

DX TEST BULLETIN

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 1996 - KGYN-1210, P.O. BOX 130, GUYMON, OK 73942 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 3:00 & 4:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. POWER WILL BE 10,000 WATTS. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. TERRY MILLER - PROGRAM DIRECTOR. (ARRANGED BY J.D. STEPHENS FOR THE IRCA CPC)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1996 - KYUK-640, POUCH 348, BETHEL, AK 99559 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 4:00 & 4:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE POLKAS, MARCH MUSIC, AND "ID'S EVERY 5 MINUTES" (NO WORD ON WHETHER OR NOT THESE WILL BE CODE ID'S). POWER WILL BE 10.000 WATTS. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. JOE SEIBERT - CHIEF ENGINEER. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1996 - HCJB-690, CASILLA 17-17-691, QUITO, ECUADOR WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 1:00 & 1:15 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S AND "OTHER UNIQUE ITEMS". CORRECT RECEPTION REPORTS WILL BE VERIFIED WITH A SPECIAL OSL CARD. ACCORDING TO THE STATION, IF YOU HEAR CODE, YOU MUST REPORT EXACTLY WHEN YOU HEARD IT AND WHAT CHARACTERS YOU HEARD. TAPE RECORDINGS ARE WELCOME, BUT TAPES CANNOT BE RETURNED. PLEASE INCLUDE ONE INTERNATIONAL REPLY COUPON OR FIRST CLASS POSTAGE IN U.S. OR CANADIAN STAMPS FOR A REPLY TO YOUR RECEPTION REPORTS, WHICH MAY BE SENT TO: MR. RICH MCVICAR (HCIJMN) - FREQUENCY MANAGER, ATTN: 690 DX TEST, 60 ENGLISH LANGUAGE SERVICE, HCJB. (ARRANGED BY MR. RICH MCVICAR OF HCJB FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL DXERS)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1996 - KFQD-750, 9200 LAKE OTIS PARKWAY, ANCHORAGE, AK 99507 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 4:00 & 4:30 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE TEST TONES AND MORSE CODE ID'S. POWER WILL BE 50,000 WATTS. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. GREG WILKINSON. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1996 - RYAK-650, 500 L. STREET. SUITE 200, ANCHORAGE, AK 99501 WILL CONDUCT A DX TEST BETWEEN 4:00 & 5:00 AM EST. THE TEST WILL INCLUDE MORSE CODE ID'S. POWER WILL BE 50,000 WATTS. RECEPTION REPORTS MAY BE SENT TO: MR. ERIK KUHLMAN. (ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CPC)

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BROADCASTING INFORMATION



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DEADLINES: 2nd & 4th Saturdays. Compiled: 01/14/96 Much of this information was compiled from M Street Journal , DXM, and various other sources.

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WKYN-1160 inc. to 5000/990 DA-2

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MN. Golden Valley KYCR-1570 inc. to 3800/230 ND

VA. Amherst WAMV-1420 dec. to 17-N

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL. Eufalfa WULA-1240 was talk, now urban CO. Aurora KYBG-1090 was sports, now CHR//KOKS CT. Torrington WSNG-610 was AC, now country WJCM-960 was silent, now JSN oldies FL. Sebring GA. Hahira WTHV-810 was WWRQ, gold AC, now SMN Urban AC (ABC Joyner in mornings) WPTB-850 was s. gospel, now 1 on 1 sports Statesboro KUAM-612 was AC, now rock GU. Agana KHLO-850 was country, now JSN soft AC HI. Hilo ID. Orofino KLER-1300 was AC, now JSN country IL. Anna WRAJ-1440 was country, now talk WTKT-1580 was all Xmas mx, now urban KY. Georgteown KMRC-1430 was soft AC//FM, now Prime sports LA. Morgan City MI. Alma WFYC-1280 was country//FM, now PRN talk MS. Amory WAMY-1580 was s. gospel, now talk, sports WFTO-1330 was country, now SMN country//FM Fulton MO. Willow Springs KUKU-1330 was country//FM, now SMN oldies//FM OK. Elk City KADS-1240 was talk, now talk//KTRT TN. Covington WKBL-1250 was variety, now s. gospel TN. Ballinger KRUN-1400 was country, AC//FM, now country KNAL-1410 was silent, now WW1 AS Victoria WMEK-980 rptd. silent, remains gospel, talk VA. Chase City WYVE-1280 was country, talk, adds FAN sports Wytheville KITI-1420 was AC, now oldies WA. Chehalis KCPL-920 was classic rock, talk, rptd. silent Olympia WV. Charles Town WXVA-1550 was oldies//FM, now PRN talk

Dennis Gibson of Goleta, Steve Mittman of Seal Beach, CA. and Mike Sanburn of Bellflower, CA. all pass on the following tip:

CA. West Covina KGRB-900 was nostalgia, now SS

Short column this week. I'm off to Reno this weekend, hope to come back a millionaire! 73's.

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DEADLINE: TUEDAYS

A short one this week as conditions haven't been too good. Apparently we are in the MidWinter slow period. We have reports this week from Dave Williams, Larry Godwin, and Dale Park.

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

738	UNID,	w/weak	carrier	at	0353	1/11	(LBG-MT)
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- 756 UNID, weak carrier at 0545 1/12 (PM-OR)
- 1314 UNID, weak carrier at 0349 1/11 (LBG-MT)
- UNID, fair carrier and weak audio at 0549 1/12 (PM-OR)
- 1422 UNID, weak carrier at 0355 1/11 (LBG-MT)

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 640 MEXICO, UNID XE at 0100 w/NA while listening for the WWLS test on 1/14, prob Fresnillo. (PM-OR)
- 710 UNID, SS station momentarily on top w/ID as "Radio 710" on 1/2
- at 0400. Poss. listed XEMP, which I haven't logged. (LBG-MT)
 740 MEXICO, Los Mochis XEHS was surely the one I hrd 10/28(see 12/2 DXWW),w/"Radio Fama" ID not XEVAY. Many thanks to Tim Hall for the info on this one. (LBG-MT)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 1467 REPUBLIC OF KOREA, Mokpo-KBS-hrd 1/13 at 1615 w/KK talk and music.
 Haven't hrd this one before. (DW-OR)
- 1494 UNID, weak mx in splash with quick fades at 1605 1/14. (PM-OR)
- 1503 UNID, w/man talking in oriental language at 1459 1/7. There seemed to be a long tone at 1500. Signal improved at 1501. (LBG-MT)
- 1557 tMARSHALL ISLANDS, Majuro-B7RR-presumed the source of the U.S. pops w/no anmts at 1550 1/14 (PM-OR)
- D.R.KOREA, assumed the one w/patriotic marches at 1502 1/7. Also audible at 1501 1/10 (LBG-MT)
- audible at 1501 1/10 (LBG-MT)

 REPUBLIC OF KOREA, Cheju-HLAZ-Poor to fair at 1256 w/JJ male w/ID

 "Kochiwara FEBC no desu...FEBC hoso" closing theme mx, bumber mx,
 with pgm about Christmas, later returned 1343 w/piano mx and full
 ID "...1566 kilohertzu...250 kilowattsu...Eh-chu el ah zu..."Went
 weak due to pattern change to China,on 12/30 (5P-HI)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

- LBG-MT LARRY B. GODWIN, 2390 CLYDES DALE LANE, MISSOULA MT 59801 Hammarlund HQ-150, Sanserino air-core box loop
- 5P-HI DALE PARK, P.O. BOX 22778, HONOLULU HI 96823 Sangean ATS-803A and Selec-A-Tenna
- DW-OR DAVID WILLIAMS,615 HIGHWAY 101, ASTORIA OR 97103 Drake SPR4 w/KIWA Loop
- PM-OR YOUR EDITOR
 Drake R8, Term. U(EWE) Antenna, 900' NNW Bev, 1500' E. Beverage
 Ground system





