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## CPC DX TESTS SUMMARY

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- 12/18/99 Sat - 1200-0200 - 750 - WAAT - Olyphant PA (NRC) 12/20/99
- Mon - 0000-0020 - 740 - WJIB - Cambridge MA (NRC)
- 1/ 1/00 Sat - 0300-???? - 1420 - KSTN - Stockton CA (IRCA)
- 1/ 9/00 Sun - 0030-0045 - 1500 - WFIF - Milford CT (IRCA)
- \* 1/17/00 Mon - 0400-0500 - 760 - WVNE - Worcester MA (IRCA)
- \* 1/30/00 Mon - 0100-0300 - 1450 - WILM - Wilmington DE (NRC)

Saturday, December 18, 1999 - WAAT-750, Olyphant, PA will conduct a DX  
 test from 12:00-02:00 am EST. The test will include tones, code ID's,  
 and POLKA MUSIC. Phone calls (prepaid only) may be made to 570-342-7575

Reception reports may be sent to:

Mr. Kevin Fennessey  
 WAAT-AM  
 WAAT Bank Towers Building  
 321 Spruce St. 3rd Floor  
 Scranton, PA 18502  
 (Arranged by Dave Schmidt for the NRC CPC.)

Monday, December 20, 1999 - WJIB-740, Cambridge, MA will conduct a DX  
 test from 12:01-12:20 am EST. Owner Bob Bittner says they'll be playing  
 "a specific type of music during those 20 minutes, which will be a  
 mystery for all DXers to identify (an easy identification), and unique  
 to whatever else is on the dial." Also, for the test, WJIB will be using  
 250 Watts and an omni-directional antenna.

Reception reports may be sent to:

Mr. Bob Bittner, Owner  
 WJIB Radio 740  
 443 Concord Avenue  
 Cambridge, MA 02138  
 (Arranged by Blaine Thompson for the NRC CPC.)  
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Saturday, January 1, 2000 - KSTN-1420, Stockton, CA will conduct a DX test from 12:00 am - ? am PST (3:00 am - ? EST). Request line -(209)948-1420 - will be open to go on the air with New Year's greetings. The format will be '70s disco music. There will be a prize drawing from all reports received for a souvenir piece of the transmitter.

Reception reports may be sent to:

Mr. Paul Shinn  
Chief Engineer  
KSTN-AM  
2171 Ralph Avenue  
Stockton, CA 95206

E-mail: KSTN@broadcast.net

(Arranged by Lynn Hollerman for the IRCA CPC.)

Sunday, January 9, 2000 - WFIF-1500, Milford, CT will conduct a DX test from 12:30 am - 12:45 am EST. The test will include tones, voice IDs, and Morse code IDs. Also note, International DX reports will ONLY be replied to via E-MAIL. For Domestic US reports only, they \*MUST\* include a SASE. Again, INTERNATIONAL reports will \*ONLY\* be responded to via E-MAIL.

Reception reports may be sent to:

Mr. William Barnett  
Engineer  
WFIF Radio  
90 Kay Ave.  
Milford, CT 06460

E-mail: WFIF@aol.com

WWW: <http://www.lifechangingradio.com>

(Arranged by Lynn Hollerman for the IRCA CPC.)

Monday, January 17, 2000 - WVNE-760, Worcester, MA will conduct a DX test from 4:00 am - 5:00 am EST. The test will include tones, voice IDs, and Morse code IDs. Power will be 25 kW directional daytime pattern.

Reception reports may be sent to:

Mr. Lincoln W. Hubbard (N1ATU)  
Chief Engineer  
WVNE-AM  
52 Park View  
Warwick, RI 02888

(Please note: Use this address for QSLs!)

E-mail: wvne@aol.com

(Arranged by Lynn Hollerman for the IRCA CPC.)

ALSO!!! The CE at WVNE is ALSO the CE at WARV-1590 in Warwick, RI and notes that WARV is now 24 hours, so that should make them a little easier to pick up.

Monday, January 30, 2000 - WILM-1450, Wilmington, DE will conduct a DX test from 1:00 am - 3:00 am EST. The test will include a combination of tones, sirens, and unique music, all correlated to specific times, and will run during the test time except for a brief period after the top of each hour. A special millenium QSL, which may be seen in the January 2000 PopCom, will be issued. Prepaid phone calls at 302-656-8134 will be accepted, and reception reports with an SASE are preferred.

Reception reports may be sent to:

Mr. Allen Loudell  
Program Director  
WILM-AM  
1215 French St.  
Wilmington, DE 19801

(Arranged by Allen Loudell for the NRC CPC.)

