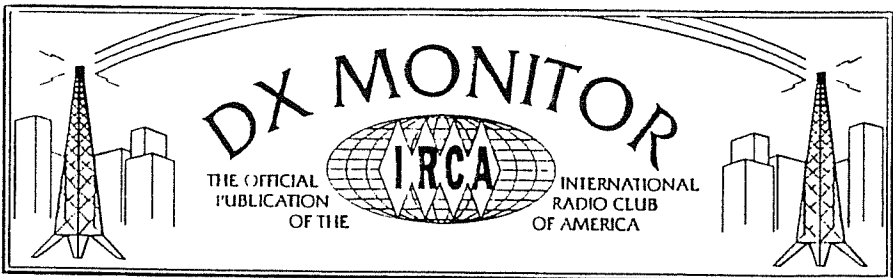


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RENEWALS: Glen Hansen of Portland OR, David Sullivan of Jersey City NJ, Dennis Gibson of Goleta CA, Karl Jeter of Lawrenceville GA, John Adams of Seaside OR, Charles Taylor of Grifton NC, Chester Jaffe of Berkeley CA. I Would Like To Thank You All Very Much You Make It Go...

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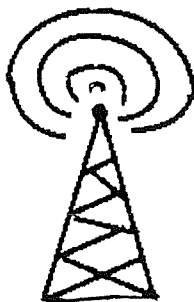
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Much of this information is compiled from M Street Journal, DXM,
and various other sources.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

GA. Atlanta	WXZI-790	inc. to 28000-D, DA-N
IL. Chicago	WMBI-1110	dec. to 4270-D, ND-D
TX. El Paso	KVTV-1340	dec. to 910-N, ND
Elgin	KELG-1440	inc. to 800-D, DA-2
VA. Dublin	WPIN-810	inc. to 4200-D, ND-D

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

AK. Juneau	KINY-800	inc. to 7800-N, ND
CO. Pueblo	KGHF-1350	dec. to 4700/750 DA-N
HI. Honolulu	KOHO-1170	dec. to 4800-N, ND
KS. Topeka	WREN-1250	mod. CP to 25000-D, DA-2
MO. Sikeston	KRFW-1520	inc. to 2000-N, DA-3
MT. Shelby	KSEN-1150	inc. to 10000-D, DA-2
NY. Mineola	WTHE-1520	inc. to 347-CH, ND-D
SC. Ridgeland	WNFO-1430	dec. to 213-D, ND
WA. Seattle	KKOL-1300	dec. to 5000/2000 DA-2

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

GA. Rossville	WLMX-980	add 113-N, DA-2
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CALL LETTER CHANGES:

CA. Los Angeles	KQMG-1540	requests KCTD
Morro Bay	KBAI-1150	becomes KJOY
FL. Boynton Beach	WJNA-1040	becomes WJNO
West Palm Beach	WJNO-1230	becomes WJNA
IL. Chicago	WEJM-950	becomes WZDB, then requests WIDB
KS. Wichita	KZSN-1480	becomes KOAM
	KOAM-1410	becomes KMYR
MI. Dearborn	WDOZ-1310	becomes WYUR
Marine City	WIFN-1590	requests WHYT
NJ. Newark	WXLX-620	requests WJWR
OR. Portland	KWJJ-1080	becomes KOTK
WA. Puyallup	KKBY-1450	becomes KSUH

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL. Birmingham	WAPI-1070	was nx/talk, adds Stan Major
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AR. Rogers KAMO-1390 was talk, reg. Mex, now Prime spts//
KREB

CA. Lake Isabella KVLJ-1140 was stds//FM, now oldies//FM

CO. Buena Vista KDMN-1450 was silent, to be talk//KSKE (Nov.)
Vail KSKE-610 was silent, to be talk (Nov.)

FL. De Funiak Springs WGTX-1280 was talk, now travel info
Key West WKIZ-1500 was nx, now SS religion
Marianna WTYS-1340 was nx, talk, adds Stan Major

IN. Paoli WSEZ-1560 was oldies, talk, now oldies

KY. Shelbyville WCND-940 was JRN CD C&W//WTHQ, now JRN classic
C&W//WTHQ

NM. Lovington KLEA-630 was WWI hot C&W//FM, now WWI soft AC

NY. Buffalo WWKB-1520 was country, now sports (still airs
"Road Gang" overnights)
Riverhead WRHD-1570 was silent, now rock//WRCN-FM
Salamanca WGGG-1590 was oldies, now ABC AS

OK. Poteau KPRV-1280 was JRN CD C&W//FM, now JSN class C&W//
FM

SC. Georgetown WGTN-1400 was talk, sports, now s. gospel

TN. Maryville W GAP-1400 was country//FM, adds JRN C&W//FM

TX. Gilmer KBNB-1060 was silent, now CNN Headline nx
Highland Park KDMM-1150 was traffic/sports/nx, now ethnic/sports
/nx
Wichita Falls KWFT-990 was Cont. Xtian, reported silent

UT. Delta KNAK-5400 was nx, talk, adds Stan Major

WA. Spokane KTRW-970 was sports, adds Imus

WY. Gillette KIML-1270 was country, adds ABC country

FORMAT CHANGES (SECTION 2):

AR. Dardanelle KCAB-980 was talk, now JRN classic C&W

CA. Thousand Oaks KAHS-850 was children's, now soft AC//KMLT (to
debut new format later in fall)

FL. Gainesville WWLO-1430 was black gospel, now talk (airs some
mx mornings during Scott & Todd show)

Miami Springs WCMQ-1210 was SS talk, to be 1 on 1 sports (Nov 1)

KS. Wichita KMYR-1410 was KOAM, sports, now AS
KOAM-1480 was KZSN, country//FM, now sports

MI. Dearborn WYUR-1310 was WDOZ, AC//WNIC, now soft AC/stds.