EDITOR: Jim Hall, 3176 Cheltenham Ct., Gibsonia PA 15044-8435 USA

Report from: Mark Connelly - WAlION

(Connelly-MA) = Billerica, MA <home> (GC = 71.22 W / 42.54 N)

Receiver used: JRC NRD-525

Antenna systems: two 37 m slopers (east, west) to MWDX-7 phasing unit with 50 m horizontal loop as floating ground for noise reduction via

transformers; MWT-3 regenerative preselector

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DATES: 1996 (UTC/GMT) TIMES: UTC/GMT

* TRANS-ATLANTIC DX *

- SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, JAN 5 2229 SS vocal atop possible AA talk from Algeria. RVC-532 was just a weak het at the time. slop from Massachusetts Turnpike TIS station on 530. (Connelly-MA)
- ALGERIA, Les Trembles, JAN 5 2227 man in AA; fair, o/ CFNB slop. + JAN 16 0346 AA rock-influenced vocal music w/ strings & strong percussion; huge signal, annihilating CFNB at times. (Connelly-MA)
- SPAIN, Valencia et al., JAN 5 2231 bits of SS talk mixed w/ others; in WGAN slop. (Connelly-MA) 558
- IRELAND, Radio 1, Tullamore, JAN 5 2233 EE talk to fair peaks. The het from this was huge on the car radio in nearby open marsh / wetland areas about 20 minutes earlier ... too bad my phased slopers
- aren't located there. (Connelly-MA)
 SPAIN, Barcelona, JAN 5 2234 SS talk & music; fair. (Connelly-MA)
 SPAIN, RNE1, Madrid et al., JAN 19 0118 woman in SS; to good
- peak w/ WBNW-590 phased. (Connelly-MA)
 SPAIN / unID, JAN 19 0124 woman in SS (// 585); o/ station
 w/ PP-sounding music (probably Madeira, but audio not clear enough 603 for // frequency confirmations). (Connelly-MA)
 MOROCCO / IRELAND, JAN 5 2238 - AA male vocal atop apparent EE
- 612 talk. (Connelly-MA)
- 621
- CANARY ISLANDS (// SPAIN), RNE1 synchros, JAN 5 2239 man in SS; fair. + JAN 16 0453 SS vocal. (Connelly-MA)
 PORTUGAL, RDP synchros, Lisboa et al., JAN 19 0126 slow music, 666
- then man in PP; poor in WRKO slop. (Connelly-MA) 738 SPAIN, RNE1, Barcelona, JAN 5 2243 - excellent w/ man in SS. (Connelly-MA)
- NETHERLANDS, Radio 1, Flevoland, JAN 19 0151 excellent w/ US C&W vocal, then Irish vocal w/ fiddling: massive S9+25 signal was creaming adjacent (S9) CBGY-750. (Connelly-MA)
- GERMANY, Braunschweig / Ravensburg, JAN 9 2216 man in GG; 756 fair. + JAN 19 0148 - man in GG, then classical music; excellent. (Connelly-MA)
- SWITZERLAND, R. Suisse Romande, Sottens, JAN 9 2215 woman doing FF teletalk show; good. + JAN 16 0153 classical music; excellent 765 at S9+25 dB. (Connelly-MA)
- SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, JAN 5 2247 music, Radio Nacional Espana ID by woman, then SS talk by man; to good peaks. (Connelly-MA)

- SPAIN, SER, Sevilla, JAN 16 0354 man & woman in SS; in WLKW slop. (Connelly-MA)
- SPAIN (// CANARY ISLANDS), COPE synchros, JAN 5 2250 SS teletalk, then a 15 sec. bit of the Sting (Entertainer) movie theme, followed 837 by more talk. Good, o/ 2 others, one of which sounded PP (so likely Azores). (Connelly-MA)
- ITALY, R. Due, Roma, JAN 5 2253 female II vocal in an operatic style; good on peaks w/ only slight chatter from phased WEEI local. (Connelly-MA)
- SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, JAN 5 2254 newstalk in SS; HUGE ! 855 (Connelly-MA)
- 864 EGYPT, Holy Koran Program, Santah, JAN 5 2256 - male Koranic chant; strong, atop Spain. (Connelly-MA)
- SPAIN, SER, Zaragoza / many unID's, JAN 5 2257 the channel sounded like a graveyard (or a CB channel during skip). The S-meter was way up around S9+20, but bits of SS talk were the only distinguishable pieces of audio emerging from the fracas. (Connelly-MA)
- UNITED KINGDOM / CANARY ISLANDS, JAN 5 2300 man & woman in 882 EE w/ BBC news just slightly o/ SS talk from La Laguna. (Connelly-
- UNITED KINGDOM, BBC Wales / R. 4, Washford et al., JAN 8 0436 fair w/ man & woman in EE. (Connelly-MA) 882
- ALGERIA, Algiers, JAN 9 2212 AA vocal; poor to fair. (Connelly-MA)
- SPAIN, JAN 5 2302 announcer shouting in SS; atop possible 936 AA station (Morocco ?). (Connelly-MA)
- FRANCE, R. France I., Toulouse, JAN 9 2211 foreign service w/ woman in SS; fair. (Connelly-MA) 945
- SPAIN, R. Espana, Madrid, JAN 9 2210 fast SS talk w/ slight reverb; good o/ possible Czech station. (Connelly-MA) 954
- SPAIN, COPE, Madrid, JAN 19 0608 SS news to fair peaks although slopped by CKBW C&W music at times. (Connelly-MA) 999
- NETHERLANDS, Flevoland, JAN 19 0607 good w/ Dutch talk & teletalk. This one seems to be squeezing by WINS/CFRB with 1008
- greater regularity lately. (Connelly-MA)
 SPAIN, SER, San Sebastian et al., JAN 21 0456 SS newstalk and telephone interview; fair. (Connelly-MA)
- UNITED KINGDOM, TalkRadio synchros, JAN 8 0440 man & woman EE teletalk; to good peaks. + JAN 9 2205 EE talk mixed w/ others. (Connelly-MA)
- DENMARK, Danmarks R., Kalundborg, JAN 8 0444 dance music 1062 w/ tropical influences; then man in Danish; fair to good. + JAN 9 2204 - Danish news by man & woman; fair. + JAN 19 0603 man & woman w/ news in Danish; big signal, much stronger than adjacent KYW/Cuba-1060. (Connelly-MA)
- UNITED KINGDOM, TalkRadio synchros, JAN 9 2204 to good peaks w/ EE newstalk by man & woman. + JAN 16 0113 discussion of the good and bad aspects of patriotism; excellent o/ 4 Hz SAH. (Connelly-MA)
- 1098 SLOVAKIA, Nitra / SPAIN-CANARIES, JAN 9 2203 mix of Slavic
- and SS talk getting by WHLI's slop. (Connelly-MA)
 SLOVAKIA, Nitra, JAN 16 0118 soft piano and string instrumental;
 excellent, way o/ others. (Connelly-MA) 1098
- CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, JAN 19 0600 pips, SS talk; o/ others. (Connelly-MA)
- 1107 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, JAN 16 0504 fair w/ woman in SS. (Connelly-MA)
- CROATIA, Hrvatska Radio, Zadar, JAN 9 2202 Slavic-talk news by man; excellent / local-like. (Connelly-MA)
- RUSSIA (KALININGRAD), Bolshakovo (t), JAN 9 2201 Slavic-sounding talk; poor in mix w/ Spain. (Connelly-MA) SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, JAN 16 0506 man & woman in SS; poor
- to fair through WMEX slop. (Connelly-MA)
- SWEDEN, Radio Sweden, Solvesborg, JAN 9 0446 good w/ man in Swedish. + JAN 9 2200 - Swedish news by woman; good to EXCELLENT w/ minimal 1180 QRM. + JAN 19 0559 - Swedish talk; excellent. (Connelly-MA)

