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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 570 *KNRS* UT, Salt Lake City 1/12 0430 noted running "heartbeat" sound and "KNRS, Salt Lake City" IDs every half-hour. Later in morning had news/talk. Apparently caught them on first day of new format & call change! Ex-KISN. (RW-CA)
- 580 ?CKUA? AB, Edmonton 1/10 0725-0800 a couple of old piano cuts (Art Tatum?), mention of "All across Canada," a Jack Benny program (with audience) and another old comedy cut by a lady (no audience), under KF XD. (PT-WA)
- CIXR BC, Salmon River local ID 1958 1/10 but this was preceded by at least three mentions on the network of "This isn't party-a-night." Obviously I am missing something... (PT-WA)
- 980 KINS CA, Eureka 1/9 good for about 15 minutes 1145-1200 with local news. Strong with no CKNW. (PT-WA)
- 1020 CKVH AB, High Prairie 1/5 2300 very strong signal with Broadcast News and ID; into C&W music. Was previously rarely heard, but has been very dominant the past couple weeks. Perhaps a pattern change? (DS-BC)
- 1040 KSKD OR, Tigard 12/26 1050 poor signal in CKST null with mentions of Portland and "K-Love" jingle; into Christian music. (DS-BC)
- 1060 KKDS UT, Salt Lake City 1/12 0905 carrying classic C&W tunes, had been carrying local NOS format. They've done something to their signal, they are a pest here now nights! ID "Playing America's greatest music, Classic 1060, KKDS." (RW-CA)
- 1100 KNZZ CO, Grand Junction 1/10 0830 with news by Gary Burbank and Travelers' Update with Dan Nillings. Newsradio 1100. KFAX nulled and in WSB mode to avoid KRPM splatter. (PT-WA)
- 1220 KBPA CA, Palo Alto 1/1 1930 good signal over/under CJOC with Personal Achievement programming. ID "Tell your friends about the all new KBPA." Ex-KDFC. (DS-BC)
- 1230 KZZR OR, Burns 1/2 1400 C&W, "It is 11 o'clock, this is KZZR Burns" then into ABC news. Pretty good signal. (FA-ID)
- 1250 KHIL AZ, Willcox 1/11 1700 heard C&W under KWSU that I suspect to be KHIL. I had heard them a few weeks ago and kept hearing the "Kay-Hill" ID but did not have the new NRC Log at the time to figure out who it was. (FA-ID)
- KIKC MT, Forsyth 1/12 caught "KIKC" under KWSU at 1700 while in truck using new Sony radio. (FA-ID)

- KENU UT, Roosevelt 1/8 2200 C&W, "Hot Country," no ads noticed. New! (FA-ID)
- KKDZ WA, Seattle 1/10 came up at 1800, "KKDZ Seattle," mostly rock and teen oriented. (FA-ID)
- 1280 KLDY WA, Lacey 12/27 1200 poor signal under KIT & CHQB with what sounded like programming from Radio France International. Legal ID heard. Ex-KTOL. (DS)
- 1330 KOVE WY, Lander 1/10 0813 hardcore "old" country music with "preserving our Western heritage" promo. Surprise; I was expecting KENU. (PT-WA)
- 1440 CFCP BC, Courtenay 1/9 2200 music and multi-station ID (CFWB, CFCP & FM), during KMED fade and over weak KVON. (PT-WA)
- 1480 KRXR ID, Gooding dominant for about a half-hour 1/9 0000-0030. "The Cowboy." No KBMS at all but some KYOS. (PT-WA)
- 1490 CFWB BC, Campbell River 1/8 with multi-station ID 1100 (a la CFCP, above), followed by Coast network news. (PT-WA)
- 1550 KMRI UT, West Valley City 1/12 1018 ex-KRGO. ID "KMRI, West Valley City," ad for auto wrecker. Good in KYCY null briefly over KXTO/KXEX/KUAT/KVAN. Still country format. Thought they might become NOS based on calls (K-Memories). (RW-CA)
+1/4 1900 fair signal mixing with KYCY & KVAN (semi-local KNTR was off at the time). C&W oldies, ads, and legal ID. New. (DS-BC)
- 1650 KGXL CA, Costa Mesa 1/4 1920 strong with adult standards. ID "KGIL AM 1260 and AM 1650." (DS-BC)

LOCAL NEWS

- 1370 KKSJ CA, San Jose 1/12 0500 noted carrying "Z" network Spanish late at night now vice Asian format. Had article in local paper. (RW-CA)

HELP WITH UNIDS

- 1610 The Garden Grove station heard by Mike Sanburn 11/30 may not be a TIS, at least an official TIS. There is nothing listed in any FCC database (current 16 January 1998). This is likely a low power private transmitter or a pirate station. (WJH-MD)
- 1610 Where exactly did Mike Sanburn hear the LA County testing TIS? There are two TIS/HAR's listed for LA County on 1610. Both are operated by CalTrans. WPEA446 Lancaster on 15th Street or WPHJ962 I-10 between Downtown & Santa Monica. (WJH)
- 1620 Nigel Pimblett's stations mentioning "Shenandoah Valley" and the "Mississippi River" are two of the five Augusta County, VA TIS's using the call WPJM404. Each of these transmitters broadcast a separate message. I have heard at least four of them on at one time at home in Elkridge. (WJH-MD)
- 1630 Pat Martin's 12/9 logging of WTK??341 mentioning Highway Advisory is probably WPJR341. The FCC WTB database lists six transmitter sites owned & operated by the State of Michigan in the Detroit area. (WJH-MD)
- 1630 The listed call letters for the Metralink station or stations Pat Martin heard on 12/9 are WPGE863. (WJH-MD)

Welcome back to WDXR, Bill. It was difficult to write "MD" after your initials instead of "UT." We will appreciate your help with our unID TIS stations. Remember that the WDXR deadline for the Anniversary Issue is Friday, February 27.