MN. Moorhead KVOX-1280 was oldies, now sports "The Ticket" (1
on 1, WWI, ESPN, local shows)

MO. Kansas City WHB-810 was KCMO, talk, now country/farm
KCMO-710 was WHB, country/farm, now talk (KCMO
and WHB switch frequencies)

NM. Los R. De Albuq. KALY-1240 was reg. Mexican, adds ESN Reg. Mex.

SC. Columbia WCTG-840 was talk, adds Moby (C&W, Moby sign on
till 10 AM)

WA. Everett KWYZ-1230 was silent, now Korean //KSUH

Puyallup KSUH-1450 was KKBY, C&W//FM, now Korean

WI. Chippewa Falls WEAQ-1150 was AS, adds ABC AS

We have a slew of guest reporters:

Steve Todd of Wichita, KS. confirms earlier info on KCMO-710
and WHB-810 MO.

Ye editor passes on the following info:

CO. Arvada KQXI-1550 CO. may move to 1690 within next 90 days

Pete Taylor of Tacoma confirms earlier info for KSUH-1450. Call
letters are the owners name (Mrs. Suh)

Ye editor sends another tip:

CA. Santa Clara KNVA-1430 was SS, now Asian (carries some SS
early mornings)

Tim Noonan of Madison, WI. passes on the following tips:

IL. Freeport WFRL-1570 noted w/sports, ancing nx/talk/sports
format, formerly AC//WFPS-92.1 FM

WI. Madison WTDY-1480 mentions doubling power soon and
pending FCC approval, move to 1670 w/
10000 watts.

Tim passes on the following additional tips:

WAUR-930 still "Aahs World Radio" , switch to satellite sports still
rumored

WEJM-950 now 1 on 1 sports

WNWI-1080 still apparently off the air

WWCA-1270 off the air again

WCFJ-1470 no carrier noted recently

WBEE-1570 still good jazz, now paid talk to 1 PM Saturdays

WCGO-1600 "silent" rumors exaggerated, still "Unforgettable sat. MOR"

Dennis Gibson of Goleta, California and David Gordon of Los Altos
Hills, CA. confirm earlier info on KXMG-1540 Los Angeles switch to
sports.

Pete Taylor reported CFAC-960 AB. switch from EZL to C&W. I don't
believe they were ever EZL recently, per monitoring!

Tim Noonan of Madison, WI. again sends info on the following:

IL. Freeport WFRL-1570 noted carrying 70's/80's oldies,
live and not sim. until a 3-6 PM
block of sports.

Rich Toebe of Concord, CA. passes on the following info:

CA. Stockton KWG-1230 now //KQOD-100.1 "Oldies 100"
Turlock KCDR-1390 now //KRVR-105.5 jazz, uses ID "The
River, Smooth Jazz 105.5" (also con-
firmed by ye ed.)

Finally, ye editor passes on the following:

OR. Portland KWJJ-1080 changing calls to KOTK on 10/12

CA. Morro Bay KBAT-1150 per call to station, got someone
else's answering, may be silent (Dennis
Gibson notes not hearing them during
recent trip to Santa Maria, CA.). Had
been granted KJQY.

OR. Portland KPAM-860 coming on air between 10/15 & 10/17,
50000/200, address: 10209 S.E. Division
St. Portland, OR. 97266

CA. San Fernando 1650 per call to KGIL-1260, 1650 outlet will
be on air "by end of year, hopefully".

Los Angeles KXMG-1540 per call to L.A. directory assistance,
no listing for them!!! Requests KCTD.

That's it, a lot of people contributed this time, thank you everyone!
DX season is definitely on us, my hours at work change 10/27, I can
DX MM's again! 73's.