- UNITED KINGDOM, Virgin Radio synchros, JAN 6 0534 Beatles 1215 song "Free as a Bird" noted at fair strength. Audio drifted from hollow / bassy to shrill / trebly because of the way the synchros were blending. + JAN 9 0447 - talk, timecheck "13 to 5", followed by slow vocal; fair. (Connelly-MA)
- CZECH REPUBLIC // SLOVAKIA, JAN 16 0509 Slavic talk by woman; to fair peaks. (Connelly-MA) 1305 unID, JAN 19 0354 - maybe Poland the one warming up here
- w/ a series of tone tests. (Connelly-MA)
 NORWAY, NRK, Kvitsoy, JAN 6 0230-0300 slamming in like a local 1314 w/ an "oldies fest" with Norwegian talk between tunes that included "Surf City" by Jan & Dean, "Hold On, I'm Coming" by Sam & Dave, and "I Can't Stop Loving You" by Ray Charles. It overpowered adjacent WLOB-1310 and CKEC-1320 at times. + JAN 19 0452 - Norwegian talk by man w/ many names and numbers listed, possibly sports results or a stock market report; good signal w/ somewhat jumpy fading. (Connelly-MA)
- 1332 ITALY, RAI R. Uno, Roma et al., JAN 21 0508 - II talk & music; tough copy because of local WRCA-1330. (Connelly-MA)
- RUSSIA (KALININGRAD), Bolshakovo, JAN 9 2158 EE talk by man & woman; fair. (Connelly-MA)
- ALBANIA, TWR, Fllake, JAN 9 2154 US EE preacher; fair to good. (Connelly-MA)
- 1467 FRANCE, TWR, Roumoules, JAN 9 2155 - to good peak w/ folkstyle religious vocal. (Connelly-MA)
- SAUDI ARABIA, Duba, JAN 6 0302 good w/ Koranic vocal. + JAN 9 2156 man in AA; fair to good. + JAN 16 2208 AA music to extremely strong peaks (far stronger than 1520 domestics), but fade pattern was very fast and jumpy, like polar flutter on shortwave stations. + JAN 20 2123 - AA conversation w/ 2 or 3 people in the studio. (Connelly-MA)

* PAN-AMERICAN DX *

- GRENADA, GBC, St. George's, JAN 16 0349 mellow soul vocal; 535 almost as loud as RVC-532. (Connelly-MA)
- COLOMBIA, RCN, HJAJ, Barranquilla, JAN 16 0450 SS newstalk 760 // 770; well o/ WJR/Cuba. (Connelly-MA)
- 770 COLOMBIA, RCN, HJJX, Bogota, JAN 16 0450 - SS newstalk // 760; atop WABC. (Connelly-MA)
- 810 COLOMBIA, CARACOL, HJCY, Bogota, JAN 16 0447 - CARACOL mention,
- SS talk (// 820); o/ WGY/CJVA. (Connelly-MA)
 COLOMBIA, CARACOL, HJED, Cali, JAN 16 0448 CARACOL mention,
 SS talk (// 810); atop WNYC & others. (Connelly-MA) 820
- 830 ST. KITTS & NEVIS, TBN (Paradise), Basseterre, JAN 16 0445 -EE preacher // weaker 7510; atop WCRN / others. (Connelly-MA)

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560 CKNL BC, Ft. St. John 1/7 1800 with Nashville Record Review, ID "on CKNL." (PM)

590 KUGN OR, Eugene 12/18 0626 tape of Talknet's "David Essel...Alive!" show, 0629 break but no ID or local ad; finally at 0658 PSA for Oregon Dept. of Transportation & Recording Artists Against Drunk Driving, ID "Home of the Ducks and the 49'ers, KUGN AM 5-90 Eugene..." but interrupted by CBS sounder & news. (5P-HI)

650 KYAK AK, Anchorage 1/7 0940 fair under CISL with C&W music, KYAK mention. (PM)

670 KWNK CA, Simi Valley was // XETRA-690 sports, but due to XETRA power increase, is now separate with satellite-delivered sports. (SMM-CA)

730 KBSU ID, Boise 1/9 0800 with ID for 5 or 6 AM & FM stations, mostly in CA, in English by man with Spanish accent. KBSU was last station listed. (LBG-MT)

750 KFQD AK, Anchorage 1/7 0931 fair under/over KXL with oldies (Fleetwood Mac song) and "K-F-Q-D" jingle. (PM-OR)

790 KSPD ID, Boise 12/27 1930 poor signal in KGMI null with tail end of religious program and KSPD ID. Thought I finally had much wanted KWIL, but am even happier with this new catch. (DS-BC)

BOO CKOR BC. Penticton 11/11 1000 with CHAB nulled. Man said "CKOR-AM 800, Penticton's radio station," then into news. This station isn't as regular as it was two years ago. (LBG-MT)

CJAD PQ. Montreal 1/9 2258 popped through CHAB. Woman said (in English) that CJAD was giving away tickets to car show for best traffic tip of the day. New. (LBG-MT)

830 (KHVH) HI, Honolulu 12/18 0500 ABC-I news followed by announcement that station would go off for maintenance work, off at 0506 and still off at 0805 check. (5P-HI)

840 ?WHAS? KY, Louisville 12/18 0507 mostly poor signal mixing with unID C&W station (KOOK?). Did hear male host plus phone calls and soundbites in Southern accents. Possible jingle at 0528 followed by traffic report and tentative local news, 0542 mention of KY 0559 report from "Dave Wagonford on Day to Dusk U. News Network (?). Heavy splatter from KHLO-850. (5P-HI)

890 WLS IL. Chicago 1/13 0754 atop all with "Talkradio WLS" ID. (LBG-MT)

900 CHML ON, Hamilton overcame CKBI Sun. 1/7 with ID at 2300, then news with woman announcer, followed by big band nostalgia program, until 2400 1/8 0005 ID as "Home Town Radio...900 CHML Hamilton, Canada," then "Oh Canada," but not s/off. ID again 0030. Also in on car radio with ID at 2028 1/9, mixing with CKBI & CJVI. (LBG-MT)

930 KTKN AK, Ketchikan 1/7 0941 fair with weather (lows in mid 30's). "930 KTKN" IDs, into

oldies. (PM-OR)

1050 ?CKSB? MB. Winnipeg 1/6 2300 assumed the strong one in French looping that direction, with simple "Ici Radio Canada." CJNB weak underneath with ID for CJNS. NRC Log doesn't list CKSB as a CBC affiliate. (LBG-MT)

1070 ?WMOM? MN, Monticello 1/8 0251 briefly in jumble. Sounded like call letters given, format

sounded talk. (PM-OR)

WTSO <u>WI</u>, Madison 1/7 2305 strong in KNX null. Ended ABC news, then local weather. Man ID'd as "Madison's talk station, Talkradio 1070, WTSO." My only WI, last heard 4/93. (LBG-MT)

+ 1/8 0250-0300 great on top & dominant over KNX, with talk, several "W-T-S-O" IDs. Haven't heard them in a few years. (PM-OR)

CHOK ON, Sarnia 1/8 0256 fair under/over WTSO with oldies, "10-70" IDs // 900-CJVI. (PM-OR)

1120 ?KZSJ? CA, San Martin 1/13 1034 maybe the Spanish-speaker with ad, KANN nulled. Faded soon after. (LBG-MT)

KANN UT, Roy 1/8 0958 signal abruptly much stronger at apparent power-up. (LBG-MT)

1180 KOIL NE, Omaha 1/12 0900 ended nostalgia music and ID'd as "1180 Coil, KOIL" with KOFI nulled. (LBG-MT)

1230 KDAC <u>CA</u>, Ft. Bragg 1/9 0459:55 ID "KDAC Ft. Bragg." Didn't know they were 24 hours. (PM-OR)

KRXK ID, Rexburg ID 1/12 0800 as "KRXK Rexburg-Rigby-St, Anthony." Then into UPI news. (LBG-MT)

KDIX ND, Dickinson on top 1/10 0900 with legal ID. Man said CBS news next. (LBG)

