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NEW MEMBER: Larry Fussell - Brewton AL. **RENEWALS:** Mike Riordan Salt Lake City UT, Gregory Hardison - Encino CA, Pete Grenier - Sparks NV. Welcome to Larry and again thank you all very much for job security.....

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1995 TED VASILOPOULOS AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Ted Vasilopoulos Award is our club's highest honor. Ted Vasilopoulos was a founding charter member of IRCA who died in 1965. This award in his honor is presented to the IRCA member who has contributed the most to IRCA and the DX hobby during the past year, as determined by a vote of IRCA members. The winner receives a plaque and a year's free membership in IRCA.

A committee comprised of the three most recent TVA winners will choose the nominees to appear on the March ballot, which will accompany the club's regular election of officers. If you wish to recommend a deserving IRCA member for the TVA ballot, please write to Nancy Hardy, 2301 Pacific Ave., Aberdeen, WA 98520-4527 by Feb. 10, 1995, or see Western DX Roundup for Nancy's E-mail addresses. Unlike club elections where you are limited to one nominee per office, counting the Board as seven offices, you may recommend as many people for the TVA ballot as you wish. This is an honor, so nobody should nominate themselves. Any IRCA member in good standing is eligible for the TVA, except the following recent TVA winners: Ralph Sanserino, J.D. Stephens, Bill Hardy, and Nancy Hardy.

FROM THE PUBLISHER: You have probably noticed that front page is no longer colored. To much dampness in the air for colored paper and the copy machine will not run it. I also have another problem, I have on hand three good size technical articles with not enough room in the weekly DXM to publish them. I know some of you do not like the serial type of publishing and I do not care for it either. One way is to publish a cover sheet for the article and if you like what you read you can contact me and I can send you a copy of the article. I must watch the size of the DXM because of cost. With the increase in postage and copy paper going up \$3.00 a case I got to watch cost. Copy paper went up 2 times in 1994 and once already in 1995. I would like to stay away from a dues increase while I am publisher. Let me have your comments on the technical article problem.....Thank you for listening....Pub.....

DX TEST BULLETIN

**** DX TESTS ARRANGED BY IRCA & NRC ****

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 1995 - KICY-850, BOX 820, NOME, AK 99762 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 5:30 & 6:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. POWER WILL BE 10 KW USING A NON-DIRECTIONAL ANTENNA PATTERN. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. TOM GUILLIAM - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 1995 - WXRS-1590, P.O. BOX 1226, SWAINSBORO, GA 30401 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 12:00 & 12:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S, MORSE CODE ID'S, AND "REGULAR PROGRAMMING". AND WILL BE RUN AT 2,500 WATTS. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. JEFF WIGGINS. (ARRANGED BY THE NRC CPC)

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 1995 - KSYG-1010, 2400 COTTONDALE LANE, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72202 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 3:15 & 3:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES & MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. NORM LARAMEE - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1995 - CFRY-920, 1500 SASKATCHEWAN AVENUE WEST, PORTAGE LA PRARIE, MB R1N 0N6, CANADA WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 1:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE COUNTRY MUSIC, VOICE ID'S & MORSE CODE ID'S. POWER WILL BE 25 KW USING THEIR DAYTIME ANTENNA PATTERN. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. RED HUGHES - STATION MANAGER. NOTE: CFRY WILL KEEP A PLAYLIST OF SONGS PLAYED DURING THE TEST, SO REPORT ANY SONG TITLES YOU HEAR. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1995 - WAMR-1320, VENCIE, FL WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:30 & 2:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE BIG BAND MUSIC & MORSE CODE ID'S. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. LEE J. FRESHWATER (KE4QLK) - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, c/o ASTERISK COMMUNICATIONS, 3357 SW 7TH STREET, Ocala, FL 34474. NOTE: MR. FRESHWATER IS A MEMBER OF IRCA. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1995 - K1YU-910, P.O. BOX 165, GALENA, AK 99741 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 5:00 & 5:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S, MORSE CODE ID'S, & EASILY IDENTIFIABLE MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. ROBERT C. SOMMER - GENERAL MANAGER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1995 - WWOL-780, 1263 WEST MAIN, FOREST CITY, NC 28043 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:00 & 4:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S, MORSE CODE ID'S, & MARCH MUSIC. POWER WILL BE 10 KW USING A NONDIRECTIONAL ANTENNA PATTERN. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. JULIUS BLANTON ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1995 - KNZZ-1100, 1360 E. SHERWOOD DRIVE, GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81501 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 3:00 & 3:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. POWER WILL BE 10 KW USING A DAYTIME ANTENNA PATTERN. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. DWIGHT MORGAN - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1995 - KGYN-1210, P.O. BOX 130, GUYMON, OK 73942 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S AND MORSE CODE ID'S. POWER WILL BE 10 KW. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. BILL WELDON - PROGRAM DIRECTOR. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1995 - WREN-1250, 201 NW HIGHWAY 24, TOPEKA, KS 66608 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 2:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE VOICE ID'S, MORSE CODE ID'S, & GOSPEL MUSIC. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. BOB PLUMMER (AA00U) - STUDIO ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1995 - KERR-750, POLSON, MT WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 2:00 & 2:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. POWER WILL BE 50 KW USING A NONDIRECTIONAL ANTENNA PATTERN. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. ANDY ANDERSON, c/o KBMR-AM RADIO, 3500 EAST ROSSER AVENUE, BISMARCK, ND 58501. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS & TOM BRYANT FOR THE IRCA CPC)

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WLLS AM
STEREO-FM

Here is a listing from CBS Radio (via Bill Hardy) of radio stations scheduled to air the SUPER BOWL in English and Spanish on Sunday, 1/29/95 at 1800 EST.

CBS COVERAGE, TOP 50 MARKETS. CBS - AMERICAS COVERAGE.