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- 540 XEBACH BCN, Tijuana (ex-XETIN) very strong in CBK null 10/2 0900. Classical music ended, then Mexican National Anthem aired, followed by call ID by a woman. Then more classical music. New. (LG-MT)
- 670 ?KLTT? CO, Commerce City 10/2 0755 probably the station with program "Jazz and Joy" mixing with KBOI. (LG-MT)
- 710 KTZN CA, Los Angeles 9/8 0700 noted with new Disney format much like Ahs World Radio for kids. Slogan is "Radio With Ears." Ex- female talk radio. (MS-CA)
- 730 ?KBSU? ID, Boise 10/1 2200 believed the one ending program from Radio Australia International on World Radio Network One. I think there was a call ID on the hour. (LG-MT)
- 740 KTRH TX, Houston in at 0755 Sunday 9/28 through KCBS open carrier (regular silent period) with "KTRH news time." (LG-MT)
- 860 ?KCNR? UT, Salt Lake City 9/29 0331 tentative in KTRB null with numerous "Radio Disney" IDs, but no call ID. Several IDs as "960 AM, Radio Disney." They still KCNR? (RW-CA)
- CFPR BC, Prince Rupert on top 9/26 0900. Woman said "Welcome to Daybreak," which is a locally-produced program. No ID. (LG-MT)
- 890 CJDC BC, Dawson Creek 9/29 0430 just burying KDXU with local spot, ID "Radio 890." Rarely this strong! (RW-CA)
- 1090 ?KXMA? CO, Aurora 9/29 0846 tentative with man & woman in Spanish in XEPRS null, briefly good but faded rapidly. Faded under KBOZ. (RW-CA)
- (KBOZ) MT, Bozeman silent 10/1 0755-0801 tune-out and also at 0857 when I checked. Back on at 0955. (LG-MT)
- KKYN TX, Plainview 10/1 0800 ended sports-talk show and gave legal ID. Heavy QRM from XEPRS, with KBOZ silent. (LG-MT)
- 1150 KXTA CA, Los Angeles 9/6 1600 ex-KIIS noted new legal calls for "XTRA Sports Radio." Will be Dodgers flagship station in 1998. (MS-CA)
- 1390 *KLTX* CA, Long Beach 9/22 0500 off this Monday morning (carrier still on). At least 3 stations audible underneath. Suspect Turlock, Salem & Farmington. Back on at 0700. (MS-CA)
- KCDR CA, Turlock 9/29 0325 noted now simulcasting KRVR-FM's jazz format, ID on hour as KRVR-FM/KCDR-AM. Ex- Spanish. (RW-CA)
- KSLM OR, Salem 9/22 0600 good with ID, ABC news. KSLM weather forecast by lady, and country song "Where Are You Now." (MS-CA)
- 1410 KTME CA, Lompoc 9/12 2320 faded up above KRML, KERN and others with quick call letter ID then back into Lompoc High School football game. (MS-CA)

- 1440 CFCP BC, Courtenay 9/28 appeared briefly just after KMED ID at 0900. Thankfully, man shouted "Coast Radio" right on the hour. New. (LG-MT)
- 1450 ?KIOV? ID, Payette seemed the announced call at 0900 9/29. Too much QRM to be sure. Never heard here. (LG-MT)
- 1510 KLLB UT, West Jordan 10/1 1000 very strong with ID as "Gospel 1510, KLLB." KGA was weak. (LG-MT)
- 1530 KHPY CA, Moreno Valley 9/13 1238 ID by lady followed by jingle and sports talk show. (MS-CA)
- 1620 WPIH703 CA, Burbank 9/29 0335 extremely strong over Milpitas-Santa Ana with traffic info and talk on City of Burbank and ID. Anyone have an address for this guy? (RW)
- 1640 *KXBT* CA, Vallejo 9/30 0750-0800 had open carrier. Dallas-Fort Worth airport TIS seemed to be underneath. (LG-MT)

UNIDS

- 1440 Man spoke in French at 2232 9/28. No Quebec stations listed. Maybe CKJR-AB, which has quite a mix of different programs. (LG-MT)
- 1610 Pulsating tone 2/3-second on, 2/3 second off, at 2153 10/1 and 0755 10/2. (LG-MT)

Thanks to our three reporters this week. Remember to send in any DX tips you may have, we would like to hear from you!

Central DX Roundup



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- [TMJ-IL] **Tom Jasinski**, Shorewood, Illinois.
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 Kenwood R-1000, "Radio West" loop.
- [RCP-IN] **Robert C. Pote**, Greenwood, Indiana.
 Drake R8A, Quantum loop, some using a 1997 Jimmy radio.
- [RS-MO] **Randy Stewart**, Springfield, Missouri. JRS555T@wpgate.smsu.edu
 Yaesu FRG-100 modified by EEB with 6-kc Collins filter, 4-kc filter.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 810 **WMJH MI**, Rockford. 9-18 fair at times o/w/WGY. 0536 with NOS format. [RCP-IN]
- 1090 **WAQE WI**, Rice Lake. 9-22 fair on fade ups with no sign of WBAL nor KAAY. 0515 with "Classic Country all day long. WAQE." Into a George Jones song. [RCP-IN]
- 1160 **WODY VA**, Fieldale. 9-13 very good signal and all alone. 0530 with several station ID's then into a religious program. [RCP-IN]
- 1340 **KBTA AR**, Batesville. 9-25 poor. 2033 with good call ID, St. Louis Cardinals baseball PBP j|KMOX-1120. [RS-MO]
- KFEZ MO**, Kansas City. 9-25 fair. 2100 with ID "... home of the great stars of the Music Of Your Life, this is KFEZ Kansas City." Since this frequency has picked up the format and call of the 1190 station, anybody know what 1190 is running now? [RS-MO]
- WXFN IN**, Muncie. 10-1 fair. 2100 heard "stereo on 13-40 WXFN Muncie" only. [TN-WI]

