December-January sunset DX'ing. I've amassed a large contingent of thoughts/observations/notes on this type of DX'ing. Armed with my Mac, a copy of MicroSoft File, MicroSoft Word, Full Paint, DX Helper and PageMaker, I intend to make it a summer project to construct an

article concerning said topics/techniques and their application from this neck of the left coast. I hope to have it to HQ in time to be published before the new winter DX season arrives. Needless to say, I intend to refute the idea of sunset DX being a mostly east coast-oriented hobby, because a lot more exciting catches have come at sunset time here on the WC, DX'ing "into the wind," as it were. Stay tuned. When will the Almanac be finished? (Or more importantly, when will it be delivered?)

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Hello and Happy Anniversary to the BEST MW DX club! In case you'd like to know something about me, stay tuned - if not, skip to the next item, hi. I just turned 50, am married with 5 children aged 12, 9, 6, 4 and 1. If that weren't enough to keep me up nights, I'm CE, Music Director and morning drive "air personality" for KAMB, a Contemporary Christian format station (80% music) as well as contract engineer for KSNM, a "hot AC"-format FM. So my interest in Ancient Modulation is strictly a hobby, hi. Actually, I do keep up with AM issues, such as NRSC and while visiting the transmitter site at local KYOS I had a chance to play with their new Delta Splatter Monitor, and it showed that their NRSC conversion definitely helps. Now if only KLOQ would convert! They splatter 60 kHz each side! I'm also a proponent of NFR, the idea of using narrow-band FM instead of amplitude modulation on the MW band. The current thinking on that is to deviate the transmitter by +/-1 kHz, then multiply the receiver's 455-kHz IF 75 times to 34.125 MHz and mix that with a crystal oscillator at 23.425 MHz to get a 10.75 MHz signal deviated +/- 75 kHz, just like a normal FM IF signal. WQYK Seffner, FL has submitted a request to the FCC to conduct NFR tests, and some others have shown interest as well. This might be an interesting new form of DX, especially if you can cobble up a receiver. Remember, this is an FM signal with IF limiting and capture ratio! The idea is to modulate with the same signal in the amplitude domain for compatibility with present sets, but eventually I would like to take it another step and use the NBFM signal for the mono sum (L+R) and amplitude-modulate to get the difference (L-R) signal, just as we do now on VHF FM. If NFR goes over like the proverbial lead balloon, about the only other thing I can think of that might help AM out of its doldrums might be having a dbx processor in front of each transmitter, and a corresponding dbx expander chip in the listener's receiver. In the February issue of Broadcast Engineering magazine, there's a fascinating article on the Scott Philharmonic receiver, showing receiver technology has really gone downhill in the past half-century. Now, the Scott receivers were frightfully expensive, but I see no reason why anyone can't use a few National Semiconductor LM373 chips and ceramic filters and make quite a good signal inhaler. I haven't had time to experiment with this but have a few ideas. Maybe by the year 2015. 73 and great DX!

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In DXM #22 I said 1050 to be owned by KBET's owners but was mistaken. It may be connected with KKGQ FM in some way as well as even a person or persons I'm not aware of. KBET's CE mentioned an FM near 100 MHz at Frazier Park. I heard a local AM or FM in L.A. will be taking over 930 for SS, but after speaking with GM of XEPRS 1090, was told to call KWIZ 1480 and ask. I'd like to find out date/time of change so I can tape it. Been noticing KTNQ 1020 off on certain morning hours. Strange how 930 is to use call KKHJ. I'd associate it with oldies or EE music, not SS. Also KHJJ 1380 is near L.A. with similar call. RW and RK - seems we have a mutual DX'er in Gary Parton. Good seeing Rolan's report in WDXF. MR of Goleta, don't hesitate to write or call me re locals. Will help if I can. Same to any other members. 73.

