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POSITIONS: New Member Packet Revision Committee. This is one project that really needs to be done. IRCA has needed a NMP for a long long time. Now that I am out of the weeklies maybe I can be of some help with the NMP. Interested in helping out contact Phil Bytheway for more information.....

ELECTION: Please mark your ballots and send them to Phil Bytheway. Lets have a big turnout for this election. Mine has already been mailed.....

DIGITAL READOUTS: I have a source for LCD frequency counter modules. That can be used on the old TRF, Superadio I, II and other portables. Price is in the \$40.00 range and includes postage. I use one on my HQ-180C to tune the broadcast band. Drop me a line if your interested, include a SASE.....

IRCA DX TEST BULLETIN

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1993 - WECO-940, P.O. BOX 100, WARTBURG, TN 37887 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE, TONES, AND BLUEGRASS MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. CARL STUMP - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, MARCH 29, 1993 - WLKW-790, 75 OXFORD STREET, SUITE 401, PROVIDENCE, RI 02905 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:15 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. JEFFREY LALUMIERE - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR IRCA CPC)

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1993 - WCPM-1280, 101 KELLER STREET, CUMBERLAND, KY 40823 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 1:15 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TONES AND VOICE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. J. GEORGE BIBB (KS4K) - PRESIDENT. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, APRIL 19, 1993 - WVHI-1330, THIRD AND MAIN, EVANSVILLE, IN 47708 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST FROM 1:00 - 4:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE, TONES, VOICE ID'S AND VARIOUS TYPES OF MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. RALPH TURPEN (KA90WT) - VICE PRESIDENT/CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR IRCA CPC)

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DEADLINES: 2nd & 4th Saturdays.

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Much of this information was compiled from M Street Journal, DXM, and various other sources.

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

MT. Grest Falls 300/300 ND

NEW STATION GRANTS: NONE

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY: NONE

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

CA. Glendale	KIEV-870	20000/3000
PA. Bedford	WBFD-1310	2500-D
Canonsburg	WWCS-540	5000-D
TN. Clinton	WYSH-1380	250-N
TX. San Juan	KUBR-1210	5000-N

FACILITY AND PARAMETER GRANTS:

TN. Knoxville	WHLM-1180	1-N
WV. Green Valley	WAMN-1040	200-N, ND (1050 CP)

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

CA. Eureka	KFLI-790	becomes KWSW
Riverbank	KPLA-770	becomes KCBC
GA. Hahira	WXLR-810	becomes WSHF
Macon	WIEB-1280	requests WXXX
IA. Davenport	KSTT-1170	becomes KJOC
KY. Florence	WMLX-1180	becomes WBND
LA. Jonesboro	KDKS-920	becomes KTOC
MD. Silver Spring	WNTR-1050	becomes WKDL "Kids"
MI. Ann Arbor	WPZA-1050	becomes WTKA
Saline	WIQB-1290	becomes WAMX
MN. Maplewood	WMIN-1030	becomes WCTS
MD. Independence	KIDZ-1510	becomes KJLA
NV. North Las Vegas	KLUC-1140	becomes KXNO
NY. Buffalo	WXEX-1400	requests WWWF
OK. Perry	KRAD-1020	requests KASR
OR. Portland	KGW-620	becomes KINK
TN. Jasper	WAPO-820	becomes WWAM
TX. Houston	KRBE-1070	becomes KCRR
University Park	KSGB-1540	becomes KTNO
VA. Richmond	WANT-990	becomes WIMM

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL. Bessemer	WSMQ-1450	was country, s. gospel, now JSN-C&W, FPT talk
Florence	WBCF-1240	was stds., adds FTP talk
AR. Harrison	RHOZ-900	was stds., adds EFM talk
AZ. Globe	KJAA-1240	was talk, adds FTP talk
CA. Eureka	KFLI-790	was soft AC, now KWSW, Unis. stds.
Sacramento	KRAK-1140	was country, now trad. country

CO. Grand Junction	KSTR-620	was country, now nx/talk (MBS, SUN, ABC, Talknet, CNN, FTP, WOR, SEN)
CT. Putnam	WINY-1350	was AC, adds NSE AC
FL. DeFuniak Springs	WZEP-1460	was stds., talk, adds FTP talk
Eustis	WKIQ-1240	was stds.//WTRR, now oldies, talk//WTRR
Gainesville	WGGG-1230	was classic rock//WRRX, now FTP talk
Gulf Breeze	WRNE-980	was urban AC, b. gospel, now urban, blk gps.
Sanford	WTRR-1400	was stds., now oldies, FTP talk nights
GA. Gordon	WENM-1120	was bus. nx, now silent
Macon	WIBB-1280	was blk gospel, now WKXX, SEN sports
	WNEX-1400	was stds., adds FTP, WSB Talk
Young Harris	WZEL-770	was country, adds JSN country
IN. Decatur	WADM-1540	was oldies//WQIT, now silent
Plymouth	WTCA-1050	was stds., now soft AC, FTP talk
West Lafayette	WBAA-920	was nx, classical, now nx, jazz
KY. Florence	WMLX-1180	was stds., now WEND, urban AC "Blend"
Williamsburg	WEKC-710	was country, now SGC C&W, s. gospel
LA. Natchitoches	KNOC-1450	was oldies, talk, adds JSN oldies
MD. Silver Spring	WNTR-1050	was silent, now WKDL, CSN kids net
MA. Boston	WHDH-850	was talk, adds nx AM & PM drive
Framingham	WKOX-1200	was nx/talk, now country//WCLB (has local talk show morning drive)
MI. Saline	WTQB-1290	was rock//FM, now WAMX, new AC
MN. St. Paul	KLBB-1400	was stds., adds Unis. stds.
MS. Laurel	WAML-1340	was s. gospel//WEEZ, adds black gos AM
Starkville	WKOR-980	was nx/talk, adds FTP talk
NM. Albuquerque	KAXM-1520	was hot AC//FM, now CHR//FM
NY. Celinea	WCSC-1350	was AC//FM, adds NSE AC//FM
Warwick	WTBQ-1110	was stds., adds FTP talk
NC. King	WKTE-1090	was country, gospel, now country, FTp talk
NY. Buffalo	WXGX-1400	was rock//WUFX, now WWF, BRN bus. nx
Cornwall on Hud.	WARW-1170	was silent, now JSN C&W//WRWD
OH. Gallipolis	WJEH-990	was nx, talk, C&W, now nx/talk
Kent	WJMP-1520	was oldies, now ASN sports
Marietta	WBRJ-910	was nx/talk, adds FTP talk
Toledo	WVOI-1520	was urban, now black gospel
PA. Berwick	WSQV-1280	was oldies, now NSE AC
Bloomsburg	WJMW-550	was stds., now country
Scranton	WGBI-910	was country
SC. Fountain Inn	WFIS-1600	was country, adds FTP talk
Orangeburg	WJZS-1150	was rel. s. gospel, now FTP, SUN, EFM tk
SD. Hot Springs	KZMX-580	was soft AC//FM, now JSN country
TN. Jasper	WNAM-820	was WAPO, S. gospel, adds FTP talk
Pikeville	WUAT-1110	was country, adds SGC C&W, s. gospel
TX. Amarillo	KPUR-1440	was silent, now talk (EFM, SEN, Talknet, MBS)
Austin	KVET-1300	was country//FM, adds Larry King
Lufkin	KRBA-1340	was C&W, oldies//FM, now variety (oldies, s. gospel, talk, C&W gold, SS)
Marshall	KMHT-1450	was oldies//FM, now silent pending sale
Nacogdoches	KEEE-1230	was nx/talk, adds FTP talk
San Antonio	KSJL-760	was urban AC, now sports
VA. Bridgewater	WHBG-1360	was country, now JSN oldies
Richlands	WRIC-540	was oldies, now NSE AC, Talknet
Williamsburg	WMBC-740	was stds., adds Unis. stds.
Winchester	WUSQ-610	was nx, adds Larry King
WV. New Martinsville	WETZ-1330	was country, to be s. gospel (April 1)
ON. London	CJBR-1290	was oldies, adds Larry King

Correction:

UT. Centerville	KBEX-1600	had been rptd. to be KUMT now, remains KBEX (apparently never was KUMT), has applied f/KCPX
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8 more days till spring, the buds are opening, the flowers are blooming, and DX is still hot! 73's.



