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MARCH 23rd, 1991 KTGG-1540, SPRING ARBOR COLLEGE, SPRING ARBOR, MI 49283 IIME 0430-0500 EST. Details later. Thanks Edmond R. Trombley CE.

CONVENTION: Anyone wishing to host the 1991 IRCA convention contact: Karl Zuk for a bid form at 154 Old Post Road North, Croton, NY 10520.

ELECTIONS

FROM THE PUBLISHERS DESK: This is the election issue and the ballot is a loose sheet in the center of your bulletin. Read everything carefully and please vote for the candidate that will do the best job for IRCA and you. A friend may not be the best person for the position.....73

UPDATER #1 to the IRCA MEXICAN LIST, 2nd EDITION is now available from the IRCA Reprint Service. This updater contains new information for over 140 stations, plus tips on identifying some of the Mexican radio networks. Much of the monitoring for this updater was actually done in Mexico!

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BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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Deadlines: every Saturday thru March 30 * compiled 3/10/91

GOING OFF THE AIR

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
WHEB	750	1000/	ND-D NH PORTSMOUTH delete this station from your logs, license has been returned to the FCC
KICR	900	250/100	DA-1 LA OAKDALE was country, now silent, may be back ("after construction") by the end of 91
WBTE	990	1000/	ND-D NC WINDSOR was black // FM, silent til sale
KSSQ	1140	5000/	DA-D TX CONROE was Spanish, reported silent
WAYX	1230	1000/1000	ND GA WAYCROSS was rock oldies, reported silent
WIGS	1230	1000/1000	ND NY GOUVERNEUR was CHR // FM, silent til sale
WCCC	1290	500/	ND-D CT HARTFORD was rock // FM, now silent
KEYZ	1360	5000/5000	DA-N ND WILLISTON delete this station from your logs, calls & format have moved to 660 KHz
KTFS	1400	1000/1000	ND TX TEXARKANA was news-talk, silent til sale
KSTB	1430	1000/500	DA-N TX BRECKENRIDGE was country, reported silent
WARR	1520	1000/	DA-D NC WARRENTON was black, now silent
KCLR	1530	5000/	ND-D TX RALLS was Spanish, reported silent
KVFW	1550	250/	ND-D KS WINFIELD was AC, silent pending sale
WNNQ	1570	1000/	ND-D GA ASHBURN was country // FM, now silent

Don't be too alarmed at all the silent stations the last couple weeks, it just means I've finally had time to make some phone calls and track down info on a bunch of stations I've wondered about - some of these have been off for up to a year or more!

GOING ON THE AIR

WKTR	840	8200/	DA-D VA EARLYSVILLE new, southern gospel/religion
CJER	900	1000/1000	ND PQ ST.-JEROME CKLM-1570 has sold CJER + its two relays (CKSJ-1400 & CJSA-1230), all are // and back on the air w/French AC
WLPM	1450	1000/1000	ND VA SUFFOLK was silent, returns w/sat. oldies
WFAD	1490	1000/1000	ND VT MIDDLEBURY was silent, plans to return in April with full service adult contemporary
CKLM	1570	50000/50000	DA-1 PQ LAVAL was silent, back on w/French AC, stn says they were off due to xmtr troublesQS

NEW STATIONS

WARO	670	20000/	DA-D VA CLAREMONT requests extension of time
new	770	5000/	DA-D NY YOUNGSTOWN new station app. granted
new	770	2500/	DA-D PA RIDGWAY new stn app. is dismissed
new	800	500/500	DA-2 PA BROCKWAY new station app. granted
WART	1020	10000/	DA-D FL PORT ORANGE requests extension of time
KXER	1060	1000/	ND-D CA TEMPLETON requests extension of time

CHANGES IN EXISTING FACILITIES

WJOT	1260	1000/	DA-D SC LAKE CITY granted 5000/ w, DA-D
KSHY	1370	1000/	ND-D WY CHEYENNE granted ext of time for 1530 move
WNWZ	1430	2500/2500	DA-1 TN GERMANTOWN granted 2800/2500 w, DA-1
WBUG	1570	1000/204	ND NY AMSTERDAM app. dismissed for move to Ballston Spa, NY
WCCF	1580	1000/120	DA-1 FL PUNTA GORDA amends app. to 670/430 w DA-1

CALL LETTER CHANGES

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

2 KQSR 660 ND Williston now * KEYZ WKNN 1580 MS Pascagoula now \$* WZZJ

FORMAT CHANGES

WTKN 570 FL PINELLAS PARK was business news, now all news to Tampa
 CKY 580 MB WINNIPEG was adult contemp., now rock oldies, still "KY-58"
 KEYZ 660 ND WILLISTON was KQSR, new, takes on old KEYZ-1360 country fmt
 CJOB 680 MB WINNIPEG was AC, news, talk, now adult standards, news/talk
 WINZ 940 FL MIAMI was news-talk, now all news
 WHOG 1120 AL HOBSON CITY new, is black, programs to Anniston
 KMXN 1150 CA SANTA ROSA was KRVE, is back on the air with Spanish, R.
 Once-Cinquante, sked is 0600-2200 PST (Portzer-WA)
 KMYX 1310 CA TAFT was AC // FM, now "Thunder" contemp. country // FM
 KFKA 1310 CO GREELEY country, will go news-talk 4/1/91
 KXTN 1310 TX SAN ANTONIO was Spanish Tejano, now Spanish adult contemp.
 WBRT 1320 KY BARDSTOWN was country, now adult contemporary // WOKH-FM
 KSGR 1340 ID NAMPA was rock oldies, now CNN Headline news (Aden-ID)
 WPRD 1440 FL WINTER PARK was pre-teen, now all news to Orlando
 KDAP 1450 AZ DOUGLAS was country, now Spanish
 WCHJ 1470 MS BROOKHAVEN was country // FM, now all talk
 WWWW 1470 OH TOLEDO was adult contemporary // FM, now all news
 KMSD 1510 SD MILBANK was adult contemporary, now news, talk, farm news
 WZZJ 1580 MS PASCAGOULA was WKNN, country // FM, now contemp. Christian

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

KCLW-900-TX, WHSM-910-WI, KSNO-1260-CO, WEKZ-1260-WI, WNLF-1390-MI,
 WTTT-1430-MA, KSIR-1470-CO, WRDW-1480-GA (now silent),

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES:

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: Bruce Portzer (Seattle WA)

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Flashes from T.G.N.A.

1. 10 KW transmitter on 730 Khz. Spanish Programming from 1100 to 0300 GMT. Non commercial, cultural, educational and religious.
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TNX-4-OUR report on 730 Khz. Mhz. dated 12/12/73

D. O. Steele
 Engineer

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RADIO NEW ZEALAND

Patrick Martin

Dear Sir/Madam,
 Thank you for your report on our

transmission of 26.2 (DATE) 1980

between 9.21 AM and 9.31 PM
 (TIME)

On checking against our log, we are pleased to verify your report and to acknowledge accordingly.