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Has it been another year already? HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, IRCA! The new deadline caught me as much by surprise as it did everyone else. It was changed by HQ (who, quite frankly, should have announced it the first of the year). If more Anniversary forums should come in, they'll be treated in such manner. For a re-intro: I'm 43, a professional batchelor (hi), work for Sacramento County as a facility clerk at mental health crisis center (on the GY shift) and have been a DX'er since '59. I'm now entering my 16th year as editor of WDXF. Although I quit keeping logs several years ago and haven't sent for veries in a number of years, from NorCal I've heard about 1200, verified approximately 40% of that total from 44 states, 7 provinces and 35+ countries. Although a CA native and raised in the Bay Area, I've lived in AK, NY, PA, always returning to NorCal. For most of my working life, I was a travel agent and appreciated the trips to Europe, Caribbean, HI, Mexico and other destinations, always carrying some trusty receiver for DX.

EASTERN DX FORUM

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Reports from members living east of the Mississippi River
Deadlines: 3/17, 3/24, 4/7, 4/21, 5/12, 6/2, 6/30, 7/28...

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Happy anniversary IRCA. I'm now 29 going on 30 years old. I've been a member of IRCA since June, 1985 and a CBX DXer since the early seventies, but I started serious DXing about 1981. March 11, 1981 to be exact. My totals stand just under 1100 with 43 states heard, and about 35 states verified. 7 Canadian provinces and 20 other countries have also been heard. My interest in DX began about 1973 when I came across a publication called Rock Guide put out by Logos Unlimited. It listed all the rock stations in the US, Canada, and Mexico (I think) by State, City, and Call letters. I had a cheap GE portable at the time and tried to pick off as many of the stations on the list as I could. But since the list only showed Rock formats, many stations which I could hear were not on the list, such as WWWF, KDKA, etc. After about a year of hearing the same stations over and over again, I soon lost interest. My interest was sparked again through my SWL activities and I started keeping a comprehensive log in 1981. Even after 9 years I still enjoy DXing as much as I did back then even though the new ones are fewer and far between. However, the DX is still out there. Go get it! 73.

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I would like to apologize for an error in DXM 27/17. The voting results for reconfirmation of editors and such should have read: 14.1.9 Richard Evans as EDXF editor, passed unanimously, and 14.1.10 Ric Heald as WDXF editor (Heald abstained, all others in favor). My apologies to Ric Heald for the misprint. Pending the approval of the Board, the 1990 IRCA convention will be Columbus Day weekend at Montauk Point, Long Island, New York, a wonderful place for transatlantic DX. There is a series of large bluffs that act as a natural shield to domestic DX, and its proximity to the sea makes it a wonderful place to tune in. Ray Bauernhuber and myself are quickly making the arrangements. Stay tuned for more information. I would like to hear from anyone concerning MedFERS: Medium Frequency Experimental Radio Stations. These legal 100 milliwatt CW transmitters are sprouting up all over the place on the 1610 to 1705 kHz band, with amazing results. If you would like more information please write to me and I'll send you a copy of the March Monitoring Times article on the subject that I penned. I would love to get a network of IRCAnS operating on this band. How's your CW code speed lately? (zero--rce) Any type of modulation is permitted. You can even use TV signals! WNYC is finally on 820 kHz, moving from 830 kHz, with increased power. I believe they are sharing the towers of WMCA on 570 kHz, and I'm not sure what their power is at the moment. They will eventually go to 24 hours, but are still on their old extended daytime hours of dawn to dusk + 2 hours or so. They have announced that they are not up to full power yet. If you hear a new NPR/APR affiliate on 820, this might be them. They are also carrying some AP and ABC Radio Network shows as well. That's all for now, here comes the Spring! 73 KZ.