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DEADLINE: MONDAYS

One lone report this week and yours truly. Carl DeWhitt saved the day. I might mention also that I spoke to Chuck Boehnke this week and was told he heard Tahiti on 738 KHZ during the day! I have been told it has been done, but didn't know of anyone who had heard them during the daytime. The signal wasn't bad either.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 560 UNID, 1/31 0547 prob. a Mexican w/XE mx. Poss. ad in anmts by man. Poor u/KUSA, KLVI (CD-OK)
- 670 CUBA, Radio Rebelde-2/28 0150-0201. Cuban mx, brief nx, ID "Rebelde La Habana" Good w/man. (CD-OK)
- 690 t MEXICO, Fresnillo-XEMA 3/3, 1003-1059. Poss. ID at 1007. Ranchera mx, DJ chatter, TCs. Poor-fair. Wiped out KGGF s/on at 1059. New (CD-OK)
- 700 t COLOMBIA, Bogota? 3/9 0332, poss. Caracol ID in jumble u/WLW, poor. WRTH lists as 120KW in Bogota. (CD-OK)
UNID, 2 men in Phone conversation discussing elections, caribbean accent EE, Prob. JBC-1 Jamaica. Weak u/o WLW (CD-OK)
- 730 MEXICO, Mexico City-XEX 3/10 1045-1104 poss. ad w/some EE, TCs taking phone calls, XEX ID and poss. slogan, fair-good o/KKDA (CD)
- 740 MEXICO, Torreon XENQ 3/10 1111-1136, TCs XE ballads, ID giving AM freq. and poss. FM also. Mostly poor u/KRMG. New (CD-OK)
- 880 MEXICO, Los Mochis-XEPNK 3/9 0251-0321. ID by man "X-E-P-N-K, La Super Estacion" Fair-poor u/o KRVN (CD-OK)
- 1069 t COLOMBIA, Barranquilla-HJAH-thx to Chuck Boehnke for listening to the tape. Thought to caught "Emis. Atlantico" a time or two. (PM-OR)
- 1090 MEXICO, Nuevo Laredo-XEWL 2/14 0030 Mex. mx and ID by man as "X-E-W-H, Nuevo Laredo...Mexico" sudden fade out. New It is listed as 1KW (CD-OK)

VERIFICATIONS

- 567 GUAM, Agana-KGUM-nice chatty letter rec. from Jon Anderson-Pres. in 147 d after f/up. Also sent bottle cap with call letters. 5KW. I now have all the 3 AM stations in Guam hrd and QSL'd (PM-OR)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

- CD-OK CARL DEWHITT-501 GLENDALE-PONCA CITY, OK 74601
DX-400, 45' LW Sony ICF-6500W, Radio West Shotgun Loop
- PM-OR YOUR EDITOR
Drake R8, Hammarlund SP-600, 1500' E. Bev, Term., 1600' NNW
Bev. Term. 200' SW/NE Term. LW, Ground radial system.

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The IRCA maintains a large file of articles which have appeared in past issues of DX Monitor. These articles cover a wide variety of topics, including: antenna theory and construction, tips for the foreign BCB DXer, how to improve your DXing skills, history of DXing and broadcasting, lists of stations by subject, construction projects and receiver modification, receiver reviews, medium wave propagation, and more. Copies are available for a nominal charge. For a list of reprints, send \$1.00 to:

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DEADLINES FOR WDXR TIPS: Mon. March 29, Mon. April 12, Mon. May 3,
Sat. May 29, Sat. June 19, Mon. Aug. 2, Mon. Aug. 23, Sat. Sept. 4.
PLEASE USE EASTERN TIME.

REPORTERS FOR THIS ISSUE:

- (GJ) Gary Jackson-7735 Center Pkwy.--Sacramento, CA 95823
(PM) Patrick Martin-P.O. Box 843-Seaside, OR 97138
Drake R8, SP-600-JX17, 1500' E. Beverage term., 1600' NNW
Beverage term., 200' SW/NE wire term., radial ground system
(MS) Mike Sanburn-P.O. Box 1256-Bellflower, CA 90707
GE Superadio II
(RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.--San Jose, CA 95118
GE Superadio, GE long-range portable, SM-2

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 620 KINK OR, Portland changed call letters to KINK on March 1st, ex-
KGW. (PM-OR) (KGW-TV retains calls.--NH)
840 KSWB OR, Seaside has returned to the air 0900-0100 every day,
with good strong signal. Has country music during the day
and a "hodge-podge" of music evenings. (PM-OR)
1190 KFEZ MO, Kansas City 3/8 0527 "The all new KFEZ," 60 sec. of
good news. On east Beverage, with KEX off. Ex-KJLA. (PM)

690 KRCO OR, Prineville 3/6 now on at night with C&W music, heard
mixing with CBU with ID at 2330. (PM-OR)
770 KPLA CA, Riverbank per call to station 2/27, doesn't know when
they will be changing calls to KDAY (has since reapplied
for calls KCBC). (RW-CA)
1060 CFCN AB, Calgary per call to station 3/5, new calls have been
applied for to CRTG, but wouldn't divulge call to me. (RW)
+New calls? 3/7 0900 "The new nix 10-60" slogans over &
over. Now non-stop rock & roll music. No call given,
though. Will keep checking. (PM-OR)
1140 CFXL AB, Calgary 3/8 0855 finally logged this call change,
ex-CFXX. Under KRAK but quite readable with "XL" ID, song
"Don't Stop Thinkin' About Tomorrow." Not enough for
report, though. (RW-CA)
1190 KORG CA, Anaheim 3/8 0555 good with nostalgia music over unID
Spanish (XEMBC?) and unID talk (KRDS?), ID "KORG, Anaheim,
KEZY-FM Anaheim." Didn't change calls on AM, at 0600
promptly started simulcasting FM's CHR format. (RW-CA)
?WOWO? IN, 3/8 0420 oldies format (Eagles, Looking Glass, Gary
Puckett music), sounded like "Wo-Wo." On eastern Beverage,
with QRM. (PM-OR)
(KEX) OR, Portland 3/8 0544 off again on a MM. Is this now a
regular SP? (RW-CA)
?KGBS? TX, Dallas 3/8 0435 running "All Sports," "Sports Radio"
IDs, American Sports Radio net. PSA at 0452, mentioned
Dallas, never seemed to catch ID though, too much QRM--with
KEX off, what a jumble! (PM-OR)
CFSL SK, Weyburn 3/8 0403 KEX off, CFSL on top with ID out of
Standard Broadcast News. (PM-OR)
1210 KONY UT, Washington 3/6 2306 fair w/o KREW with ID. (PM-OR)
KREW WA, Sunnyside 3/6 2307 strong with weather & ID. (PM-OR)
1240 CKGO BC, Hope 3/7 0906 fair with Fraser Valley Radio ID's,
weather for Chilliwack & Hope. (PM-OR)
1280 KHEP AZ, Phoenix 3/8 0429 heard spot mentioning the Bible
Baptist Church, a couple of ID's, and a spot giving address
100 W. Clarendon in Phoenix. New here. (MS-CA)