W. J. Wene
 MANAGER RP

STATION: 320 (CALL SIGN)
Christchurch NEW ZEALAND
 (TOWN)
1323 (FREQUENCY)
2 (POWER)





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DEADLINE: TUESDAYS

First off this week some information from Bill Harms in South Korea: JAPAN-NHK-1 (Daiichi Hoso) is scheduled to begin 24 hours a day, seven days a week broadcasting in earnest on April 1, 1991! Meanwhile, NHK-1 has been operating 24 hours a day off and on since Summer 1990. When broadcasting 24 hours a day, NHK-1 has been broadcasting Radio Japan English language news at 1500 and other times. SOUTH KOREA-KBS handed direct control of the KBS Education Radio and KBS-3 Television Networks over to the Ministry of Education on Dec. 27, 1990. At that time, only the KBS Education Radio frequencies and KBS-3 Television channels were involved. However, according to personnel from KBS-2 and the new Education Radio Network (which is currently FM only), all KBS Radio-2 frequencies (558, 576, 603, 639, 675, 936, 1008, and 1224 KHZ and 97.1 FM in Pusan) and the KBS Radio Seoul frequency (792 KHZ) will be handed over to Education Radio in either October or November 1991! The new networks are now simply called Education Radio (Kyoyuk Radio) and Education Television. Thx for the info Bill.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 590 MEXICO, Durango-XEE 2/24 1305 Poor w/"Radio Festival" jingles and male anc. First time hrd at home. (TRH-CA)
- 650 MEXICO, Los Mochis-XETNT 2/23 1125 totally off, rare SP for this mega-pest. CISL/KUUY Noted in their absence. (TRH-CA)
MEXICO, Puerto Vallarta-XEEJ SM 2/24 1158 Nice full ID and "Radio Paraiso" slogan, mentioned power is now 1KW. Has probably been 1KW for at least the last several months. (TRH-CA)
- 740 MEXICO, Puerto Vallarta-XEVAY 2/23 1121 Fair w/up tempo SS music in KTRHs null during unusual Saturday KCBS SP. Slogan still is '7-40 La Mexicana.' (TRH-CA)
- 760 CUBA, Guanabacoa-CMBD 2/25 0716 Weak through local KFMB with usual Reloj program. (TRH-CA)
- 770 MEXICO, UNID 2/25 1132 Ranchera and mentions of Monterrey. Possibly needed XEATH. (TRH-CA)
- 800 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEMMM SM 3/3 0752-1034 off for the few hours instead of their usual idiotic nightly OC. Usual XEROK/KNKK noted. (TRH-CA)
- 820 MEXICO, UNID-2/25 1229 "La Poderosa" jingles as found on XEHES-1040 and XEGD-700. Best this is a new slogan for unneeded Radio XESB. (TRH-CA)
- 875 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEKAM 2/24 0445 Loud distorted spur //950,1025.
- 880 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEKAM-2/25 0705 Loud distorted spur //950,1020 this time. (TRH-CA)
- 895 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEKAM-2/25 0705 loud distorted spur //950,1005 Moved around for a week, eventually settling on 880. (TRH-CA)
- 1005 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEKAM-2/21 0838 See 895 KHZ above. (TRH-CA)
- 1020 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEKAM-0705 2/25. See 880 KHZ above (TRH-CA)
- 1025 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEKAM-2/24 0445 See 875 KHZ above. (TRH-CA)
- 1270 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEAZ-2/28 0627 Totally off, due to storm. (TRH-CA)
- 1310 MEXICO, Tijuana-XEC 3/1 0310 Totally off, due to storm. (TRH-CA)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 540 WESTERN SAMOA, 2AP here not //747 with Island talk and Pop mx. Hrd most of night on 3/5. (PM-OR)
- 693 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOAB 1411 2/25 man in JJ, fair in splat. (BP-WA)

- 702 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2BL-fair above UNID, presumed Radio Pacific, with light mx and anmts in accented EE at 0923 3/5. (PM-OR)
- 738 UNID, het 1413 2/25 looping TP (BP-WA)
- 747 JAPAN, Sapporo-JOIb 1415 2/25 Fair w/JJ talk //693 (BP-WA)
- WESTERN SAMOA -2AP with talk in Samoan in passing 0715 3/5 (PM-OR)
- 774 JAPAN, Akita-JOUB-1416 2/25 fair in KRPM splat //747 (BP-WA)
- 891 AUSTRALIA, Townsville-4RR -fair above Fiji with Pop mx and "4 Double R" jingle over intro of record, later hrd wx at 1012 on 3/5. (PM-OR)
- 1521 UNID, Screaming het on KFXX 1420 2/25 and 1425 on 3/3. No other high band signals in either time, except for 1476. (BP-WA)
- 1476 UNID, USSR or China good carrier, weak audio, man in RR with lots of 1480 splat 1430 3/3. (BP-WA)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

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100.8 mhz



Facts:

The Quetzal is the national emblem of Guatemala. This bird seldom survives in captivity, hence, symbol of liberty.

"If the Son (Christ) therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed".

John 8:36.

DX WORLDWIDE EAST

Jim Hall, 240 Byron Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15237 USA

Several interesting reports on hand for this issue; and some information of interest as well: Mark Connelly offers a programming note from Boston - numerous stns run FF Haitian Creole (a modified dialect. ed) on Sat. night. He says it sounds very African (Afro-Caribbean). They incl. WROL-950, WEZE-1260, WUNR-1600, and occ. WRCA-1330. The coastal proximity and directional patterns of these xmtrs could likely propagate signals into Europe, Africa, and the Carib. / northeast-coast S. Amer. region. DXers in those regions and along the immediate US/Canada Atlantic coast could get thrown off, thinking it's something more exotic. Of course, the best DX is accompanied with an ID, so be sure you know what you're hearing. Randy, note Mark's TADX this time (Mark, there's 2 separate rpts here -- the duplicate with corrections was also rec'd and your rpt adjusted). Randy has been lucky in the LADX category. One more item: I finally had the pleasure of meeting Neil Kazaross here in Pgh. a few weeks ago, and he's still contemplating a Newfoundland TA (& LA?) DX 'vacation'. One day, if it takes place, I'd like to accompany him, as well as Hakiel or Connelly?.

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX (Connelly-MA) unless noted

- 153 ALGERIA Bechar 0513 2/5 Man in AA, poor.
- 162 FRANCE Allouis 0548 2/4 Man in FF, then lite pop FF mx. Also 0603 2/15 man in FF fr to good.
- 183 GERMANY Saarlouis 0551 2/4 Gd w/FF talk & folk style vocal. Also 0602 2/15 gd w/man in FF.
- 198 ENGLAND Droitwich et al. 0554 2/4 EE talk o/SAH.
- 207 MOROCCO Azilal 0552 2/4 Gd w/AA talk, slight "QI" beacon QRM.
- 216 FRANCE Roumoules 0555 2/4 Man/woman in FF, upbeat mx. Also 0610 2/15 gd w/FF talk.
- 225 POLAND Konstantinow 0523 2/5 Polish folk/pop, almost C&W-sounding, vocals w/accordion accompaniment, good. (I've tried here many times but no luck. ed)
- 234 LUXEMBOURG Junglinster 0527 2/5 FF talk, QRM'ed by RZP beacon. Also @0604 2/15 w/nx by m&w in FF, gd.
- 252 IRELAND Clarkestown 0643 2/13 Fr/gd w/rock mx, fast talking Brit-acc'td EE ancr. Fast SAM & some "SKR" beacon QRM. Also 0608 2/15 EXCELLENT w/wake-up show: "Pump Up the Jam" by Technotronic, reveille bugles, jingle about the DJ "...and now it's that crazy American Charlie Wolf", 6:08 TC & wx, "8-degrees C w/rain" by US-acc'td DJ. Truly entertainment quality.
- 567 IRELAND Tullamore 0632 2/13 EE talk by w o/CJEM slop w/WSYR phased and WMCA apparently off.
- 612 IRELAND Tullamore 0628 2/13 Fr w/EE DJ, pop mx.
- 621 t CANARY ISLANDS 0430 2/10 Bits of SS on fairly gd carrier in horrendous 620 slop.
- 675 FRANCE Marseilles 0541 2/4 Fr w/w in FF, WRKO off.
- 684 SPAIN Sevilla 0534 2/4 SS tlk ment. Kuwait, v strong. WRKO off.
- 693 AZORES Santa Barbara 0535 2/4 Gd w/female PP folk vocal.
- 711 FRANCE 0537 2/4 FF pgm o/others, in slop.
- 756 GERMANY Braunschweig/Ravensburg 0420 2/12 Gd w/man in GG talking about Saddam Hussein, also 2/13 @0554 loud w/w in GG.
- 765 SENEGAL Dakar 0554 2/10 Good w/m/w in FF. Should have made it to S. Calif. (Kaz/Tim Hall take note). Also 0609 2/13 AA a-cappella chant, LIKE A LOCAL! Strong low-lat. signal should be best TA bet in SW US.
- 774 SPAIN, synchronos. 0423 2/12 Loud w/m/w in SS, also 2/13 0549 xint w/SS man.
- 783 PORTUGAL Miramar 0548 2/13 PP m vocal, then PP talk. 1 Hz SAH present.
- 837 unID (SPAIN or CANARY IS.) 0613 2/13 SS talk by m, atop mx stn.
- 864 FRANCE Paris 0615 2/13 Gd w/m in FF.
- 882 ENGLAND Washford et al. 0334 2/10 Man in EE, then rlgx mx, WCB5 phased. Also 0557 2/19 w/male EE DJ, then "I Am I Said" by Neil Diamond.
- 891 ALGERIA Algiers 0542 2/13 Gd w/AA mx, gd. Also 0513 2/4 w/male AA chant to gd peaks, and 2/10 0336 w/AA phone=in tlkshw w/fem. ancr - loud.
- 945 FRANCE Toulouse 0602 2/18 Gd w/FF male folk vocal.
- 1044 MOROCCO Sebba Aïoun 0220 2/18 Pr w/AA-sounding vocal.
- 1062 PORTUGAL Norte 0225 2/18 Pop mx, PP fem. DJ, o/SAH w/WBIV phased.
- 6 1062 DENMARK Kalundborg 0530 2/19 Fr w/m & w in Danish.