KHSN OR, Coos Bay 1/9 ID at 0500 mentioned "Koos," their FM. (PM-OR)

KSJK OR. Talent 12/23 1900 faded up over CJNL & KWYZ with talk programming & legal ID (which also included KAGI-930). Oregon State Public Radio. New. (DS-BC)

KZUS OR, Toledo 1/9 0459 fair on top of jumble briefly with "US 101" IDs, C&W music. (PM-OR)

1240 KLTZ MT, Glasgow 1/11 0757 apparent s/on with male vocal SSB. Went directly into ad for local business, so s/on announcement may have preceded SSB. (LBG-MT)

CFNI <u>BC</u>, Port Hardy 12/20 1900 good signal over/under CJAV with adult contemporary music and ID "CFNI 1240 Port Hardy, CFPA 100.3 Port Alice." Into "North Island" newscast. New. (DS-BC)

1250 KKDZ WA, Seattle 12/29 0700 as (RW-CA) noted in the 12/23 WDXR; KKDZ has become a "real pest" during the all-night hours up here as well. I suspect they were previously silent during the all-night show, as opposed to a pattern change. Maybe one of the Seattle area members can clear this up. (DS-BC)

1320 KGDC WA, Walla Walla 1/8 2000 ID "I'm Cam Davidson with another hour of hot country hits on high country 13-20, KGDC, Walla Walla." Good, now a pest. Used to be

uncommon when KHIT. (PM-OR)

1340 CIBQ AB, Brooks 12/28 2150 fair signal mixing with CINL in KLKI null with C&W. ID by female DJ "1340 -Q-13" into community events rundown for Brooks. New. (DS)

1360 KRKK WY, Rock Springs 1/6 2159 ID as "KRKK Rock Springs-Green River," then carried on with more 70's tunes, no news on the hour. (NP-AB)

1400 CHNL-1 <u>BC</u>, Clearwater 12/20 0755 briefly on top of CIOR/KLCK/KEDO mess with oldies (simulcasting CHNL-610). ID "Radio NL...The greatest hits of all time." New. (DS)

1420 KTOE MN, Mankato 1/6 2058 MN vs IA basketball commentary, ads for a law firm and other Mankato businesses during a break. (NP-AB)

- 1450 KFLS OR. Klamath Falls 12/25 0805 good signal all alone with local ad & ID "The basin's only oldies station...KFLS 1450." Into satellite Christmas music. No sign of KONP. New. (DS-BC)
- 1590 KVGB KS, Great Bend 1/6 2055 Panthers (girls high school team) basketball, then ads for Great Bend businesses. (NP-AB)
- 1600 ?KMXB? UT. Centerville 1/8 0907 possibly one with mention of Utah fading up briefly over KMNY/KGST, then buried under both of them. (RW-CA)
- 1660 WJDM NJ, Elizabeth 1/10 0754 in Spanish, man & woman announcers. Music across the hour, then at 0802 man said in English "1530 and 1660," but too weak to hear ID. Sunrise there was 0721. Also heard with strong, uncontested signal with oldies 2100-2201 when man said "WJDM-AM, 1660, the Original." Then carrier abruptly off. Apparently still in at 0901 1/11; I heard man say "If you do drive..." (LBG)

LOCAL NEWS

900 KGRB CA, West Covina-Los Angeles was big bands, now Spanish ranchera due to takeover by KMQA-98.3 FM. On Dec. 28, in a hostile takeover, KMQA had the KGRB staff escorted out of the building, and 900 began simulcasting KMQA. Two days later KGRB-900 began separately programmed ranchera music. (SMM-CA)

DX TESTS

590 (WARM) PA, Scranton 1/8 0130-0200 DX test tried, not heard. (RW-CA) 1020 (WIBG) NJ, Ocean City 1/6 0530-0600 DX test tried, not heard. (RW-CA)

UNIDS

- 590 12/18 0629 station underneath & sometimes level with KUGN with nostalgia format. ID missed at 0700 but heard Barbra Streisand's "The Way We Were" at 0703 followed by NBC Radio News with Jeff Finch. Also heard a third station underneath with C&W music. (5P)
- 900 Station 1/7 2314-2316 in French, moderately strong, with discussion of music and poetry (something like CBC would air). Likely one of three listed French Canadians, 1 in ON, 2 in PQ. Faded soon after and did not return. (LBG-MT)
- 1070 1/8 0252 southern station giving weather for the Gulf Coast, in jumble. WAPI? Southern accent. Lost before ID. (PM-OR)
- 1340 1/7 1820 CBC in the mess // 690. CFYK?? (PM-OR)
- 1600 1/8 0850 unID Spanish behind KGST, well under KMNY, looping SE. Possibly KXEW?
- 1620 1/13 0757 male vocal, very weak and seemingly distorted. (LBG-MT)

Thanks again to all who reported to WDXR this week. Remember to report your good catches to EDXR, CDXR or WDXR. If you are a new reporter, just follow the form you see in the columns to report your tips. Not sure if you should report to WDXR or CDXR? Just send your report to us and John and I will decide in which section your tips belong.

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RIDING GAIN

[SA-MB] Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada Icom IC-R70 with filter mods and Palm board.
4' box loop, Quantum loop, 100' longwire.

[EB-MO] Eric Bueneman, NOUIH, Hazelwood, Missouri. EBSDJDX@aol.com Realistic DX-400, Realistic TM-152, Worcester Space Magnet 2.

[CD-OK] Carl DeWhitt, Ponca City, Oklahoma GE Superadio III.

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[FM-IL] Frank W. Merrill, Macomb, Illinois

Kenwood R-1000, various longwires at various lengths.

Tim Noonan, Madison Wisconsin. Tnoonan@doit.wisc.edu

[TN-WI] Tim Noonan, Madison Wisconsin. Those Drake SW-4A, "Radio West" loop.

[RCP-IN] Robert C. Pote, Greenwood, Indiana.

Drake R8A, Quantum loop.

SPECIAL INTEREST

1020 KJJK MN, Fergus Falls. EX-1090. 1-7 fair to good. 1700 with legal ID into network news. Standards format. Now on 1020. Thanks to Rob Kramer over the internet for the tip. [TN-WI]

1510 WAUK WI, Waukesha. 1-7 good. 1627 with locally produced sports programming. ID's as "The Sports Radio Double Play 15-10 WAUK and 15-50 WAUX." This latter station must be back on and || 1510. Could not copy 1550 to confirm. [SA-MB]

DOWN THE DIAL

540 CBK SK, Regina 12-28 0803 CBC news with weather given for all the Canadian provinces, station ID, very good till fade out at 0816. (RCP-IN)

560 WEBC MN, Duluth. 1-5 fair to good in WIND null. 2300 legal ID into ABC news. [TN-WI] SK, Saskatoon. 1-6 fair to good due to WMT. 0251 with calls after country song. Note, this was also new for Reid Wheeler at the same instant as he was helping me check for west coast ||'s. New for me. [FM-IL]

610 WZZK AL. Birmingham 12-30 1748 ID's as WZZK 104, DJ John Stevens, song "God Bless Texas." Fair under WDAF. (RCP-IN)

620 WRJZ

TN, Knoxville. 1-4 fair in mess. 1745 with religious format. ID at 1745. [RCP-IN]

AZ. Window Rock. 1-6 fair to good. 0053 with ID's, jingle, country music. NBC News on the hour. Female announcer. State #40 from Madison thanks to a tip from John Rieger. [TN-WI]

WESC SC. Greenville. 1-1. 0822 with country music. First new station in '96. [RCP-IN]
670 KBOI ID. Boise. 1-7 below WMAQ. 1914 with CBS football playoff game (heard as a good "echo" with WTAD-930 tuned in on another radio.) Long sought, and state #47! I suspect I'll hear more from this as my 305 degree longwire puts a pretty good null on WMAQ, bringing them down to a mere S-9. [FM-IL]