- (KFRN) CA, Long Beach 3/8 0400 SILENT! Still off 3/10. Frequency a mess with several unID's (KIT? KDYL? KXKL?). Who is C&W here? (MS-CA)
- KDOL NV, Henderson 3/9 0030 loud in Spanish with slogans "Radio Latina" and "D-O-L." (MS-CA)
- KDYL UT, Salt Lake City 3/8 0930 dominant with ID, news, and MOR music. (MS-CA)
- 1340 KTCR WA, Kennewick 3/7 0040 running high school basketball game, Tri Cities spots. (PM-OR)
- 1380 KSMJ CA, Sacramento 3/1 0530 unusually loud with ID by DJ named Hollywood, and music by Rose Royce. (MS-CA)
- 1400 CIOR BC, Princeton 3/7 0336 with Oldies Coast to Coast, "You're listening to O-R Radio." (PM-OR)
- 1410 KWYO WY, Sheridan 3/6 fair on top with weather at 2320, CFUN and unID QRM. (PM-OR)
- 1450 (KAYO) WA, Aberdeen was off at least a couple days - 3/5, 3/6? Heard 3/7, but very poor, much weaker than KGHO-1490 or KXRO-1320--reduced power? (PM-OR)
- 1550 KRGQ UT, West Valley City 3/8 0600 KRGQ did not change calls back to KZQQ! Very clear ID on hur in KKHI null as "KRGQ, West Valley City," then back into Spanish. Does use the slogan "KZZQ" (Kah-zeta-double kuh), so you can be easily fooled by this! (RW-CA)
- 1560 KNTR WA, Bellingham 3/8 0010 fair in jumble with Christian music, preacher. (PM-OR)
- 1600 KBBX UT, Centerville per call to station 2/27, didn't change calls from KBBX to KUMT, then back. FM is KUMT, AM never was KUMT, but has applied for KCPX calls. (RW-CA)
- 1610 TIS CA, Sheldon new TIS on 1610! KCPX Sheldon at corner of Wilton & Grantline Line roads in Sheldon, CA, small town maybe a couple hundred people living there if you count rabbits, groundhogs, etc! Broadcasting at a whopping 1 milliwatts of power, runs 90 seconds. From Jerry Morelli of Futuristic Mobile Home Brokers in Sheldon, CA, 686-1233. Runs ads from the Sheldon area! (GJ-CA)

DX TESTS

- 550 (WDEV) VT, Waterbury 2/22 0400-0500 DX test tried, not heard. (MS)
- 640 (WWJZ) NJ, Mt. Holly 3/1 0000-0100 DX test tried, not heard. (MS)
- 830 (KBOA) MO, Kennett 2/22 0100-0200 DX test tried, not heard. (MS)
- 960 (KGWA) OK, Enid 3/1 0300-0400 DX test tried, not heard. (MS-CA)
- 1090 (KTNS) CA, Oakhurst 3/9 0300-0400 DX test tried, not heard. (MS)
+3/9 0300-0400 tried, not heard in XEPRS null, only KBOZ alone. (RW-CA)
- 1530 KPCR MO, Bowling Green 3/8 fair under KFBK with Morse code ID's at 0104, 0108, 0110, 0112, 0116, 0137, 0212, possible "K-P-C-R" ID in voice at 0116. Called station and was put on the air. Taped report sent. Thanks to J.D. Stephens for running the test. New, on eastern Beverage. At 0220 strong Morse code, and "K-P-C-R 1530 kHz --- KPCR," into music. Almost equal to KFBK at times. (PM-OR)
- (KPCR)+3/8 0100-0300 tried, not heard under KFBK. (RW-CA)

HELP WITH UNDIS

- 730 Under unIDs in 2/27/93 DXM, RW-CA mentioned 730 GJ-CA's unID in 2/6 WDXR most likely KRVC, or K-Love. That's what I thought from NRC Log, but letter came back from post office--"no such, etc, at this address." Letter undeliverable under these call letters! So must have changed or ??? (GJ-CA) (Bill says the Medford station is part of a multi-city network of religious stations in northern California and southern Oregon. He suspects they all operate from one office and mail should go there.--NH)

UNIDS

- 1190 3/8 KEX off, Black Gospel program at 0345. Almost sounded like a "W" call. Ideas? On east Beverage. (PM-OR)
- 1190 3/5 with KEX off, classical music station up briefly above jumble at 0355 on east Beverage. Some Spanish QRM, XEWK? (PM-OR)

- 1190 3/8 0442 WBDX or WDBX? or something similar, over sports radio station with call. Nothing close listed. Ideas? (PM-OR)
- 1190 3/8 0445 call out of jumble sounded like "WQO" or "WOQ-." Lost immediately. The only thing that is listed that even comes close is WOEQ-FL, which I doubt, but who knows? (PM-OR)
- 1190 3/8 0545 gave FM at "----.5," on east Beverage, lost in jumble. (PM-OR)
- 1190 3/8 0555 sounded like European language on east Beverage, in jumble. Possibly ethnic? Accordian music? What a weird frequency. Ideas on this one? (PM-OR)
- 1190 3/8 0600 loud Black announcer "and now -- Brown on ---," using eastern Beverage. (PM-OR)
- 1350 3/1 0500 TT under KCKC & KSRO. Colorado? (MS-CA)
- 1570 3/3 0606 coming out of sports, into song by Neil Young, "Harvest Moon." Maybe unneeded CFEZ. What is format for CHUB? (MS-CA) (Bill says CHUB is adcon, uses WIN's "Night Shift." CFEZ is EZL.--NH)

This is the end of the weekly columns. Summer must be right around the corner, hi. Watch the beginning of column for summer deadlines!

IRCA CONTEST STANDINGS

as of Feb. 28, 1993

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	<u>Grand Total</u>	<u>State/ Province</u>	<u>Letterama</u>	<u>Feb. Mini Contest</u>	<u>Previous Mini Contest</u>
Mike Sanburn, CA	486	269	78	0	131
Steve Sprague, KS	283	283	0	0	0
John Johnson, MT	116	80	24	0	12
Bruce Portzer, WA	40	38	2	0	0

The two contestants who sent "target" lists for the February mini-contest failed to hear any of them, so we have no monthly winner.

For new members and for those who'd like to send a "come from behind" entry, here is a quick recap of the IRCA contest rules:

Two main contests run until April 30. In addition, there are mini-contests that last for one month each.

STATES & PROVINCES (began 9/15/92, continues until 4/30/93)

Log 10 stations from each state or province. Scoring: #1=1point, #2=2 points, #3=3 points, #4=4 points, etc, with #10 being worth 10 points. BONUS: A regional station will earn a 3 point bonus, and a graveyarder will earn a 5 point bonus. During the contest period an entry can be replaced with one of a higher value.