- 1089 ENGLAND Brookman's Park et al 0615 2/18 Gd w/Sting song, male DJ, wx for numerous UK cities given, then "Radio 1" jx. Also 0520 2/19 w/rock, 5:20 TC, male DJ, talk about contest "prize is now up to £110". Fast SAH present.
- 1107 t SPAIN/EGYPT 0515 2/19 Bits of SS & AA in gy-like mess.
- 1116 t MMOROCCO 0450 2/21 Poor w/male AA vocal.
- 1125 unID (BULGARIA or YUGOSLAVIA) 0509 2/19 Slavic-sounding tlk by w, then flute mx. Poor "telephone-like" audio w/bad AC hum. I've never seen this or a like tech. problem w/a Yugo. xmtr. Kazaross might know more about the Bulg's. ed)
- 1134 SPAIN synchros. 0505 2/19 SS pop vocals fr/gd. WNEW partially nulled (though some residual slop present).
- 1179 SWEDEN Sölvborg 2229 2/18 EXCELLENT w/jazz, chime IS, ID's in several lang'ds incl. EE "R. Sweden - Stockholm". WHAM phased. SW 6065 had //pgmng.
- 1314 NORWAY Kvitsøy 0437 2/19 To xint peaks w/w in NN, then group folk vocal similar to English / Irish "pub" folk mx style.
- 1375 ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON 0048 2/3 Man & woman in FF.
- 1377 FRANCE Lille 0532 2/15 Pop mx, m & w in FF, pr to fr in slop.
- 1512 t BELGIUM 0644 2/15 DD or GG talk in slop. (I've only hrd this once in Pgh. ; guess cx have to be prime to hear it again. ed)
- 1530 VATICAN CITY 0508 2/13 Gd w/Slavic talk by man; WCKY phased.
- 1548 t ENGLAND 0642 2/15 Pr w/m & w in EE.
- 1566 AZORES Vila de Porto 0507 2/12 Gd w/PP female vocal.
- 1566 SWITZERLAND Sarnen/Monte Ceneri 0516 2/15 Fr w/GG talk.
- 1575 t SPAIN 0509 2/12 Bits of SS talk in jumble.
- 1575 GERMANY Burg 0512 2/15 Light mx, GG talk by man. Dominant o/others. (I've tried for him here but not yet have I ident. it. ed)
- 1593 GERMANY Langenberg 0514 2/15 Excellent w/m & w in GG.

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

- 590 CUBA Santa Clara 0535 1/13 Reloj, weak voice but RR code ID real gd thru WEEL. Fr - not hrd too much. (Wyllie-MA)
- 595 DOMINICA Roseau DBS 0211 3/6 Fr/pr w/EZ list. type mx (Misty, etc); lots of domestic slop. Mx nicely readable but announcer down in mud. (Stewart-MO)
- 600 CUBA Urbano Noris 0530 1/6 Booming in strong. (Wyllie-MA)
- 620 CUBA Colon 0529 1/27 Weak/fadey w/Rebelde pgm //600/670. (Wyllie-MA)
- 640 CUBA Guanabacoa 0544 1/13 Booming in w/R. Progreso' ID. (Wyllie-MA)
- t CUBA 0135-past 0200 2/20 No other Progreso outlets readable tonight to check //. Continuous SS/EE pops, incl SS-lang RAP. No ID's but occasional automated m ancr giving song title/performer o/lead-ins of songs. Loud sig, occ WCRV QRH. (Stewart-MO)
- 650 t HONDURAS San Pedro Sula HRVW SS pop ballads weak in jumble of LA's in WSM null; ment of "La Voz de Centro America" by man. I'm calling it a tent. because no ment's of Honduras hrd, but I'm quite sure of the slgn. If this is Honduras it'll be country #18 on MW for me! (Stewart-MO) (You heard them, Randy; almost undoubtedly. It's hrd here very often. ed)
- 655 EL SALVADOR YSS 0119 2/20 Fr/weak w/lively trop. vocals. (Stewart-MO)
- 660 MEXICO Tampico XEAR 0255 3/6 Dominant o/domestics & other XE's w/call/location ID. (Stewart-MO)
- 680 CUBA Moron 0711 1/14 R. Progreso pgm //670. Local WRKO off this night. (Wyllie-MA) (William, per your question: first, don't necessarily rely on calls that are in any year of the WRTH. Also, don't count on each Cuban freq. always running the same pgm. The National Network stn's, incl. Progreso, Reloj and Rebelde can turn up occasionally with anything from Radio Habana Cuba to Radio Taino to who knows. ed)
- 710 CUBA 0640 1/27 Rebelde booming in o/WOR. (Wyllie-MA)
- 740 CUBA 0457 3/14 Progreso deep in the mess. (Hall-AP)
- 740 t VENEZUELA 0600 1/13 Noted what I thought was the Ven NA. CBL off @0610. (Wyllie-MA) (Wm, I have posted this as tent. ed)
- 750 unID 0110 2/20 Any ideas as to who on freq. might use the Woody Woodpecker cackle as a sound effect? Noted at poor level in jumble of LA's nin WSB null. (Stewart-MO)
- 760 CUBA 0636 1/28 Could only hear RR beeps behind WJR. (Wyllie-MA)
- 780 t VENEZUELA 0546 2/13 "R. Coro" ID slgn, festive SS mx. Gd w/WBBM phased. (Connelly-MA)
- 790 CUBA Pinar del Rio R. Reloj 0144 2/20 To answer your question in 2/9 DXM, I noted RR still here o/u domestics w/usual nx items, time ticks, and "R-R" in CW, etc. (Stewart-MO) (Yes, I believe we've established that there was an outlet dead on 790 as well as a drifter just high a few kHz. Thanks R. ed)
- 792 CUBA? 0144 2/20 Fr/weak het looping SE, can't pull out any audio - presume Progreso outlet rpted by Gerry Thomas in 2/9 DXM. (Stewart-MO)