ENGLISH

SPANISH

570	WTEM-MD				KPWX-TX
590	KLBJ-TX		540		KIEZ-CA
620	KTAR-AZ		620		WSKQ-NJ
	WTMJ-WI		720		KSAH-TX
630	WPRO-RI		830		WRFM-FL
640	WGST-GA				WADU-LA
	WWLS-OK		840		WRYM-CT
660	WFAN-NY		860		KVVA-AZ
680	KNBR-CA (a)		900		WILC-MD
	WPTF-NC		940		KWBY-OR
710	KIRO-WA		950		KKIC-ID
740	WWNZ-FL		1020		KYXE-WA
760	KFMB-CA (a)		1030		KJDJ-CA
790	WWKY-KY		1040		KURS-CA (a)
830	WCCO-MN		1080		WFIV-FL
850	WYDE-AL		1130		WLBA-GA
	WEET-MA		1150		KCUV-CO
	WNIS-VA		1280		KDOL-NV
870	WWL--LA		1300		WQBN-FL
910	WFNS-FL				WTAQ-IL
	WRVH-VA		1320		KRDD-NM
930	WNZS-FL				KXYZ-TX
	WBEN-NY		1330		KWKW-CA
940	WINZ-FL				WRCM-MA
950	WWJ--MI		1410		KTME-CA
980	KMBZ-MO		1430		KNTA-CA (a)
1000	WMVP-IL		1440		KDIF-CA
1070	KNX--CA				WREY-NJ
1080	KRLD-TX		1450		KTZR-AZ
1090	KYBG-CO		1460		XEYC-Chih
	WBAL-MD				KZUE-OK
1120	KMOX-MO				WBJX-WI
1140	KHTK-CA		1480		KRRU-CO
1160	KSL--UT		1490		KICO-CA
1180	WHAM-NY				KXRE-CO
1200	WOAI-TX		1500		WKGA-IL
1210	WGMP-PA		1550		KXTO-NV
1220	WKNR-OH		1600		KGST-CA
1230	WUBE-OH				WAOS-GA
1260	WNDE-IN				KRVA-TX
1290	WBZT-FL		95.3		XHRT-Tama
1300	WQBK-NY		97.3		WJFD-RI
1320	WGLD-NC		97.7		KQVO-CA
1410	WING-OH		99.3		XHNK-Tama
1410	KQV--PA		100.3		KRQK-CA
1460	KENO-NV		104.3		KKLF-CA
	WBNS-OH		105.1		KGST-CA
1520	KFXX-OR		105.5		KQSC-CA
99.7	WRFX-NC		107.1		KFLZ-TX
	WWTN-TN		107.9		KYMI-TX
100.7	KIRO-WA				

(a) Possibly pre-empted because local team is in Super Bowl.

IRCA Mexican Log, 3rd Edition

After months of preparation, IRCA has published the 1994 edition of the IRCA Mexican Log. The log lists all AM stations in Mexico by frequency, including call letters, state, city, day/night power, slogans, schedule in UTC/GMT, formats, networks and notes. In addition, stations that have changed frequency since 1990 are cross-referenced on the old frequency. The call letter index gives call, frequency, city and state. The city index (listed by state, then city) includes frequency, call and day/night power. The log has been completely updated from the 1990 edition and carefully cross-checked by IRCA members in Mexico and the US. This will be an indispensable reference for anyone who hears Mexican radio stations. Size is 8 1/2" x 11" and three hole punched for easy binding (optional). Prices: IRCA/NRC members - \$6.00 (US/Canada/Mexico/seamail), \$7.00 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$7.50 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$8.00 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$2.00 to the above prices.

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BROADCASTING INFORMATION



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DEADLINES: 2nd & 4th Saturdays.

Compiled: 01/11/95

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

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

WA. Colfax 840 khz. 10000/280 ND

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

AL. Andalusia WKYD-920 dec. to 40 w-N, ND
PA. Canonsburg WWCS-540 dec. to 5000-D

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

IL. Harvey WBEE-1570 inc. to 2000-D
NH. Derry WDER-1320 inc. to 10000-D

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

ND. West Fargo KFNW-1200 dec. to 700-N
OR. Sweet Home KFIR-1370 move to 720 khz., add 184-N
TX. Wichita Falls KLLF-1290 dec. to 73-N
WA. Seattle KJR-950 inc. to 50000/50000

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

AR. Cabot KYXZ-1350 becomes KBEL
CA. Salinas KRQC-1460 becomes KHTX (not on air-ed.)
San Bernadino KHIX-590 becomes KSZZ
Twentynine Palms KDHI-1250 becomes KQYN
CO. Lakewood KWMX-1600 becomes KYGO
FL. Bradenton WYMZ-1490 becomes WWPR
Cocoa WWHL-1350 becomes WMYM
IL. Chicago WJPC-950 becomes WEJM "We Jam"
MI. Dearborn WMTG-1310 becomes WDOZ "Radio Aahs"
NE. Omaha KESY-1420 becomes KBEX
NM. Los R. de Albuq. KJBO-1050 becomes KHFN
NY. North Syracuse WKRL-1200 becomes WTLA
ND. West Fargo KQWB-1550 becomes KQHK
OH. Marietta WBRJ-910 requests WYLI
OR. Medford KYJC-610 becomes KRTA
SC. Hilton Head Isl. WHHR-1130 becomes WFXH
WV. Princeton WAEY-1490 becomes WPVO
WI. Jackson WYLO-540 becomes WZER

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL. Albertville WXBK-1090 was silent, now classic country
Camden WCOX-1450 was urban, gosp//FM, rptd. silent
CT. Norwalk WNLK-1350 was AS, now talk
FL. Cantonment WNVY-1090 was stds//FM, now Prime Sports
Fort Myers WINK-1240 was nx, talk, adds Major talk
Pine Hills WGTO-540 was nx, sports, now JSN Team sports
(to become WWZN, team w/WWNZ, WJRR, WMJF)

GA. Gordon	WBNM-1120	was silent, now PRN nx, talk
Macon	WNEX-1400	was talk, now silent pending sale
ID. Gooding	KRXR-1480	was JSN country, now JSN oldies
IL. Springfield	WFMB-1450	was sports, adds Sports By-Line
MA. Natick	WBIV-1060	was SS, now silent pending sale
Wellesley	WBMA-890	is new, ethnic

FORMAT CHANGES (CONT.):

MI. Petoskey	WJML-1110	was nx, adds Major talk
Ypsilanti	WWCM-990	was gospel, adds MGS C. Xtian
MS. Winona	WONA-1570	was country//FM, now SMN Urban AC
MO. Cape Girardeau	KCGQ-1220	was CHR//FM, now Prime sports
Clinton	KDKD-1280	was rel. now talk/sports (WWL, BRN, Sports By-line)
ND. Wishek	KDRQ-1130	was silent, now country//KOVC
OH. Cincinnati	WUBE-1230	was country//FM, now sports "The Score" (ESPN, Sports By-line)
Xenia	WBZI-1500	was contemp. Xtian, now s. gospel
Youngstown	WBBW-1240	was nx, talk, now stds. //WHOT
OR. Grants Pass	KAJO-1270	was soft AC//FM, now SMN AS
Milwaukie	KCYQ-1010	was AC//FM, now talk "The Voice"
PA. Chambersburg	WCBG-1590	was AC//FM, talk, now WWL AS
SC. North Augusta	WGUS-1380	was talk, adds Sportst By-line
TN. Knoxville	WDMF-1580	was silent, now black gospel
Memphis	WHBQ-560	was sports, adds JSN Team Sports
Morristown	WMTN-1300	was talk, adds Sports By-line
TX. Madisonville	KMVL-1220	was oldies, stds., now SMN AC
Waco	WACO-1460	was country//FM, now Prime Sports
Wichita Falls	KWFT-620	was soft AC, now silent
VA. Danville	WBTM-1330	was AC, talk, adds Sports By-line
BC. Victoria	CKDA-1200	was AC, now 70's oldies

Dale Park of Honolulu, HI. sends along the following tips:

HI. Wailuku KIVI-550 adds CNN r. News

Ye editor passes on the following info:

BC. Nanaimo CKEG-1570 has moved here ex-1350 khz., CHUB -1570 Nanaimo has moved to FM, change occurred between 1/2 & 1/9/95.