- 1350 **KCOR** TX, San Antonio. 9-28 fair. 2046 romantic Spanish ballads. ID "KCOR la primera estacion de radio en espanol en todo Estados Unidos... KCOR San Antonio. New log for me. [RS-MO]
- 1390 **WXTC** SC, Charleston. 9-23 fair to poor. 0449 with country format using FM call "WBUB 107.5 Bubba playing 12 in a row." [RCP-IN]
- 1400 **WIEL** KY, Elizabethtown. 9-23 very poor with much interference. 1725 announcer mentioned "Sports scores coming up on WIEL." [RCP-IN]
- 1450 **WASK** IN, Lafayette. 10-1 fair. 2000 legal ID mentioning WASK-FM Battle Ground going into CBS news. [TN-WI]
- 1550 **KICS** NE, Hastings. 9-22 very weak w/WCSJ and CBE nulled. 0030 with call letters and mention of "The King Is Here...(Larry King)...on KICS." There was a slight fraction of a second delay (echo) with another talker carrying the same program. [TMJ-IL]
- WBSC** SC, Bennettsville. 9-21 good in CBE null. 2245 w/sign off, SSB. [TMJ-IL]
- WMBH** IN, New Castle. 9-21 in briefly on top with good null on CBE and WCSJ. 2130 had promo for the talk show "G-Man" in the afternoons. Mention of Henry co. [TMJ-IL]
- 1570 **WSWV** VA, Pennington Gap. 9-17 good w/WBEE nulled. 2130-2300 with mention of 105.5 FM, music. "The Best Music Of The Mountains" slogan and ID on hour. [TMJ-IL]
- WXLN** IN, New Albany. 9-19 in for a few minutes o/WSWV in WBEE null. 2100-2130 with a Jeffersonville football game. First time heard, this completes IN on 1570. [TMJ-IL]
- UnIDS**
- 850 unID 9-15 unID signal mixing badly with KOA. 0445 playing rock oldies, announcer speaking in FF. [RCP-IN]

25 YEARS AGO

October 21, 1972 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" - Weekly issues started for Volume 10 - Bill Nittler of NE was at the top of the Domestic Heard Contest - C. M. "Stan" Stanbury II of Crystal Beach, ON told of the changes in his writing approaches due to "Electronic Illustrated" merging with "Mechanix Illustrated" - John Zondlo of Muncie, IN said he was 19 and a sophomore at Ball State University - James E. Critchett of San Diego, CA told of his new Drake SPR-4 receiver. He easily logged PJB, JOUB, JOBB, and 7 Hawaiians.

OPEN MIKE

He who laughs last probably doesn't understand the joke. Bob mentioned a book he found interesting. "Sparks Out Of The Plowed Ground" by Bob Doll. It's a history of America's small town radio stations. Nancy's birthday is on Tuesday the 21st. Let's all wish Nancy a Happy Birthday! 73, John.

GEO INDICES

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Tabulated from WWV at -0518 GMT nightly

Geomagnetic Summary October 1 1997 through October 3 1997

GEO - Geomagnetic activity	pca - polar cap absorption
maf - major flare	SA - Solar Activity
mas - major storm	spe - satellite proton event
mis - minor storm	ss - severe storm

Date	FLUX	A	K	SA	GEO	OTHER
10/ 3	86	7	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
4	82	3	0	very low	quiet	-
5	2	2	2	z	z	-
6	84	3	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
7	34	6	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
8	83	12	4	very low	quiet-active	-
10/ 9	84	19	3	very low	quiet-mis	-

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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Here we are BACK from a nice vacation to the mountains of PA & West Virginia. Got "some" time to DX and check some info for our Database. Deadlines are EVERY Wednesday 6 PM EST. Let's hear from YOU !!!!!!!

STARS OF THE WEEK

(LF-**) your editor	On the road in 97 Saturn
(LF-PA1)	DX'ing in New Alexandria, PA (40 miles east of Pittsburgh) - Potomic FIM-41
(LF-PA2)	DX'ing in Lancaster, PA east of Harrisburg
(LF-WVA)	Potomic FIM-41 DX'ing at Holiday Inn, Bluefield, WVA. Potomic FIM-41
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LOGGINGS