- 830 BELIZE R. Belize 0219 3/6 Fr/gd o/v. weak WCCO, coming out of Reggae-flavored instru. w/YL 'It's now 19 min. after the 8 o'clock hour...this is R. Belize'. This is almost becoming a pest, hi. (Stewart-MO)
Also hrd 0235 2/20 occ fr during WCCO fades w/legislative session, Carib.-acc'td politicians w/many ments Belize. Hafdn't losgged this one since they moved off 834! Pretty strong at times w/clean audio-maybe a new xmtr? (Randy Stewart-MO)
- 870 COLOMBIA Barranquilla 0344 1/13 HJSB gd w/SS ads for Barranquilla concerns, SS talk about beauty queen pagent. Domestic knocked out by phasing unit. (Connelly-MA)
- 1030 MEXICO Mexico City XEQR 0546 2/19 "Johnny's Got A Girlfriend" whistle, romantic SS mx noted w/WBZ phased. (Connelly-MA)
- 1080 CUBA Havana Cadena Habana 0136 2/27 Fr/gd w/lively Cuban vocals //1140 & much weaker 1120, "Cadena Habana" ID by w. (Stewart-MO)
- 1100 ANTIGUA St. John's ZDK 0510 2/20 In like a ton o'bricks w/fr/gd strength @ times in WWVE null - old US pops, canned "Magic Radio" ID, heavily acc'td m DJ. After 0515 seemed to be relaying CNN-TV audio (if still them). Best ever hrd! Apparently 0504 s/off listed in '91 WRTH isn't currently correct. Occ mixing w/Colombian (see below). (Stewart-MO)
- +ANTIGUA 0316 1/6 ZDK gd w/reggae & soca; WWVE phased. Also 2/4 0525 gd w/reggae. (Connelly-MA)
- COLOMBIA Barranquilla HJSA 0519 2/20 Occ faded up o/ZDK w/typical rapid-fire SS nx delivery & promo. (Stewart-MO)
- 1140 CUBA Havana Cadena Habana 0136 2/27 Fr in WRVA null //1080 etc. (Stewart)
- 1160 BERMUDA Hamilton 0400 1/6 BBC nx, xInt w/domestic rabble phased. (Connelly)
- 1165 ANTIGUA St. John's 0152 3/6 Dominating 1160/1170 domestics at times with impressionistic piano mx; 0159 heavily acct'd w "R. Lighthouse has presented Musique Classique...". Caught full s/off on tape @0320, ann'cing "10000-watts on a freq. of eleven-six-five kHz as authorized by the government of Antigua & Barbuda...". Jeez, this must absolutely ROAR on the East Coast, as loud as it's been here lately! Odd that I've never been able to log more than a v wk het on St. Kitts-825. (Stewart-MO)
- 1180 CUBA 0359 1/6 Totally dominate w/SS; not a trace of WHAM. (Connelly-MA)
- 1190 unID 0325 1/6 EE rigs pgm note d down in the mud w/WOWO phased. Not sure if Carib. or domestic. (Connelly-MA)
- MEXICO 0220-past 0230 2/20 Talky DJ but no IDs, loc. etc. Frequent spots, but they were no help either. Ranchera mx. Gone by 0250 rech & subsequent checks, so might've been XEPZ Monterrey on later than regular 0200 s/off. Quite loud at times, no WOWO. (Stewart-MO)
- unID 0325 1/6 EE rigs pgm noted down in the mud w/WOWO phased. Not sure if Carib. or domestic. (Connelly-MA) (My fault, Mark. I'd hazard a guess it's a VA or Carolinas stn. ed)
- 1555 CAYMAN ISLANDS George Town 0341 1/6 Soca & dance-rock, good. (Connelly-MA)
- 1610 ANGUILLA The Valley 0436 1/13 Loud w/C&W rigs mx. Loud het present; slightly weaker Vativcan-1611 splittable and also audible. (Connelly-MA)

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1280 KDOL NV, Henderson-Las Vegas 3/4 0900 blasting in after change to day power with ID in English by woman "KDOL, Henderson, Nevada," then man in Spanish "Esta es kah-deh-oh-elle, estacion favorita en espanol por viene cuatro horas," PSA, then news. Call change ex-KREL. (RW-CA)
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- 750 KERR MT, Polson 3/3 0850 loud with C&W and ID over KXL, obviously on 50kw day power. Oddly enough, was inaudible same time 3/4. (bp-WA)
- KOAL UT, Price 3/4 0810 good-poor in KXL null with regional weather, local ad, local news. (bp-WA)
- 760 KSJL TX, San Antonio 2/27 0328 fair with CMBD and unID talk station right through local KFMB. More QRM from KAMA-750 than from KFMB! Still rock format. (TRH-CA)
- 820 *WBAP* TX, Ft. Worth 3/4 0600 noted testing with various tones.(MS)
- 970 KOOK CA, Modesto 3/8 2053 oldie, "K-O-O-K" ID into another oldie. Very strong, completely over KESI. (NH-WA)
- 1220 (KDPC) CA, Palo Alto 3/4 0752 totally off. (RW-CA)
- 1270 KNWZ CA, Thousand Palms 2/28 0208 weak at first but soon unannulably strong with local XEAZ off (due to storm?). Full simulcast of KESQ(?) -TV news, complete with ads & PSAs. ID and slogan "AM 12-70, the information station" later. (TRH)
- 1280 KHEP AZ, Phoenix 3/4 0845 good with ID over all, into hymns. (RW)
- KUDY WA, Spokane 2/27 1030 dominant with weather, promo, ID between 2 relig. programs. First reception of this one since early 70's. (bp-WA)
- (KIT) WA, Yakima 2/27 0635 apparently off. Was tipped off by absence of Northwest Talkradio Net on KBND-1110 (now has Larry King AN) & KPWN-1120 (now has adcon music AN), so the net is probably now kaput. Checked 1280 again 3/3 0320 and found KIT running Jim Bohannan. (bp-WA)
- CJSL SK, Estevan 2/27 0635 good & dominant with "Star Country" C&W program, local weather & sports, several IDs. (bp-WA)
- 1320 KCTC CA, Sacramento 3/1 0300 noted with Unistar NOS feed //KPOP-1360, KORG-1190. Ex-EZL. (TRH-CA)
- 1440 KMED OR, Medford 3/8 0220 in like a local with "Theme From a

- Summer Place" by Percy Faith. (MS-CA)
- 1450 KEST CA, San Francisco 3/8 0215 loud signal with Gospel music over KSPA/KPSI/KSGI/KJMB/KTIP. (MS-CA)
- 1460 KRRS CA, Santa Rosa 2/27 2030 good, briefly atop on car rx at Sea-Tac airport with Cadena Radio Centro news in Spanish, English call ID. Local KARR was on the air, but beams almost no power to south & was lost in GY-like jumble. (bp)
- 1480 KBMS WA, Vancouver 3/3 2113 tried a little SSS DX, rewarded with this over KPHX-KWIZ-KYOS-KRED, with soul-type music, partial ID by woman "14-80, KBMS..." then gone. New! (RW-CA)
- 1490 CJSN SK, Shaunavon 2/27 0654 faded up with "Your Country Connection, CJSN" ID, then lost in shuffle. Pest KSYC nulled. (bp)