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SPECIAL INTEREST

1450 KQDI **MI**, Great Falls. EX-KMSL. 1-16 briefly up in mess. 0911 with "KQDI" ID. [JcJ-MT]

DOWN THE DIAL

- 560 WHBQ **TN**, Memphis. 1-2 good to fair, no sign of usual WIND. 2129 with ID "Sports 56 WHBQ" back into TN Volunteers vs. NE Cornhuskers football game. [RCP-IN]
- 580 WOFE **TN**, Rockwood. 1-1 weak in mess. 0554 with ID "5-80 WOFE Rockwood." [LB-MO]
- 610 WRUS **KY**, Russellville. 1-1 great signal. 1739 with Dr. Dean Edell. 1756 ID. 1800 with ABC News. New station for me. [RCP-IN]
- 650 WKKQ **MN**, Nashwauk. 12-29 very poor in WSM null. 1746 with country music. [RCP-IN]
- 690 (CBF) **PQ**, Montreal. 1-10 noted off the air due to ice storms. 1730. [JJR-WI]
- CBF** **PQ**, Montreal. 1-10 noted back on the air. 2140 with FF and many mentions of Quebec. [JJR-WI]
- 700 CKRD **AB**, Red Deer. 1-11. 2305 with PSA about not following snow plows too closely, "Radio 7, CKRD" slogan. [NJ-MT]
- WLW** **OH**, Cincinnati. 1-12. 0032 call heard at end of spot cluster into weather. [NJ-MT]
- 710 WFNR **VA**, Blacksburg. 12-28 very good signal until sign off. 1718 with "7-10 WFNR 3-day Accuweather forecast followed by brief sign off message "WFNR serves the New River Valley. From the entire team at Travis Broadcasting, have a good night." No SSB at this 1720 sign off. First time heard. [RCP-IN]
- 850 WRBZ **NC**, Raleigh. 1-6 good and steady signal with some interference from lightning strikes. 1719 with Nicoderm CQ spot followed by weather. "8-50 The Buzz" slogan back into "Pat Mellow broadcasting from the 3rd floor men's room." Many references to "The Buzz." [RCP-IN]
- 860 WDMG **GA**, Douglas. 1-9 weak in pile mostly u/FF (7CJBC?). 0541 with female announcer "...news, sports all on Douglas' the Mighty Georgian WDMG AM 8-60" into a report on GA agriculture. [LB-MO]

- 870 **KPRM** MN, Park Rapids. 1-4 poor in WWL null. 1706 with Denver Broncos vs. Kansas City Chiefs game. Station ID "You're listening to KPRM, Park Rapids. It's 18 degrees." I haven't heard this one in over a year. [RCP-IN]
- 880 **CKLQ** MB, Brandon. 1-5 weak getting beat up by WCBS. 2229 "8-80 CKLQ" only. [LB-MO]
- 900 **WWLK** KY, Eddyville. 1-5 fair. 0740 with ID "900 WWLK" and Gospel format, Church Calendar and spot for "Christian Supply House" in Paducah. Frequent ID's. [LB-MO]
- 930 **WEOL** OH, Elyria. 1-8 fair. 1802 with ID out of news. Station #750! [TN-WI]
- 940 **WCPC** MS, Houston. 1-10 in good with CBM off the air due to ice storms. 1805 with basketball game, two local spots and ID with TC. [JJR-WI]
- WIDG** MI, St. Ignace. 1-10 in very poor with CBM off due to ice storms, XEQ nulled. 2200 with Saturday Night Oldies show. [JJR-WI]
- WMIX** IL, Mt. Vernon. 1-10 in fair, CBM off the air due to ice storms. 1800 with nice full ID before power drop! [JJR-WI]
- 950 **WIDB** IL, Chicago. 1-6 in and out. 2051 with One On One sports, spots, 2100 ID "The new Sports Place in Chicago, One On One Sports AM 9-50 WIDB Chicago." [LB-MO]
- 970 **WFUN** OH, Ashtabula. 1-3 fair with lots of interference. 1713 with oldies, "WFUN." [LB-MO]
- WLKY** KY, Louisville. 1-10 in fair. 2317 with "News Channel 32 10 o'clock news" on "News 9-70 WLKY." [JJR-WI]
- 980 **KMBZ** MO, Kansas City. 1-3 in and out with weak signal. 0846 with promo for "Talking About Your Health" program on "KMBZ with Mike Manishanan." [LB-MO]
- 1100 **WCGA** GA, Woodbine. 1-3 weak in mess mostly w/WTAM. 0730 with sign on, power, frequency, etc. Owned by Cox Broadcasting, Inc. Country format. [LB-MO]
- 1170 **WLBH** IL, Mattoon. 12-31 poor in mess. 0742 all I could be sure of was their ID, rest so buried I couldn't tell. [LB-MO]
- 1180 **WJNT** MS, Pearl. 1-2 poor in WHAM and Cuban mix. 2051 with Bruce Williams show, several "WJNT" ID's at 2100 into news. First time heard. [RCP-IN]
- 1190 **WBSL** MS, Bay Saint Louis. 1-3 fair signal mixing w/WOWO with similar programs. 1942 with One On One Sports followed by station ID "WBSL." [RCP-IN]
- 1200 **KYOO** MO, Bolivar. 1-3 weak u/SS station ?WLXX? 0829 with "...on AM 12-hundred, 99.1 FM KYOO." Promo for Bluegrass Gospel program on Sunday mornings. [LB-MO]
- 1250 **WEMP** WI, Milwaukee. 1-2 weak, in and out. 0731 with oldies, "12-50 WEMP" ID. [LB-MO]
- WGL** IN, Fort Wayne. 1-7 in and out of mess. 0724 with "All yap, no rap on the talk station, Fort Wayne's WGL." Sports news. [LB-MO]
- WIZZ** IL, Streator. 1-2 weak signal, in and out. 0740 with NOS, ID "12-50 WIZZ." [LB-MO]
- 1330 **KLBO** TX, Monahans. 1-3 up out of pile then gone. 1858 with promo for a talk program, ID "13-30 KLBO Monahans." [LB-MO]
- KWLO** IA, Waterloo. 1-8 fair in and out of pile. 0719 "Stars 13-30 News" followed by "Stars 13-30 Weather" for Waterloo and Cedar Rapids area. NOS format. 0735 with funeral notices and spot for a funeral home. [LB-MO]
- WMNN** MN, Minneapolis. 1-14 loud and clear, no sign of KOVE. 2000 with ID. [NJ-MT]
- 1370 **KGNO** KS, Dodge City. 1-10 weak in and out of mess. 0831 with female announcer with "...on AM 13-70 KGNO." [LB-MO]
- KWRT** MO, Booneville. 1-10 weak with KGNO, WSPD. 0835 with "...weather brought to you by Booneville Bank, a facility of Boone County Bank." Oldies. [LB-MO]
- 1400 **KSIM** MO, Sikeston. 1-12 weak in and out of mess. 0738 with local news, ID "1400 KSIM news radio. Sikeston's Morning Edition continues..." TC, promo for charity awareness "...on news radio 1400 KSIM." [LB-MO]
- KXGN** MT, Glendive. 1-15. 1500 out of oldies with ID into news. [NJ-MT]
- WJZM** IN, Clarksville. 1-12 weak in mess. 0605 with ID "1400 WJZM" then something about "WJZM ??? information in Montgomery County." [LB-MO]
- 1420 **CKPT** ON, Peterborough. 1-7 fair to good. 1741 with Alzheimer's PSA, ID, and weather about freezing rain. [TN-WI]
- KTOE** MN, Mankato. 1-11 fair. 1833 with local spots into Linder Network Farm Wrapup. I haven't heard "AM 14-20 KTOE" in years! [JJR-WI]
- WACK** NY, Newark. 1-7 fair to good. 1822 with ID and slogan "Talk Of The Town." [TN-WI]
- 1440 **WROK** IL, Rockford. 1-9 weak in mess. 0731 with ID, weather, Paul Harvey. [LB-MO]
- WRRO** OH, Warren. 1-7 fair to good. 1806 with ID only "This is AM 14-40 WRRO." [TN-WI]