550	WGR	NY	Buffalo 10/6 2150 Sports Pgm and WGR promo. ID as "Newsradio 55" Fair (LF-PA1)
610	WDAF	KS	Kansas City 10/5 0700 Fair signal with C&W mx, ID as "61 Country" (LF-WVA)
630	CFCO	ON	Chatham 10/6 2108 Good with Oldies and numerous jingles "CFCO" (LF-PA1)
660	WVAL	MN	Sauk Rapids 10/1 poor in WFAN null w/heavy metal mix, caught semi-legal ID at 0701 "Rock 101, Sauk Rapids-St.Cloud, Minnesota's best rock" (not even "close" to legal-ed) (MB-ON)
720	CHTN	PE	Charlottetown 10/9 2108 In good with Oldies ID as "Good Times, Great Oldies-C H T N" (LF-PA2)
730	WPAL	SC	Charleston 10/4 1055 Urban/AC Talk ID as "Power 73" (LF-**)
740	CBL	ON	Toronto 10/4 2158 fair with end of oldies show, into CBC news ID as "CBC Radio 1" and "CBL Toronto" (LF-WVA)
800	CKLW	ON	Windsor 10/4 2157 up with Wayne Stevens promo "here on 800-CKLW" (LF-WVA)
820	CHAM	ON	Hamilton 10/4 2150 ID as "Your Country, 820 CHAM" Fair signal (LF-WVA)
850	KOA	CO	Denver 10/6 2240 Poor with "850 K-O-A" Talk about Denver football. Mixing with French and WJAC Johnstown, PA (LF-PA1)
1010	CFRB	ON	Toronto 10/7 2210 Fair o/Cuban with "CFRB Sports"(LF-PA1)
1070	WIWS	WV	Beckley 10/5 0843 Satellite Oldies ID as "Oldies 1070" and "West Virginia Hot Wax" (LF-**)
1240	WBBW	OH	Youngstown 9/30 0807 surfaced over CJCS w/annmct "Sports on 1240 AM WBBW: into sports report, then gone in graveyard junk. (MB-ON)
	WDXY	SC	Sumpter 10/4 1138 EZ music, ID as "AM-1240 WDXY" (LF-**)

1320 WISW SC Columbia 10/4 1155 Satellite news service. Slogan-"News when you want it" (LF-**)
 1340 WMBO NY Auburn 10/7 0727 poor u/run-down of events at Auburn YMCA, local wx, ID as "AM 1340 Newsradio WMBO", killed when WLVL in Lockport, NY went to day Pattern. (figures: only 4 stations on 1340 have directional patterns !-ed) (MB-ON)
 1370 KJCE TX Rollingwood 10/4 2201-2205. Weak, but clear at times w/spots for area business, promo for Texas Wildlife Expo, stations afternoon drive show, heard "right here on the Juice" during anncmts. (JD-AL)
 1390 WXTC SC Charleston 10/4 1030 //FM WBVB ID as "Bubba Radio" and "Bubba 107.5" C&W mx (LF-**)
 1470 WQXL SC Columbia 10/4 1211 Xtain mx>ID as "Total Christain Radio" (LF-**)
 1490 WVGB SC Beuford 10/4 1050 Blk-Gspl mx, ID as "Victory 1490" (LF-**)
 1540 CHIN ON Toronto 10/3-10/4 2354-0029 Latino mx, ".AM 15-40 and FM 101.3" 0013, into more reggae type mx. DJ has British accent,"dance-Latino style- it doesn't get hotter then this--check out the action.." 0022, into ad for Caribbean mx and cuisine, followed by more ads, more mx, DJ heard sporadically in EE (LH-AL)
 KXEL IA Waterloo 10/4 0030-0034 Rig mx, clear signal. ID as "Iowa's 50 thousand watt power source- news talk 15-40" 0034, into more mx. (LH-AL)
 1550 CBE ON Windsor 10/4 2104 in w/CBC news. Id as "1550 in Windsor" and "CBC Radio one" Fair signal. (LF-WVA)
 1600 CHNR ON Simcoe 10/9 0800 noted with FM simulcast, non ID as "CD-106.7 FM" They've moved to FM, but will continue AM// for a while. (MB-ON)

SPECIAL INTEREST

SILENT STATIONS: Karl Zuk reports that WVIP 1310 Mt. Kisco, NY is silent after a fire destroyed the station. I read somewhere in a trade mag that the station was about to celebrate their 40th year on the air, but now "may" be silent forever" Karl says that WTLB-Utica and CIWW Ottawa, now take turns with others on 1310. Also a report out that WYKO/WIDL in Caro, MI is now silent. Seems the AM/FM combo owed a BUNCH of taxes and the IRS has "seized" the studio facility. More from Mike Hardester on WLAS 910 Jacksonville, NC. Noted off the air from t/in 0530 to 0630 when I arrived at work. No idea when they s/on, but must be after 0630. This noted from 6 to 11 oct. So, no longer NSP.

UN-IDEN:

Here's a "wierd one" from Karl Zuk. Sitting in the dark with a analog tuning walkman radio, he heard a loud and clear ID for "WLKE-The Lake" somewhere between 660 WFAN and 570 WMCA (listen, it was 4:30 in the morning..) The only WLKE is an FM in Bar Harbor. Is it possible that WZON 620 simulcasts WLKE-FM ? Anyone know ? (KZ-NY)
 1660 ???? ?? 10/4 1500 Heard strong signal playing George Benson music while driving through Charlotte, NC signal lasted about 5 or 6 miles, then faded out quickly. Checked all local signals for possible "spur" but found NO George Benson music. Has their been a "pirate" active in this area?? (LF-**)

DX TESTS

1540 *KTGG* MI Spring Arbor 10/04 0000 not heard, would have helped much if CHIN were off. Much wanted as a rare eastern "K" call. (MB-ON)
 KTGG MI Spring Arbor 10/4 0005-0032 Mostly weak, partial code IDs, but one of reasonably good strength 'bout midway through the test. Not bad for 450 watts under a killer CHIN signal playing bass heavy Caribbean rhythms.(JD-