A little longer column, hope everyone had a Happy New Year, hope '95 is the best DX year you've ever had! 73's.

RADIO FORMULA NETWORK LIST 1 / 7 / 95 from TIM HALL

650	XEVG	Merida	YUC
720	XEAVR	Veracruz	VER
740	XEBAI	Cancun	QROO (new station)
780	XEMTS	Tampico	TAMA
810	XEAGR	Acapulco	GUER
880	XEV	Chihuahua	CHIH
950	XEKAM	Tijuana	BCN
970	XEDF	Mexico	DF
1000	XENLT	Nuevo Laredo	TAMA
1060	KFNA	El Paso	TX (announcement list this station as XEFNA !)
1070	XESP	Guadalajara	JAL
1150	XERM	Mexicali	BCN
1200	XEYF	Hermosillo	SON (new station)
1370	XEMON	Monterrey	NL
	XEHF	Nogales	SON
1470	XEACE	Mazatlan	SIN

There are 15 other stations (not listed by the network) which carry some Radio Formula programming. Stations which air Radio Formula's all-night talk show read the the above list over the air a few times per night, often around 0800 or 0900 GMT. Best chance for a local ID is around 0600 or 0700 GMT (+ or - 5 minutes)



DX Worldwide - West

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DEADLINE: MONDAYS

This column is being typed on Saturday (1/7) rather than Monday, as I am leaving on vacation for about 10 days. There will not be a column next week, but there will be one the following week. I will include all the tips received at that time. Flash Tip: According to Paul Ormandy-New Zealand all the stations running the BBC are all running VOA! This would include: 2XOR-1233-Wellington, 1386-Auckland. The Christchurch TX isn't on as yet, but soon will be on 1017 Khz. On with reports.

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 650 UNID MEXICAN, weak at 1240 12/29-strong at 1247, Sounded like XEZM(?) ID. Mx and talk, then faded. (GJ-CA)
- 720 UNID MEXICAN, 1/2 at 1100 good in WGN null w "R. Formula" IDs, same at LG-MT hrd recently. This is a network. XEKAM-950 is also network, they give a list of the stations, will check to see who it is. 1200-Mexican also on R. Formula Net. (RW-OR) (See Tim Halls tip-1200 below.PM)
- 770 UNID MEXICAN, weak XE station in w/mx 1316 on 12/29, faded out w/no ID. (GJ-CA)
- 820 MEXICO, Mexicali-XEYX "La Gigante" s/on w/vocal NA at 1400 1/1, rather weak. Anmt preceded NA, stronger on 1/3. (LG-MT)
- 1060 MEXICO, Mexico City-KEEP "Radio Educacion" dominated at 1300 on 12/30 with two slogan IDs. First time hrd early AM here. (LG-MT)
- 1200 MEXICO, UNID New Mexican station somewhere in Sonora, runs 24 hrs NSP w/Radio Formula sat. feed. Part of regional network "Grupo R. Sonora" Power 1KW. Usually gives ful ID and XE anthem around 0600 unfortunately they are killed by XEWT, which is mostly a power path from here. (TRH-CA)
UNID MEXICAN, at 1400 12/29 weakly, sounded like XEZI-Radio Canal Festivo(?) (GJ-CA)
- 1610 ANGUILLA, The Valley-moderat. strong 1/2 at 0520 in EE with phone number 800-338-3030. I called and reached a S. CA ministry. (LG-MT) (You reached Dr. Gene Scotts head offices in LA area. PM)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

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- 540 CBK SK, Regina 12/12 0726 strong with news. (GJ-CA)
 - 550 KOY AZ, Phoenix 12/19 0240 excellent level over KCWR with jingle "55 Phoenix KOY." Christmas music "Away in a Manger." (MS-CA)
 - 590 KSZZ CA, San Bernardino 12/18 1800 ex-KHTX, KRSO, KFXM. Now all Spanish! English ID "This is KSZZ San Bernardino-Riverside, La Super Zeta." (MS-CA)
 - 600 KSJB ND, Jamestown 12/31 0927 with Birthday Club KSJB Jamestown, then talked about ice fishing. (GJ-CA)
 - 630 ?KIDO? ID, Boise 12/12 0830 weak KIDO ID (possibly Boise, ID), (GJ-CA)
 - 650 KMTI UT, Manti 1/1 with KSTE nulled, 1059 KMTI ID and into ABC news. Strong. (GJ)
 - 660 KTNN AZ, Window Rock 12/12 weak ID at 0600, not needed here so didn't stay. (GJ)
 - 670 KWNK CA, Simi Valley 12/12 1000 clear ID, they carry XETRA-690 sports. (GJ-CA)
 - 700 KFAM UT, North Salt Lake City 12/31 0840 music and weather. (GJ-CA)
 - 740 KBRT CA, Avalon 12/12 through nulled KCBS, with ID at 1459. (GJ-CA)
 - 750 KMMJ NE, Grand Island 12/12 0808 in strong with livestock report. (GJ-CA)
 - KOAL UT, Price 12/31 0855 ad for wood stoves and ID. (GJ-CA)
 - 760 KRZN CO, Thornton 12/31 0900 "K Talk," gave weather and ID. (GJ-CA)
 - WJR MI, Detroit 12/12 0100 ID and news, with KFMB nulled. (GJ-CA)
 - 770 KULL WA, Seattle 1/1 2300 has dropped satellite oldies and is now //KRPM 106.1, "K-106." They must be desperate for an extra 1/2 point share in the Seattle 3 way country battle! (TW-BC)
 - 800 KSOS UT, Brigham City 1/2 1002-1020 with CHAB nulled. ID as "Real Country 800, KSOS AM & FM." Announcer was Burt Thomas. (LG-MT)