- 1450 WFMB IL, Springfield. 1-7 fair with static. 1031 with spot for Bob Rodding Auto, Promo for salesman at WFMB, spot for John Deere, "Sports Radio 14-50" and promo for an ESPN program later. Fabulous Sports Babe program. [LB-MO]
- WRCO WI, Richland Center. 1-10 in poor. 2200 with ID in mess. Haven't heard this but 10 times in 30 years! [JJR-WI]
- 1480 WADR NY, Remsen. 1-11 fair o/others. 1833 with mentions of Oneida county, weather on "Star 13-50, 14-80, and 15-50." Satellite NOS format. Not needed. [JJR-WI]
- 1500 WBRI IN, Indianapolis. 12-31 poor in mess. 0658 with religious, ID. [LB-MO]
- 1520 KRHW MO, Sikeston. 12-31 fair, fighting it out with KOMA. 0835 with NOS format, ID "New 15-20 KRHW, your memory station." [LB-MO]
- 1560 KCJJ IA, Iowa City. 1-10 poor, way w/WQEW. 1829 with call into spots. Satellite fed Ad/Con format. [JJR-WI]
- 1600 KYGO CO, Lakewood. 1-16 strong w/KCPX nulled. 0900 with "KCKK" legal ID, news, many mentions of "K-103." 0905 with a "KYGO 1600 Lakewood, Denver" ID right in the middle of a commercial spot! [JcJ-MT]
- 1650 KGXL CA, Costa Mesa. 1-13 fair to poor battling local TV buzz and sumerlike noise levels. 2215 noted with Porgy & Bess highlights featuring Mel Torme, ID's as "12-60 KGIL." Promo at 2245 said KGIL is now available at two spots on the dial. New. [RS-MO]

LOCAL CHANGES

- 810 WSYW IN, Indianapolis. (1-8) No longer Radio Aahs. Format change to mix of 70's and 80's country music. "8-10 Real Country" slogan. [RCP-IN]

unIDS HELP

- 1590 unID Lou Buehler's unID with Ethnic programming is most likely WONX Evanston, IL. I've heard this station at night in Hazelwood with WAKR. [EB-MO] Thanks Eric!
- 1650 unID Tom Jasinski's unID with jazz-type music is definitely the widely-reported KGXL Costa Mesa, CA which is || to KGIL-1260. [EB-MO] Thanks again, Eric!

25 YEARS AGO

January 27, 1973 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" - Steve Taaffee of Vincennes, IN logged KGEM ID for state #49 - Dave Peterson said he was 13 and in the 8th grade - Karl Forth of Villa Park, IL started receiving phone calls at 2 a.m. after a DX Test for KDDA started. Seems Karl's phone number was listed instead of the stations' phone number - Steve Tordoff of Redwood City, CA finally logged KORL-650 HI for state number 31.

OPEN MIKE

What's another word for thesaurus? The anniversary issue is fast approaching. CDXR (and WDXR) deadline for the anniversary issue is February 27th. This column was typed on January 16, 1998. Please note the correct mailing address at the top of CDXR and WDXR. Some people are still mailing reports to our old Neptune Blvd. address. Soon mail will no longer be forwarded to our new address. 73, John.

IRCA DX CONTESTS

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Remember, updates are to be postmarked by the 5th of each month.

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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Some interesting loggings this week...What are we, about half way through the season ??? Let's get reporting !!!! Deadlines are EVERY Wednesday night at 6 PM... Send reports to the address above or to LFreshwate@aol.com...FAX line is 352-732-7223..On with the show !!!

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(5P-HI) Dale Park P.O. Box 22778 , Honolulu, HI 96823 VIA E-MAIL

LOGGINGS

570 WSYR NY Syracuse 12/31/97 07:35 Report of Syracuse Airport closing temporarily because of 4" of snow. (RB-2)

650 WRPT MA Ashland 1/12 1700 On the hour; "Your station for talk, WRPT." under WSM. (EM-PA)

690 WJOX AL Birmingham 1/11 1735 Green Bay-SF football game in progress, heard call letter & Birmingham ID as a sung jingle, under others but no sign of CBF (off or reduced power due to ice storm?) (EM-PA)
(Yes, CBF and several other Montreal stations were off for several days due to a loss of power-ed)

730 WBZS VA Arlington 1/16 1630 fr w/ID as "you're listening to Washington's source of business and financial news, AM 730 WBZS" into CNN news. QSLed as WPIK in 1978. (MB-ON)

760 WVNE MA Leicester 1/5 1645 fr in nulled WJR, w/announcement in midst of gospel program: "at this time WVNE must reduce power as required by FCC regulations...for those who are about to lose our signal, good night and God Bless". Signal disappeared after this announcement. (MB-ON)

770 WYRV VA Cedar Bluff 1/10 1730 Gospel mx, then heard station sign off with call letters, under partially nulled WABC(EM-PA)

780 WWOL NC Forest City 1/9 1727 fr-pr in WBBM null w/country-gospel song, sign off anct w/"My Country Tis of Thee". Sign-off said WWOL is owned and operated by Holly Springs Baptist Broadcasting. QSLed as WBBO in 1979. (MB-ON)

820 WGGN VA Chester 1/9 1745 Rel talk, then "Praise Radio WGGM", ad for local political candidate. (EM-PA)

850 KOA CO Denver 1/12 ID, traffic report mentioning I-70, and weather with temps in the '50's. Channel dominate. Not uncommon here, but rarely this strong. (BH-MD)

870 WKAR MI East Lansing 1/5 17:30 Suddenly heard 'WKAR' in the jumble, then nothing. The jumble cleared up suddenly to reveal: [RB-2]

870 WPWT TN Colonial Heights 1/5 17:32 Some Religious talk and the station's signoff. [RB-2]

930 WJBY AL Rainbow City 1/20 2035 end of Rel pgm. " Open Bible Time w/ Charles Williams". "Write to Open Bible Time, c/of WJBY Radio, P.O. Box 930 ?Danson?, Al 35999." several mentions of Rainbow City. New (LF-FL)