AL)
KTGG MI Spring Arbor 10/4 0005 Possible CW ID hrd amid lots of
QRM. (LH-AL)

Thats a "wrap" for this week. A special "Thanks" to my wife Penny, who got her introduction to DX ing on our vacation. She sat for hours in the car with a log book on her lap, and wrote down station after station for me. (I have only included the more interesting catches above) She also tolerated several evenings in motels and a Bed & Breakfast with me off in a corner with the headphones on. With this and her "convention" experience, it won't be long until I "catch" her playing with the R-8 ?? Stay tuned for more right here !!! See you all next week ! 73's fresh *****

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Drake R8A & Icom R-71A with 1000' terminated western Beverage, 2000' unterminated southern wire, DXing with Chuck Hutton at Midway Beach near Grayland, WA. Also in, but not reported were the usual hugh powered NHK stns (747 774 etc.), SK jammer 1053, and several stations in Japanese & Korean noted in passing. All in all, it was one of my better DX sessions in terms of interesting logs.

LATIN AMERICA

530 TURKS & CAICOS, RVCI 0515 10/5 good w/SS rlgS pgm (bp WA)

TRANS PACIFIC

- 180 RUSSIA, 1040 10/5 fair w/male vocal (bp WA)
- 189 RUSSIA, 1041 10/5 good w/pop mx & RR DJ (bp WA)
- 216 RUSSIA, 1042 10/5 poor w/RR talk u/beacon QRM (bp WA)
- 234 RUSSIA, 1039 10/5 good w/RR talk in beacon QRM (bp WA)
- 531 JAPAN, Morioka, JOQG, 1048 10/5 good w/50s pop song "Speedy Gonzales" & man in JJ //1503 (bpWA)
- 567 JAPAN, Sapporo, JOIK, 1051 10/5 JJ talk //1503 u/Korean (bp WA)
- 594 UNID, 1525 10/5 man & woman in unid language mixing w/JOAK, not CC KK or JJ, speech had staccato inflections similar to Tagalog, pgm continued uninterrupted across bottom of hour so probably not India. Possibly Brunei or a Filipino (bp WA)
- 655 VIETNAM, Ho Chi Minh City, 1420 10/5 reception on 1242 prompted me to check this freq and found inst mx briefly strong & hetting Pyongyang-657, faded by 1422 but back w/woman in unid lang at 1432 recheck. No ID noted, but this is the only thing that fits & propagation favored SE Asia at the time (bpWA)
- 657 N KOREA, Pyongyang, 1053 10/5 fair w/usual pep talk in KK, still in 1537 recheck (bp WA)
- 873 RUSSIA, 0927 10/5 RR talk good (bp WA)
- 890 ALASKA, Homer, KBBI, 0459 10/5 good w/end of Afropop pgm from PRI, local wx and legal ID (bpWA)
- 891 JAPAN, Sendai, JOHK, 1238 10/5 strong w/folk mx //594 (bp WA)
- 930 ALASKA, Ketchikan, KTKN 0536 10/5 good w/string of ads, promo for election coverage, several call IDs, local-like at 0619 recheck w/adcon mx & "classic KTKN" ID (bp WA)
- 936 UNID, JJ talk still in 1534 10/5, several listed, mixing w/CC talk (bp WA)
- 954 JAPAN, Tokyo, JOKR 1233 10/5 strong w/ads, "TBS Radio" IDs, top 10 countdown with song positions given in EE (i.e. "number 9") (bp WA)
- 963 CHINA, 1202 10/5 Russian FS weak //1323, much stronger 1220 w/man in RR, stronger still at 1347 recheck (bp WA)

981 CHINA, CC talk good 1015 10/5, easily separable from 980 domestics (bp WA)

999 INDONESIA, Jakarta, RRI 1158 10/5 in KOMO-1000 splatter w/"Song of the Coconut Isles" IS repeated over & over to 1200, then seemed to go into nx after time pips from the NHK stns (bp WA)

999 JAPAN, NHK1 synchros 0923 10/5 woman in JJ //1503 weak in KOMO splatter, 3 lkw outlets listed (bpWA)

1008 JAPAN, Osaka, JONR, 0913 10/5 JJ pop mx good mixing w/man in Russian (bp WA)

1053 JAPAN, Nagoya, JOAR, 0911 10/5 JJ talk good (bp WA)

1071 JAPAN, Hiroshima, JOFK JJ talk //JOAK-594 1517 10/5 (bp WA)

1143 PHILIPPINES, Poro, VOA good w/VOA EE pgm 1446 10/5 (bp WA)

1170 S KOREA, Kimje, 1008 10/5 loud w/R Korea FS in KK, "KBS" ID, o/domestics (bp WA)

1206 CHINA, Yanbian, 0907 10/5 good w/female operatic, 1007 loud w/KK talk (bp WA)

1242 VIETNAM, Hanoi, apparently the one here 1416 10/5 o/u JOLF w/man in British or Aussie EE, caught at least one mention of Hanoi, then into oriental mx 1418, talk in unid Asian language at 1437 recheck. Listed in WRTH as carrying pgms for foreigners (bp WA)