- 820 KCBF AK, Fairbanks 1/1 strong with oldies program and multiple ID's at 1006 & 1010. Announcer said "The home of good time rock-and-roll oldies." Strongest ever heard. (LG-MT)
- (KGNW) WA, Burien apparently silent 1/1 0800-0900; no sign of it. (LG-MT)
- 830 KFLT AZ, Tucson 12/30 1015 in strong with religion. (GJ-CA)
 KNCO CA, Grass Valley 12/30 1040 with ID. (GJ-CA)
 KPLS CA, Orange 12/30 1050 "Radio One" kids program. (GJ-CA)
 KUYO WY, Evansville-Casper 12/30 religious station in with ad for Casper, ID, and preacher talking. (GJ-CA)
 +12/31 0930 strong, with C&W music, spots for store in Casper, weather, ID "You're listening to Christian Country KUYO 830." I just about tuned away thinking it was CKKY...glad I didn't! New. (TW-BC)
- 900 KGRB CA, West Covina 12/25 1224 ID by Don Pardo "The new standard for adult standards, NBC AM 90" [NBC chimes]. KGRB IDs at top of the hour. Christmas special programming. Rumored call change to KNBC upcoming? (MS-CA)
- 1070 KATQ MT, Plentywood 1/2 0800 s/on (no SSB), dominating frequency. (LG-MT)
- 1090 CKRX AB, Lethbridge 12/30 2003 fair with southern Alberta news items, ID, into rock. First time heard. (JW-OR)
- 1220 KBNO CO, Denver 12/30 interrupted Spanish program with call ID in English at 1000, with CJOC nulled out. Have been after this one for over a year. (LG-MT)
- 1230 KOBB MT, Bozeman 12/17 0803 dominant with ID as "Good times, great oldies, KOBB." (LG-MT)
- 1240 KLTZ MT, Glasgow 12/17 0758 s/on with male vocal SSB. New for me. (LG-MT)
 KQEN OR, Roseburg 1/2 1145 spot for Sears, ID "Rush Limbaugh, weekdays on KQEN" into satellite adult standards. All alone for a few minutes then KGY took over frequency. (TW-BC)
- CJOR BC, Osoyoos 12/18 1000 gave "OR Radio" network ID's. Announcer ment. CHOR-1450 Summerland and CIOR-1400 Princeton, as well as CJOR-1240 in city that sounded like "King Solomon." NRC Log says CJOR is in Osoyoos. Played GSQ afterward. (LG-MT)
- 1310 KXAM AZ, Mesa 1/2 0951 good in KDIA null with talk show, ID "...on AM 1310, KXAM," ad for Gulliver Ford. (RW-CA)
- 1430 KBRC WA, Mt. Vernon 12/20 1808 fair with report of flooded roads, promo for Christmas program. (JW-OR)
- 1460 ?KTYM? CA, Inglewood 12/20 1817 poor with religious program, mention of Los Angeles and Long Beach Blvd. (JW-OR)
- KLTC ND, Dickinson 12/19 2316 briefly on top with local BKB game. I phoned station to confirm. (LG-MT)
- KARR WA, Kirkland 12/20 0800 briefly dominated KMWX. Only ID I heard was "Family Radio." I phoned network HQ to confirm KARR is only affiliate on 1460. (LG-MT)
- 1490 KCID ID, Caldwell 12/20 1837 good with Idaho sports news, ID as "Your sports station KCID." (JW-OR)
- 1570 KCVR CA, Lodi 12/20 1900 good with Spanish music, ID in English, into CNN news in Spanish. (JW-OR)
- 1590 WONX IL, Evanston 1/4 0500 fair with Spanish programming & ID by woman "15-90 AM, WONX Evanston" over all. Mostly dominant for quite some time. New. (PM-OR)
 KPOZ WA, Seattle has had a dirty signal since changing calls from KZOK in September. Slops badly onto 1620. (LG-MT)
- 1600 KCRG IA, Cedar Rapids 12/31 0755 strong and dominating with ID as "KCRG Newsradio 1600." (LG-MT)
- 1610 TIS CA, Caltrans all night 12/27 giving weather & road conditions on highways 80 and 50. (GJ-CA)
 (TIS) CA, Home Mountain state forest TIS still not operating. (GJ-CA)
 WNXY470 CA, San Francisco 12/22 0808 good with traffic/parking information for San Francisco International Airport. (JW-OR)
- 1620 TIS CA, Monterey 12/27 0400 in strong with male & females talking fire prevention. (GJ-CA)
- 1700 TIS CA, San Diego 12/27 0415 San Diego Chargers TIS in strong. (GJ-CA)

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DX TESTS

- 580 *WIBW* KS, Topeka 12/19 0228 DX test logged towards the end. Heard whistle-like tone being turned off & on. Clear Morse code ID at approx. 0230. Heavy QRM from KMJ and KLAC-570. New for me, thanks to CPC. (MS-CA)
- 590 KGLE MT, Glendive 12/5 0301 faint but clear code for DX test. (AWP-CA)
- 760 (CKQR) BC, Castlegar 12/11 0300-0600 DX test not heard. (MS-CA)
- 790 (WEAQ) WI, Eau Claire 12/12 0230-0300 DX test not heard. (MS-CA)
- 910 WSUI IA, Iowa City 1/9 I listened most of the half hour and heard nothing, but at 0131 I heard a bit of code. I phoned station & they confirmed that the test ran a minute late and that code had been broadcast at the end (when I heard it). Basically, the two dominant stations CKDQ and KKSJ both faded/paused at the same time, thus creating the dead air needed to hear WSUI code. (pb-WA)
- 930 (KIUP) CO, Durango 1/7 0715-0735 tried but not heard, just CJCA with talk in its null (possibly KSEI). (BH-WA)
- 1300 ?WNQM?TN, Nashville 12/26 0400-0430 tentative DX test. Possible Morse code IDs in mess during KROP downfade in KAZN SP, and possible bits of code noted at 0435 after scheduled end time. (MS-CA)
- 1450 CHEF PQ, Grandy 1/2 heard weakly at 0049 with Morse code in jumble, caught "C-H-E-F" at one point at 0049. I was quite surprised at this. Taped report in French & English sent. Apparently they sent some signal west. (PM-OR)
- 1460 KLTC ND, Dickinson 12/6 0327 faint code between static bursts from a failing street light in front of my house (now replaced, thankfully). (AWP-CA)
- 1600 KOHI OR, St. Helens 11/20 0303 voice ID, test tones, tech. info, 0308 code ID. (AWP-CA)

UNIDS

- 800 1/1 1021-1035 religious program alternating English/Spanish, moderately strong. Seemed to loop NNW/SSE, but could be KHIS. (LG-MT)
- 820 12/31 1000 oldies station, looping E-W, gave EST time check, which seems impossible due to lateness of the hour. Then began station-produced (non-network) newscast leading off with Mass. item. My Earth Watch program says it's daylight in all of CST and EST time zones (except part of NWT) at this time. Format matches KCBF-Fairbanks (which I heard the following morning here at this hour, looping NNW), but loop bearing and time check don't. (LG-MT)
- 1490 12/31 0800 announcer seemed to ID as KOBY or KLBV in city that started with "Grand," perhaps "Grand Junction." Not KEYG-Grand Coulee. (LG-MT)
- 1600 12/29 0508 Black Gospel program "Gospel Power Hour" with woman announcer. Who is this, EC'ers? (PM-OR)
- 1610 Moderately strong open carrier atop Anguilla and assorted TIS 1/1 around 2225. Also there seemed to be an open carrier here 1/2 at 0806. Could not get loop bearings. (LG)

Congratulations to Patrick for hearing CHEF-1450! That's a great catch. By the way, the deadline for the anniversary issue WDXR will be Monday February 27. Remember, it's a tradition for EVERYONE to report to various editors for that issue.