LETTERAMA (began 9/15/92, continues until 4/30/93)

This is a "three level" contest, without the need to complete level one before going on to level two or three. In level one the second letter of the call is used: KABC, WBUZ, WCVR, KDRA and so on. In level two the third letter of the call is used: CBA, WBEM, WCO, CJDC, and so on. Level three uses the fourth letter of the call: KPLA, KFAB, WTAC, CKRD, etc. Each station will score one point.

MINI-CONTESTS, one month each:

MARCH 1-31: One set hour each day. This month everyone will choose one hour each day to count DX for the contest. It can be any hour, but must be the same hour every day of the month. Log as many stations during the hour as possible. Each will count one point.

APRIL 1-30: Log all you can. Log as many stations as you can during the month. Each will count one point.

Remember to postmark your March loggings by April 10, and your April loggings by May 10. And I'm open for ideas for next season's contests. Send your ideas, or tell us about them in BILLINGS!

Central DX Roundup



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FOR THE RECORD

REPORT ALL TIMES AS EASTERN.

DEADLINES: 4/10, 5/1, 5/29, 7/3, 7/31, 8/19, 9/4.

RIDING GAIN

- [SA-MB] Shawn Axelrod, 30 Becontree Bay, Winnipeg, Manitoba R2N 2X9
Icom IC-R70 with PLAM board and 4kHz filter, 4-foot box loop, 100' wire.
- [RTE-MO] Richard T. Eddie, 152 West Rose Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63119-4653
Drake R8, Palomar loop.
- [TMJ-IL] Tom Jasinski, 419 North Raven, Shorewood, Illinois 60435-9640
FRG-7 with Quantum loop, R390A with 2½ foot loop, Sharp QT50.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 600 WREC TN, Memphis. 2/17 poor. 0259-0306 with news. [RTE-MO]
900 KFAL MO, Fulton. 2/24. 0914 with "KFAL Weather" into C&W music. [RTE-MO]
950 KLIK MO, Jefferson City. 2/23. (No time). Using slogan "95 Country KLIK." [RTE-MO]
1070 KHMO MO, Hannibal. 2/23. 1702 with ID and CNN News. [RTE-MO]
1170 KUGT MO, Jackson. 2/23. 1700 with ID at end of "Parent Talk." [RTE-MO]
1220 KLPW MO, Union. 2/24. 0900 with ID "KLPW Union, Washington" into ABC News.
[RTE-MO]
1250 WEMP WI, Milwaukee. 2/17 poor. 0325 with ID and rock oldies. [RTE-MO]
1280 KYRO MO, Potosi. 2/23. 1613 with "KYRO Hot Country Radio." [RTE-MO]
1350 KSLQ MO, Washington. 2/24. 1000 with ID "KSLQ AM Washington." [RTE-MO]
1400 KJCF MO, Festus. 2/25. 0941 with "KJCF Trading Post." 1000 NBC News. [RTE-MO]
1430 KTYN ND, Minot. 3/6 good. 0754 with "Thank you for listening to the all new Kitten
featuring the greatest hits of all time." Not religious anymore. [SA-MB]
1480 KSDR SD, Watertown. 3/6 good. 0805 with "...on Watertown's oldies station, KSDR." Not
AL anymore. [SA-MB]
1560 KTUI MO, Sullivan. 2/23. 1600 with ABC News. [RTE-MO]

DX TEST

- 550(WDEV) VT, Waterbury. 2/22 DX Test. Not heard here, only WIND-560 slop. [TMJ-IL]
640 WWJZ NJ, Mount Holly. 3/1 DX Test good to poor w/KFI, WWLS, and WHLO. 0000-0100.
First 20 minutes had a good signal (30KW). At times near perfect copy with code
ID. Also voice IDs and music. After 0020 signal was poor at best. [TMJ-IL]
+3/1 DX Test heard w/KXOK splatter and a mess on 640. 0002-0100. Heard code
IDs only. [RTE-MO]
+3/1 DX Test not heard, only heard lots of CKRC splat, bits of CHOG, and an uID
SS station. Nothing else. [SA-MB]
740(WVCH) PA, Chester. 3/8 DX Test not heard here. Only KCBS and KTRH. [SA-MB]
830 WKTX OH, Cortland. 3/1 fair to poor w/WCCO. 0100-0130 heard with code and voice IDs,
march music. [TMJ-IL]
+3/1 DX Test heard with severe WCCO interference. 0101-0116 with code IDs,
voice IDs, TT, and march music. [RTE-MO]
+3/1 DX Test. Good signal o/u/WCCO. 0100, 02, 05, 07, 09 with code ID. 0104, 10
with TT. Voice ID said "This is an equipment test transmission from radio station
WKTX Cortland, Ohio 830 kiloHertz." This into march music. New for me. [SA-MB]

CDXR Continued....

960 **KGWA** **OK**, Enid. 3/1 DX Test. Tried between 0300-0315, but nothing heard. I checked again later at 0402 and (tentative) heard code. [RTE-MO]

+3/1 DX Test. 0300-0400 listened for scheduled test, but nothing recognizable heard. Too much WFIR and others. [TMJ-IL]

+3/1 DX Test not heard here. Only CFAC and WTCH. [SA-MB]

1530 **KPCR** **MO**, Bowling Green. 3/8 DX test fair u/WCKY. 0222 with code and voice IDs. Not as good as last year. [SA-MB]

unID HELP

512 unID [SA-MB]'s unID in the 3/6 CDXR with "XKQ" calls brought response from Arthur W. Peterson of Richmond, CA and Mike Hardester of Jacksonville, NC both say this is located in Lexington (Army Aviation), OK (South of Oklahoma City). Mike adds that this is per the 1/93 issue of "The LowDown." I'm sure Shawn thanks both Arthur and Mike for the help. John.

25 YEARS AGO

The March 30, 1968 issue of IRCA's DX Monitor....Percy R. Kesteven of Edmonton, AB had started a photo collection of IRCA members....Gene Rust of Carrollton, TX started DXing again after 20 years lay off....David Rogers of Alva, OK received a verie from WTIC for state #41....Richard E. Brazier of Pomona, CA mentioned he was a senior at Cal Poly College in Pomona.

OPEN MIKE

The expert in anything was once a beginner. Hard to believe this is the last of the weekly bulletins! Please check dates above for the CDXR deadlines. Although you can't tell it, I am now using my new computer system. It's a 486DX2 running 66MHz with 16MB on board RAM. Fast!!! BILLINGS '93. 73, John-John.

1993 IRCA CONVENTION UPDATE



The 1993 IRCA Convention will be held in Billings, Montana on June 25, 26, and 27th. You say no way will you be able to make it to Billings? Why not send a photo of yourself? We will post the photos for those attending to view. While it's not like actually being in Billings, you will be apart of the convention! Send your photos to John in Billings. Photos will not be returned unless a SASE is supplied. We're only 3 months away from the fun filled event! If you have not yet registered, do so today! 73, John & Larry.