If you hear a test, PLEASE, PLEASE let me know, via either e-mail or in rec.radio.shortwave! And if you send a reception report to a station, please remember to include return postage with your report...

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## IRCA FOREIGN LOG

IRCA Foreign Log #10 is NOW available from the IRCA Bookstore for \$10.00 US. Overseas, add \$2.00 US for airmail delivery. This edition contains ALL the SDXM DXWW-E and DXWW-W tips from 9/96 to 7/99... almost three years of material! All collated and in frequency order by TA, PA and TP for each DXWW column.

IRCA Bookstore, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334  
(all checks payable to Phil Bytheway)

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## THE 2000 IRCA CONVENTION

Will be held August 25,26,and 27 in Billings, MT. The convention will be hosted by John and Nancy Johnson. John and Nancy submitted a bid which was accepted and approved by the IRCA BOD. Since theirs was the only bid received, voting by the general membership was not necessary. The BOD vote was as follows: Nick Hall Patch-YES, Lynn Hollerman-YES, Pete Taylor-YES, Nancy Johnson-YES, John Johnson-YES, Robert Wein-YES, Patrick Martin-DID NOT VOTE.

Further information will be coming as plans are made. Congratulations to John and Nancy, and a big THANK YOU for offering to be the hosts again this year.

Lee J Freshwater - IRCA President

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## NOTE IRCA DUES STRUCTURE WHEN RENEWING

- SDXM - WORLD - \$10.00
- USA - DXM \$20.00, DXM/SDXM \$25.00
- Canada - DXM \$22.00, DXM/SDXM \$27.00
- Overseas surface - DXM \$23.50, DXM/SDXM \$28.50
- Airmail (Central America, Caribbean) - DXM \$35.00, DXM/SDXM \$40.00
- Airmail (Europe, North Africa, Middle East) - DXM - \$38.00, DXM/SDXM - \$43.00
- Airmail (rest of the World) - DXM - \$41.00, DXM/SDXM \$46.00

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IRCA's web site check it out!!  
<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/5792/>  
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## BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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### SECTION 1:

#### FORMAT CHANGES:

AL	Atmore	WASG-550	was cont. Xtian, rptd. silent
CA	Frazier Park	KMAP-1050	was KTRJ, classical, now Xmas mx (new format debuts in Jan.)
CA	Modesto	KANM-970	was sports, adds ESPN sports
CO	Fort Collins	KIIX-1410	was KCOL, nx/talk, now sports "The X" (KCOL calls/pgming move to 600 khz.)
CO	Wellington	KCOL-600	was KIIX, stds., now talk (KIIX calls move to 1410) ID Burley KBAR-1230 was oldies, now talk
ID	Couer D'Alene	KVNI-1080	was talk, sports, now WW1 country
ID	Rupert	KFTA-970	was KBBK, talk, sports, now JRN ranchera
IN	Muncie	WLHN-990	was silent, now s. gospel
MD	Cambridge	WCE-1240	was s. gospel, now JRN oldies
MA	Concord	WBNW-1120	was business, adds Bloomberg nx
MA	Plymouth	WPLM-1390	was business//WBNW, AC, adds Bloomberg nx
NM	Ruidoso Downs	KRUI-1490	was country, now talk (sim. KWMM's Imus in the Morning)
NY	Ticonderoga	WIPS-1250	was country, now adult alternative //WLEW
OH	Niles	WRTK-1540	was WNIO, stds1, now stds//1390 (1540 moves it's pgming to WNIO-1390)
OH	Youngstown	WNIO-1390	was WRTK, talk, stds., now JRN AS
OK	Sallisaw	KKUD-1560	was shot AC//KMXJ, rptd. silent (license to be donated to local group)
TX	Sherman	KXEB-910	was SS religion, now brokered ethnic (mainly Hindi/Pakistani pgming)
TX	Tyler	KYZS-1490	was talk, now ESPN sports (sim. KEES morning drive 6-8 AM, KBBT's sports talk 4-7 PM)
WA	Opportunity	KXLI-630	was KKPL, stds., now Imus, AP nx
WI	Milwaukee	WOKY-920	was AS, now Xmas mx (to return to stds. format after holidays)
WY	Cody	KODI-1400	was oldies, talk, now talk, sports
AB	Edson	CJYR-970	was AC, C&W mx, adds Nornet AC (12 m-6 AM, also relayed on CFYR-FM, CIYR, CKYR and CKYR-1)
AB	Grande Centre	CJCM-1340	was AC, adds Nornet AC

#### FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

GA	Conyers	WPBS-1050	move to 1050 khz., inc. to 12000-D, 5000-CH ND
HI	Hilo	KAHU-1060	inc. to 5000/5000 ND
RI	Providence	WRNI-1290	inc. to 10000-N, DA-2

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

AL	Birmingham	WJDC-1260	becomes	WLGS	"Legends"
CA	Frazier Park	KTRJ-1050	becomes	KMAP	
CO	Fort Collins	KCOL-1410	becomes	KIIX	"Kicks, The X"
CO	Wellington	KIIX-600	becomes	KCOL	
FL	Ocala	WTMC-1290	becomes	WCFI	
FL	Sanford	WTRR-1400	becomes	WSDO	
GA	Rossville	WLMX-980	becomes	WUUS	
ID	Rupert	KBBK-970	requests	KFTA	"Fantastica"
KY	Paintsville	WKLV-600	requests	WKYH	
MA	Amherst	WTTT-1430	becomes	WPNI	"Public News & Information"
NC	Raleigh	WRDT-570	becomes	WDTF	
OH	Niles	WNIO-1540	becomes	WRTK	
OH	Washington Court House	WCHO-1250	becomes	WMXV	
OH	Youngstown	WRTK-1390	becomes	WNIO	
OR	Lake Oswego	KKJY-1640	becomes	KPBC	"Percy B. Crawford"
PA	New Castle	WBZY-1200	becomes	WKST	
PA	New Castle	WKST-1280	becomes	WBZY	
TX	Gilmer	KBNB-1060	becomes	KOFY	
WA	Opportunity	KKPL-630	becomes	KXLI	

SECTION 2:

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL	Birmingham	WYDE-850	was	WMKI, R. Disney, now conservative talk
AL	Evergreen	WIJK-1470	was	country//WPGG, now WW1 rhythmic oldies
AL	Jackson	WHOD-1230	was	sports, talk, now JRN AS (moves Rush Limbaugh to classic country sister WFOV)
AL	Robertsdale	WDXZ-1000	was	WKWY, JRN stds., now JRN Classic C&W
AZ	Cortrero	KEVT-1030	was	SS variety/religion, now regional Mexican
KY	Harlan	WFSR-970	was	country, to be Reach s. gospel (Xmas eve 12/24)
LA	Houma	KJIN-1490	was	AS, now country//KCIL
MA	Everett	WXKS-1430	was	business, stds., now all stds.
MI	Gaylord	WSNQ-900	was	stds., talk, rptd. silent (no further info at this time)
MO	Birch Tree	KEMV_1310	was	cont. Xtian, now Reach s. gospel
OK	Idabel	KBEL-1240	was	gospel, stds., now ESPN sports
WY	Evanston	KEVA-1240	was	JRN soft AC, now JRN country
NS	Amherst	CKDH-900	was	AC, ads Palmorex oldies (rpelaces CKDR's discontinued AC format 12 m-6AM)
NS	New Glasgow	CKEC-1320	was	AC, country, drops Palmorex AC
ON	Dryden	CKR-800	was	Palmorex AC, now all local AC (affects all six of CKDR's relays)
PQ	Montreal	CIQC-940	was	nx/talk/sports, to be CKNN all nx (12/14)
PQ	Verdun	CKVL-690	was	FF, talk, to be FF, all nx (12/14)

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS:

ON	Toronto	CBL-740	50000/50000 ND (7 applications!)
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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

PQ Montreal CIQC-600 moves to 940, inc. to 50000 ND  
PQ Verdun CKVL-850 moves to 690, inc. to 50000-N, changes to ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

ON Smiths Falls CJET-630 moves to 92.3 FM  
ON Toronto CHKT-1430 moves to 93.5 FM (competing CP to move to 740 khz.!) )

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

NS Port Hawkesbury CIGO-1410 moves to 101.5 FM

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

AL Robertsdale WXWY-1000 becomes WDXZ "Dixie 1000"  
PQ Montreal CIQC-940 requests CKNN

Pete Taylor of Tacoma, WA. sends along the following:

970 KBBK ID Rupert now KTFA, SS (ex-news-talk) (as per call)  
1230 KBAR ID Burley now news/talk (picking up what KBBK dropped)  
1280 KJAX CA Stockton. No longer //KFIV-1360. Christmas music until Christmas; then probably an oldies format (as per call).