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FRG-7 with Quantum loop, R390A with 2½ foot loop, Sharp QT50.
- [JcJ-MT] Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A with a Radio West loop.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 840 KVEG NV, North Las Vegas. 12/24 very good o/WHAS. 0741 with "KVEG" ID and a spot for Playboy magazine and videos. Never heard that spot before! [SA-MB]
- 880 WMDB TN, Nashville. 1/2 poor with severe WLS slop. 1840-1900 with music. 1858 with sign off announcement followed by SSB. [TMJ-IL]
- 1090 KEXS MO, Excelsor Springs. 12/24 fair. 1615 with Christmas music and ID "God's Country." New for me. [SA-MB]
- 1220 WSLM IN, Salem. 12/31 good to poor w/WKNR, WLPO. 2356 with religious program. 0001 ID into "Auld Lang Syne" then sign off. [EB-MO]
- 1230 KWIX MO, Moberly. 12/25 fair. 0545 with "You've joined the over night hour on the 24 hour information radio KWIX Moberly." Also "Quicks" slogan. Now 24 hours? [SA-MB]
- 1270 WTMQ GA, Columbus. 12/28 good. 0658-0707. 0700 ID, frequent "Radio Noticias" (in SS) then SS CNN News. [TMJ-IL]
- 1340 KXPO ND, Grafton. 12/24 excellent. 0800 with ABC News now. [SA-MB]
- 1400 KQDJ ND, Jamestown. 1/3 dominant, all others weak or nulled completely. 1808 with spot for Sinclair station in Jamestown with a promotion along with KQDJ. 1809 with local news report. Not needed, but not that common here. [JcJ-MT]
- 1450 KBMW MN, Breckenridge. 1/3 dominant, all others weak or nulled completely. 1805 out of Ai News with PSA with a tag mentioning KBMW. 1806 Johnny Holliday Sports report. Not needed, but nice to hear again. [JcJ-MT]
- 1560 KCJJ IA, Iowa City. 1/1 good to poor with intermittent stereo, mixing w/WPAD. 0025 with 1980's rock. Frequent mentions of "15-60 KCJJ" and "Stereo 15-60." [EB-MO]
- 1600 WARU IN, Peru. 12/27 fair w/KCRG. 1735 with possible oldies or AC format. "WARU" ID. New for me. [SA-MB]

DX TESTS

- 970 WWSW PA, Pittsburgh. 1/2 fair to poor mixed with many other stations. 0000-0015 with DX Test with TT and code IDs. Not needed, heard and verified in 1965. [TMJ-IL]
- 1300 WNQM TN, Nashville. 12/26 DX Test w/WOOD and uND CNN Headline News station. 0408 and 0415 with code IDs. Possible Gospel music. New for me. [SA-MB]

1450(CHEF) PQ, Granby. 1/2 DX Test not heard. Listened 0015-0215 and again 0500-0600. My hearing is right through WVON. Usually weak WVON was all alone with little other skip signals tonight. [TMJ-IL]

unIDs

1300 unID 12/26 unID with CNN Headline News. Heard along with WOOD and WNQM DX Test. Station never did ID, only dead air at ID times. [SA-MB]
{*QUICK HELP - Shawn, this is probably KVOR. John*}

25 YEARS AGO

January 24, 1970 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor"....Bill Hardy of Aberdeen, WA was ending his 3 week leave on his way to the Canal Zone....Fred Osterman of Williamsville, NY received two MT veries, KGHL and KOYN....Pat Martin of Warrenton, OR sat in on a DX Test at KAST....Bill Nittler of Englewood, CO received his 33rd Ontario verie, CKPM-1440.

OPEN MIKE

The greatest griefs are those we cause ourselves. Shawn also mentioned the HCJB DX test didn't make it his way. A reminder, tips and loggings over a month old will not be included as per IRCA policy. Please don't report old DX or unIDs. Also, format changes such as adding a talk show, etc. are not for the DX columns. Please DO report all current DX. Because of deadlines, add two weeks. Example: If you log a DX test on MM 1/23, send that logging to me by my 1/28 deadline, it will appear in the 2/11 issue!, 73, John-John.

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IN THE LOG

- 740 WRPQ WI,Baraboo 12/27 0200 fr w/oldies and legal ID by woman:"24
hours a day, 7 days a week, this is WRPQ Baraboo" into USA
radio nx (one of the few non-religious stations on USA radio
network). This is semi-regular (over assorted Latin Americans)
after CBL sign-off.Are they really only 250 wts? (MB-ON)
- 880 WBKZ GA,Jefferson 12/19/94 all day. Station was operating on 885.2
khz. Per call to station, station was having xmitter trouble,
repairmen wre on the way and the FCC was notified.(HN-GA)
- 900 WLSI KY, Pikeville 1/1/95 2205 Caught after local WMOP s/off playing
gospel mx "Your Solid Gospel Station -WLSI." Fair signal I show
them at 150 watts?? (LF-FL)
- 950 WCTN MD, Potomac 12/30 1645 fr o/WWJ&WXGI w/promo thanking listeners
for supporting WCTN's gospel programs in'94, "AM 950 WCTN"
jingle into USA Radio sports. (MB-ON)
- 950 WGTA GA,Summerville 12/30 1801 topping frequency briefly, then di-
appeared u/WWJ w/ID as "Searving Summerville, Trion...950 AM
we're WGTA Summerville. (MB-ON)
- 970 WAVG KY, Louisville 1/1 ???? "WAVE_ (& Moyl format gave adr as P.O.
box 1897-Louisville. (LF-FL)
- 980 WRC DC,Washington 1/1 2230 with talk pgm "A whole lot of talkin gon
on" "For stimulating talk radio,connect with the talk station
WRC AM 980. (LF-FL)
- 1030 WNOW NC,Mint Hill 12/22 1715 s/off "our lights are out, his are al-
ways on..." Christian Fmt. Note: WNOW s/off seems to be almost
identical with WSGH-1040. (LF-FL)
- 1080 WKGX NC,Lenoir 12/19 1745 w/"?counties favorite country station
is now your favorite station... the country giant is 1080 WKGX-
Lenoir. (LF-FL)
- 1080 WTIC CT,Hartford 12/19 1743 Very poor,w/ID "WTIC AM 1080..."Call 1-
800-966-WTIC..." (LF-FL)
- 1080 WREJ KY,Louisville 1/2 0015 w/sports update.."For information you can
use,Your financial resource is the new 1080 WRES." (LF-FL)
- 1090 WMTY SC,Greenwood 12/18 1700 ID into net nx "We're the mighty 1090
WMTY-Greenwood". (LF-FL)
- 1090 WBZB NC,Selma 12/18 1700 In with WMTY vry poor w/"It's time for WBZB
to.....WBZB..."would supect s/off. (LF-FL)
- 1100 WLBB GA,Carrollton 12/28 0754 sports report,ID. Fair sig (LH-AL)
- 1110 WJML MI,Petoskey 12/28 0815 Gd,killing CKTY w/ID as "Talk in the
North, AM 1110 WJML", talk on recycling Christmas trees,local
wx sponcered by Tauberg Chevrolet-Oldsmobile (MB-ON)