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*** THE REPORTERS ***

- (TB) TOM BRYANT-Nashville TN
(equipment not noted)
- (DLR) DAVID REITZ-Louisville KY
R-1000, Radio West loop
- (ES) ELLIOT STRAUS-Tom's River NJ
R-390A, Quantum Loop, longwires
- (ed) The editor at home with R-392/URR, 2' box loop, Autek QF-1

*** OF SPECIAL INTEREST ***

- 640 WJTZ TN, BLOUNTVILLE 3/10 1500 format change from oldies to traditional C&W. Uses slogan "Top Gun Country" and a ricocheting bullet sound effect. Also "the new 640." Interesting: not satellite fed: live DJ w/local request line. (ed)
- 1440 WYGH KY, PARIS 3/2 1555 USA Radio nx, wx, ID: "WYGH AM 1440, Paris KY." Into REL tx. New stn on the air. (DLR)
- 1470 WBUL KY, SHEPARDVILLE 3/2 1605 silent stn back on the air, relaying WZCC-1570 New Albany IN. (DLR)
- 1520 WJCM OH, TOLEDO 3/6 0257 ex WVOI xint w/UC type GOS mx. "The all new gospel WJCM." "WJCM Gospel Radio-Toledo." This one got me by surprise: how did I miss this call change? (ed)
- 1550 WTYR TN, SODDY-DAISY 3/6 0257 gd w/spot for TN State Parks: Sanders Associates in Chattanooga. "All Oldies 1550 - WTYR" No nx at TOH-into RO mx. This can't be 11 watts: someone must have left the day pattern on! New, most wanted. (ed)

*** THE REPORT ***

- 620 WSKQ NJ, NEWARK 3/1 1700 "SBS Cadena Nacional" "Super K-Q." In SS, natch! (ES) (welcome to EDXR, Elliot)
- 640 WBOW VA, TERRE HAUTE 3/1 0005 faded up w/ABC nx, ID, and into NOS mx. (DLR)
- *KNX* CA, LOS ANGELES 3/1 0025 faded up w/local spots, "KFI - 640" ID through mess. (DLR) (xint! -ed)
- 670 WIEZ PA, LEWISTON 3/3 1755 "Oldies 670, WIEZ." ABC nx a/1800. (ES)
- 670 WWFE FL, MIAMI 3/9 1840 gd w/tx show in SS. M & f callers, m host. Cuba audible u/neath w/Latina mx, "Habana" ments. A longtime most wanted which had escaped until now. (ed)
- 730 WPCT VA, ALEXANDRIA 3/3 1815 "CNN Radio 730." Changed power at 1818. (ES)
- 880 KGHT AR, SHERIDAN 3/6 1850 v pr u/WCBS w/C&W & GOS mx. ID as "880-KGHT." Hrd only w/most careful tuning of loop & QF-1. Would never have heard on car radio. New. (ed)
- WRFD OH, COLUMBUS 3/8 0710 gd in WCBS null w/farm rpts & chemical ads. "Ohio's Farm Radio-WRFD." Been a while. (ed)

FREQUENCY OF THE WEEK: 1000 kHz

OK, I goofed: I didn't give you enough lead time on this feature to get your loggings in. I apologize. Freq of the week will remain 1000 kHz through April. We'll make it frequency of the month.

- 1000 WTAK AL, HUNTSVILLE 3/6 1810 gd w/Allman Bros. mx. F/dj. "AM 1000-WTAK: the valley's best rock." New. (ed)
- WXTN MS, LEXINGTON 3/8 1900 pr w/REL prgming. M/ancr: "It's 6 PM. This is WXTN, Lexington." (ed)
- WYBT FL, BLOUNTS TOWN 3/6 1954 pr/fr w/C&W mx. "Keep your dial set to AM 1000 for the best in country music-WYBT-Blounts-town-Bristol." Question: no night power is listed for this stn, but they are definitely on after dark. No PSSA, either so what gives? Anyone know? (ed)
- 1030 KCTA TX, CORPUS CHRISTI 3/6 1945 fr u/WBZ w/s/off. No SSB. "Contemporary Christian Radio-KCTA." (ed)

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KTWO WY, CASPER 3/6 2225 finally strong enough to hear well in WBZ null. C&W mx. "From the plains to the coast: K-T-W-O. It's 45 degrees in Casper." (warmer than here, hi.) (ed)

1050 WDZ IL, DECATUR 2/28 2340 ID, wx forecast, lcl spots. (DLR)

1240 WUOK MA, W. YARMOUTH 3/2 1645 "1240 CNN: Cape Cod's only 24 hr news station." (ES)

1280 WHVR PA, HANOVER 3/2 1803 NBC nx, network spots. Tri County wx for Hanover/Gettysburg/New Oxford. "1280 WHVR" ID, and into "WHVR Community Calendar." (DLR)

1300 WMTN TN, MORRISTOWN 3/2 1830 lcl spots, wx fcst, ID: "Morristown's only country, 13 WMTN." Into C&W mx. (DLR)

1320 WARA MA, ATTLEBORO 3/2 1800 "This is 1320 WARA Attleboro/Pawtucket." (ES)

1320 WLEE VA, RICHMOND 3/4 1755 "Newstalk Radio 13 WLEE." (ES)

1370 WLTC NC, GASTONIA 3/1 1850 lcl spots for 1) Smith's Pharmacy 2) Action Gas & Grocery 3) Michael's Car Wash. ID: "1140 WRNA: 1370 WLTC" & "AM 1140 WRNA, China Grove/Kannapolis: AM 1370 WLTC, Gastonia/Charlotte." (DLR)

1460 WIMX PA, HARRISBURG 3/1 1725 into Barry Farber show. (ES)

1470 WTZE VA, TAZEWELL 2/24 1920 C&W mx, ID: "This is WTZE AM 1470 Tazewell VA, on the air for testing purposes only." Into C&W mx. Testing new 5000 wts? (DLR)
(I don't know, David-this is a regional stn for me, about 60 miles away. I haven't paid any attention to them in a long time. WRAD-1460 & WTOY-1480 slop is hard to deal with. I'll have to do some listening, and find out. -ed)

1480 WAJA NC, FRANKLIN 2/27 1745 "WAJA Franklin" into C&W mx. (DLR)

1510 WPUT NY, BREWSTER 2/27 1725 "Putnam Country-1510 WPUT." "Non Stop country hits." C&W mx. (ES)

1520 WGAM MA, GREENFIELD 3/1 1745 "Greenfield's Great 1520." "WGAM-1520, Greenfield. Adult AM Radio." ABC nx a/1800. (ES)

1550 WARD PA, PITTSBURGH 2/27 1700 WARD Polka Weekend w/guess what? polka mx! (ES)

1560 WTOD OH, TOLEDO 3/8 0732 gd w/nx from "the WTOD newsroom." Frqt "WTOD Newstime" TCs. New. (ed)

* unIDs *

* DX TESTS *

550 (WDEV) VT, WATERBURY 2/22 0400-0500 tried but not hrd...needed for new state. Wiped out by WLWA, KUSA, K TSA, unID SS. (TB)

640 WWJZ NJ, MT. HOLLY 3/1 0000 code IDs a/1211, call rptd several times plus QTH. Nothing else noted in first half hour. Very heavy WSM slop, WCRV, Cubano "con mas potencia!" Needed for state 36. (TB)

& 3/1 0000 DX test w/code IDs a/0000, 0030 thru mess. (DLR)

830 KBOA MO, KENNETT 0100-0200 xlint signal during entire test. Voice, code IDs and march mx all clearly audible. Generally o/WCCO. Some mix of groundwave, skywave produced phasing distortion. Not needed as KBOA is a SSS reg, and can usually be hrd daytime via groundwave. (TB)

WKT X OH, CORTLAND 3/1 0057-0130 heard amazingly well in WCCO null! Pre-test voice ID, tones, and tone osc sweep a/0057. Test started a/0100 w/voice ID and anmt: "This is an equipment test transmission"..code IDs sent at 4 different tones then march mx, and lots more voice & code IDs. New, total now 531. (TB)