LOCAL CHANGES

- 540 KPUP CA, Carmel Valley Fr 3/2 1301 "Keep your paws off the dial!" and into oldies song. Slogans heard 1305-1315; "The good time Rock 'N Roll station, K-Pup FM 104.3 & AM stereo 54," "AM stereo 54 and FM 104.3," and "K-Pup FM & AM." Fair signal. Poor unID under (KVIP?). Note: AM/FM simulcast not listed in Almanac; and updates country format listed in Slogans section. (SMM-CA1)
- 560 KSFO CA, San Francisco Fr 3/2 1318 IDs as "560 KSFO and KYA 93.3" jingle "K-S-F-O! K-Y-A-FM." Oldies format. Note: This updates format listed in Slogans section of Almanac. (SMM)
- 710 KFIA CA, Carmichael Fr 3/2 1330 relig. station with jingle "Talk you can trust on K-F-I-A!" Interestingly, the "K-F-I-A" was sung to the same tune, and the same way, as relig. station KKLA-99.5 Los Angeles sings "K-K-L-A!" (SMM-CA1)
- 880 KKMC CA, Gonzales Fr 3/2 1333 good with Southern Sierra weather (rain/wind). "Super 88" slogan (not listed in Almanac). (SMM-CA1)
- 1050 KOFY CA, San Mateo Su 3/4 2053 "Kool Gold" oldies format (affil. not listed in Almanac). IDs as "Super 1050" and "Coffee--KOFY." (SMM-CA1)

DX TESTS

- 640 KTIB LA, Thibodaux 3/11 0200-0400 I tried and didn't hear them, but they WERE on. I phoned after 1 1/2 hours of trying (only heard snatches of music under musical comedy on KFI). They said the tape of code IDs had not been received, and were running music and voice IDs, using 5kw. (pb-WA)
- 720 (KOTZ) AK, Kotzebue 2/11 0400 DX test tried for, not heard. (MS-CA)
- KUAI HI, Eleele 2/25 good under WGN. From 0530-0550 I did not hear anything identifiable, but at 0550 I clearly heard in Morse code "KUAI" repeated 9 times. This was again repeated 45 seconds later again 9 times. This was followed by what sounded like some Hawaiian music and some type of vocal identification (WGN came up at this time) and another set of 9 Morse IDs. Code was also heard past 0600. (FA-ID)
- +2/25 0550-0619 logged during DX test. Good signal coming through a very strong WGN, with call letters continuously repeated in Morse code. K-Dawn off. HI #6 for me. (MS-CA)
- +MM 2/25 0551-0620 poor at first, but soon got better with Morse code IDs, Hawaiian music, jingles and IDs by man. Test started and ended about 20 minutes late, hope nobody gave up too soon! Needed for report. (TRH-CA)

UNIDS

- 530 Fr 3/2 1259 two TIS's mixing here midday. One was an airport TIS, with readability extremely poor. The second was even poorer, and no words could be deciphered. Didn't catch any possible legal ID at 1300. One maybe Sacramento? Ideas? (SMM-CA1)
- 1460 3/2 0010-0025 satellite C&W killing KARR from Sea-Tac airport to south end of Boeing Field while driving along I-5. Slogan "Brand X is brand new." Could conceivably fit ~~KMXX~~ or ~~KCKX~~ but probably the latter. Three miles further north, KARR was loud & clear. (bp)
- 1510 3/4 0915 loud in KSJX null with "Family News in Focus" program, faded before ID. Looped NW/SE. Probably KIRV, or maybe KLLB?(RW)



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DOWN THE DIAL

- 550 KCWR CA Bakersfield, 3/11 weak. 0320 w/C&W. ID out of spots as "Bakersfield's Country Tradition, KCW." [JcJ-MT]
- 570 KISN UT Salt Lake City, 3/11 strong. 0330 w/light rock. IDing as "Kissin' 97 KISN." [JcJ-MT]
- 630 KTKK UT Sandy, 3/11 good w/CHED nulled. 0335 noted with satellite fed "Infotainment Radio Network" programming. [JcJ-MT]
- 790 KGHL MT Billings, 3/11. Noted now airing "Interstate Radio Network" programming late nights. [JcJ-MT]
- 1030 KTWO WY Casper, 3/6 good. 0640 with "Interstate Radio Network" programming, talk about truckers needed to haul fruit and veggies from the south, also weather. [SA-MB]
- WBZ MA Boston, 3/2 good, dominating frequency. 0530 with "WBZ" ID into SID, contest, weather report. [SA-MB]
- WUFL IL Sterling Heights, 3/1 good. 0640 w/Contemporary Christian music. "WUFL Family Life Radio" ID into Weather. [SA-MB]

UNIDS

- 1030 unID 3/1 good. 0512 with "The all new AM 10-30 K-Z Country." C&W music. 0530 Satellite Network News. No other IDs heard, tried again other days, no luck. [SA-MB]

IDING THE UNIDS


- 1030 [SA-MB]'S unID with "K-Z Country" might be KBUF, Holcomb, KS. "K-Z" might be "K-B" actually. Any other ideas? John.

25 YEARS AGO

March 26, 1966 issue of DX Monitor..Rick Evans wondered if others were having trouble finding a job because of the draft.....Tom Jasinski logged Radio Belize-834 for country #7...Jerry Wolf said old bookkeepers don't die - they just lose their balance.



OPEN MIKE

 Praise little, dispraise less. Tried for the KTIB-640 DX Test, but too much KFI! If you have a computer and are a Prodigy member, you can now send your reports or mail to me via Prodigy! Address is MPNN49A. 73, John.



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Hi. Latest addition to the household is a son Steven, born 21 January. He's provided me with lots of incentives to DX in the middle of the night, although I haven't heard a lot on the radio during those listening sessions (something about needing to be awake at work the next day). A few times, I have had the weird experience of having a dream involving whatever station I was listening to when I fell back to sleep (for example, dreams about wandering around the station's studio!). Recently, someone suggested running a DX test for KARR 1460 on their day pattern. From what I can tell, their day pattern isn't much different than their night pattern. I work about a mile east of the KARR transmitter site. If I drive west, they overload my car radio pretty badly, but if I drive a mile east or south, KJUN 1450 is listenable, with mild splatter. If I drive south on I-5 from downtown, the signal drops from local-like at the Kingdome to practically nothing at the south end of Boeing Field, a distance of 3-4 miles, day or night. If you compare that with a map of Seattle, you'll see what a really tight pattern they have. Re Bill Hardy's and Jim Hilliker's comments about KNRV 1240's short hours: I thought the minimum air time requirement was averaged out over a certain time period (a year?), so a station could theoretically run 24 hours for several months, then stay on the air only a few hours a day for a few months and still meet the required number of hours on the air. (That's a new one to me. Comments, Geov or other active broadcasters?-BH.) Also, does anyone know if there is still a requirement for a station to have someone on duty when they're on the air? I've noticed several low power, small town stations such as KVAC 1490 and KAPY 1290 running all night with satellite feeds, and am finding it hard to believe they can afford to pay someone to sit and twiddle their thumbs all night while the station runs on automatic pilot. 73.

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This year's "Guns a'Blazin'" beginning to a DX season came to a premature "Out of Bullets" stance before the shootout was over. It began in a blaze of fire: My article, "Sunset DX from the West Coast," was printed, in its entirety (in one issue) by DX News. (Even though the DX Monitor hombraes completely ignored its submittal, I'll harbor no hard feelin's.) Feeling my oats from the publication of this "noteworthy treatise," I loaded the FRG-7 and I began plotting to rob the Radio StageCoach carrying the DX gold. Among the casualties after the smoke cleared: KBBK 970 ID, KWKW 1330 CA, KMGY 700 WA, KMTT 650 UT, CJYM 1330 SA, KKMC 880 CA, KKVV 1060 NV, KWIQ 1020 WA, KRPL 1400 ID, CHQT 880 AB, and CHMG 1200 AB. All of these were previous-unheard. In addition, "KEUG," a local pirate on 860, and a TIS station several dozen miles east, up the McKenzie River, were also positively ID'd and notched into the gun handle. These targets were all gunned down prior to 22 December, 1990. Things were all going according to Hoyle, I thought, as I blew the smoke from the Frog's gun barrel. Then, without warning, disaster struck: AMBUSH! From up in the high corners of the great DX'ing Box Canyon, "Black Bart" Murphy and his gang of denizens rained a hail of bullets towards the great FRG Gattling gun. Valiant was the fight as the FRG fired back, lobbing shells at the unseen attacker. The battle was over in a matter of minutes and alas, the FRG fell in a pool of blood, wounded. The wagons were circled and word was sent out to a greatly admired north-Mexico Medicine Man from the San Diego Radio West 12 tribe. Medicine Man mandated an extended stay in the Radio West

Hospital as part of the (expensive) recuperative therapy. With my main six-shooter on the mend, there has been no movement in the level of DX totals since before Christmas, which accounts for the absence of my name from the ranks of the "10 Most Wanted DX'ers" at your local post office. But we live to pillage and plunder the DX stations of the west another day! (Continued next issue-BH.)