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- 730 **CKDM** MB, Dauphin. 1-7. 0118 to at least 0300 noted in with religious music, chants (unID language, possibly Ukrainion.) [FM-IL]
 - WJMT WI, Merrill. 1-4 poor, much fading. 1812 with local news, obituaries, McDonalds of Merrill spot. [RCP-IN]
- 740 CBX AB, Edmonton. 1-6. 0128 with classical music (same as CBR-1010 which was well atop 1010 and almost equal to CBL!) CBC news at 0200 in a weird "soft echo" effect due to slight delay caused by differences in distances. New for me. [FM-IL]
- 750 WPDX WV, Clarksburg. 1-8. 1900 noted with 104.9 co-ID. Assumed to be on for snow emergency. [FM-IL]
- 760 CKQR BC, Castlegar. 1-6 far u/WJR. 0310 could hear programming of unID music format. Comparing audio with Reid Wheeler in Washington state. Could hear "CKQR" calls from his end, and he could hear the music on my end! New for me. Thanks to Reid for helping ID this station. [FM-IL]
- 830 **CKKY** AB, Wainwright. 1-7 good to very good during brief WCCO complete fade. 0112 with spot for businesses in Wainwright after country music. New. [FM-IL[
- 860 KNUJ MN, New Ulm. 1-6 good with no CBKF-2 for a change. 1711 with birthday announcements and country music. [SA-MB]
- 870 WMTL KY, Leitchfield. 1-6. 1315 with frequent ID's. Country music. Barely audible at times, but nice to hear something besides WWL. [RCP-IN]
- 880 KRVN NE, Lexington. 1-2 in briefly. 1742 with country format, generous ID's. [RCP-IN]
- 890 CJDC BC, Dawson Creek. 1-6. 0115-0145 noted with Good Time Oldies (|| CKLY-910). 0143 faded up with Procal Harum's "Conquistador" song. Calls heard at 0145 (nearly even with WLS). Also heard 1-7 after 0400. My northern most North American logging ever from a permanent DX location (MI, OH, IL) in 35 years of DX'ing. Dawson Creek is at milepost zero of the Alaskan Highway. [FM-IL]
- 910 WRVH VA, Richmond. 12-29 briefly. 1910 with ID. [RCP-IN]
- 940 WFAW WI, Ft. Atkinson. 1-5 fair on peaks. 2025 with Whitewater Whippets vs Waterford Wolverines high school basketball PBP. [RCP-IN]
- 950 KXJK AR, Forrest City. 12-29 with very good signal, better than local WXLW. 1755 with Paul Harvey "Rest Of The Story." Weather mentioned "36 at KXJK." [RCP-IN]
- 990 WCAZ IL, Carthage. 1-8 very good. 1700 with legal ID, country format. [TN-WI]
- 1000 KTOK OK, Oklahoma City. 12-29 with WMVP nulled. 1740 with spots for Woodcrafters and Lincoln-Mercury into a drive-time report. [RCP-IN]
- 1010 KSIR CO, Brush. 1-4 strong. 0748 with eastern Colorado weather after Brownfield Network (farm programming.) Also presumed the one heard last month with Denver Nuggets basketball. [FM-IL]
- 1060 KNLV NE, Ord. 12-28 fair u/KYW. 0701 with SSB, sign on (well before SRS, so probably applies all winter. [FM-IL]
- 1070 CHOK ON, Sarnia. 12-30 fair in null of WTSO's OC. 0236 with ID and oldies. Thanks to Bill Dvorak for the tip! [TN-WI]
- 1090 CKKW AB, Lethbridge. 1-10 fair in KAAY null. 0002 with weather, full ID, rock format. This on a tip from Jim Albrecht. [TN-WI]
 - WISS WI, Berlin. 1-6 fair u/WAQE. 1655 with country music. "Real Country WISS." New logging for me. [SA-MB]
- 1110 WJML MI, Petoskey. 1-8 fair. 1633 ID and apparent talk format behind WMBI. [TN-WI]
- 1120 KPNW OR, Eugene. 1-6 faint, far u/KMOX. 0241 with talk show. Another thanks to Reid Wheeler for helping ID this. State #46. Could be heard most of AM far beneath, but no trace next day. [FM-IL]
- 1130 CKWX BC, Vancouver. 1-6. 0050+, but strongest at this time. Almost like a semi-local signal. Often noted during any good western conditions. Noted often uses "WX" slogan or gives full call ID. Country format. "Country Music Radio" slogan also heard. This is by far the easiest BC here. [FM-IL]
 - WSJP KY, Murray. 1-2 good of WBBR, KFAN. 2245 noted with "For The People" promo into conservative talk. [EB-MO]
- 1140 CFXL AB. Calgary. 1-6 demolishing WRVA. 0215 with "Remember, you're listening to Good Time Oldies on XL." Also heard "XL-11-40" at least once. Probably give complete calls at times. I assume their directional system is out of whack as they

were already atop 1140 at 1940 on 1-7. [FM-IL] +1-6 fair to good o/u/KSOO. 2215 with Chinese religious program called "Chinese Outreach." 2230 man in EE with program name and mention that this is a regular Saturday night program. Also gave an "XL Radio" ID. [SA-MB]

1150 KASM MN, Albany, 1-8 good, 1649 with promo for a fishing trip, ID, country music. [TN-WI] 1190 KBCO CO. Boulder, 1-6 fair to good u/WOWO, 2205 with blues-type music and a "KBCO"

ID. Signal sounded more than 110 watts. [SA-MB]

1210?CFYM? SK, Kindersley. 1-6 far u/WOGL, also with CKWA or KOKK. 0355-0400+ could hear CJYM-1330's oldies. [FM-IL]

1250 WPRZ W. Warrenton. 1-4 very good signal. 1654 with spot for Almond Tree Christian Book Store "... in old-town Warrenton." Light religious music into USA News. This was a full hour before Macomb SSS. New for me. [FM-IL]

1300 WJFK MD, Baltimore. 1-4. 1647 with "1300 AM WJFK" Mentioned 32 degrees at the Inner Harbor, Baltimore traffic reports mentioning the beltway, etc. More than an hour before Macomb SSS. I've only started to explore this neat "pre-SSS" mode. [FM-IL]

1330?CJYM? SK, Rosetown. 1-6 good o/KWLO and others. 0400 after oldie with "This is 13-30 Rosetown, 12-10 Kindersley." No calls given. Do they ever use calls? New and long sought after. [FM-IL]

1340 KWLM MN, Willmar. 1-8 poor in mess. 0100 heard calls only. [TN-WI]

1370 KAWL NE, York. 1-6 and 1-7. {NO TIME} Noted AN with country, frequent call ID's either live or taped. Gets out well. [FM-IL]

1380 WTYM PA, Kittanning. 1-5 weak to good o/mess. 0600 with sign on (no SSB), calls mentioned 4 or 5 times during sign on. PSA is listed as 104 watts. New. [FM-IL]

1410 WDOE NY, Dunkirk. 1-4. 1656 with regional news with mentions of Dunkirk. So even 1 kW regionals and GY's can be heard from afar at "pre-SSS." New for me. [FM-IL]

1420 WKCW VA, Warrenton. 1-6 good o/WHK, etc. 0601 with sign on after male solo version of SSB. Only said "AM 14-20 WKCW Warrenton, we love our country." Bluegrass music format. New for me. [FM-IL]

1430 WNAV MD, Annapolis. 1-4 very good and alone. 1644 with *14-30 WNAV is your station for ... favorites ... ** Chesapeake area traffic report. NOS format. 750 miles and more than an hour before my SSS on a crowded frequency. New for me. [FM-IL]

1440 WJJL NY, Niagara Falls. 1-6. 0610 with local spot, call letters, oldies. Heard three times this season, twice at SRS, once at SSS. This is becoming a pest, [Image: FM-IL] WPNV PA. Tarsdale. 1-6. 0559 with sign on while fading into mess. Calls heard and

mention of 2500 watts. Assume using PSA at sign on. New for me. [FM-IL]