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- 1200 WQLS AL, Ozark 12/14 1704 w/E-Z Mx Moyl style "Now more Memories on AM-1200 WQLX" (LF-FL)
- 1310 WDOD TN, Chattanooga 1/3 0730 Fr w/traffic rpt and local nx. Many news items from northwest Georgia towns: Dalton, Chickamauga, ect. (eg. Dalton's first homicide of '95) (MB-ON)
- 1310 WSLW WV, White Sulphur Springs 1/2 1719 Fr w/ birthday greetings to listeners (many mentions of White Sulphur Springs as well as Alleghany County, Va), ad for Gold Lounge Rest, in White Sulphur Springs, local wx, C&W mx. Faded out by 1730 with no ID heard, but enough mentions of White Sulphur Springs to convince me. (MB-ON)
- 1320 WKRR NC, Murphy 12/15 1816 w/xmas mx "Request line open" "We're WKRR in Murphey. (LF-FL)
- 1350 WOYK PA, York 1/1 2120 Good, "Classic Country 1350 WOYK" ID's, radar wx and C&W oldies. (BC-NH)
- 1360 WAOZ, OH, Cincinnati 12/26 0412 "Radio Aahz" ID into singing children (at 3 am? I wouldn't have believed it unless I heard it myself!) (LH-AL) ed: Must be taped??
- 1390 WHOT OH, Youngstown 12/24 0815 Fr-gd w/ad for Omega Doors (phone # 393-DOOR) and Lazy-Boy Furniture Galleries in Niles, promo for Youngstown State University BB. This will likely be the dominate stn here with CHOO gone. QSLed as WFMJ in 1978. I also have a 1981 verie from WHOT on 1330 (signed by AM switch editor Jerry Starr). When did they swap freq? Or did WFMJ go silent and WHOT move to 1390? (MB-ON)
- 1390 WLCM MI, Charlotte Date?? 0900 Fr w/USA Radio nx, 0904 long rundown of obituaries sponsored by Gray's Funeral Home in Charlotte, ID as "Southern Gospel 1390 WLCM". QSLed as WNLF in 1988. (MB-ON)
- 1390 WDCW NY, Syracuse 12/27 1705 Gd w/end of USA Radio nx, ID as "It's 5:05 on Praise Country WDCW Syracuse" into contemporary gospel mx Heard often as WFBL. This will be another dominate pest with CHOO silent (MB-ON)
- 1390 WROA MS, Gulfport 12/19 1945 w/xmas mx. "WROA playing all the great familiar songs all the time 1390 on your AM dial, WROA.." (LF-FL)
- 1390 WEED NC, Rocky Mount 12/19 1749 in u/WROA w/Religious pgm very weak (LF-FL)
- 1410 WLSH PA, Lansford 12/27 0904 Fr o/CJCL slop w/local sports, (mostly about local HS BB), ID anct: "That's the latest news, wx and sports from AM 1410 WLSH, we're serving you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week." (MB-ON)
- 1410 WING OH, Dayton 12/27 1651 FR w/ad for US Savings Bonds, ID as "CNN 1410 WING" into CNN Headline Sports. (another station that canned their expensive PM drive live announcers for a cheap CNN feed off the satellite!) (MB-ON)
- 1430 WADJ PA, Somerset 12/30 0742 FR o/pest WFLP w/local wx message from Pennsylvania Securities Commission warning against holiday season investment scams. (MB-ON)
- 1410 WSTL NY, South Glenn Falls 1/1 2050 poor, ID and C&W mx way under WPOP (BC-NH)
- 1450 WILM DE, Wilmington 1/2 0200 "One-on-One" sports talk, ID as "Delaware's news authority", and CBS nx, caught while listening for CHEF DX test. (BC-NH)
- 1450 WLEC OH, Sandusky 1/2 0201 surfaced thought graveyard junk while looking for CHEF test w/ID as "You're listing to WCPZ FM and WLEC AM Sandusky". (MB-ON)
- 1460 CKRB PQ, ST. George De Beauce 1/2 0103 FR o/UNID "Radio Aahz" (or "oz"?) station, w/"NTR" nx (the FF version of Broadcast News), local wx and sports, leading off with news of World Junior Hockey championship. (MB-ON)
- 1510 WVAA SC, Burnettsville 12/15 1711 My "uniden" from last month hrd agn w/badcock ad wx and good ID thanks to Herb Newberry for confirming this for me. (LF-FL)
- 1540 WREJ VA, Richmond 12/14 1417 s/off (LF-FL)
- 1560 WCCP SC, Clemson 12/13 1758 w/s/off "Join WCCP-FM" Did not hear SSB. Signal poor. (LF-FL)
- 1570 WNCA NC, Silver City 12/26 1939 Oldies, C&W mx, a pair of ID's by M DJ. Fair (WPT-DC)
- 1570 WBUG NY, Amsterdam 1/1 1846 heard "WLFH-WBUG" ID and Real Country, u/WYTI. (BC-NH)

- 1570 WFLR NY,Dundee 1/1 1606 Fair "Country 1570 WFLR news update" after network news, over WPEP. (BC-NH)
- 1570 WYTI VA, Rocky Mount 1/1 1845 Fair listing of sponsors including mobil homes in Ridgeway and Sunlight Systems on RT 40 just west of Rocky Mount,C&W mx , s/off at 1900 w/"Happy Trails". (BC-NH)
- 1580 WPGC MD,Morningside 1/1 1835 Good, Business Radio Network talk, over an unid 70's mx stn.(BC-NH)
- 1580 WVKO OH,Columbus 1/1 1655 Fair, 16-WVKO ID's and Black gospel mx u/WPGC, later fair with disco/soul oldies until 1730 power reduction. (BC-NH)
- 1580 WDAB SC,Travellers Rest 1/1 1800 Good, ID "CNN Headline News ,only on Newsradio AM 1580, WDAB Travellers Rest, South Carolina." (BC-NH)
- 1580 WPUV VA,Pulaski 1/1 1720 Fair, ad for "The Renaissance Restaurant, Main st ,Pulaski", C&W mx, full-data s/off at 1729. (BC-NH)
- 1590 WKTP TN,Jonesboro 1/1 1959 with ID into ABC news (LF-FL)
- 1600 KLEB LA,Golden Meadow 1/3 1952 w/ spot for Univ of New Orleans BB tickets,cals KLEB 94 Country. My log shows them as daytime. My bio FM book shows their FM at 94.3. (LF-FL)
- 1390 CHOO ON,Ajax Scheduled to go silent with move to FM, but still on as of 1/3,when noted with FM simicast, C&W format, ID only as "KX 96". (new FM is CJJK-95.6) (MB-ON)

UNID'S

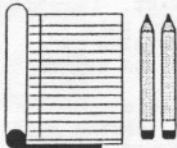
- 1290 ???? ?? 12/26 0426-0430 Rush Limbaugh pgm- and as old one at that- what station carries this at that time? (LH-AL)
- 1330 ???? ?? 12/26 0347-0407 pgm abt NASA and Mars. Break at 0400, ID sounded like they said "On the ?bc network", then back to pgm (LH-AL)
- 1360 ???? ?? 12/13 1830 w/"Radio OZ" sat format heard call like "WA.." or "WALT" (LF-FL)