ROBERT WIEN, 1309 DENTWOOD DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95118

A little late for the Anniversary Issue, but Happy Anniversary, IRCA! Just a re-intro: I'm 30, have been a member of IRCA for 15 years. I've logged about 1300 stations from 41 U.S. states, and I haven't kept track of the number of countries, probably around 10 or 15. I work at Lockheed as a satellite operations engineer. Several hot tips to pass onto members per this week's M Street Journal: KASH 1360 Modesto, CA has changed calls back to KFTV, KRVE 1150 Santa Rosa, CA has changed calls to KMXN (K-Mexican), and KMJK 1550 Vancouver, WA is changing calls back to KVAN, guess the original can't be wrong, I guess, hi. (Trivia time: Before they were KVAN the first time, they were KGAR nearly 20 years. KVAN calls were on 1480 many years-BH.) A couple shocking radio changes on the local scene occurred over the weekend: local KWSS 94.5 changed formats from Top 40 to classic rock and calls to KUFX, now calling themselves "94.5, the Fox," and KXXX 99.7 San Francisco, another top 40 outlet, changed calls to KPRC-FM, but not // to 610 AM, also playing classic rock. So, I lost my two favorite stations in just one weekend! Guess I'll have to listen to KMEL now. . .Rth, I hope you're on your feet soon! Latest newies here: KEMS 1480 Vancouver, WA and KDOL 1280 Henderson, NV ex KREL. Tried calling KMCE 650 Rancho Cordova to check on status of their projected March target date, but no listing for them, so don't know at this point, it's already March! Remember to vote in the upcoming IRCA elections, and 73.

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You win some, you lose some. Two weeks ago, Father Jack Pejza noted in his forum that he was dropping out of IRCA for lack of DX interest. We will miss Father Jack, a past TVA award winner. He did an outstanding job of DX Worldwide in the late 1960's and early 1970's. If you use the worldwide sunrise-sunset maps, the initials FJP are on each one as he designed them. And Father Jack was IRCA's first publisher to change us to our present offset printing from mimeograph. We hope to see Father Jack again someday! However, it's great to see Larry Godwin, one of our founding Denver charter members, rejoining as noted last week. We look forward to his reports and forums! Guy's article in DX News was great. I believe it was submitted to NRC only, and many of the West Coast IRCAn's don't belong to NRC. Bob, too bad KWSS 94.5 didn't change calls and formats back to KPAT, hi. (Calls in use in Corvallis, OR now.) Bruce has been checking out 1460 lately, as have Nancy and I. Sunday morning 3 March found KAYO 1450 off, so we spent time on 1460 logging new stuff, such as KCKX, KRRS, tentative CJMH, and KENO (last heard here in 1972 before Nancy moved west). 1460 nights has traditionally belonged to Yakima and Salinas, but with KDON silent, it seems like KMWX is unusually weak, KARR's religion is poor to nil, and CJMH is in a lot in the mornings whereas they'd never been noted before. We'd like to hear at least a CBC-Alberta ID on 1460 before counting CJMH. A reminder that we'll be going off our weekly schedule soon, so please limit your forums to 30 lines in this pica type (translates to 24 lines elite). You can still submit more than one forum per envelope but allow for more time between issues, monthly May to August. 73 and good DX.

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Happy Anniversary, IRCA. I've been a club member since June, 1985 and have enjoyed my association with this group very much. I'm 30, single, and have been DXing since the mid 70s. I started keeping a serious log in 1981. In fact, March 11, 1991 marks my 10th year since I started keeping records. I've had many memorable moments in my DX career, such as: hearing WZL-1540 GA running 4 watts during a DX test; getting a verie from the mayor of Princeton, MN, and hearing CHTN battling KDWN during a WGN SP. There have been many others and I'm sure there will be many more. I've also enjoyed meeting and talking with many DXers over the years. It's a real pleasure to talk DX with someone who won't give you strange looks when you bring up your latest catch. I'd like to pass along my thanks to all those who are responsible for getting DX Monitor out 34 times a year. To all editors, publisher, and contributors: Thank you. You do a great job. 73 and best DX. TML.

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Got the QSL of a lifetime from Radio St. Helena for the DX test, heard in Knoxville during the Monitoring Times convention last Oct. The 450 watt, 1548 kHz was picked up by Cable & Wireless PLC and relayed via shortwave. The station hopes to get a 1kw transmitter this year and will stay on MW. The powerhouse XEWA-540 has had a nice signal in here around 0600 EST. Good Mexican music. CFRB-1010 sometimes nice as late as 0730. WKBN-570 Youngstown, OH came in around 0730 too, after hearing KRMG-740 in Tulsa, OK about 0715. Nothing special -- just tuning around... Got an invitation to visit APN-Munich (Germany) in May BUT Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty "does not giving briefings or tours to private individuals". I am rather disappointed especially considering the \$190 million in 1991 tax bucks operating RFE/RL. They did send me a sticker!

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Veries are in from WLIF-1300 MD v/q and v/l's from WZRC-1480 NY and WONX-1590 IL, bringing my total to 4378. My first-ever verie was a typed card from WPIW-940 Hopkinsville, KY, and the second was from (then) 50 watt WEXL-1340 MI, and both were for reception on 12/28/32! WEXL was considered a pest in those days, as they stayed on daily till 0400 and were the only audible signal on the then GY frequency of 1310 in the East. WPIW eventually moved to Louisville and became WAVE, now WAVG. I lived in Brooklyn in those days (in fact, till 12/16/74), and back then there were no less than seven stations in Brooklyn - four on 1400, two on 1500 (which shared time with a third station in Long Island City), and one on 1300 which shared time with two New York and one Troy, NY station. There were four New York stations sharing time on 1010 and four more on 1350, and four nearby NJ stations sharing time on 1450. These were the frequencies used before the re-allocation of March, 1941. I got my DXing hobby from my father. We had a seven-tube "house" radio, a Stewart-Warner. It was his dream to pick up California on it, but he didn't live to accomplish that feat - he died in 1931, but a couple of months later, darned if I didn't pick up KFI with a pretty hefty signal one Sunday morning when I was allowed to DX on alternate weeks, missing Sunday School on those Sundays, in order to catch up on my sleep. I eventually bought a 23 tube Scott, and then went to Hammarlunds. So, a lot of water has gone under the gate (as they say in Washington), and I'm still an avid DX nut, 58 years later. I have a total of 593 FM veries from 37 states and 5

provinces, which makes the overall total 4970 - 30 to go for 5000! Recent reports have been sent to local WMSX-1410 which came back for a better address; WPNT-820 Chicago, before they quit the AM band, WPKJ-890 PA, WNEZ-910 CT, WURD-900 PA, WFEL-1570 MD, WDJX-1080 KY and WRMM-990 NY. Good news around here - WHEB-750 has gone silent and CBGY-NFLD has been in every twilight since but still no WWAX, much needed. Also, CKLM-1570 has quit ANing and may also be completely silent, making 1570 workable for twilight catches, as well as during the wee hours. That's how I "fell" on WFEL on Sat. 2/23 at 0252. On Tue. 2/26, WDJX-1080 was riding high thru WTIC for an unexpected catch. Unn. WOKY-920 WI noted on Thu 2/28 at 0215 o/u WHJJ, so mid-western signals seem to be coming out this way for a welcome change. Forward - March!