WRVC WV Huntington 1/20 2007 Local WX cast, "snow showers on Saturday, That's the forecast on WRVC" into Talk net from NBC. New (LF-FL)

940 WGFP MA Webster 1/11 1700 On hour call letters, then into network nx, but soon swamped by WADV (no sign of CBM-ice storm?) (right-ed) (EM-PA)

WKGM VA Smithfield 1/14 07:20 'WKGM, The Ministry Station', station ID with a follow-up program which expounds the 'evils of Socialism and liberal Democrats'. Typically, Montreal dominates here, but the ice storm knocked them off the air. Keeping watch... [RB-2]

950 WCNZ WI Sheboygan 1/15 1700 fr o/usual pest WWJ w/ID "This is 950 AM WCNZ Sheboygan and Sheboygan County" into local news by woman. Lead story was the death of the mayor of Sheboygan. (MB-ON)

960 CHNS NS Halifax 1/13 1730-1740 Several non stop C&W numbers, finally "Good Time Oldies CHNS," faded in & out during time monitored. (EM-PA)

(Ernest, are you sure they were C&W, "Good Times Oldies" is a trademark format for Oldies-ed)

970 WRSC PA Bellefonte 1/8 07:21 Mention of 'WRSC' call letters and a weather report detailing current 630P temperature (Bellefonte is located in the central part of the state and we had extremely warm weather that day. I checked the internet and sure enough, Bellefonte was that warm at 7 am! My database, though, has WBLF at 970, with WRSC State College, PA at 1390. Hmm... [RB-2]

980 WTRY NY Troy 1/9 21:30 Adirondack Red Wings hockey game. Mention of a Walmart on Route 4. (Route 4 runs through Troy, Went to college there, so I know the turf!) [RB-1]

990 CKGM PQ Montreal 1/14 17:30 New call letters and refers to themselves as 'Montreal's Serious Talk'. [RB-2]

990 CKGM PQ Montreal 1/15 1753 fr o/CBW & WDCZ w/ad for Crystal Palace Restaurant, ID slogan "This is 990 CKGM, talk radio with attitude" into Dr. Gabe Mirkin show. (MB-ON)

1180 WJNT MS Pearl 1/15 2130 In fair with "Bruce Williams" Ad for Miss. Hall of Fame.. "WJNT" into CNN Headline News...2134 into Talk Net with B. Williams.....2230, good ID for "WJNT-Peal, Jackson" New (LF-FL)

1270 WLIK TN Newport 1/16 1742 Fair with promo for Tenn BB, "follow the action right here on WLIK, your Volunteer station." Gone by 1745. New (LF-FL)

1330 CKEC NS New Glasgow 1/13 1705-1710 C&W ballad by F, description of AM show "here on CKEC", ad for hockey game in New Glasgow, occasionally above WATR (20 yrs ago, I spent 5 days in New Glasgow with car trouble, so I remember the town with its friendly people rather fondly) (EM-PA)

1380 WMJR KY Winchester 1/11 17:00 Mention of Lexington, KY and a station ID in the jumble. Competeing with NY, NY station. [RB-1]

1700 WCMQ FL Miami Springs 1/12 21:00 Spanish love songs and mention of an upcoming Miami Heat basketball game. [RB-3]

SPECIAL INTEREST

860 WDMG GA Douglas 1/04 * Adds "Dreamland With Art Bell" today per show today. (5P-HI)

940 WINZ FL Miami * Adds "Coast to Coast AM with Art Bell" on 12/28 and "Dreamland" on 1/04, // WFTL-1400; station uses the new slogan "Supertalk 9-40." (5P-HI)

1230 WENY NY Elmira 1/12 * Adds "The Ken Hamblin Show" per the program today; the show has moved to the new American View Radio Network. (5P-HI)

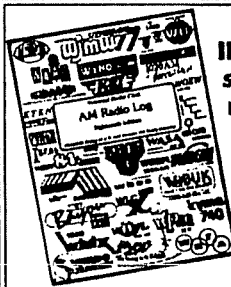
1320 WICQ MD Salisbury 1/13 * Adds "Coast to Coast AM" per program

1430 WWLO FL tonight, so I guess the nighttime permit is on. (5P-HI)
 Gainesville 1/03 * Now airs "Smoke This!" live at 1206-
 1400 Sats. per the program today, based at 970 WFLA-FL.
 Station uses the slogan "Hot Talk 14-30." (5P-HI)

T.I.S./H.A.R.

1610 WPIG897 MD Gambrills (Maryland DOT). 980121 1315. Female with
 non-emergency message on drive-by. Call used. (BH-MD)
 1610 (KNNS365) MD Linthicum (Maryland DOT). 980121 1330. Not heard on
 drive-by. Transmitter location listed as Maryland State
 Highway 648 and I-695. (BH-MD)
 1620 WPJM404 VA Waynesboro (Call sure, location tentative)
 1/17 0730. Finally, something I can almost consider a
 local ID. I heard a male say. "Welcome to ... Augusta
 County ... Waynesboro area." He went on to mention
 "views," "natural wonders," and "outdoor recreation."
 (BH-MD)
 1630 WPKJ341 MI (Wayne County Area - exact station unknown). Heard
 female announcer say "Highway Advisory Radio ... WPJR341
 .. operating on 1630..." 1/17 0645 No JFK Airport! (BH-MD)
 1630 KNNV688 (Listed call) NY, Stony Brook. (State University Of New
 York At Stony Brook) (Tentative). Heard a welcome back
 to "grad students" and mentions of upcoming events and a
 promo for a trip to Israel. 1/17 0657. Mixing with
 WPJR341. JFK Airport was gone! (BH-MD)
 1700 TIS NY Staten Island 1/12 21:05 TIS/HAR for the Verrazzano
 Narrows Bridge (connects Brooklyn and Staten Island). It
 mentions upcoming construction work for the bridge. Got
 it with Miami nulled. This Yacht-Boy is pretty sharp!
 (RB-3)

Well I actually had some time to DX a bit this past week. Rich writes
 about how pleased he is with his new Yacht Boy 400. I know that Lynn
 has done well with hers as well. Perhaps I should get one, as the DX
 380 from Rat Shack bit the "big one" a couple of weeks ago. Not worth
 repairing. Thanks to those who contributed as we close in on the end of
 January.....The recent Ice Storm in the NE afforded some interesting
 DX opportunities for Ernest Meyer. Check out his loggings above. Most
 of the Montreal stations were off for several days due to a loss of
 power. As I tune across the band tonight, it amazes me how many
 stations I get great signals from as long as they have a ball game on.
 I hear Florida State BB on several channels that at night is usually
 full of stations.....See you all next week.... 73's....fresh