Dennis Gibson of Goleta, CA. passes on the following:

KTRJ-1050 (Frazier Park, CA.-ed.) has finally become KMAP. I don't know when the change happened. They are playing all Christmas music. I suspect that, and the call letter change, mean a new format after Christmas or New Years. They don't even show up in the Bakersfield Arbitron ratings.

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

1150 KHZ - KAGO - OR, KLAMATH FALLS, now relaying KGO-810, at least part of the time. Hrd // with KGO except for a 2 sec delay at 2345 EST 12/5. Prob picking it off phone lines at audio quaiity was terrible. Promos for local talk shows. First I thought Santa Rosa was running it, but then heard KAGO IDs.

1090 KHZ - KMPS - WA, SEATTLE ex KRPM, w/ Classic Country and ID at 0600 EST 12/2 "Classic Countrty KMPS - Seattle" ID.

New TIS on 1670 khz. In Menlo Park, CA., first noted 12/9/99. No other details available...

KBBK is going to KTFA (KFTA per M Street-ed.) and 1640-Lake Oswego OR is now KPBC. I heard their ID today (12/1/99-ed.).

I read CJVI-900 was denied the change to FM.

1300 KHZ - KYNO - CA FRESNO, now SS with "Radio Guadelope" IDs and EE ID at 1901 EST 11/25 "KYNO, 1300 AM, Fresno" Back into SS pgming, ex Sport format.

1350 KHZ - KBID - CA, BAKERSFIELD, good on top with NOS format w/ID at "KBID AM 1350" at 1948 EST 11/25. New and surprised to hear this!

1470 KHZ - KRAK, SACRAMENTO, good on top with "Gold Country, 1470 KRAK" at 1954 EST 11/25. Good AU CX.

Rich Toebe of Davis, CA. passes along the following:

KJAX-1280 (Stockton, CA. -ed.) is now running Christmas music instead of being parallel to KFIV. The slogan is "Ho Ho Ho 1280".

Dave Gordon of San Jose, CA. passes along the following:

KJQI (San Rafael, CA.-ed.) (I think those are the calls but I'm not sure) on 100.7 switched to a Christian format. I'm not sure about the AM on 1510.

And more from Dave:

I was in Sunnyvale today (12/4/99-ed.). 1510 is still standards.

Blake Lawrence (location unknown) (via Pat Martin of Seaside, OR.) passes along the following:

It is all over the media here that The Sports Animal, WDAE 1250 will move its programming and calls to 620, now occupied by WSAA, on or about 01 January 2000.

Here's the rest of the story, as reported on the All Access web site:

The long-rumored AM signal swap is happening in TAMPA-ST. PETERSBURG, as CLEAR CHANNEL sports talk WDAE moves from its 1250 slot into the prime 620 position occupied by CONCORD MEDIA cable news simulcast WSAA. WSAA takes over at 570 AM with format to be announced, and CLEAR CHANNEL's current 570 occupant WHNZ moves up to 1250, remaining talk.

Jim Hilliker of Pacific Grove, CA. passes along the following:

I've heard 1380 (KTOM Salinas, CA-ed.) will stay KTOM for the country connection/tradition of the calls, so the classic country will got to 1380 and sportstalk will go on 1460 (KTXX, Salinas, CA. -ed.) ...Then by next summer, 1460 will be all talk or newstalk...But Clear Channel has to give the other stations, KNRY, KSCO, ie, time to find other programming to replace Dr. Laura, Art Bell, et al, that they own and will go on 1460 next year. Don't know more than that right now...Still waiting for FCC approval for them to get 1460 on the air.

16 days till Xmas and counting, hope you hear all the DX you wish in the coming Xmas season, happy Y2k! 73's.

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# WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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FRG 880 & KIWA loop
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- (PT-CA) Using car radio in SF Bay Area

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## OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1090 KMPS WA, Seattle ex-KRPM, with Classic Country and ID at 0600  
12/2 "Classic Country KMPS, Seattle" ID. (PM-OR)
- 1640 KPBC OR, Lake Oswego 12/1 heard with new calls, ex-KKJY.  
Still relig., Crawford BC'ers, ID'ing as "12-90 KKSL and  
16-40 KPBC" at 1700. (PM-OR)