DX TESTS

- 580 WIBW KS,Topeka 12/19 0230 CID's Fair in WTEM slop.(WPT-DC)
- 690 HCJB ECquador, Quito 12/24 tried not heard Some continuous humm-type QRM. I understand that haum may've been from a Cuban with modulation problems.
- 760 CKQR BCCastlegar 12/11 0300-0400 a no show,just WJR (WPT-DC)
- 790 WEAQ WI,Eau Claire 12/12 0254-0300 Several CID's Fair u/WTAR/Cuban (WPT-DC)
- 1150 WHBY WI,Two Rivers 12/5 0100-0130 not hrd just WMET. (WPT-DC)
- 970 WWSW PA,Pittsburg 1/2 0005 good w/CID's,tones, marching band mx and a brief station history, some interference from WWDJ_NJ and Radio Mundial-Venezuela. (BC-NH)
- 1300 WNQM TN,Nashville 0408-0431 12/26 Test hrd well. Several CW and voice ID's, gospel mx, mentions of DXing. s/off at 0431. (LH-AL)
+ 12/26 Excellent test, very well done. Conducted like a 30 min broadcast day, starting with morning s/on "routine", then gospel mx selections w/DJ chatter, many requests to write in with reception reports and mention of the IRCA and expansion of what was going on. Code was sent several times, at 07,15 and 21 min past the hour. "WNQM WNQM TESTING WNQM NASHVILLE WNQM WNQM WNQM"
The test concluded at 30 past the hour with the evening s/off "rouine". The carrier dropped out at 32 past the hour. The signal was AWESOME! Complete dom of 1300 easy to listen to if they could get the o.k. for daytime power at night. A nice picture of their new 10k xmitter can be seen in Popular Communications,9/24 p. 39. George McClintock, General mgr is shown checking out the xmitter. (HN-GA)
- 1300 WNQM TN,Nashville 12/26 0421, Pr and buried u/WOOD and WERE, w/one CID noted:"WNQM (.-- .- --- --) Transmitted 3 thimes, folled by Nashville in code. (MB-ON)
- 1450 CHEF PQ,Grandy 1/2 tried for but not hrd, mainly because of nasty spur from CJCL-1430. (MB-ON)
+ 1/2 0100 a battle between two French stn's one with Radiomedia network pgm // CKAC-730, the other with a discussion between a man and a woman followed by piano mx, but no ID's or DX test code /tones heard, can only assume one of these was CHEF as it appears this test didn't run as scheduled. (BC-NH)
- 1590 WERA NJ,Plainfield 12/10 0430-0450 no show, only WAKR (WPT-DC)

Thanks to Mike,Bruce,Lee,Lynnand Bill for the support and special thanks and welcome to Herbert,best DX and wx. MARK N7EIJ.

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ANNIVERSARY ISSUE: 2/25--You can send reports early, but please mark them

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Greetings. I hope that everyone's DX season is going well. It may be a good season around here but I wouldn't know; my time at the dials has been just about nil. I did sit down with the HQ-180A a couple of weeks ago only to have it go black after about 10 minutes. Yeah, the fuse was blown but it would instantly blow replacement fuses so I had to go into it. It turned out to be a bad power rectifier diode and apparently not the first time it had happened since both diodes in this used machine had already been replaced. I've had the Watkins-Johnson HF-1000 at work now for a couple of months but haven't had the time to do a systematic comparison. My initial impression is that it is a fine machine, very sensitive with good selectivity; ergonomics a little weird, but overall it's pretty nice. I've been experiencing a constant backlog of 10-12 orders for Quantum Loops; if you've ordered one, please be patient, I can only make 3 a week. Speaking of the Quantum Loop, I enjoyed Elliot Straus' comparison of the Quantum Loop and the Kiwa Loop awhile back. I've heard from 11 people who own both. Five have said that the Kiwa is better, two have said that the Quantum is better, and the rest feel that there is no significant difference between the two. The Kiwa should null better (air-core loops null better than ferrite loops) but the Quantum should be a little better in weak signal situations (the variable capacitor that the Quantum uses should be freer of distortion than the caractor diodes the Kiwa uses). These predicted differences seem to be borne out by user comments. I am working on improving the nulling of ferrite loops (relative to air core loops) and have had a couple of more experiments to complete. If successful, I'll write a little article on the results and offer upgrades to current Quantum Loop owners. I'm also working on (and have been for the past year), a Quantum Phaser (for use with the loop) and a Phaser Loop. Both use electronic phasing instead of the usual passive RLC approach and have been successful in prototype form but I haven't designed the circuit boards, cabinet layout, etc. for production...maybe in a couple more months. I did receive word in October that the new sound absorbing technology I came up with at work was issued a patent and last week the first license was signed (to an automotive industry supplier; the technology was apparently first be used in the 1996 or '97 Cadillac Seville...out of my class, hi). More exiting to me, however, is a new patent I'm working on that is RF related. I'll everyone about it after I submit the patent application, hopefully in 6-8 weeks; I think you'll like it. On other mattes, Harry Helms has started writing a column in Nuts & Volts magazine that's very interesting. So far there have been columns on loop antennas, vacuum tube receivers, and the expanded AM band. It's clear that Harry has the same virus that has infected us, hi. That's about it from here...back to the family and the holiday obligations. 73's...GT.

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Internet: Mike_Hardester@ZAPBBS.COM Greetings! Not a lot going on in the way of DX. The faithful R-70 is suffering from a severe case of audio/display-itis: both go off/on at sporadic times, so repairs are a necessity, but low priority at the moment. I'm preparing to return to

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college for a V.S. degree in Computer Information Systems, and classes begin 11 January. After 10+ years since any formal education, this will be a definite adventure! By the time this is in print, the TIS/HAR Updater should be available. Comments, inquiries, updated info will be welcome at the above address, or via Bill Hardy. Nothing else of DX note going on, so I'll close wishing y'all a Happy New Year of DX de Mike.

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Radio Bulgaria current schedule lists HORIZONT home service relay on 1224 kHz, Vidin, 500 kw at UTC 0700-1000 daily except Sunday and 1000-1300 including Sunday. I decided to give myself EDXC-95 for Christmas so sent the Danes a batch of Kroner and made a plane reservation. Big shock to Col. XYL who has to stay home and slop the hawks in order to help finance this gross extravagance. Maybe she'll win the Lotto and give me IRCA-95 for a birthday present. A welcome QSL from CJGX-940 in return for a tentative report. 940 kHz has been good to me off and on. New low power WJYL-TV26, weak on 26 but simulcasting on TV5. Joy FM, 88.3 and 104.7 is WJYL, New Washington, IN and W284AD, New Albany, IN. Wish that outfit would buy one of these defunct AMs laying around here and put it back on the air. Sad to read of a member passing away to the big DXpedition in the sky. Reminds me that I don't have all that many Sunspot Cycles left. However, I am gladdened by the number of new members and re-joins coming on each month. It's a great hobby and hopefully it'll continue to grow. 73 de Col. DX.