1450 KFTW MO, Fredericktown. 1-9 fair in mess. 1943 ID "KFTW AM 14-50." [TN-WI] WMIQ MI, Manistique. 1-11 fair, 0155 with "AM 14-50 WMIQ" ID. [TN-WI]

1460 WBRN MI, Big Rapids. 1-5. 0530 with sign on after instrumental SSB. Gets out extremely well! This may even make it to the west coast! [FM-IL]

WBUC WV, Buchannon. 1-6. 0600 with sign on after instrumental SSB. Heard here fairly often at sign on. [FM-IL]

1550 WXVA WV, Charlestown. 12-28 weak in mess. 0715 with sign on, mentioned Heritage Broadcasting Company and 5000 watts. Apparently either has no PSA or chooses not to use PSA. May be a relog. Note name of town is not the capital, but is in the eastern panhandle. [FM-IL]

1570 CKMW MB, Winkler. 1-7 excellent. 0818 with German language religious program. We now have four stations in southern MB doing some German programming for the large Mennonite community. [SA-MB]

1600 KDAK ND, Carrington. 12-28. 2121 with country music followed by spot for Hannaford (which gave it away for me) then Valley City spot (which really gave it away). Faded into jumble. Nice surprise. New for me. Am told there are several stations running this in ND. [FM-IL]

WCWC WI. Ripon. 1-6 good. 1633 with several "WCWC" ID's and into MOR/EZL type music. Not talk as listed, at least this time of day. [SA-MB]

1610 KS. Emporia. 1-5 good signal above buzz. 0800 with Kansas Turnpike information. Gave location as Emporia, but I missed calls. [FM-IL]

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- 1610 MN. Voyageur National Park. 1-5 poor signals mixing with Eveleth, MN TIS. 2030 with information on entering the USA and mentions of the park and International Falls, MN. New!!! [SA-MB]
- 1660 WJDM NJ, Elizabeth. 12-22 very poor to fair. 1950 with light rock, pop, and country standards. Christmas greetings. Male announcer with promo for their new frequency in the expanded band. New logging for me, NJ#1, State #40! [CK-OK] +1-6 good to poor. 2020 noted with oldies from 60s to 80s. Mentioned "First station in the expanded band." Jingle ID, "16-60 WJDM Elizabeth" legal ID at 2100. Much weaker on the TM-152. NJ#3 from here. [EB-MO]

DX TESTS

590(WARM) PA. Wilkes-Barre. 1-8 DX Test tried for, but not heard. [TN-WI] 1020(WIBG) NJ. Ocean City. 1-6 DX Test tried for, but not heard. [TN-WI]

1170?CKGY? AB, Red Deer. 12-29 DX Test. 0257-0327. 0257, 0306, 0308, and 0327 heard short bursts of 1 kHz TT (10 to 20 seconds each.) This is not to be confused with approx. 1 kHz het from low side (approx. 1169) also present. [FM-IL] +12-30 tried for the DX Test 0200-0215 with no luck. [TN-WI]

1340(WOOW) NC, Greenville. 1-8 DX Test tried for, but not heard. [TN-WI]

LOCAL CHANGES

550 KSD MO, St. Louis. 1-15 station dropped the last of its music programming. Now all talk. KSD does retain its ABC affiliation. [EB-MO]

UnIDS

840 unID 1/6 unID far below WHAS. 0204 with CWM, same service as CHAM-820 (Probably Country Music Radio.) Suspect CJXX, will check and count if it narrows down to only this. If CKBX carries the same program, this will remain unID. [FM-IL]

850 unID 1-2 1752 SS programming in briefly for about 5 min. Lady host speaking Spanish. KOA not heard. (RCP-IN)

25 YEARS AGO

January 30, 1971 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" _ New members included Dave Whatmough of Hamilton, ON_ Chuck Albertson of Bellevue, WA told of his new Realistic TRF which he received for Christmas _ C.M. "Stan" Stanbury II of Crystal Beach, ON commented on best verifications. He considered those stations which play some part in the evolution of broadcasting as best _ Steve Taaffe of Dayton, IN added 3 new states, NV, RI, and NJ.

OPEN MIKE

The more things change, the more they'll never be the same again. Speaking of stations playing a part in the evolution of broadcasting, it looks like WJDM will be the most reported station of the season! In the 1-12-96 issue of "Radio World" an article about WJDM mentioned they have received reports from IA, IL, ME, MT, OR, SC, and WI. Regularly scheduled programming began on 12-8. Shawn mentioned a DX'pedition had to be cancelled due to very low temps on 1-6. How about -45 wind chill! This weeks column has many new state loggings. Congratulations to all of those who logged new states! It is nice to see so many DX, ers are helping other DX'ers with hot tips. The internet is being used more and more to help DX. If you were wondering, while the east coast was covered with snow the 2nd week in January, here in Billings we had no snow and broke some record high temps including 61 degrees on 1-13, 73, John.