Mike Hardester, P. O. Box 8159, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina 28542
Greetings! This past week, 25 February to 3 March has produced some rather unusual reception conditions. For the entire week, reception of stations to my north has become increasingly poorer while stations to my west and south have improved to a degree. On 1 March, conditions on the longwave band (below 500 kHz) were noted to be poor and NDB stations normally heard were absent. Only "locals" were noted. Conditions on medium-wave remained as previously noted. On 2 March, conditions remained basically the same on medium-wave while the longwave band was "dead". The afternoon of 3 March was the most interesting. At 1300 ELT (1800 UTC), the medium-wave band was "dead", except for local Jacksonville stations. Stations no more than 25-30 miles away were non-existent. I tuned up to 15 MHz to try and catch the propagation report on WWV at 1818 and was greeted by a VERY POOR signal...for that matter, virtually all of the shortwave ("daylight") bands were inaudible. The FM band seemed unaffected: stations in Raleigh, 120 miles, normally heard were at usual levels. Thinking the ICOM R-70 had passed on to the Great DX Den in the sky, I tried the SONY 2010, and my truck radio with virtually the same result. It's now 1700 ELT (2200 UTC) and the conditions have changed little. There must be one wild storm going on! Just thought I'd pass along my observations for the record. Comments? Anyone else with similar reception? On other matters, WIOD-610 sent a v/f ltr, stickers, aerial photograph of the transmitter site, program schedule, and returned my return-postage! Very 73 de Mike.

Rick Evans, P. O. Box 21883, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53221

I think the only report above which missed the Anniversary issue was the one by Tom Laskowski, judging by the postmarks. I'm sorry about not waiting until the weekend to do the column as I normally would have, but I typed it just a few hours after getting the phone call that my Dad was gone. He was an IRCA member in the 1970's (he reported to me several times while I was typing the CDXR (I still remember my comment on his credit line for his first report was "Gee, that address looks familiar...oh, hi Dad!)). Some of you met him at IRCA's 1973 convention in Hammond, Ind, and others at the 1976 NRC convention in Louisville. He dropped out of IRCA when we went to offset printing and the small type. At one time, he read 3000-4000 words per minute, but at the end he was fairly well blinded by cataracts. Still, he was always interested in the hobby, and was eager to know what I had been hearing. On to other things. The new address for me can be used or the Lovers Lane can be used. The only thing is that Forums to the P. O. Box could be delayed a week as, for now, it won't be cleared on Saturdays. It's near work, but 15 or 16 miles from home. We are looking for a new apartment on the south side and if we get the one we looked at this afternoon, it'll be a mile from the post office (a good incentive to get some walking in) and 1½ miles from work (as opposed to the current 18 miles each way). The move will be June or July, however. Must close for now. 73.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THIS ELECTION

It was not until November that I was told that I had been appointed your Election Committee Chairman. It was a little late to actually get started in a timely manner without making a few decisions on my own. I apologize to those who may feel offended or that I have not exactly followed the IRCA Bylaws. I was not completely familiar with my duties and kept getting conflicting statements from those I felt knew what they were talking about. Now I have a complete copy of the bylaws and will be able to run next years election better. ENOUGH

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

STATEMENTS COMPILED AS RECEIVED

JOHN C. JOHNSON, 979 Neptune Boulevard, Billings MT 59105

It is quite an honor to be nominated for the office of President. You are familiar with my work on the CDXR column, and my dedication to the IRCA. You are also familiar with my voting record while I was a member of the Board of Directors. I am a Charter Member of the IRCA and an active DXer. As President I would keep the IRCA moving in a positive direction. Your vote is most appreciated.

PHIL BYTHEWAY 9705 MARY N.W., SEATTLE WA 98117

Thank you to the person(s) who have expressed enough confidence in me to nominate me for the President of IRCA. I have served in the position before and feel quite confident to serve again. I have been involved with IRCA since 1974, and am currently serving as Publishing Coordinator. Over the next two years I see several goals which I hope to be able to complete. First, I feel that the Broadcast Band hobby is in dire need of publicity and will put the name of IRCA out as the finest organization catering the 'dedicated' Broadcast Band DX'er. Second, although the thickness of DXMonitor has improved since last fall, I believe that the pages can once again be filled with solid DX information, both for the listener desiring current information and the technical expert desiring to get peak performance from his equipment. I will work towards that end. Third, several positions within the IRCA organization have been vacant for the past several years. I will recruit folks to fill these positions. This should also help fatten up DXMonitor. Fourth, regarding the much publicised (sic) debt. My plan is continue the efforts started two years ago to resolve the situation, and to be debt free by the term is complete (I KNOW this is possible). I also plan to publish updates on the situation, as well as publish complete financial statements every six months. I look forward to serving the IRCA for the next two years and hope that all members will take the time to exercise their opinion and vote in this election.

SECRETARY-TREASURER CANDIDATES

STATEMENTS COMPILED AS RECEIVED

RALPH SANSEIRINO, 11300 Magnolia #43, Riverside CA 92505

I accept the nomination for Secretary-Treasurer. I have been doing all the work that goes along with this position for the past several weeks and it is very logical that it stay here in Riverside where the bulletin is put together and mailed. The dues for membership and renewal come here and the membership list, mailing label list are updated daily. A complete financial record is being kept by me of all monies received and spent. This is being done in a free bank account, it does not cost IRCA a penny. If my opponent wins the position of Secretary-Treasurer that means that the bank account, membership list will move to Seattle and he will have to send me the mailing labels and postage for each issue plus the cost of copying each issue. This would be a large hassle and a big pain in the butt, I feel very, very strongly that the publishing should go along with the bank account and membership list. I want you to think and vote wisely, but do vote. I thank you for your vote. 73... Ralph.

BRUCE FORTZER, 6546 19TH Avenue N.E., Seattle WA 98115

In the past, I have been President, Board Member, and Editor-in-Chief among other things. Recently, per the club Bylaws, I became the new Secretary-Treasurer, and will be preparing badly needed financial reports for the current and past years. I'd like to continue for another two years to make sure my efforts take hold. The club hasn't prepared financial statements in 12 years. Instead we've relied on guesswork, with disastrous results. In 1985 we were breaking even, but people thought we were losing money. The result was animosity, a 40% membership drop, and inaccurate reports on our financial condition. This sort of behavior has to stop. By providing regular financial statements, I believe we can prevent future fiscal fiascos. We also need to develop additional sources of income; high dues rates and small bulletins can actually be counter-productive by driving away members. With your support I'll use my club background to help restore IRCA to a strong financial position. Thank you for your vote.
73.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATES

STATEMENTS COMPILED AS RECEIVED

ALBERT S. LOBEL, Post Office Box 26762, San Diego CA 92196

As a long time IRCA Member I have always felt that IRCA was and still is the best AM DX Club in any country. I have been an IRCA Member for 21 years having previously served as the first editor of the "For Sale" column, then called "The Advisor". I was also a member of the San Diego Publishing Committee when DXMonitor was published in San Diego. Most recently I served as IRCA's ANARC Rep. Yes, ANARC is still with us, they are just in a transition stage. If elected to serve on IRCA's Board I promise to uphold everything that IRCA stands for. I will always be open to suggestions from all IRCA Members and will do the job to the best of my ability. IRCA is a democratic Club and I will strive to keep it that way. Your input will not be ignored. While I cannot make guarantees that everything you want will be accepted by the entire board every time I will at least present your suggestions to the entire board. A vote for Albert S. Lobel is a vote for the future of IRCA; and a good future it will be. Vote for Albert S. Lobel for the IRCA Board of Directors.