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- 560 KMON MT, Great Falls 12/2 1019 ID with local news in clear.  
(BN-CO)
- 580 CKUA AB, Edmonton 12/3 good with ID for CKUA AM & FM at 1100,  
Jazz promos, etc. (PM-OR)
- 600 KGEZ MT, Kalispell 12/2 with local news & ID 1024. (BN-CO)
- 630 KIDO ID, Boise 11/28 0833 poor/fair with Dr. Dean Edell,  
"Newstalk 630" ID. (AB-CA)
- 710 KIRO WA, Seattle 12/2 with riot coverage, 1105 ID, no QRM.  
(BN-CO)
- 860 KPAM OR, Troutdale 12/2 1000 "The Power Station news update  
with Brian O'Neill" then into Christian music. (BN-CO)
- 900 KKRT WA, Wenatchee 11/22 2047 ESPN sports with football  
analyst Mel Kyper, good for a bit then covered by KBIF.  
(AB-CA)
- 980 KVLV NV, Fallon 11/23 0946 ABC sports, ID and into C&W music,  
good. (AB-CA)
- 1060 KKDS UT, So. Salt Lake City in with soft hits and promo 11/28  
0106 so must not have switched to nighttime 100+w non-D  
yet. CKMX looped. (PT-WA)
- 1110 KLIB CA, Roseville 12/1 1100 heard with good signal relaying  
UPN-channel 31 "Good Day Sacramento" morning news  
program with UPN-31's spots and also spots about running  
block programming on KLIB. On top of KBND. (PM-OR)



1170 CKGY AB, Red Deer 12/2 with C&W and amazing signal from 1130 until well after 1300. (BN-CO)

1230 KOTS NM, Deming 12/2 "KOTS 1230 and KDEM 94.3" 2205 several ID's and C&W music. Haven't heard this one in more than 30 years. (BN-CO)

1240 KMCL ID, McCall is back again - this time 12/1 0100 with an ID just before KXLE's. (PT-WA)

1280 KJAX CA, Stockton noted 11/9 1330 driving between Pittsburg and Walnut Creek, CA with all Christmas music and elderly-oriented ads. Called them and was told they would probably be going oldies after Christmas. Watch for new calls, too. (PT-CA)

1300 KPTL NV, Carson City 11/23 1015 fair/good with local weather, ID and Big O ad. (AB-CA)

1310 KTCK TX, Dallas 12/2 1835 "Sports Radio 1310 The Ticket" then Cowboy talk. (BN-CO)

1340 KWVR OR, Enterprise 1/23 good with cluster of local spots at 1132, mention of "KWVR" into C&W music. (PM-OR)

CIBQ AB, Brooks 12/3 good on top at 1115 with buy & sell program, trivia questions, mention of mall in Brooks. Best heard in a long time. (PM-OR)

1400 KRPL ID, Moscow 12/3 1129 on top briefly mentioning "right here on KRPL radio," then lost under mess. (PM-OR)

KSPT ID, Sandpoint 12/3 1120 ID "... with talk, news, KSPT radio..." (PM-OR)

KWNA NV, Winnemucca 11/27 0859 poor with "KWNA Winnemucca" ID, ABC news at 0900. (AB-CA)

1450 KVEN CA, Ventura 12/5 0058 heard on top briefly with what sounded like ESPN Sports talk followed by a promo for www.kven.com. New, reported. (PM-OR)

KCLX WA, Colfax 12/3 1138 good with KCLX weather from the local weather bureau, //840 and FM. (PM-OR)

1490 KBZY OR, Salem slithered through the morass long enough for an ID 11/15 2000. Jingle heard an hour later as well. New. (PT-WA)

1500 KSJX CA, San Jose in with Asian language programming (VV?) and ID 11/17 2000. Jingle heard an hour later as well. New. (PT-WA)

1590 KQLO NV, Sun Valley with scroungy but readable ID amid Spanish programming 11/12 2300 under KLFE & KLIV. (PT-WA)

1610 ---- ID, Boise 11/27 0100 another talking house for sale transmitter, located in west Boise, this one giving out a phone number for local realtor. This one appears to be fairly strong & might be getting out. (FA-ID)

1620 KSMH CA, Auburn poor signal day & night while visiting in Bay area 11/8-11/10. It is louder here in Tacoma chomping through KYIZ at night than it was there. (PT-CA)

1630 TIS/HAR CA, LA Convention Center 11/22 with ID & mention of coming events at the Convention Center. Fair signal at 0600. (GJ-CA)

KCJJ IA, Iowa City 11/27 0530 music, weather & ID for several cities in Iowa. Strong, best I've heard them in months. (GJ-CA)