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Hope everybody is having great DX and a Happy New Year. My first new logging of 1998 was XESS-1450 in Ensenada B.C. A couple of hours later I caught the KGAM Palm Springs call change – or actually call shuffle. KPSI is now on 920. Many of the border stations such as XESS, XEC, and XEEBC speak Spanish but play an abundance of American pop and oldie tunes. Fortunately KSPA has a Sunday morning infomercial show which is easier to DX through than their music. A few weeks ago I was in Carlsbad CA and photographed the KSPA studios. They are teamed up with KCEO-1000 and KSFD-FM. The last thing I logged in 1997 was KGXL-1650 which finally hit the airwaves at the end of December and is simulcasting the Hollywood & Broadway showtune format of KGIL-1260 in Beverly Hills. Both stations are in stereo. They also have the second audio program on KZKI-TV 30 for people with stereo televisions. On Jan. 1st I was listening to the Gary Owens Show and he mentioned getting a phone call from a friend who was listening in UTAH. I have a feeling they get out much farther than that! Mr. Owens gave their address of PO Box 250028, Los Angeles 90025 for people who wanted to send in reception reports. The station sounds great, but it's somewhat obscene having towers for a 10kw expanded band station just a few mile west of my QTH. I understand KDIA, Oakland - now a Disney format station – is going to take over KXBT-1640. I wonder is Disney has designs on getting anymore expanded band stations? They're already in line to take WJMD-1660. By the way, it seems that I keep seeing both KGXL and KGIL listed in DX Monitor as being in San Fernando – that is incorrect! A couple of veries have trickled in lately: KIVA-NM, KHIL-AZ, KXO-CA, and KXNT-NV. Nothing exotic... KOMA is playing some classic PAMS jingles tonight between songs. They did a brief salute to Sonny Bono w/some Sonny & Cher tunes. A very tragic loss and sad way to begin 1998. Sonny & Cher, John Denver, Rick Nelson and Elvis were all topping the charts in 1972 when I first began Dxing. 73

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(1/14) Nice verie letter back from KKGR-680 owner Roger Lonquist. I called him and he said the transmitter is in a great conductivity area so they really get out. He also said they have variable PSSA power: in December it's 50 watts but is much higher during the summer. Has anyone else run into this before? I am still getting KKGR but no KOMW before KNBR wipes everything out. KBRD-680 has improved its signal (it's like they put in a ground system) but they have a 60-cycle hum now. It was off all day 1/13. KBRO-1490 and KNTB-1480 are both still off. KHHO-850 is now nearly a 100% satellite of KJR so don't be surprised if you hear "Sportsradio 950" while you're on 850. The new owners got rid of the pulsating 60 cycle night pattern hum. KVSN-1500 is now on 1340; they are weaker than before and of course have lost any Tacoma listenership due to KZTS-1360. The night/morning of 12/23-24 was extraordinary here with good IDs taped from KXEL WJDM WQEW and WCMQ. KZTS-1360 spurs on 1190 & 1530 (170kHz either side of 1360) seemingly have spread to 1180 & 1540 where they interfere with KLAY and co-owned KXPA. KCID-1490 has been heard four times during the past two weeks including one day at 2pm PST, way over KJET. Looking at the map, I have to wonder if they cover Caldwell, Boise & Nampa at night. That's it for now. Good DX, everyone!

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My deadline is the last Wednesday of the month. Advance warning: Deadline for the April column moved up to Tuesday, April 21st, because of vacation schedule.

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FREQ	CALL	NAME and TITLE	ADDRESS	WHAT	WHEN	WHO
530	WNVY510	Robert F Smith, Radio Technician	Maryland State Highway Admin 5901 Baltimore National Pike Baltimore MD 21228	P	6	BH
	KNEZ290	<i>Illegible</i>	Washington State Dept of Trans Northwest Region 15700 Dayton Avenue North Seattle WA 98133-9710	P	20	BH
	WPBX206	Robert Moody, Air Quality Specialist	Olympic Air Pollution Control Authority 909 Sleater-Kinney Rd SE Suite 1 Lacey WA 98503	L	26	BH
	WNAN648	Greg R Heuss, Asst Marketing Mgr	Tacoma Dome 2727 East D St Tacoma WA 98421	L	25	BH
	KNCL518	<i>Illegible</i>	Washington State Dept of Trans Northwest Region 15700 Dayton Avenue North Seattle WA 98133-9710	P	20	BH
550	CFJC	Doug Collins, OpsMgr	460 Pemberton Terrace Kamloops BC V2C 1T5	LB	12	PM
600	KGEZ	Tony Mulligan	P O Box 169 Kalispell MT 59903	L	53	PM
680	KKGR	Roger Lonnquist, O	P O Box 5655 Helena MT 59604-5655	L	40	PT
1062	DZEC	Art V DeGuzman, Network Mgr	Eagle Broadcasting Corp 887 Maligaya Bldg II EDSA Quezon City, The Philippines	L	45	PM
1080	KOTK	<i>Illegible</i> , CE	931 SW King Portland OR 97205	F	3f	PM
1179		<i>Illegible</i>	Radio Sweden, SE-105 10 Stockholm, Sweden	Q	27	PM
1470	KKTY	Dennis Switzer, VP/GM	112 N 2nd St Douglas WY 82633	L	12	PM
1610	WPIG897	Robert F Smith, Radio Technician	Maryland State Highway Admin 5901 Baltimore National Pike Baltimore MD 21228	P	6	BH
	TIS	K Bruce Fulmer, Dir	Garfield County Travel Council P O Box 200 Panguitch UT 84759	L	20	GVJ
1630	WPGE863	Gerald O Dagenais, CE	Metra Rail 547 W Jackson Blvd Chicago IL 60606	Lcf+	41	PM

WHAT was received: L = Letter with personalized statement; F = Form letter; Q = QSL card, commercially printed; C = Postcard or similar card supplied by station; P= Prepared card supplied by DXer; R = DXer's report returned with statement; cf = Certificate; E = Verification by e-mail; fx = Verification by FAX; M = Coverage map; B = Bumper or other sticker; bc = Business card; + = Extra goodies

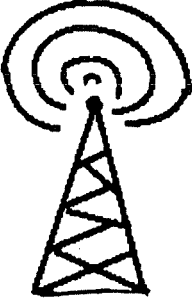
WHEN the reply came: Number of days elapsed; f = Follow-up, by mail, FAX, e-mail, or visit; n = Return postage not used; r = Return postage returned

NOTES: None (for this column)

A big welcome to the column to Bill and Pete! Hope to see your reports often. Patrick notes that WPGE863-1630 was operating with only 9 watts to a 20 foot antenna! This column was prepared on 1/28/98. 73, SSH.