1260 JAPAN, Sendai, JOIR, 1145 10/5 JJ talk mixing w/domestics (bp WA)

1278 JAPAN, Fukuoka, JOFR, good w/piano mx & woman in JJ //1287 (bp WA)

1287 JAPAN, Sapporo, JOHR, 0745 10/5 local-like w/JJ pop vocals (bp WA)

1296 CHINA, unknown locn, 1315 10/5 EE lessons in jumble, switched to FF lessons after 1330 (bp WA)

1296 JAPAN, Matsue, JOTK, 0955 10/5 JJ talk //1503 o/unid CC (bp WA)

1305 CHINA, 1346 10/5 Russian FS poor //listed 1323 w/talk about Dalai Lama in RR. CC talk in background (bp WA)

1314 JAPAN, Osaka, JOUF, 0953 10/5 JJ male talk o/presumed Korean (bp WA)

1323 CHINA, 1113 10/5 Russian FS local-like w/man & woman in RR, brief Chinese mx, "Goverit (something)" IDs //listed 7110/7820, still strong sometimes 20db/S9 at various rechecks, it was really hard to believe I was 20 miles from a stn on 1320 (bp WA)

1323 JAPAN, Fukushima, JOFP 0905 10/5 NHK1 pgm woman in JJ //JOUK-1503 (bp WA)

1332 JAPAN, Nagoya, JOSF, 0848 10/5 strong w/JJ talk, ads "Tokai Radio" ID (bp WA)

1341 UNID, 1502 10/5 talk fair sounded KK (bp WA)

1368 JAPAN, Wakkanai, JOJS 1355 10/5 strong //1287 (bp WA)

1377 RUSSIA, Vladivostok, 1003 10/5 woman in RR good (bp WA)

1404 UNID, CC talk 1218 10/5 (bp WA)

1440 JAPAN, Sapporo, JOWF, 0950 10/5 man in JJ mixing w/domestics, atop domestics at 1207 recheck (bpWA)

1449 JAPAN, Abashiri, JOQM, 1338 10/5 piano mx //1287 weak (bp WA)

1476 RUSSIA, Vladivostok, Radio OK, 0932 10/5 strong w/US style pop mx format - jingle IDs, DJ chatter, rock mx in EE & RR (bp WA)

1485 JAPAN, unid ads & JJ talk fair-weak 1302 10/5 (bp WA)

1503 JAPAN, Akita, JOUK, 1000 10/5 "JOUK" ID then time pips and fanfare. Good much of the night, used extensively to check for //s to ID other NHK1 stations (bp WA)

1521 JAPAN, NHK2 synchros, 1029 10/5 JJ YL //JOUB-774 mixing w/unid in KFXX 1520 splat (bp WA)

1548**SRI LANKA, Trincomalee, DW Relay the prize catch of the night 1402 10/5 when it faded up w/man in GG, then seemed to go into cl mx pgm o/u China. Finally nailed it down conclusively w/Deutsche Welle IS repeated several times weakly 1428. One of my most distant catches as well a rare new country, the absence of 4QD (unfavorable DU propagation apparently) was a major factor in hearing it (bp WA)

1566 S KOREA, Cheju Island, HLAZ man strong in KK 1001 10/5 (bp WA)

1575 JAPAN, FEN 1302 10/5 fair w/UPI nx (bp WA)

1575 THAILAND, Ban Pachi, VOA good w/VOA nx in EE 1506 10/5 (bp WA)

1669 JAPAN, the weather stations or whatever they are were noted throughout the night, i.e. 0836, 0944, 1024 10/5. Each had short 1-2 min xmsn by man or woman reading info in JJ then off. Anyone know where I can find more info on them? (bp WA)

1674 UNID, 1025 10/5 "All I Have to Do Is Dream" sung in EE, briefly good then deep fade and gone. I have absolutely no idea who this could be. No Aussies listed, and no DUs were audible here that night(bpWA)

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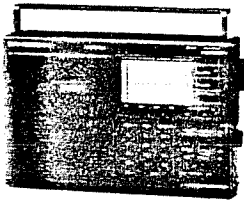
1314 kHz, with audio (mostly man and woman talking), poor to fair and back to a carrier through this period

TA carriers at various times with varying strength: 1611, 1395, 1377, (1375...St. Pierre again?), 1323, 1251, 1116, 1053, 936, 855.

Oddest one was a fat carrier on 738 at a definite bearing of 35/215 degrees. (Tahiti is at 205 degrees, so likely not them) Do not know who it might be, and any audio was drowned out by splatter from 730.