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A special thanks has to go out to the folks at WILD-1090, the CE Michael Klein especially for going through a 12 inch snowfall just to put on the DX test. It was nice to hear this one which completed Boston for me. Every DXer should thank this kind of effort. I was well aware of the blustery Wx condition in the Boston area before the test since it made national news. I was worried that the engineers might not be able to make it to the station or perhaps wouldn't bother to go on with the test. Who could have blamed them? A tip of the DX hat for their effort! Caught WOKR-1580 in Oxford, AL w/ID at 1752 on 1/28; this replaces old WEYY in Talladega. Come to think of it, KMOA Ark. replaces the old KMCW in Augusta, Ark. I seem to be seeing a lot of this type of new station lately. Lastly in January on the 31st, I had WGHB-1250 in Farmville, NC on top of the frequency at 1710 for a few mins, nice ID heard; it soon gave way to unkn. WDVA. Total hrd here now is 2952, closing in on 3000!

With 15 new ones in 1990 I've already reached half of my '89 total, hope it continues. I'm going to check with John C. about Chicago in '90. Last I knew he had plans to host IRCA; I planned in some way to assist him with this. For now 73s all and good DXing in the '90s. If anyone is interested, I'd like to put together a most likely DX tip package for Midwesterners and the club for hearing all 50 states & 10 provinces based on my 25 years of observations from Toledo. I think it could be useful info in the face of a much more crowded dial nowadays. Sad to see CBH-860 is no more--there goes one of my suggested tips for Nova Scotia, hi! Try CKBW-1000, CHNS-960 or CJCH-920 which I heard again here in the past week.

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As I understand it, this is supposed to be the anniversary issue this year. For a re-introduction: I'm about ready to turn 45, and am employed 1700-0200 CLT as a production rate clerk for Advance Transportation Co. here in Milwaukee. (What that means is that I am one of 4 people who figure out the shipping charges for the 4500+ shipments Advance picks up each day.) I also work weekends as a stocker for Drug Emporium, one of the deep discount drug store chains. While my records don't go back that far, I can remember DXing in the late 1950's (making the '90s my fifth decade of DXing from various locations), I do remember writing to the FCC in 1960 asking for a list of the CBB stations in the US. I received from them a mimeographed letter stating they didn't furnish the lists, but that there were sources available and included a list of them. From that, I found the White's Radio Log in the old Radio-TV Experimenter magazine. In 1965, I joined IRCA and NRC, then from there the Canadian DX Club, Canadian International DX Club, Chicago Area DX Club, Radio Listeners of America, Worldwide TV-FM DX Association and maybe a couple of others I don't remember anymore. Of all these, I only belong to IRCA and NRC these days. I haven't done much DXing in the past year or so, since it seems the best time to DX is at SSS, and I'm home then only one day in every 14 days. The problem with trucking is that most of the work is done during the evening and night when the freight is flowing thru the terminals. In the 2/10 WDXF, comments were made about the vote changing the boundaries of the Roundups. I wasn't aware the change was proposed just to equalize the size of the columns. I probably would still have voted against it, then. I felt that the columns should have somewhat the same opportunity for loggings. I agree that SoCal members see "rare" DX in WDXR from BC members, but can you picture Idaho members reporting to CDXR along with Alabama and Miss. members? Actually, Idaho was once in the CDXR but shifted to WDXR in the early seventies because of a complaint from an Idaho member (still active in IRCA) that his conditions were such that he identified more with the WDXR. This was the reason for the provision that borderline members could choose which section to report to, except they couldn't switch back and forth between sections. Now, there's a proposal before the board to amend the By-Laws to allow the persons living in states adjacent to the Mississippi River to report to the Forum "they feel more comfortable with". That sounds great, except there's no place in the By-Laws to put it. The By-Laws spend a total of 6 lines discussing the DX Monitor--specifying the name, the frequency it's published, and when those bulletin dates should be. PERIOD. This proposal really amends the Editorial Policy, but do I vote yes or no on the basis of what it says, what it should say, or what I think the authors meant even if it's different than what it says? I feel I have to go no on it, regardless of what I feel. That's it for this week.