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

- KY. Russellville WRUS-610 dec. to 1800/59 ND
- MI. Frankenmuth WRNX-1250 changes from DA-D to ND
- OH. Columbus WRFD-880 inc. to 23000-D, 6100-CH, ND-D
- PR. Moca WZVR-1040 inc. to 5000-D, DA

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

- FL. Crestview WJSB-1050 dec. to 3100-D, ND
- VA. Chesapeake WCPK-1600 dec. to 23-N, ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

- CA. Burney KMCA-1450 dec. to 260/250 ND
- FL. Boynton Beach WJNO-1040 inc. to 25000/1100 DA-2
- Sarasota WQSA-1220 dec. to 141-N, DA-D
- NC. High Point WOKX-1590 inc. to 1300-D, ND

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

- CA. Costa Mesa new-1650 becomes KGXL
- Fresno new-1680 becomes KAVT
- Merced new-1660 becomes KAXW
- Redding new-1670 becomes KAZT
- San Jose KKSJ-1370 requests KZSF "La Zeta" (still KKSJ 1/25/98-ed)

GA. Adel	new-1690	becomes WAXD
Augusta	new-1630	becomes WAWX
IN. Anderson	WHUT-1470	requests WGNR
LA. Denham Springs	WBIU-1210	requests WSKR "The Score"
MD. Salisbury	new-1670	becomes WAWR
MS. Hazlehurst	WMDC-1220	becomes WDEG
NE. Bellevue	new-1620	becomes KAZP
OH. Wellston	WYPC-1330	requests WJTD
OK. Holdenville	KKNG-1370	requests RTLS
OR. Lake Oswego	KKJC-1640	becomes KKJY (CP)
TX. College Station	new-1620	becomes KAZW
Waco	new-1660	becomes KAKY
VA. Portsmouth	new-1650	becomes WAWT
WA. Seattle	new-1680	becomes KAZJ
WI. Madison	new-1670	becomes WAWY

FORMAT CHANGES (SECTION 1):

AR. Little Rock	KLTH-1250	was KEZQ, stds., now SGN blk gospel
CA. Big Bear Lake	KBBV-1050	was variety, now United nx/talk
Costa Mesa	KGXL-1650	is new, show tunes//KGIL-1260
FL. Plant City	WFNS-910	was R&B oldies, now classic hits//WCOF
Saint Petersburg	WSUN-620	was AS, now nx//Bay News 9
IN. Anderson	WHUT-1470	was AS, now rel.//WGNR
Indianapolis	WSWY-810	was Radio Aahs, now ABC Real C&W
MI. Jackson	WIBM-1450	was oldies, now soft AC
MO. Springfield	KLFI-1550	was religion, now talk
NH. Nashua	WSMN-1590	was country, now gold-based AC
NJ. Flemington	WJHR-1040	is new, soft AC
RI. West Warwick	WHIM-1450	was classic country, now R. Disney
SC. Rock Hill	WAVO-1150	was talk//WTLI, now rel.//WHVN
TN. Springfield	WDEL-1590	was country, urban, adds Americana noon-7 PM)
TX. Houston	KXYZ-1320	was SS hits, now Unica SS talk
UT. Salt Lake City	KNRS-570	was KISN, stds//KSNO, now nx/talk

FORMAT CHANGES (SECTION 2):

AR. El Dorado	KELD-1400	was s. gospel, now talk
Glenwood	KWKI-670	was country//KWKE, now JRN clas C&W //KWKE
CA. Arcata	KATA-1340	was oldies, adds JRN oldies
San Jose	KKSJ-1370	was ethnic, now ZRN reg. Mexican
San Martin	KZSJ-1120	was regl. Mexican, now rancho "La Buena"
CO. Johnstown	KHNC-1360	was silent, now talk (KTMG-1370 still off, KHNC was off due to fire)
CT. New Britain	WNEZ-910	was urban, adds Ed & Dre
GA. Macon	WNEK-1400	was travel info, rptd. silent
Rossville	WLMX-980	was rel //WSDT, now soft AC//WLMX-FM
KY. Mount Sterling	WMST-1150	was AC, now country//WMST-FM
MD. Annapolis	WANN-1190	was silent, now ethnic//WUST
MN. Brainerd	KVBR-1340	was country//KFGI, now 1 on 1 sports
	KLIZ-1380	was AC, now talk
Preston	KFIL-1060	was nx/talk/farm, now country//KFIL-FM
MO. Osage Beach	KRMS-1150	was stds., adds talk
NC. Greenville	WNCT-1070	was country, now beach music
OH. Sidney	WMVR-1080	was talk, now AC, C&W//WMVR-FM
Wellston	WJTD-1330	was WYPC, WMI stds., now religion
OK. Holdenville	RTLS-1370	was KKNG, AC//RTLS-FM, now ABC oldies
SD. Huron	KIJV-1340	was WMI stds., now WMI oldies
TN. Newport	WNPC-1060	was country//WNPC-FM, adds JRN C&W
VA. Colonial Heights	WZOD-1290	was oldies, to be R. Disney
WA. Colfax	KMAX-840	is new, talk (Cullu, Grant, Bell)

Chuck Boehnke of Hawaii passes on the following:

HI. Honolulu KCCN-1420 was Hawaiian mx, to be nx/talk

Pat Martin of Seaside, OR. passes on the following:

MO. St. Louis KMJM-1600 using slogan "Gospel 1600", blk gospel, ex-KATZ

Tim Hall of Chula Vista, CA. passes on the following:

WI. Madison WTDY-1480 will begin testing 1670 outlet on 2/1 and hope to be on 2/15 full-time (calls will be WAVY per column-ed)

D. Jackson of Radio Digest Online passes on the following:

CA. Oakland KDIA-1310 will change to KMKY 'within a few weeks'
CA. Vallejo KXBT-1640 will change to KDIA 'within a few weeks', perhaps around 2/1?

Pat Martin also sends along the following:

OR. Portland KPAM-860 now on w/5 kw. nights dir. to SW.

Just got back from trip to San Diego last week, spent time with several DX'ers, and tonight Denver beat Green Bay 31-24 in the Super Bowl! Visited the stadium while in San Diego... Next trip to Oregon in April... 73's.