ROBERT WIEN, 1309 Dentwood Drive, San Jose CA 95118

Thank you for nominating me for the position of BoD. It would be a real honor to serve on the BoD of the club that I have been a member of for 15 years now. Having been a member of past AM DX clubs, I can honestly say IRCA is the best club around and that if I am elected to the BoD I can help keep that strong reputation going. I am currently the frequency check list editor and I am a very regular contributor to the DX columns so I can say that I have a real feel for the club, its strengths, its weaknesses and the direction the club would like to take in the 90's. With the ever changing facets of AM DX, the broadcast industry and such, it will be necessary to have a BoD that can take advantage of these changes. My mailbox would always be open for suggestions on how to improve the club. I look forward to your vote. 73's.

SHAWN AXELROD, 30 Becontree Bay, Winnipeg MB CANADA R2N 2X9

I would like to first of all thank the person or persons who were kind enough to nominate me for this position. For those of you who may not know me let me give you a brief description of myself. I am 37 years old married with two children and an employee at the provincial hydro electric company. I have been a DX'er since 1971 and an IRCA member for several years. At the present time I am also the editor of "Hearing it through the Grapevine" which some of you are regular contributors. I have no intention of making a long list of promises as I believe in making promises I can keep and keeping the promises I make. I will promise to work hard for you the members of IRCA, to help the club grow and expand as you the members want it to. I will be your voice and hope you would feel at ease asking for my help to make IRCA the club you want it to be. I thank you for your support and I wish the best of luck to all those running for election to office.

ERNEST COOPER - 5 Anthony Street, Provincetown MA 02657

Thank you for again nominating me to serve on IRCA's Board of Directors. I will consider it an honor, and I am happy to accept. However, I must ask: Is a Board of Directors really necessary? At the beginning of each new season, the Board has been asked to appoint or reappoint the various editors, etc. A major change was instituted in a change of the publisher at the beginning of this season, IRCA's 28th. An interim editorship has been set up for the Western DX Forum. Neither of these events was put to the Board of Directors for their yes or no vote! In fact, no matters have been referred to the Board since last Spring - and the club has been running just fine! Had my vote been sought, I would have approved of the changes - I have no complaints there at all - but the point is that the Board was not consulted. Maybe we'd just be better off to forget about electing a wide-spread Board and let the ones who do the work make the decisions. Actually, that's the way it is now! But I'm ready, willing, and able to be a Board Member, if you so vote, and thank you for your consideration.

RICHARD ECKMAN - 9 Still Harbor Court, Hampton VA 23669

IRCA is certainly at a crossroads. The last decade has seen interest in DXing decrease as younger people find computers and video more interesting than radio. Our club, like many other DX hobby clubs, suffers from decreased support of the columns detailing recent receptions. These are the real heart of DX Monitor. The recent gulf conflict may have increased the public's awareness of shortwave radios, but it's doubtful that this will have much of a spin-off for MW DXing. Our priorities over the next few years must be to increase participation in the club bulletin and to find ways of increasing membership. As an IRCA member since 1973, I've seen the club weather some problems, but for the most part we've done quite well. We're fortunate to have a dedicated publisher/editor-in-chief and a fine group of column editors. A few personal notes: I'm 32, a DXer since 1971 specializing in foreign MW DX, particularly from Europe. I would hope to bring experience and willingness to solve the current problems to the BoD. We need to attack these issues now. Please take time and vote in this election. It's your club.

RICH TOEBE, 2550 Hilbom Road # 264, Fairfield CA 94533

Hello, I'm rich Toebe. To those of you new to IRCA, let me introduce myself. I've been active in this fine club virtually from the time I joined in 1979. Presently I am a member of the Board of Directors and edit the Slogans list in the IRCA Almanac and release periodic updates. I'm 32 years old. Though I haven't been as active lately reporting hot DX tips (the unfortunate consequence of living in an apartment complex with loads of TVI), I'm still very much interested in this hobby and proud to be a part of this club. I've enjoyed serving on the Board and hope to continue. If you feel I've done a good job, please vote for me.

PATRICK MARTIN, Post Office Box 843, Seaside OR 97138

I am very happy to accept the nomination for the Board of Directors and would like to thank who ever nominated me. I have been very happy to serve on the Board in the past and to help serve IRCA and its members. At this time we really need to increase our membership so our club will grow. For newer members who do not know me, I have been a DXer since 1962 and an avid QSLer since 1965. I first joined IRCA in 1968 and have been the editor of DX Worldwide West since 1980. I will be very happy to have your vote for the Board of Directors. Thank you.

RAY BAURNHUBER, 141-12 243rd Street, Rosedale NY 11422

I would like to thank whoever nominated me for this position [Board of Directors, ASL]. As EDXR editor I've always given my best effort to get the column out on time and produce it in a professional manner. If elected to the IRCA Board of Directors I Promise to give the same effort in order to help make IRCA the best broadcast band club in the Country. Till then, CONTINUED GOOD DX MY FRIENDS, and 73 de Mr. B.

STEVE MITTMAN, 2248 West 37th Street, San Pedro CA 90732

Thank you for the nomination to the IRCA's Board of Directors. This club has a long history of sailing through rough waters, but I think each storm we weather makes us that much stronger for it. It's human nature to sometimes have differences of opinions, but I hope that our common love of this unique hobby continues to unite us all together as one big family. I have been a member of the IRCA for 13 years now, and always willing to help each other. As a BoD officer, I would like to see the IRCA continue to particularly strive for these goals: 1) Try to actively recruit new members. 2) Try to encourage ex-members to rejoin, possibly via special flyers sent to them. And 3) Try to RETAIN its current members--by continuously encouraging all members, and of all levels abilities, to contribute. Active participation from all is what keeps the club strong! I am dedicated to the club, and if elected I would strive to represent the members, and to serve in the best interests of the IRCA. Thank you and good DX.

BILL HARDY 2301 Pacific Avenue, Aberdeen WA 98520

I joined IRCA in 1964, six months after its founding, and have served one previous term on the Board, 1977-79. My wife, Nancy, has served four terms on the Board, 1973-77 and 1983-1987, giving us additional insight into club activities. I've been Project Coordinator of the IRCA Almanac since its inception in 1979, and also edited Special Features and Sport Networks in the 1970's. I consider total honesty to be more important than anything else. Thus, I must tell you up front that I am probably as much responsible for IRCA's recent financial problems as anyone else, possibly more so. From 1979 until 1986, income from the IRCA Almanac subsidized membership dues. However, I was totally off base in my belief that we could get a new Almanac published in 1987-88. I worked off and on from 1987 to 1990 on that Almanac, while also juggling a full-time job, serious illness in Nancy's family, and two newborn children at our house. The fact that I could not deliver an Almanac between 1988 and 1990 probably cost the club thousands of dollars, and the belt-tightening that followed cost the club members and almost our existence. But I am prepared to serve you, if you want an elected official who is dedicated to using the wishes of the club members as his guide in club actions. Read all the campaign statements, and vote the candidates who believe as you do. By all means, vote. Thank you.

MIKE HARDESTER, POST OFFICE BOX 8159 CAMP LEJUNE NC 28542

I would first like to thank whoever nominated me for the IRCA Board of Directors. So, what kind of campaign statement can I make? How about one that's short and to the point? Having been a member of IRCA for 21 years, I would very much like to serve on the Board of Directors as your representative to continue to make our club, the IRCA, an even better club for all members and the hobby. Regardless for whom you vote, PLEASE VOTE! Thank you.

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