960 (KGWA) OK, ENID 3/1 0300-0400 tried but not hrd. NRC night pattern book put me at extreme edge of pattern, but I thought at least the code IDs would make it, not so. Wonder if this was a bust? (TB)
(very possible, Tom. Both JD & I heard them on the first test. You should have hrd them with ease, I'd think. -ed)

1180 (KOFI) MT, KALISPELL 2/1 0400-0500 tried for but not hrd. J.D. Stephens said he had called KOFI during test and learned that they were NOT omni-directional. (TB)
(this test didn't get out very well at all, Tom. -ed)

1530 KCPR MO, BOWLING GREEN 3/8 0250-0300 weak u/WCKY w/code, voice
IDs. Mx hrd, but too faint to tell what kind. New. (ed)
1540 WSMI IL, LITCHFIELD 2/24 0100-0110 only code IDs hrd...poor
u/KXEL & CHIN. (TB)

* f/c's *

*** OTHER STUFF ***

From DAVID REITZ: "I finally found some decent time to DX as of late with some pretty good cx. The WWJZ-640 DX test was a real surprise, as 640 has turned into a real mess w/WBOW/WCRV/KFI and Cuba all there along with what I believe was WGST. The only new one for me this week was WLTC-1370 Gastonia NC. Hope to report again soon."

*** EDITOR'S DESK ***

Thanks to TOM, DAVID, & welcome ELLIOT. Hope you report often.

As mentioned before, we'll change the new feature to "frequency of the month." It will remain 1000 kHz through April. It has already had a beneficial effect on me, getting me to DX a channel I almost never listen to. Let's see how many we can hear on this channel.

Finally, the doldrums that have gripped the band the past two months seem to be ending. This started out as an outstanding season, but after Jan. 1, the bottom just seemed to fall out! Haven't heard a TA het for weeks, and even Cuba is way down. Haven't gotten any audio on 535, 595 or 1555 for weeks. Just weak hets. Hopefully, things are picking up. Maybe by the time you read this, we'll be rolling in DX! Hope so.

Along with David's comments: I see red everytime I listen to 640 anymore. Used to be a fabulous channel, and now listen to the mess! This is regulation?

In reply to MIKE HARDESTER'S?: your 1480 stn could not be WTOY-VA. This stn is in the city of Salem. In VA, towns and cities are separate entities, and not considered part of any county. If it WERE in a county, it would be in Roanoke County. There are not many Prince George Countys around: could it have been Prince William? Then I'd say you had WPWC in Dumfries VA. 500 wts at night, and most of the path over water.

*** DX RECORDS ***

REPORTER: Bill Nittler DATE OF REPORT: 2/6/93
LOCATIONS: Mancos CO; Meeker CO; Kemmerer WY; Rawlins WY; Nucla CO;
McCook NE; Englewood CO; Geneva NE
STARTED DXing: -- YRS SERIOUSLY? 43 COUNT CALL CHANGES? yes

VERIFIED TOTALS:

TOTAL BCB: 3226 US-CANADA: 3025 FOREIGN: 201
STATES: 49 PROVINCES: 9 COUNTRIES: 46 (62 hrd)
DC? yes MOST HEARD STATE-PROVINCE & NUMBER: TX-113

BEST CATCHES:

DOMESTIC VERIFIED: WRIB-1220 RI, Providence
CANADIAN VERIFIED: CJAR-1240 MB, The Pas
FOREIGN HEARD: CP4-1020 Bolivia, La Paz
FOREIGN VERIFIED: LT8-830 Argentina, Rosario
TOTAL BY HEARD/VERIFIED: no record



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Today Feb 24 I stopped by KMGX fm/KJQI trans. in Mission Hills to get some old envelopes & mailing labels. Was called by someone at 94.3 fm saying someone at KJQI called to say I wanted to save any old 1260 things, so to all collectors of radio items - I offer some as long as you help w/postage, pref. stamps, and I'll use my own envelopes of which I have hundreds. I'm sure you collectors will welcome this since I doubt if KGIL call will return locally.

On Feb 18th, I attempted to locate the KPLS-830 towers. Went out Santiago Canyon to Silverado Canyon then found Black Star Canyon. Drove about a mile to a large bar gate. Appears that towers may be 3 or more miles farther. Believe 50 kw is day power and 1 kw nights. Hopefully I can sometime stop by the studios to see someone who could maybe mark or show me where towers are on my Thomas guide. Pretty good format now. Seems 1500 CP has new life - applicant says there's hope for a construction permit at site. 73 and good dx. [report edited for clarity - rcw]

Geomagnetic Indices

+	high point	mas	major storm	SA	solar activity
-	low point	mif	minor flare	spe	satellite proton event
geomag	geomagnetic activity	mis	minor storm	ss	severe storm
maf	major flare	pca	polar cap absorption		

Geomagnetic Summary February 4 1993 through March 2 1993

Date	FLUX	A	K	SA	GEO	ETC
2/ 4	147	6	1	moderate	quiet	-
5	160	6	1	low	quiet	swa
6	184	2	3	high	quiet	maf 1824/swa
7	176	18	4	low	quiet-active	swa
8	188	29	4	low	unsettled-mis	-
9	185	17	2	moderate	unsettled-active	swa
10	180	11	3	moderate	unsettled	swa
11	173	14	4	moderate	quiet-unsettled	swa
12	149	11	3	low	quiet-unsettled	swa
13	135	9	3	low	quiet-unsettled	swa
14	141	5	1	moderate	quiet	swa
15	135	1	1	low	quiet	swa
16	134	8	1	moderate	quiet-unsettled	swa
17	124	28	1	high	quiet-mis	maf 1040/swa
18	126	12	3	moderate	quiet-active	swa
19	116	7	3	low	unsettled-quiet	swa
20	123	22	1	moderate	active-quiet	swa
21	123	17	3	low	unsettled-active	swa
22	133	18	3	low	unsettled-active	swa
23	132	6	2	low	quiet-active	swa
24	136	4	3	low	quiet	swa
25	128	6	1	low	quiet-unsettled	swa
26	126	3	0	very low	quiet	swa
27	124	2	4	very low	quiet-active	swa
2/28	124	21	1	low	quiet-active	swa
3/ 1	132	12	4	low	quiet-active	swa
3/ 2	144	15	3	high	quiet-active	maf 2149/swa

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Greetings once again from the Land of Pleasant Living and of crooked politicians. The WADXA, which I considered folded since there were no GTG's in the last two years, is not dead; it was only dormant. On Saturday 2/6 a WADXA GTG was held at Arlene Luskin's pad with twenty attending. WADXA is mainly SWL. Several events, which are too complicated for mention in such a small space, occurred over the last two years (when it rains, it pours; we need some sun, hi) which forced the club into hibernation. Most of my DXing has been attempts at the many DX tests arranged by J.D. Stephens (he hosted last year's IRCA GTG) and the CPC. I'm batting around .150 to .200 on the CPC tests. I've already put in for a 16-day cruise down the Blue Danube from Austria to Rumania and the Black Sea to Turkey in late July and early August, the best time to be away from hot, humid, QRN-ridden DC (not now, not during prime BCB DX time). I'll have to get used to 9 kHz sep on the BCB instead of 10 kHz sep here in the Americas. Not much snow here this winter although we had 3 inches Friday 2/26. It was 14 years ago last month when we got zonked with 17 inches, the biggest I've ever seen here. I remember bringing in WMGA-1130 Moultrie, GA at the start of the blizzard and hearing WOR1-1520 Oak Ridge, TN when the storm ended. My main DX rig at the time was the trusty 12-655 model TRF. It has shown its wear and tare and now I keep it for reminiscing. Enough blab-off for now. LXXIII de WPT.