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			LOGGINGS
640	KET	CA	Los Angeles 1/15 0110-0130. Duking it out with
040	KII	Ch	WGST/WCRV and Progresso. Good at times w/talk
			programming, lots of "KFI" and "KFI Talkradio" mentions
			heard. (JD-AL)
	WOI	IA	Ames 1/15 0130-0140 Caught someone w/BBC programming,
			and on review of tape heard the WOI call letters. (JD-
	1 2 2 2		AL)
690	WOKV	FL	
			Good o/CBF. (WT-DC)
	CBF	PQ	Montreal 1-05 0030 Big signal for classical/orch. &
			pop/orch music. Rare moments of tlk in FF by YL annor.
			ID at TOH 0100.(David-you listed CBU here-are you sure
			you didn't log Alberta ?-ed) (DG-SC)
	WTIX?	LA	New Orleans 1-05 0215 Tentative w/Art Bell occ over top
			of CBF, also suffering deep fades until 0227. "Rush
			Minute" after commercials until 0230. Tentative ID at
			0230. Fade until 0235 when Art Bell pgm had resumed.
			(DG-SC)
700	WWTL	MD	Walkersville 12/29 1627 Country Gospel Song, ID by F.
			New on this freq. at 10kw. #6 on this freq. (WT-DC)
730	WLIL	TN	Lenoir City 1/15 2217 end of Basketball Tlk Show at
			tune-in Mentions of Tenn Local spots for Knoxville &
			Lenoir CityID as "The Sports Voice of Tennessee-WLIL
			AM&FM-Lenoir City" Also "Clear Channel 730" into CNN
			Headline News at 2221.New (LF-FL)
	WOHS	NC	Shelbyville 1/15 2200 caught good ID as "The Piedmont
		700	SuperStations, A Part of Your Life, WCSL Cherryville,
			WLON Linconton, WGNC Gastonia, WOHS Shelbyville "(LF-
			FL)
770	WVNN	AL	Athens 12/18 0055 Local nx at 0058, ID and slogan "The
			Talk Monster" along with a list of talk shows station
			carries at 0059. National nws at 0100 Plug for Rush at
			0105. ID as "WVNN-Athens, Huntsville, Decauter" at 0106,
			"Best of Bruce Williams" at 0107. (DG-SC)
870	WWL	LA	New Orleans 12/28 1924 Fadey but good signal. With
		100000	"Sportstalk on WWL". (WW-MA)
14			(William)
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900	WILCt	MD	Laural 1/3 1703 assumed w/piano mx. light SS pops. Voice annowns in SS, thought I heard slogan "Las Noticias" Is this still their slogan? (LLH-VA)
920	СЈСН	NS	Halifax 12/28 1643 "Newstalk 920-CJCH" Fady poor signal behind WHJJ. (WW-MA)
960	CFAC	AB	Calgary 1/6 0500-0545 Fair to occ. good. Western league
970	WZAN	ME	hockey w/ Calgary & Kamloops. Clear station ID.(EM-PA) Portland 12/28 1907 ID as "Portland's Hot Talk WZAN" into Tom Lykis Show. Good but fady mixing w/others on
990	WHOO	FL	freq. (WW-MA) Orlando 12/12 1743 BBD mx, ID by M. Good o/WZZD.
	WCMF	NY	Running at 5KW. (WT-DC) Rochester 12/28 1900 Strong signal with "Rochester's Sports Station, Superradio 990 WCMF-Rochester" Over local WALE (Renegade Radio). Everytime I hear this I think of WNYR (WW-MA)
1000	WMVP	IL	Chicago 1/03 1540 WMVP Contest Rules and Legal ID at 1543. "Sports Radio One Thousand" at 1544, into local sports talk afterward. WX conditions today (overcast/drizzle) possibly enhancing radio signals as lots of channels usually dominated by one signal
	WPTG	NC	suddenly crowded. (DG-SC) Garner 1/03 1550 Spot for bible software at 1550, ID at 1552. Contemp. rlg mx followed at 1553 (DG-SC)
	WMUF?	TN	Paris 1/3 1611 Tent. IDs at 1611, slogan "Country One Thousand" Three in a row country mx blocks followed.(DG-SC)
1040	WHO	IA	Des Moines 12/28 2355 Ad for a business in Des Moines. ID as "1040 WHO Radio" Strong (WW-MA)
1110	CKTY	ON	Sarnia 12/16 1615 C&W mx, ID by M DJ. Fair (ex-CKJD) (WT-DC)
1140	CFXL	AB	Calgary 1/6 0420-0430 Fair, sometime o/WRVA. Religious pgm. ID as "XL-1140" (EM-PA)
	WQBA	FL	Miami 12/14 1751 SS Talk by M. Fair u/WRVA. (WT-DC)
1200	WOAI	TX	San Antonio 1/1 0220 Trucker wx. at 0230. Spot for
			program "The Power of Information" at 0232. ID as "WOAI- News Radio Twelve Hundred" at 0235, resumed programming with Art Bell/Dreamland at 0235. (DG-SC)
	WSML	NC	Graham 12/28 1228 Ad for local Steak House, Welcome Wagon at 1228. ID as "Twelve Hundred WSML, Graham" at
	WMRE	PA	1229. Paul Harvey at 1230. (DG-SC) Hughsville 1/2 1620 up w/promos. Many "WRAK" and "WRAK- 1400" mentions. New, thanks to RCP-IN for his published tip. (LLH-VA)
1220	WSLM	IN	Salem 1/3 1559 good w/amnt: "At this time WSLM-FM begins programming for WSLM" Brief silence, then into Bluegrass Radio Newtork. Cont good w/bluegrass mx. (LLH-
1240	WSKI	VT	VA) Montpelier 12/29 0005CORRECTIONI previously listed
0	(49.49) (49.49)		WKIQ Florida as the KI station I heard. That was wrong. WSKI is what I heard. ID as "WSKI" w/Oldies. So it fits the "Good Times Great Oldies ID that I heard before. Signal was poor behind local WOON. (sorry it wasn't
1250	WARE	MA	WKIQ-ed) (WW-MA) Ware 12/29 0044 Poor fady signal. Listened for two days
1340	WNHC	CT	in a row before I realized it was WARE. They now simo w/WQVR 100.1 Southbridge, MA. Only ID as "Q-Country" at 0100 heard them say "WQVR-WARE" (WW-MA) New Haven 1/8 0100 While trying for the WOOW DX test
			that I didn't hear. I briefly picked up this. ID heard as "13-40 WNHC" then gone. (Do the calls stand for (N)ew (H)aven (C)t ???
	WSTJ	VT	St. Johnsury 1/8 0130 Noted Oldiesand call "WSTJ" in jumble of stations. Many Oldies. ID as "1340-WSTJ" Poor fady signal. First Time Logged. (WW-MA)
1360	WAOS	OH	Cincinnati 1/3 1753 fair w/Radio Aahs prgmingNeeded for call change. Ex-WSAI (LLH-VA)
	WDRC	CT	Hartford 1/2 1616 fair w/traffic rpt. "WDRC AM 1360" slogan. New (LLH-VA)

Tabor City 12/27 1220 Community Bull. Board until 1221. NC 1370 WTAB Local nx, afterward until 1222. Obits until 1224 w/ID. Ad for the Navy at 1230. Tobacco Growers report with Ken Taanner starting at 1231. (DG-SC) Gastonia 12/27 1235 SG mx format w/YL hostess. ID at NC WLTC (DG-SC) 1235. Rome 1/2 1604 in briefly w/ABC nx. Into local nx from 1470 WRGA GA "The WRGA Newsroom" Gone at 1606. Adel 1/15 0030-0040 Fair at times w/Southern Gspl WBIT GA promos for local shows, several "AM 1470 WBIT" IDs. Tillsonburg 1/2 1557-1601 blasting o/WLAC w.nx. "AM 1510 CKOT ON 151" slogans. Fading and gone by 1601. (LLH-VA) Simcoe 12/26 0400 Lots of FF shouting by male host 1600 CHNR? ON along with pop & jazz mx. Dominant on frequency with WXVI Montgomery, AL nulled to the west. Never heard a positive ID, but heard Buffalo mentioned once. (DG-SC) WAOS GA Atlanta 12/26 1600 Fair to good signal for mix of ranchera, tejano, and SS pop mx. ID at TOH, along with slogan "La Favorita" used abundatly between selections and SS talk. Occasional QRM from WIDU-Fayetteville. (DG-SC) St. Louis 1/3 1610 Id hear in mess "K??Z, St Louis" I KATZt MO have another tentative logging of them a few years ago. WBAV NC Charlotte 12/26 1323 Very weak here, but popped in over the top of WAOS/WIDU with a Christmas Greeting and ID. Ad for Buick dealership with mention of their ad in that days Charlotte Observer at 1325. (DG-SC) Elizabeth 12/24 2000 "Top Ten Christmas Songs" program. WJDM NJ An entertaining and informative show on the poeple and songs of Christmas that are worn into the ground each holiday season, in progress at tune in, show ending at 2105. Regular format of oldies afterward. ID, jingle and annumt "from the new expanded band, you're listening to only the good songs" at 2113. Hardly special event anymore as they regularly broadcast daily from 1000-2200 each day according to talk with station manager via phone the next day. (DG-SC) (note on WJDM-I am sure Ralph will have the info from the internet elsewhere in DXM- Rumer is that Quinn has SOLD the place for 11 million, and new format will be Radio AAHS !!!-ed) Elizabeth 12/28 1941 Signal strong at times, but drops WJDM NJ out after a second or two. Only noted after sunset. Seems to play oldies. ID as "Just the Good Songs on AM 1660 WJDM" Also noted ID "You're listening to WJDM AM 1660, the only station on the expanded band" at 2000 ID as "WJDM 1660 AM Elizabeth" Program note: Some nights I hear Spanish programming here, so watch out...(WW-MA) (William- JDM simos with 1530 ethnic/Spanish until 1530 signs off then plays oldies until 2200 or so. The SS you are hearing more than likely IS WJDM-ed) *********** UN-IDEN: 1/12 1905 Came up out of the jumble & Roar.. "This is ??

WCER"?????Any ideas.Not long enough for a bearing and I'm not sure of the calls are exact. (LF-FL)

1100 ???? ?? Who is the weak station w/C&W heard some afternoons under wwwE? Looped SSE, so I doubt the GA or MO stations. Are any of the Fl 1100's on the air yet?