--Western DX Forum - Ric Heald - continued from Page 16--

Besides my radio interests, my hobbies include: photography, travel, camping and local history. Along those lines, thanks Steve Howe, for the article on early Sacto. One incident of interest I'd like to share. When I was in college (Sitka, AK) there were 4 DX'er in my dorm, and gee, we had rooms across the hall from each other (as the Church Lady would say, how convaveeenient, hi) and one morning we were DX'ing in my room and came across Ukiah 1250 (frequency now in use in nearby Willits) and the DJ was asking for phone calls and if we lived outside the normal dialing area to call collect. So big mouth here was elected to call. DJ took my call and put me on the air. Next morning and subsequent mornings afterward, that DJ was no longer there! That was in the days when some daytimers were allowed to s/on as early as 0400 local with full power. Remember that? After the 03 March DXM hit mailboxes, my phone rang off the hook. Thanks everyone for your support, I appreciate it. And I appreciate the support of WDXF. To all who have contributed over the last year, thanks. Remember to support all the editors - keep them busy! Until next week, best of DX and 73 de Rth. .

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FREQUENCY THIS MONTH 1500 KHZ

JOHN JOHNSON REPORTS IN WITH:

CKAY Duncan BC	SR/nites in KSTP null	KSJX San Jose CA	SR in KSTP null
KSTP St. Paul MN	Strong every night		

ROBERT WIEN IS HERE WITH:

KSJX San Jose CA	Dominant except in SP	KSTP St Paul MN	Dominant in KSJX SP
CKAY Duncan BC	In KSJX rare SP	XEAI Mexico City	In KSJX rare SP
KUMU Honolulu HI	Rare in KJSX rare SP		

YE OLDE EDITOR SAYS:

KSTP St. Paul MN	Dominant at all times	XEAI Mexico City	Aurora CX
WTOP Washington DC	Rare at SSS	WLQV Detroit MI	Possible at SR/SSS
CKAY Duncan BC	Heard once at SRS	KXVQ Pawhuska OK	Heard once at SSS

STATE OF THE MONTH NEW MEXICO

JOHN JOHNSON REPORTS:

610 KZSS Albuquerque	Most nights	680 KWKA Clovis	U/KNBR most nites
770 KKOB Albuquerque	Strong at night	810 KMIK Santa Fe	SSS sometimes
1020 KCKN Roswell	Strong at night	1050 KMBA Los Ranchos	Most nights
1360 KBUY Ruidoso	Rare at SSS		

Ye Olde Editor:

610 KZSS Albuquerque	Rare at SRS	770 KKOB Albuquerque	Every Night
990 KSVF Roswell	Rare at night	1020 KCKN Roswell	Possible at SRS
1330 KGAK Gallup	Rare at SSS	1580 KZKL Albuquerque	Sunrise

Robert Wien Comes through BIG: (some of these have new calls but were heard as)

570 KGRT Las Cruces	Once on a F/C	610 KRKE Albuquerque	Occ. w/KFRC
730 KDZAZ Albuquerque	Very rare at SRS	770 KKOB Albuquerque	W/KPLA at nite
810 KAFE Santa Fe	Once at SRS	880 KHAC Tse Bonito	Dominates at SRS
920 KQEO Albuquerque	Once on a MM	950 KNFT Bayard	Heard on a F/C
1000 KKIM Albuquerque	M at SRS in mess	1020 KCKN Roswell	Nights w/KTNQ null
1050 KMBA Los Ranchos	Tent. Logging on MM	1150 KDEF Albuquerque	Once on a MM
1230 KALG Alamogordo	Tent. catch on F/C	1260 KVSV Santa Fe	MM's at SRS
1280 KRZE Farmington	Rare MM's at SRS	1310 KXAK Corrales	Once on a MM
1330 KGAK Gallup	MM at SRS or nites	1340 KSIL Silver City	Once on F/C
1340 KKBK Aztec	Once on F/C	1350 KABQ Albuquerque	Rare on MM SRS
1360 KRRR Ruidoso	Once on DX Test	1390 KBMN Farmington	MM's
1400 KTRC Santa Fe	Once on DX Test	1450 KLMX Clayton	Once on F/C
1480 KUUX Hobbs	Tent. one MM SRS	1580 KNUS Albuquerque	MM at SRS