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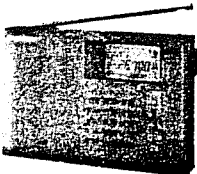


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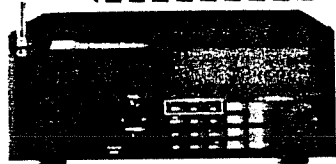
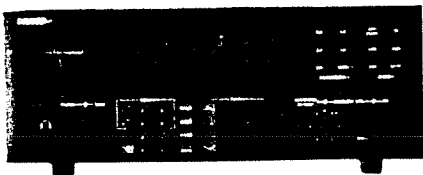
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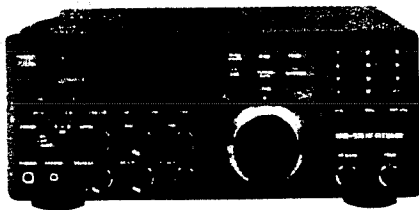
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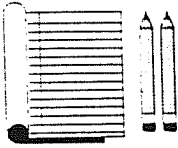
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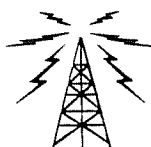
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I have had to resort to a new mode of operation for the 97-98 BCDX season. Power line noise is now at an all time high, so I have gone to pure DC. I exhumed my trusty Realistic DX-160 (modified with crystal filters) and hooked it up to 8 D size batteries. Using a 75 foot hank of wire thrown high into a tree and a rather large loading coil built on a 4 inch wide piece of PVC pipe, I have a reasonable system. There is a strong buzzing snurdle on 1080 kHz, enough to craze even a casual Red Sox fan trying to pull in WTIC Hartford, CT. Resonance is everything. Moving up and down the coil changes the strength of signals dramatically, especially compared to the results without the coil. I am pulling in the 1640/1680 pair from the Dallas/ Fort Worth airport nightly. Speaking of airports, JFK International Airport in nearby NYC has moved from 530 to a pair on 1630 and 1700. Both get out well enough to DX many miles away. The other big local news was the sad end of WVIP-1310 Mount Kisco, New York. A daytimer, their building burned to the ground overnight Sept. 10. It was a nice two tower AM with an unusual concise crescent-shaped structure on a road called Radio Terrace. It looks like an over-cooked marshmallow now. They returned to the air for a couple of days following the fire using a trailer and a hodgepodge of equipment all donated from other local stations. Thankfully, the transmitter was in a separate hut beneath the towers. The owner, 82 year old Martin Stone, decided not to continue operations until he could rebuild on the same site. I am guessing they will be silent forever, a real tragedy. WVIP was known to pop up on 2620 kHz now and then. It was a throwback to the past, a real community-oriented station, non-dependent on satellite services. Tune in now and you will hear CIWW Oldies 1310 or a plethora of other stations. Does anyone enjoy good reception of the RFO outlet from St. Pierre et Miquelon on 1375? I hear their carrier nightly, but their modulation seems to be quite low. Also noticed WTOP 1500 Washing-ton, DC is now simulcast on FM. How is that for a switch? I am not looking forward to CBL 740 Toronto moving to FM next year. I listen to it often, along with co-channel local WGSM WMJC 94.3 Huntington, NY with country music. I enjoy CBC and NPR/PRI stations very much. Maybe this CCB loss will be an incentive to hookup to internet Real Audio. 73s de KZ.

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First, I noticed my problem with Lynn Hollerman's IRCA site name a couple of weeks ago. (<http://fly.hiwaay.net/~wanoller/irca.htm>) The reason I could not pull it up was because I was using a straight dash after net/... when it should have been a squiggle. Using the right symbol made all the difference in the world, hi. I was down in Alabama over the weekend for a festival in my wife's hometown so I took the trusty HQ-100 and Quantum loop along. Listening on Sat. evening plus off and on all day Sunday netted me 16 new stations, including a new country (Grand Turks-1020) and a new state (WWVA-1170) for #25. What I did notice was all the sports being run on Sat. evening--football, baseball and hockey--and on Sunday for most of the day was a good deal of religious and gospel music programs, which was not surprising being in the deep deep south. My fourth SC station there (WXTC-1390)

ironically turned out to be one I have not heard here yet. Total heard there is 148 stations in 25 states and 2 countries (no Canada yet). Location is out in the country about 20 miles north of Dothan, 12 miles east of Ozark. For quick reference, perhaps 30-35 miles north of Florida and 20 miles west of Georgia. After three years of trying, I still have not heard the 1480 station in Abbeville, AL, even on the car radio in Abbeville, so I have to believe they are not on the air at this time. Also not noted was WOLS-1200 (supposed to be moving to 1210) on either frequency. They are usually L&C at my mother-in-law's house. Had some graveyarders in good until ID time when they would fade out for a few seconds, then, of course, back in good. Details will be sent to Lee Freshwater this weekend. I should be back down there over Thanks giving for another 3-4 days so I will have the radio with me again. I do not know yet about Christmas as they are moving the extra off day around then. 73.



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[10/1] Greetings! Conditions in middle to late September have generally been noisy, with few distant stations coming in. I wonder if this sub-normal reception could be due to El Nino. I want to thank Al Lehr, Bob Wien and Gary Jackson for IDing my mystery TIS on 1620, which is in Milpitas, CA. It's the first new TIS I've heard in about a year. I received a letter from charter member Dallas John who still lives in Denver. He doesn't DX anymore but still has his QSL cards, minus the stamps thanks to his brother who wanted them for his collection. I'm enjoying the DXF columns in the SDXM now. Phil is doing a great job putting it together and getting it out every week, as is Ralph with the hard copy. Well, I hope reception conditions improve soon for everyone. 73 and good DX!

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