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Two more veries have wandered in: WONZ-1580-NJ, and WCTG-840-SC. DX has been good, particularly at sunset, and even an hour before local sunset, things begin to appear. TAs have been heard before local sundown, but with not much volume. I've been trying to figure out which, Azores or Canaries, is coming in almost every evening on 837 kHz, but it's a bit more difficult now that WCRN has begun RS on 830. I noted Vatican City coming in o/u WSAI-1530, and also separable on 1611 from the Beacon, but both are already verified. I looked for the test from WGYJ-1600-AL with not much hope of hearing them, what with WUNR & WWRL, but around 0107 I heard sounds resembling bird chirps, and I wonder if that was their way of helping DXers differentiate between them and the other stations? I've sent "annual" reports to twilights WCPK-730-VA, WMXH-750-PA, and WURD-900-PA, none of which answered either laster year (1993, that is) or in '94. 1280 is a pretty good frequency for DXing now that CJMS has gone to FM, with only WADO with which to reckon. I've picked out WWOK-IN and WHFK-NY so far, and 1060 has become a very good spot for twilight tuning, as both local WBIV & CJRP have gone dark. NRC's Ray Arruda phoned me a great tip on 1060 where he was getting WFLE-KY, and so I tried and was also successful, and a report is on its way to them. Possibly others can be picked out with only all-news KYW in evidence. Unneeded, WFST-600-ME was noted on 12/29 as early as 1545, bowling over WICC-CT till they dropped to night power @ 1603. I was looking for CIQC, not heard. WQIZ-810-SC was rolling in blanking WGY/CJVA this same day, logged 1646-1715 s/off with no anthem, for a report. On the early morning of 12/29, I noted a Morse code signal on 1685 kHz or thereabouts sending "M E R" over and over. There seems to be a carrier on there at 1645a every morning. Christmas used to be a great morning to catch oodles of Latin Americans with after-Mass festal music and the same for French Canadians, but of course, now-a-days, with every frequency glutted by ANers, those great Christmas morning DX sessions are only a memory. However, DXing is more of a challenge now - picking out new catches on these crowded frequencies makes it seem like every channel is a graveyard frequency! Come on, gang - let's give this column some support! We have an editor who is waiting to hear from you, double-spaced, natch. And the members would like to read about your doings, too. Happy New Year & Forward - March.

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[1/3] Greetings! The 12/94 issue of NITRE News has these comments about the expanded band (1610-1700): The stations approved for the band still must apply to the FCC "to secure their frequencies." The publication believe not all approved stations will so apply. Also, the new stations may be abandoned after five years of operation. Congrats to S. David Warren and Karl Jeter for receiving CKWX-1130! (Karl, I also use an HQ-150.) Thanks to Nigel Pimlett for info on 1PPP-1620; I sent them a tentative report based on two years of reception, with the info you reported. Reception conditions here mid- to late-December have been only fair. See you in Boise in July! Good DX and 73.

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[1/4] Something interesting involving my top two hobbies, computing and DXing, happened the last week of December 1994. I had been posting the IRCA and NRC DX test schedule on ComuServe's HamNet forum, under the Shortwave Listening section. Several DXers, including some IRCA and NRC members, joined in some interesting discussions in December. Well, imagine my surprise on Dec. 29th when I got a message from one of the HamNet "sysops" (system operators) asking if I thought there would be enough support for a separate section for broadcast band DXing on HamNet!!! I replied that if there were enough interest, I would support it 100%. I added that it might be good to include the FM and TV DXers in the section. So the next day, I learned that HamNet had created Section 21, "Broadcast/DX." If you belong to CompuServe, "Go HamNet" and browse for Section 21. In the first week of operation, we've exchanged some DX test results, and the FM DXers have reported some hot openings. If you have a computer and modem and are not yet a CompuServe member, you can get a free introductory membership. Call CompuServe at 1-800-848-8199. Ask for Representative 48 and request a starter kit which will include a free membership and a \$15 usage credit. Also ask them about the price for CompuServe Information Manager for Windows, DOS or Macintosh, which I find indispensable. I should add that I've also been posting the DX test schedule on Prodigy since Sept. 1993 (jump "Hobbies bb," topic "More Radio Hobbies"). I get the latest test info from IRCA's official Bulletin Board Representative, Lynn Hollerman, who posts DX tests on America Online (keyword "Ham Radio," message center Short Wave Radio/AM-FM Radio DX'ing) and on FidoNet. For more info, E-mail me at my address above. IRCA elections are coming up in March. I'll be stepping down as President to concentrate on other duties. It will be an important election, so be sure to vote! 73 and good DX.

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Excerpt from the Foreward to
The Zenith Trans-Oceanic: The Royalty of Radios
by John Bryant, AIA and Harold Cones, PhD.

For forty years, the Zenith "Trans-Oceanic" was a benchmark for the American electronics manufacturing and design industry. In the Trans-Oceanic, science, technology and consumer acceptance came together to provide a product that so impacted society the name is still recognized by radio enthusiasts everywhere and by most of the American public. This is as it should be, for the Trans-Oceanic was a fabled series of portable radios. Through much of its existence, the Trans-Oceanic was also the most expensive radio offered for sale to the general public. In spite of its high price, the Trans-Oceanic is believed to have been the single most popular radio marque produced during the first 50 years of radio. Many people now involved in the various radio hobbies heard their first shortwave broadcast on a Zenith Trans-Oceanic.

Today, few people know that the Trans-Oceanic was a direct outgrowth of the lifestyle and shortwave broadcast listening interests of the founding president of Zenith, Commander Eugene F. McDonald, Jr. By the late 1930s, Zenith Radio Corporation was a giant of the new radio industry and Commander McDonald was one of America's wealthiest and best known men. He was a member of the "jet set" before there were jets and lived aboard his 185-foot yacht, *Mizpah*, moored most of the year near Zenith headquarters in Chicago. Well-known for his Arctic explorations and for his leadership of Zenith, "The Commander" entertained world-renowned celebrities with cruises aboard the *Mizpah* and took many of them to his summer fishing camp on the Canadian shore of Lake Huron. As war clouds gathered in the late 1930s, the Commander became more and more interested in hearing news directly from Europe while on his adventures; McDonald, long a shortwave enthusiast, charged his Zenith design team with creating a portable *shortwave* radio so that he could do so.

At the time of McDonald's directive, portable AM radios were themselves a very recent development. The Zenith design team produced a series of prototypes for the Commander based on the new Zenith AM (medium wave) portables. After the first few general coverage shortwave prototypes, the Commander complained of needing "micrometer fingers" to tune in shortwave broadcasts and suggested developing a multi-band "bandspread" prototype that eventually led to the first Trans-Oceanic, the 1942 Zenith Trans-Oceanic *Clipper*.

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