GEO INDICES

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Tabulated from WWV at -0518 GMT nightly

Geomagnetic Summary January 16 1998 through January 22 1998

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
1/16	98	5	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
17	2	2	2	z	z	-
18	95	8	1	very low	quiet-active	-
19	90	3	1	very low	quiet	-
20	91	10	2	low	quiet-active	-
21	91	6	1	very low	quiet-active	-
1/22	93	2	1	very low	quiet	-

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- 710 WOR NY, New York 1/19 2300 fairly strong in KIRO null. Man said "Stay informed... America's hot new information station, Radio 710, WOR New York." (LG-MT)
 - 740 CBX AB, Edmonton 1/18 carrying Radio Australia program 0730-0800, ID on hour as "CBC Radio CBX." (GJ-CA)
 - 810 CKJS MB, Winnipeg 1/17 0800 extremely weak, 0900 somewhat stronger with legal ID, Spanish program ended & Portugese one began. KGO strangely absent. (LG)
 - 880 KTMT OR, Phoenix 1/20 2300 conclusion of Blazers game, "Portland Trailblazer basketball & the score, a winning combination on AM 880, KTMT Phoenix." (LG)
 - 1210 KONY UT, Washington 1/17 1400 "Pure gold 1210 AM, this is pure fun, it is the top of the hour on KONY Washington/St. George." (FA-ID)
 - 1220 CJOC AB, Lethbridge 1/17 1000 "This is southern Alberta's news and information station, 1220, CJOC," C&W. Weak but readable. (FA-ID)
 - 1230 ?KRXX? ID, Rexburg 1/21 0800 seemed to be the ID in English during Spanish program. QRM from KSBN-WA. (LG-MT)
 - 1240 KMHI ID, Mountain Home 1/16 1000 legal ID by woman just after dominant KBLL ID'd. (LG-MT)
 - KOFE ID, St. Maries 1/16 0900 on top with legal ID by man. He pronounced "Maries" to rhyme with "dairies." Rare, only heard once previously. (LG-MT)
 - KMZK MT, Billings 1/20 0900 in the hash with legal ID. New, ex-KMAY. (LG-MT)
 - 1250 KNEU UT, Roosevelt 1/17 2300 like a ton of bricks with C&W, legal ID, then more C&W. Supposedly runs 129 watts at night. (LG-MT)
 - 1600 KMJM MO, St. Louis 1/22 good on top of frequency with Black Gospel music, ID at 0305 "KMJM, Gospel 1600" back into Black Gospel. First time definitely heard after call change from KATZ. (PM-OR)
 - 1610 --- CA, Manteca 1/15 2100 Trade Winds Chev. Highway 99 with a howling wolf and bad jokes. Giving away free oil change, etc, contest. (GJ-CA)
- TIS/HAR CA, ??? 1/19 CalTrans TIS/HAR giving road conditions for highways 80 and 50 into the mountains. Will call CalTrans to find out location. (GJ-CA)

UNID

- 1630 1/16 0600 with KXBT-1640 off air can hear "Welcome to Metra" and mentions of train times. Any ideas? Very weak. (GJ-CA) (WPGE863, Metralink station in Illinois.--NJ)

Patrick Martin sends along word that KPAM-860 is now on nights, directional to the SW with 5kw. Don't forget the Anniversary Issue deadline is Friday February 27th!

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- [JcJ-MT] Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A, Yaesu FRG-7, Lafayette HE-30, GE Superadio III, 2 "Radio West" Loops.

SPECIAL INTEREST

- 570 KNRS **UT**, Salt Lake City. EX-KISN. 1-23. 2300 with Utah news, weather, local spots including a business on Redwood Road. 2307 into Dr. Laura. [NJ-MT]
+1-24 weak to good. 0955 with spot cluster, weather, many mentions of "K-news"
1000 legal ID as "KNRS Salt Lake, Ogden, Provo." Report sent, station never
verified my reports to KLBW and KISN. [JcJ-MT]

DOWN THE DIAL

- 700 KVRF **CA**, Soledad. 1-21 weak in CKRD null. 0900 with SS music, legal ID in EE for both KVRG and KVRG-FM. Numerous "Radio Romantica" slogans. [JcJ-MT]
- 740 KCBS **CA**, San Francisco. 1-21 weak in tight null of KURL-730 splatter. 0855 with Pacific Stock Market report, ID. [JcJ-MT]
- 1210 KBSG **WA**, Auburn. 1-23 very weak w/KLDI nulled. 2156 with rock oldies. [NJ-MT]
- 1230 WSOO **MI**, Sault Ste. Marie. 1-16 fair to good, clear and dominating 1230. 2000 with legal ID and ABC News. [TN-WI]
- WZZQ** **IN**, Terre Haute. 1-20 fair out of mud. 0543 with promo, "107.5 ZZQ" slogan. AoR music format. [JJR-WI]
- 1320 KELO **SD**, Sioux Falls. 1-20 in fair. 1802 with many weather related cancellations as area was getting pounded by snow storms. [JJR-WI]

UnDS

- 850 unID 1-22 poor. 2125 unID in FF. I heard mention of "Radio Canada" and "Montreal" (pronounced en francais) ... a phone interview that was NOT || to CJBC-860 which was running a dramatic program with sound effects, etc. Soon faded w/KOA. Definitely looped SW/NE (i.e., toward PQ). Would CKVL air CBC FF? [RS-MO]

25 YEARS AGO

February 3, 1973 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" - Frank McCoy of Baton Rouge, LA logged KGEN-1140 ID for state #33 - Mike McCullough of San Jose, CA logged 1265-St. Kitts and 750-Nicarague - Budd Bailey of Williamsville, NY finally logged KOB-770 - Dan Myers of Toledo, OH logged 34 new stations in one week bringing his total to 1131 heard.

OPEN MIKE

When companies ship Styrofoam, what do they pack it in? Anniversary deadline: 2-27. 73, John.

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LOGGINGS

1650 KGXL CA Costa Mesa 1/19 0055 phone/ext. nws, KGIL/KGXL ID, weak, faded away. Old radio drama at 0210 (RC-KY)

SPECIAL INTEREST

580 WCHS WV Charleston 1/17 * Adds Westar Radio Network's "Kim Komando Komputer Show" per program today; show airs live Sats. at 1006-1300. (5P-HI)
590 WARM PA Scranton 1/15 * Adds Westwood One's "Tom Leykis Show" per program today, airing at 1906-2200; station slogan is "Newstalk 5-90." (5P-HI)
620 WNNR WV Beckley 1/17 * Adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" per program today. Station's slogan is "Newstalk 6-20." (5P-HI)
930 WKXY FL Sarasota 1/18 * Adds United Stations Network's computer talk show "Online Today with David Lawrence" per program today; show airs live Suns. at 1406-1600. (5P-HI)
930 WBEN NY Buffalo 1/25 * Adds Talk Radio Network's "Dreamland with Art Bell" per show today. (5P-HI)
1070 WNCT NC Greenville * Per posting on rec.radio.broadcasting, station has dropped the satellite country format for Carolina beach music (the "Up On The Roof"/"Under The Boardwalk" type of beach music). (5P-HI)
1230 WTNW AL Tuscaloosa 1/19 * Adds Premiere Radio Network's "Michael Reagan Show" per program today. (5P-HI)
1230 WTBC AL Tuscaloosa 1/25 * Adds Talk Radio Network's "Dreamland with Art Bell" per show today. But which is the correct callsign? (5P-HI)
(per FCC call sign desk 1/23 : Call sign has been changed to WTBC-ed)
1430 WWLO FL Gainesville 1/03 * Adds Cigar Connoisseur Radio Network's "Smoke This!", based out of 970 WFLA-FL, per program today. Show airs live Sats. 1206-1400. Station slogan is "Hot Talk 14-30." (5P-HI)
1460 WBKC OH Painesville 1/18 * Adds "Online Today with David Lawrence" per program today. (5P-HI)