BAND SCAN FROM ROBERT WIEN IN SAN JOSE CA. DAYTIME WITH G E SUPERADIO

All are California unless other wise noted * Rare

540 KPUP Carmel Valley	550 KUZZ Bakersfield	560 KSFO San Francisco
570 KCNO Alturas	580 KMJ Fresno	590 KTHO S. Lake Tahoe
600 KHTE Redding *	610 KFRC San Francisco	620 KCLQ Hanford
630 KIDD Monterey	630 KOH Reno NV	640 KFI Los Angeles
680 KNBR San Francisco	710 KFIA Carmichael	720 KDWN Las Vegas NV *
740 KCBS San Francisco	770 KPLA Riverbank	780 KROW Reno NV
790 KOQO Clovis	810 KGO San Francisco	830 KNCO Grass Valley
860 KTRB Modesto	880 KKMC Gonzales	900 KBIF Fresno
910 KNEW San Francisco	920 KLOC Ceres	930 KKXX Paradise
940 KFRE Fresno	950 KAHJ Auburn	960 KABL San Francisco
970 KOOK Modesto	980 KEYK Fresno	980 KCTY Salinas
990 KKIS Pittsburg	1010 KIQI San Francisco	1050 KOPY San Mateo
1060 KPAY Chico	1080 KSCC Santa Cruz	1100 KFAX San Francisco
1110 KRCX Roseville	1120 KPNW Eugene OR *	1130 KRDU Dinuba
1140 KRAK Sacramento	1170 KLOK San Jose	1190 KNBA Vallejo
1210 KEBR Rocklin	1220 KDFC San Francisco	1230 KWG Stockton
1240 KNRY Monterey	1240 KSAC Sacramento	1250 KHOT Madera
1260 KOIT San Francisco	1270 KJUG Tulare	1280 KJAX Stockton
1290 KAZA Gilroy	1310 KDIA Oakland	1320 KGNR Sacramento
1330 KLBS Los Banos	1340 KOMY Watsonville	1340 KKAM Fresno
1350 KRSO Santa Rosa	1360 KASH Modesto	1370 KEEN San Jose
1380 KTMOM Salinas	1390 KMITX Turlock	1400 KBFN Berkeley
1410 KRML Carmel	1420 KSTN Stockton	1430 KNTA Santa Clara

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1440	KVON	Napa	1450	KEST	San Francisco	1460	KZXR	Salinas
1470	KKOA	Sacramento	1480	KYOS	Merced	1490	KTOB	Petaluma
1500	KSJX	San Jose	1510	KTID	San Rafael	1520	KMPG	Hollister
1530	KFBK	Sacramento	1540	KLAU	Aptos/Bapitola	1550	KKHI	San Francisco
1560	KPMC	Bakersfield *	1570	KCVR	Lodi	1570	KTGE	Salinas
1580	KLOQ	Merced	1590	KLIV	San Jose			

BEST BETS

No Information this month

HELP/MOST WANTEDS

NO INFORMATION THIS MONTH

SILENT PERIODS

All Winnipeg stations as well as those in all of southern Manitoba are now all NSP. This would include 580 CKY 630 CKRC CJOB 680 730 CKDM 810 CKJS 920 CFRY 950 CFAM CKLQ 880 CTFX 1290 CKX 1150 CJRB 1220 CHSM 1250 CKMW 1570 Only CBW 990 and its relays have a SP from 0212 to 0530 ELT daily. This won't help with the DX'ing!!

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