1660 WQSN MI, Kalamazoo 12/2 heard with sports talk at 0359:50 under KKOL open carrier. Very poor conditions. (PM-OR)

1670 WRNC GA, Warner Robins with C&W music strong at 0500 11/22, weak at 0530. (GJ-CA)

1680 WTIR FA, Winter Garden 11/22 0515 strong with weather for Florida & ads. (GJ-CA)  
 1700 WFMD CA, Cerritos College 11/25 0600 coming in good with WFMD ID. (CM-CA)  
 WPPT201 CA, Mountain View TIS for Ames Research Center at NASA at Moffitt Field. Heard while driving past the area at 1230 on 11/27. Brief history of the Center, info on tour reservations and announcement on their website for emergency situations. They are apparently still in a testing mode. (BP-CA)  
 KEGG IA, Des Moines 11/27 in with business news & computer talk, and ID at 0600. Best reception from Iowa in months. KTBK-1700 Sherman, TX with sports talk at 0815. (GJ-CA)  
 KQXX TX, Brownsville 11/22 0700 in strong with Mexican music. (GJ-CA)

DX TEST  
 1660 (WMIB) FL, Marco Island 11/28 0000-0100 checked several times, no sign of anyone running a test under KXOL. (FA-ID)  
 +No sign of anything through the never-mute Ute, KXOL. (PT-WA)

UNID Mystery  
 970 11/12 0053 Spanish appears to have been KTFA (ex-KBBK) Rupert, ID and not Bakersfield as originally (and aurorally) expected. Heard Spanish music again 11/28 2257 (ID not readable) so suspected it had to be closer. Receptionist said they changed two months ago, but I heard a clean ID with news format promo on 10/15. (PT-WA)

UNID  
 1230 11/20 0100 ID sounded like "KDYA AM & FM, Hugh Compturis" (or "KDYK, Hugh Alturas"). (PT-WA)  
 1610 11/25 0900 in poor with "This is California Advisory Radio" information about Sacramento area. (CM-CA)  
 1630 11/25 0530 coming in poor with info about Los Angeles. Also heard CalTrans Info Radio. What is this station's call letters? (CM-CA)  
 1700 11/25 0615 in very poor with "This is Highway Advisory Radio." (CM-CA)

Happy holidays to all!  
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## WDXR PART 2

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550 KOY AZ, Phoenix 12/6 0859 legal ID under KOAC. (AB-CA)  
 580 KFXD ID, Nampa 11/24 0200 country music into news. Heard regularly but seldom this strong. S-7 on my meter. Looping E-W. (GH-OR)  
 620 ---- CA, LA area 11/25 1900 new local station in LA/Orange County area rebroadcasting NOAA weather station from 162.55 MHz. Non-stop pest. (MS-CA)  
 660 CFFR AB, Calgary 12/3 0135 "Great oldies all the time" jingle, no sign of KTNN which usually dominates. Good signal on E-W wire using HQ-150. (GH-OR)  
 760 (KFMB) CA, San Diego 12/6 0707 totally off briefly, XENY & unID Spanish mixing. No trace of needed call change for San Antonio, TX! (RW-CA)  
 830 WCCO MN, Minneapolis finally snagged after 3 years with calls 12/4 0505 thanks to a strong CKKY which cuts down on the KIRO image. (PT-WA)  
 890 KBBI AK, Homer 12/6 1107 fair with Alaska news with Homer weather. (PM-OR)  
 960 CFAC AB, Calgary 12/7 0100 "Your country connection 960 CFAC" in like a local on N-S wire. A regular but seldom this strong. (GH-OR)  
 980 ?KJOX? WA, Selah this station, with One on One Sports, throws a tough het on CKNW, sometimes emerging on top (in which case CKNW causes the het). Heard 12/7 2100. Very rare. (PT-WA)  
 1030 WCTS MN, Maplewood 12/4 1959 ID "WCTS Maplewood-Minneapolis-St. Paul," then into religious program. Good strength, but under KTWO. (NP-AB)  
 1050 KTCT CA, San Mateo 12/1 1955 local sports talk program, mentions of "The New Ticket 1050," ads for San Francisco area. Signal vanished at apparent 2000 power/pattern change. (NP-AB)  
 1060 KKDS UT, South Salt Lake City 11/25 2240 ID then anti-drunk driving PSA into Burl Ives song. Fair signal on E-W wire, then faded. (GH-OR)  
 1090 KMPS WA, Seattle 11/19 1930 noted with new calls, "Classic Country...1090 KMPS AM." Ex-KRPM. KRPM calls were legendary in the Seattle area; broadcasting on 770, 1090, 1450 and 106.1 FM over the years. (DS-BC)  
 1150 KAGO OR, Klamath Falls now relaying KGO-810, at least part of the time. Heard // with KGO except for a 2 sec delay at 2345 12/5. Probably picking it off phone lines as audio quality was terrible. Promos for local talk shows. First I thought Santa Rosa was running it, but then heard KAGO ID's. (PM-OR)  
 1230 KGEO CA, Bakersfield 12/2 0859 good over KWG and others with legal ID, and internet address: www.liveradio.com. (AB-CA)