UN-IDEN:

1460 ?? ?? 1/27 1730. Station came out of the mud with a promo "On News/Talk 1460 WVQV" The first "V" may have been a "B" but fairly sure of the other calls.... ?????? (LF-FL)
1615 ?? ?? 1/18 0044 rock mx , weak & noisey. Talk. 0055 then mx,

country or contemp. inspirational. Heard a tone 1615-20
about 0050. (RC-KY)

T.I.S./H.A.R.

1630 WPJR341 or WPJR342 (Tentative) MI, Detroit area? The "time lady." Heard at 1/25 0715. The time was 50 minutes ahead. Mixing with at least three other stations. (Thanks to Ken Berkebile for the tip) (Harms -MD)

1630 UNID 1/25 0715. Male announcer with "Testing 1,2,3," "This is a test," etc. Mixing with the "time lady," at least one of the WPJR341 stations, and maybe one other station. (Thanks to Ken Berkebile) (Harms-MD)

That's a wrap for this week... You are invited to visit our Logbook database at : <http://members.aol.com/bcblogbook/main.htm> Lets get some DX going !!! See you all next week. 73's and all the best.....fresh

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[Connelly*Y-MA] = South Yarmouth, Cape Cod, MA (GC= 70.20 W / 41.65 N)
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*** TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ***

- 907.8 GAMBIA, R. Syd, Banjul, JAN 18 2332 - bits of audio in tough slop. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1197 LESOTHO, BBC relay, Lancer's Gap, JAN 18 2205 - BBC EE world news mentioning the Middle East. There was an on- the-scene correspondent who said "Authorities are patrolling the border." To fair peak during semi-auroral conditions. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1349 MAURITANIA, R. Mauritanie, Nouakchott, JAN 18 2210 - AA talk; strong carrier / weak audio. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1467 FRANCE, TWR, Roumoules, JAN 18 2215 - US EE preacher; poor. [Connelly*Y-MA]

*** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***

- 530 TURKS & CAICOS, R. Vision Cristiana, JAN 18 2356 - mellow SS folk religious vocal; local-like. Interestingly, most nights, this

- overwhelms the Weston, MA (Massachusetts Turnpike) TIS station at locations where the "Tune to 530" signs appear along Route 128. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 535 GRENADA, GBC, St. George's, JAN 18 2356 - ministry program with a Chicago address; loud. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 630 PUERTO RICO, WSKN, San Juan, JAN 18 2344 - SS newstalk mentioning Puerto Rico, Washington, and liberals. Very strong, well over the WPRO/CFCY/CHLT mix. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 640 CUBA, R. Progreso, Guanabacoa / Las Tunas, JAN 19 0002 - big-band Cuban jazz & SS vocal, // 660, over several others. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 650 COLOMBIA, RCN Antena Dos, HJKH, Bogota, JAN 18 2328 - Antena Dos ID over other Latin American. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 660 CUBA, R. Progreso, CMHG, Santa Clara, JAN 19 0002 - // 640 with big-band Cuban jazz with vocal; in WFAN null. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 670 CUBA, R. Rebelde, CMQ, Arroyo Arenas, JAN 18 2338 - SS female folk vocal with acoustic guitar (style of Joan Baez); loud / dominant, // 600 & others. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 690 COLOMBIA, HUCZ, Bogota, JAN 18 2337 - old-fashioned romantic SS vocal with accordions & electric organ, then R. Recuerdos ID; good with CBF phased. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 710 CUBA, R. Rebelde synchros, JAN 19 0003 - carnival-type music // 600 & 670; loud, over WOR. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 730 BRAZIL, JAN 18 2234 - PP religious program briefly over Latin American jumble; CKAC phased. This was likely Emissora Rural (ZYI780) in Petrolina (as noted with similar programming by the NFDX '97 crew). [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 760 GUYANA, R. Roraima, 8RG, Georgetown, JAN 18 2232 - most likely this with a Black / Caribbean - accented preacher; over YV/HJ/ZY mix with WJR phased. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 780 BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, ZBVI, Roadtown, Tortola, JAN 19 0008 - US soul & Caribbean hits; mixed with CFDR C&W. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 860 BRAZIL, ZYJ459, Rio de Janeiro, JAN 18 2329 - PP talk mentioning Mato Grosso, Porto Alegre, and the Catholic church. Then there was a good "CBN" network ID. The signal was surprisingly loud; CJBC null. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1030 COLOMBIA, RCN Antena Dos, HJER, Cali, JAN 18 2340 - SS fast talk by man, // 650; mixed with second LA (Argentina?); WBZ phased. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1060 CUBA, CMDX, Baracoa, JAN 18 2330 - loud with "Billie Jean" by Michael Jackson, then woman in SS - usual boxy, overdriven audio. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1090 COLOMBIA, CARACOL, Cucuta/Sogamoso, JAN 18 2251 - SS news mentioning Cartagena, // 1100; in mix with WBAL & YVSZ. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1100 COLOMBIA, CARACOL, HJAT, Barranquilla, JAN 18 2248 - CARACOL mention in jumble with apparent Brazil and others. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1160 BERMUDA, VSB1, Hamilton, JAN 18 2300 - BBC World Service announcements of upcoming programs including one on human cloning, then announcement "This is London." followed by the Lilybolero interval music and news with a lead item about Iraq. Strong, way over WSKW & others. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1180 CUBA, R. Rebelde, JAN 18 2301 - // 600 with SS female rock vocal; loud / dominant. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1280 BERMUDA, VSB2, Hamilton, JAN 18 2305 - US-accented news ended, then there was a Bible reading called "the VSB Good News word for today", a hymn followed. Good, well over a PP station believed to be Tupi-Brazil; WADO (SS) in phase null. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1505 ANGUILLA, R. Anguilla, The Valley, JAN 18 2308 - Caribbean-EE sports reports mentioning the World Cup; fair. [Connelly*Y-MA]

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