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Saw the half hour "Amber Waves" (of grain) on KY Educational TV a few evenings ago. Segments included a profile on KSWA-1220 McGehee, AR; history of WPAX-1240 Thomasville, GA; Lum & Abner and campus radio (KTRV-91.7) at Rice University in Houston. I give it 5 stars, so see it if you have the opportunity. Change in format at WIBC-1070 in Indianapolis according to Larry Evans, the Production Director. To all news, talk and sports. China Radio International (Mrs. Chen Lifang, who likes her MIX-102.3 magnet) sent QSLs for their 91.5 Easy FM via 1323 kHz and Joy FM via 801 kHz. Heard within China of course, but nice to have just the same. CRI has announced more of their China tours: June and November at \$2195 and September at \$2295 land/air from L.A. Good Earth Travel 800-892-2125 is their US contact. I've decided to attend IRCA-93 in Billings. The possibility of the infamous pirate Fats Porker of HAWG radio being in attendance should insure a very large turn-out. I have it on good authority that HAWG radio will prepare a special station souvenir for those at IRCA-93. We'll see or (horrors) smell what it is in due course!

Elliot R. Straus, 980 Cooper Drive, Toms River, New Jersey 08753

DX on Sat. night 3/6 was incredible. I chart the indicies on WWV at 18 past the hour and always check band conditions when the #'s are unusual. On Sat. aft. the A-index was 167 with A-7, K-2 and high solar activity with a minor storm predicted. So I figured I'll check the band on Sat. night. Well, the BCB was like living in Fla. LA's dominated almost every freq. I heard so many R. Relej clocks I had ticking on the brain all night. Seriously though I couldn't even loop in stns. like KDKA or WLW, everything was from LA. R. Rumbos on 750 khz was equal to WABC, and YVRS on 1020 was stronger than WBZ or WINS. It goes to show that you really have to check the bands every day because you never know when that freak condition will show up. I use a MFJ 959-b antenna tuner/preselector with my LW's for shortwave and just for ha ha's I flipped it on with my loop this past MM, and set in its lowest positions it gave a 10-20 db. boost to all signals over 800 khz. I'm only running about 20% returns on my many reports out! What's going on? Don't stations verify anymore. I used to get 50-70% returns in the 1st 12-21

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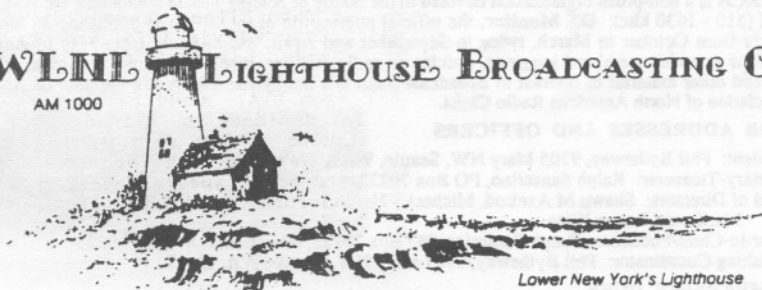
days. I really hope the talked about demise of IRCA is just that, talk. I was a member in '66 and it is really important, I think, to have 2 clubs going. IRCA was always a more loopy-goosey type of organization and I would hate to see that end. Happy anniversary IRCA and many more I hope! Best 73's to all.

Rick Evans, 4841 South 26th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53221-2937

As I type this on the afternoon of 3/13, the news is full of the winter storm that's moving up the east coast, and I suspect that Bill Townshend will get more than his 17 inches of snow from it. My sister-in-law, 30 miles north of Florida and 3 miles west of Georgia, got close to two inches. It'll be interesting to hear the stories from Gerry Thomas and Karl Jeter on how much snow they got and how it affected DXing there. I turned on my small Sony ICF-380 at work Friday night hoping to catch the news on KYW-1060 and had trouble getting WLUP-1000 in Chicago. I've had good luck before tuning around at work, so I have to suspect the weather is affecting the skip here. Two weeks ago, I mentioned starting to put my Gary DX into the computer. I'm amazed how much I heard the first 8 months I was there in 1966. 406 stations! That's well over what I've heard in any other location in as much as a 9 year span! I have to agree with Elliot about slower returns. I was amazed at the number of veries back in 3 days in 1966, including Akron, Ohio, so the stations weren't just around the corner. One thing did help, tho. I had a PO Box at the main post office in Gary which was open and accessible 24 hours a day 5 blocks from my apartment, and they sorted mail into the boxes every hour, so there were days I would pick up my mail three different times (before I went to work, after I got back from work and after I got up from sleeping). In fact, I used to read DX Monitor the day after it was mailed in Denver, and I got it first class mail, not air mail. Those were the days, hi. We have snow on the ground here, so I may be DXing tonight. This is the last of the weeklies, so keep an eye on my deadlines in the column masthead. My wife, as usual, will be enjoying it. 73.

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Things have been rather slow lately. It is good to see you back DXing, Elliot - please report often and let us know what you're hearing. Here we go:

TRANS - ATLANTIC DX (Burnell-NF) unless noted

- 684 SPAIN Seville 0125 3/3 RNE pgm w/m & w in SS - telephone talk show, xInt. (Straus-NJ)
- 738 SPAIN Barcelona 0153 3/4 RNE pgm - m&w in SS w/discussion, pr. (Straus-NJ)
- 747 NETHERLANDS Flevoland 0245 2/28 xInt (S-40 on R-390) for about 10-min.-pop vocals, Dutch fem. ancr (pgmning like a light-FM US stn.). (Straus-NJ)
- 855 SPAIN Murcia 0145 3/3 same as 684 but only poor signal //pgm. (Straus-NJ)
- 963 FINLAND R. Finland, Pori 2221-2226 2/27 EE pgm, interview w/a business man who does lots of business w/Russia. Deep fades, S10 332.
- 1008 NETHERLANDS NOS, Flevoland 2025 2/27 M & w in Dutch discussing church matters. S10 333.
- 1026 NORTHERN IRELAND Downtown R., Belfast 2016-31 2/27 Faded up briefly at 2016½ w/giveaway promo that included 3 IDs & their tele. 'hotline' 0574 279898. Freq dominated by SER stn & stn w/opera. S10 222.
- 1044 MOROCCO Sebba Aioun 0630 3/1 Pres. the one w/droning AA chants, fem. talk, & mid-East mx, v. gd. (Straus-NJ)
- SPAIN R. San Sebastian 2014-16 2/27 SS play-by-play of Deportivo Logrono vs. Real Madrid football game (SER net). S10 444.
- 1242 UKRAINE Ukranian R., Kiyev? 2158-2215 2/27 ads in Ukranian, ID 2159, IS just before hour, 2200 pips, tlk w/short pieces of pop mx betw items. Deteriorating quickly, S10 344-232.
- 1251 HUNGARY Magyar R., Nyiregyhaza 2040 2/27 w in Hungarian, ment 'Magyar' at 2040½, increasing QRM from AA stn, pres. Libya. S10 333.
- 1260 ENGLAND BBC R. York, Scarborough 2006-32 2/21 jazz mx, "You are tuned to 'Jazz North'. I'm Stu(?) Boyd" at 2006½ then more jazz. Freq. dominated by R. Valencia & QRM frm other Brits., too. S10 232-1.
- ENGLAND Brunel Classic Gold, Bristol 2017-2021 2/21 peaked briefly o/R. Valencia w/promo for Indian film mx pgm, at 2018½ harp doodle & "Classic Gold" ID then song "Bang a Gong". Other stn u/plafing Indian film mx - prob. Leicester ("Sunrise Midlands" is now 24h svce to Asia). S10 222.
- 1287 SPAIN R/Lugo 2011-26 2/7 local SS sports talk pgm, ement Lugo a number of times, excerpts of play-by-play of a game (prob fb), at times mixing w/another Spanish stn, prob R. Lleida. Both stns picked up the net pgm "Carousel Deportiva" at 2025. S10 232.
- 1359 SPAIN RNE R. 1, Arganda 2129-2135 2/21 huge signal, strongest Spaniard by wide margin, fanfare 2130 & tlk re picadores & matadores, tlk re films at 2135. S10 444.
- 1375 ST. PIERRE et MIQUELON 2320 2/27 pops in FF & EE, FF fem. ancr. (Straus-NJ) fr
- 1476 AUSTRIA ORF Wien 2104-2120 2/27 ID then began pgm 2105 w/orchestral version of Hendrix riff...began w/talk later played string quartet. O/Dubai w/S10 332.
- UAE UAE R. and TV, Dubai 2105-2120 2/27 AA nx u/Austria, seemed to end at 2109½, caught "...mutahida min Dubai" at 2112½, them cometary re America. Military-like mx 2115, then short pieces of AA nx w/m&w talk in betw. Seemed // 11795. S10 222.
- 1485 ENGLAND BBC R. Merseyside, Wallasey 1959-2004 2/21 mx, ID then interview w/ man who was very critical of Brit relations w/Iraq before Gulf War. QRM fom BBC R. Humberside. S10 222.
- ENGLAND BBC R. Humberside, Hull 1959-2004 2/21 jazz pgm called "North Jazz", only possibility //BBC R. York-1260. Gen u/Merseyside. S10 222.
- 1503 POLAND Polskie R., Stargard 2129-2131 2/27 Chopin piano IS w/"Polskie Radio Warszawa" IDs, pgm in Esperano began 2130. S10 343.
- 1548 MOLDOVA R. Moscow, Grigoriopol 2100 2/27 Moscow IS, s/on in Italian w/ID. O/the Brits, S10 322.
- 1584 SCOTLAND R. Tay, Perth 2238-55 2/27 freq a mess of stns, this up briefly 2238 w/pop mx, 2240 ID, ads, frequent jx's, birthday wished 2243....faded up w/ad

for something in Dundee 2248 $\frac{1}{2}$, again 2255. SIO 222-1.

ENGLAND BBC R. Nottingham, Clipstone 2249-2302 2/27 in mess, pgm of black-oriented mx, mainly reggae/rap, 3-4 IDs around 2257, promo for "Action Line", quiz w/question about film "Malcolm X". SIO 222-1.

1640 NETHERLANDS R. Barones (Pirate) 0053-0107 2/13 man in Dutch acc'td EE played oldies (Badfinger, Cher & Pter Sarsted), gave address of Dutch Pirate Radio Service (12 Dorman Rd. Preston PR2 6AS, England) at 0054, clear ID 0100. SIO was 232.

1395 ALBANIA Lushnje 2210 2/25 Nx in EE by fem., fr for about 5-min then gone. (Straus-NJ)

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

540 NICARAGUA Managua 0155 2/24 "R. Corporacion", tlk on peace/prosperity coming to Nicaragua. Slogan ID's ToH, poor in XEWA null. (Huffaker-MEXICO)

550 JAMAICA Montego Bay 0005 3/7 RJR dom. freq. w/EE DJ, ads, Jamaican mx, reggae, etac. (Straus-NJ)

555 ST. KITTS 0035 2/26 EE disc. re taxis, fr. (Straus-NJ)

580 PUERTO RICO San Juan WKAQ 0050 3/7 "Radio Kah-Ah-Koo", "R. Reloj", SS m talk, jx's, ads, all over the domestics. (Straus-NJ)

595 DOMINICA Hillsborough 0110 3/7 m w/Carib. acc't, Carib. vocals, fr. (Straus)

600 CUBA 0628 2/6 Strong tonighe w/R. Rebelde. (Wyllie-MA)

690 ANGUILLA Carib. Beacon 0040 3/7 Owned 690 w/Dr. Gene Scott. (Straus-NJ)

730 MEXICO XEX 0700 2/6 Gd u/CBC, SS mx, lazer sounds, "XEX". (Wyllie-MA)

750 VENEZ. Caracas YVKS 0120 3/7 R. Rumbos pushing S-50 on R-390, almost = to WABC - Unreal cx. (Straus-NJ)

810 COLOMBIA Bogota 0015 3/7 CARACOL ID, SS m & talk at fr level. (Straus-NJ)

940 MEXICO XFO 0700 2/6 strong u/CBC, better after CBC s/off. SS mx. (Wyllie)

CUBA 0640 2/6 weak u/XEQ, code "RR". (Wyllie-MA)

1000 COLOMBIA Cartagena 0025 3/7 RCN ID, SS m & mx, gd. LA's dominating almost every freq. at this time. (Straus-NJ)

1020 VENEZUELA Asuncion YVRS 0100 3/7 "Mundial", "Margarita" ID's, SS vocals, so So strong I could'nt even loop in KDKA! S-40 on R-390, WBZ was S-30. (Straus)

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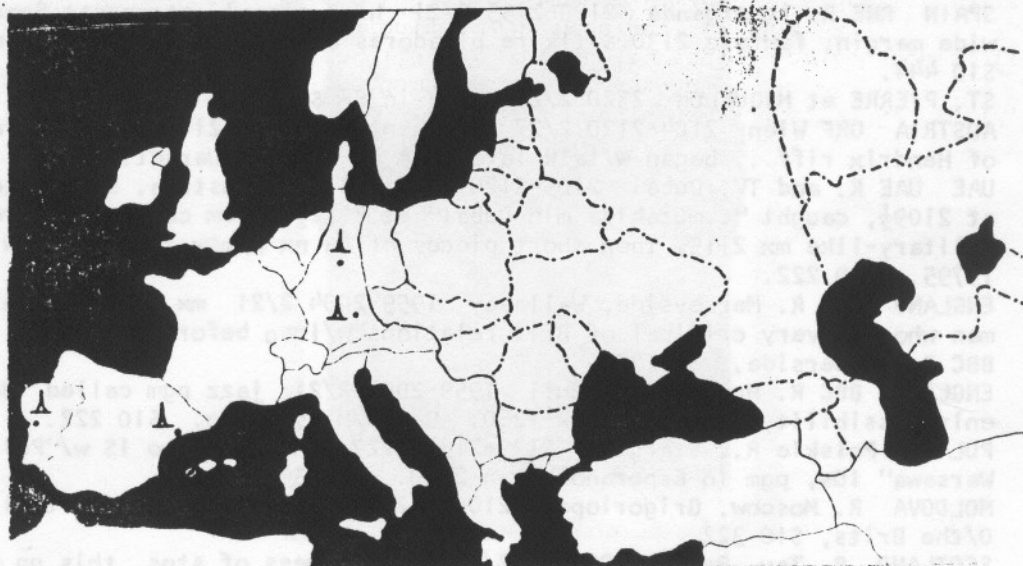
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