KSTC CO, Sterling 12/5 ID by a woman "...right here...KSTC, Sterling, CO," then into ABC news. Dominating the frequency. (NP-AB)

KQIK OR, Lakeview 12/7 0820 on top strong with Christmas country music, ID "You're with KQIK..." (RW-CA)

1240 KLTH CA, San Bernardino 11/28 1715 legal ID (late) after Sunday Sermon and promos, "KLTX Long Beach and KLTH San Bernardino," spot for Albertson's. Into Bible program. Slogan/jingle "K-Light" (before they were K-Life). (MS-CA)

KFBC WY, Cheyenne 12/5 1905 end of ABC news, then "KFBC News Update." (NP-AB)

1260 KOIT CA, San Francisco 11/30 0120 very choppy signal on N-S wire with unID, probably CFRN. Not heard in a while. (GH-OR)

1280 KDYL UT, Salt Lake City very loud 12/9 0114 with ID & jingle but not // KAQQ, KGEM, KKSJ. Ran net news 0108. All Christmas music -with the strange exception of Kingston Trio's "Scotch and Soda." With this format, I thought for sure it would be KJAX. There is no rationale for this station's frequent strong showings unless they don't cut power or their array is out of whack. (PT-WA)

1290 KPAY CA, Chico 11/28 1906 "Newstalk 1290, KPAY" ID, promos for talk programs, then into Ruch Limbaugh. Dominant, with no sign of usual KGVO Missoula. New catch. (NP-AB)

1300 KLER ID, Orofino 12/6 1102 good with local sports news "on KLER." (PM-OR)

1320 KCTC CA, Sacramento 11/24 0230 NOS oldies and barely caught ID before abrupt fade into the slop. Not heard for a long time. (GH-OR)

KFNZ UT, Salt Lake City 11/19 2330 sports talk program with "K-Fans" ID. Mixing with unID but mostly on top. New log. (GH-OR)

KGDC WA Walla Walla 12/6 1052 excellent with local news & spots, woman with KGDC mention. (PM-OR)

1340 KPGE AZ, Page 11/29 0428 out of song "You're the One" and into "Windy" by The Association, Crystal and Classic slogan (FM & AM). Occasionally dominant with QRM from San Luis Obispo, Oroville, Tijuana, etc... (MS-CA)

KATA CA, Arcata good with ID at 2259:45 12/5 "KATA Arcata." Usual pest. (PM-OR)

1360 ?KHNC? CO, Johnstown 12/5 1832 tentatively the one with ads for businesses in Fort Collins and Greeley, talk program with mentions of "Freedom Radio." (NP-AB)

1390 KENN NM, Farmington 11/28 1900 nice clear ID thru a jumble of stations as "Newstalk 1390, KENN," then into ABC news. New for me. (NP-AB)

1400 KJDY OR, John Day 12/6 1047 good on top with trivia contest. (PM-OR)

1410 KMYC CA, Marysville strong central CA night; first time I have been able to pull this through CFUN. Loud ID 12/8 1900 into news. (PT-WA)

1450 KEST/KOBO CA, San Francisco/Yuba City 12/5 2159 with dual ID, apparently // with each other. (FM-OR)

KGRZ MT, Missoula 12/5 2306 with ID "Right here on KGRZ..." Haven't heard this in a while. (PM-OR)

KYNT SD, Yankton 12/5 1919 "Yankton's information station for a new millennium, KYNT." Never heard it this dominant before. (NP-AB)

1470 KRAK CA, Sacramento after noting KMYC's strength and after hearing KCTC & KVON, I went for this - and was rewarded with a strong set of call letters between C&W selections. (PT-WA)

1490 KCID ID, Caldwell 12/6 1040 good with weathercast. (PM-OR)  
 ?KRTK? ID, Chubbock 12/6 0803 tentative again thru KSJX-1500 splash with religious talk show, 800 number as 800-743-?? then ABC news on hour, ad for Sears at 0803, faded out. (RW-CA)

KLGN MN, Redwood Falls 12/5 1914 info on Y2K in Minnesota, ID and promo for birthday announcements. (NP-AB)

KORN SD, Mitchell 12/3 0809 man with legal ID. New state. (AB-CA)