(I am not aware of ANY new stations on 1100 in FL. I have logged WLBB w/C&W-ed)

1200 WMRE PA Hughsville (the uniden on 1200 in 12/23 DXM) Kudos to Richard Boehme of Allentown, PA for locating this new kid on the block.) #6 on this freg. (WT-DC

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1620.3 ??	??	1/01 0140 Pirate, somewhere to the North. Unsure if this is the same pirate that has taken up regular
		broadcasts on 1620 on almost a nightly basis. Tonight with POP/Dance music on tune-in, but switched to more of
		a classic rock direction after 0200. Played Thick as a
		Brick by J. Tull (the entire first side) at 0210, a big PLUS in my Book! (I've been meaning to speak to you
		about your reading material-hi!ed) (DG-SC)
******	****	DX TESTS
590 WVLK		Lexington 12/18 0255 Morse Code ID Fair u/TIS (WT-DC)
WARM	PA	Wilkes-Barre 1/8 0132 Noted March music at 0132,0137,0144 &0147. Also noted CW code at 0143 & 0149.

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640 WWLS OK Moore 1/15 0100-0200 IRCA DX Test. Heard several quite loud code IDs during first half hour mentioning Norman instead of Moore, voice annomed mentioning test for IRCA. (JD-AL)

770 WCGW KY Versailles 12/18 0102 Very Poor reception, Only heard CW code, at 0102,0111, & 0112. Poor behind WABC. (WW-MA)

1090 KBOZ MT Bozeman 1/15 0230-0300. IRCA DX test. Looks like a noshow. Called station during the test, and the CE wasn't in and the fellow who answered knew nothing about a DX test- despite a phone confirmation on the 13th. (JD-AL)

A Great Turn-Out this week...A big Welcome to new member Ernest Meyer, who made a couple of GREAT Catches this week...Report often Ernest... Seems like the only time I can find to DX the last couple of weeks has been while I am typing up the column..Glad my computer does't cause too much QRM in the Hammarlund..Boy those radios must be well shielded !! Keep those card and letters coming, best to you all CUIN7 Fresh

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Gerry Thomas, 3635 Chastain Way, Pensacola, Florida 32504
I had been trying to log NJ from Pensacola for the past 18 years with no success whatsoever. now, I tune to 1660 kHz and hear WJDM, Elizabeth, NJ booming in--I never imagined it would be this easy, hi. Anybody know their power? There's another new-bander on 1630 that has yet to be IDed but its poorly modulated R&B/Gospel type music is sometimes weakly audible here during the day and is looped SE/NW so peninsular FL or AL/MS are possible origins. This expanded band is really something; like DXing in the 1920s. The Quantum Phaser has undergone a significant design change. While the original design performed well at my relatively low RF venue, driving over to within the shadow of a local 5 kWer (to simulate big city cx) revealed inadequate isolation between the two to-be-phased antennas. After chasing possible PCB component lay-out and ground loop problems, it turned out to be capacitive coupling of the contacts of the rotary switch. The only capacitive coupling of the contacts of the rotary switch. The only solution was the use of a special, very expensive (>\$40) RF switch which sent the prospective price much too close to \$200. This was, in my opinion, far too expensive for a MW-only phaser. So, I've abandoned the relatively sophisticated fair flexible Quantum Phaser for a simpler, less flexible Quantum Phaser for a simpler, less flexible design. It should, hopefully, be just about ready by the time you read this. I'm trying to keep the cost below \$100 but we'll have to see... Oh yeah, it's come to my attention that the epoxy I used on the early Quantum Loops to secure the nylon shaft extension on the variable capacitor has poor aging characteristics. The result is a potential release of the epoxy and a slipping tuning knob. Also, I've really beefed up the tilting mechanism on Quantums made within the past year or so in order to prevent thread stripping from overtightening. I now use a steel threaded insert that is impossible to strip. If your Quantum Loop has suffered from any of these weaknesses, please let me know. Repairs, as always, are free; upgrade costs are limited to the cost of materials. Finally, I had a real nice visit from Nick Hall-Patch of Vancouver, BC a few months back. It's always nice to spend an afternoon talking DX with an expert like Nick. One more thing, the Q-Sticks are now read. The MW model is \$52; the MW/LW model is \$72. Shipping for either is \$3 to the u.s. Club members get a 5% discount. That's it for now. 73's...GT.

David A. Gasque, 1027 Lakewood Drive, Orangeburg, South Carolina 29118-9396 (This is an FM situation but it could be of interest to AM DXersce) There's an interest situation developing at the University of South Carolina's FM station, WUSC-90.5. In a hotly contested election for the Station Manager's slot, one of the losers in the election has resorted to blackmail in order to get another shot at the Station Manager's position. The position is filled by a process of potential electees presentations to a University board, who then decides behind closed doors who is best qualified for the position. This person then guides the station for the next calender year. One of the candidate's proposals was to change the music format of the station from alternative/freeform to CHR, stating that this format was more in line to what the student deejay would see in the real world of radio where he or she to decide to go into radio broadcasting as an occupation. WUSC has maintained a freeform format since its inception in the mid-60's, thus this proposal was very unpopular with the existing staff. In the end, the existing Manager won the election, and the format remained intact. Being a sore loser the



candidate requesting a format change proceeded to tape supposed "FCC violations" of the station during late evening/early morning broadcasts and threatened to send them to the FCC unless given another consideration for the Station Manager slot. In the process, the current winning Station Manager was forced to resign his position, and the station was taken off the air during the Christmas Holiday break and has yet to return to the air to this date, 1/10/96. Rumor is that the station will return to the air on the 15th of January, format and personnel unknown at this time. I will update as more information comes my way.

Rick Evans, 47841 South 26th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53221-2937

I was up for the special tests 1/15, but no luck with them. Too much Zeeland, Mich on 640, and almost completely KAAY-190 for the Montana station to break thru. I did hear what sounded like bursts of Morse Code during both tests, but that was it, and since I don't know Code...While sitting down Monday afternoon to type this column, I turned on the radic which was pre-set to 1080 and discovered a local TIS -- WPDY-865 with suggestions for places in the city of Milwaukee for tourists to visit. It sounded as though there were two antennas as I could hear message being repeated on perhaps a five second delay behind the primary transmission. It was a little confusing until I figured out what was probably happening. Right now, I'm sitting on 1520 checking out two stations; one is probably WQWQ-1520 Mich., not sure of the other one 73.



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Greetings! I recently received a flyer for the "Black Box" antenna. Has anyone had any experience with it, and if so, what's your opinion? Many thanks to Robert Wien for keeping us abreast of station changes during the past year. I was amused at his note in the 12/30 issue that WREN-1250 is increasing power to 150 kw. I hope that's a typo! I am inspired to try for CBA-1070 thanks to Nigel's and Shawn's tips. I think it's great that we have two convention bids for 1996. We can't go wrong with either. The booklet describing the October, 1995 Newfoundland Expedition was very interesting and Ralph did such a nice job getting it bound. The attendees all wrote their descriptions so well, almost poetically. 73, and good DX to everyone.

Nick Hall-Patch, 1538 Amphion St, Victoria BC V8R 4Z6

It's been an interesting though not spectacular season so far, marked primarily by the reappearance of TA's in this part of western North America. Interestingly, although there have been many "TA openings", they have been of mostly one station, the big Norwegian on 1314, and just its carrier for the most part. Its most spectacular appearance was on November 26 when a carrier appeared 90 minutes before local sunset. Unfortunately, I had to go out just then, so never hear if it developed audio; it was gone when darkness fell. I wouldn't even have bothered trying for it if Don Moman had not told me about hearing unprecedented afternoon TA's in central Alberta. Since then, things have quieted down considerably, though 1314 delivered some audio on the evening of 7 January. Otherwise, a bit of band scanning "away from home" was accomplished on a working trip to Panama City, FL in late October. It's hard to believe, but my motel room was electrically quiet (no, they had restored power by then; it was several weeks after the hurricane), and allowed some TA evidence on the Sony 2010, as well as a number of Latins, though not as many as I'd expected. A high point of that trip was meeting Gerry Thomas after years of fitful correspondence. We passed several hours discussing everything under the sun (not just DX... I think Mark Connelly mentioned how many interesting and well-rounded people he's met through DXing, and I must agree). Best of DX to all for 1996.

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