KVAC WA, Forks 12/3 0853 weather for "downtown" Forks. (AB-CA)

1530 KCMN CO, Colorado Springs 12/2 1840 local ads, several mentions of KCMN calls. Fair signal thru KFBK. (NP-AB)

1610 TIS CA, Placerville 12/7 0630 Cal Trans TIS/HAR in strong with weather & chain controls. (GJ-CA)  
 WPXA508 CA, Redding 12/10 2330 heard on top with Cal Trans info on Hwy. 299. (PM-OR)

1630 TIS CA, LA Convention Center 12/7 0730 TIS/HAR in weakly with events at Convention Center & Staples Center. (GJ-CA)

1640 KPEC CA, Lake Oswego ID over KDIA 12/10 1902 with dual 1290/1640 ID's. On 12/8 at 1800, KDIA was on top. When they're both on 1kw, KDIA usually wins. (PT-WA)

1670 TIS CA, Menlo Park 12/9 new TIS testing here, operated by City of Menlo Park, repeated message at 1000. (PM-OR)  
 + 12/9 2132 testing with 45 second loop requesting listeners to call (650) 858-3306 to inform them of location heard & quality of signal - apparently run by police department. (BP-CA)

WRNC GA, Warner Robins 11/28 0520 in with country music, sounded like Grand Old Opry. (GJ-CA)

1680 WTIR FL, Winter Garden 11/28 0600 in with weather & ID. Fair. (GJ-CA)

DX TEST

560 (KMON) MT, Great Falls 11/7 0400 DX test not heard. (MS-CA)

UNIDS

1240 12/8 2100 sounded like KEAN. (PT-WA)

1490 12/8 1000 sounded like KEJR. (PT-WA)

1610 WA TIS? 11/30 0745 fairly strong signal discussing agriculture in the Wenatchee area, including interviews with farmers. Faded away by the top of the hour. Any ideas? (DS-BC)

1700 12/ 3 0900 there appears to be a new station on 1700. Very weak almost inaudible here. Gave phone number like (6-0) 1923 and appears to be asking for reports. Very weak with fades up to 15 minutes. Might be a new TIS/HAR. (GJ-CA)

It's official, the 2000 IRCA convention will be held here in Billings, MT Aug. 25, 26 & 27! We hope that many of you will be able to attend. More details in the coming weeks.

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## CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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### SPECIAL INTEREST

1280 KVOD CO, Denver. Now on with new call letters, EX-KRFF. 12-3 good with KDYL nulled. 21:05 with woman talking about upcoming classical music selection "...here on KVOD."  
[NJ-MT]  
1640 KPBC OR, Lake Oswego. Now on with new call letters, EX-KKJY. 12-3 poor through KDIA. 23:01 with "12-90 KKSL and 16-40 KPBC Lake Oswego, Portland." [NJ-MT]

### DOWN THE DIAL

680 WJIE KY, Newburg. 11-28 fair with WMAQ-670 splash. 16:57 with "AM 6-80 WJIE" and Contemporary Christian music. New! KY#59. First new one on 680 since 1987! [JJR-WI]  
900 WATK WI, Antigo. 11-28 poor though clear. 16:37 with "Real Country" and Antigo Crimestoppers PSA. Rare here. [JJR-WI]  
910 WDOR WI, Sturgeon Bay. 11-30 poor with unID. 07:00 with sign on into ABC news. [JJR-WI]  
1070 KYMN MN, Northfield. 11-30 fair. 07:06 with NBC News, spot, weather, local news. Rare here! [JJR-WI]  
1260 KTTS MO, Springfield. 12-3 fair, all alone. 17:55 with traffic report, local spot, "Classic Country AM 12-60" slogans. Rare. [JJR-WI]  
1320 KWHN AR, Fort Smith. 11-30 fair, alone. 07:32 with station promo, "13-20 KWHN" ID. [JJR-WI]  
1370 WMJT WV, Moundsville. 11-27. 21:58 with ID "Talk WMJT" repeated twice and then on the hour as "We are WMJT 13-70 AM Moundsville, Wheeling" into news. See my unID below, this may have been the one with the time signals before the top of the hour. First time heard. WSPD was weak and came up in strength at 22:05 and WMJT faded.  
[TMJ-IL]  
1410 KBNP OR, Portland. 12-2 strong with no sign of KWYO. 18:59 at end of spot with ID "All day, every day, this is Portland's Business Radio AM 14-10. KBNP Portland." [NJ-MT]  
1450 KEMW MN, Breckinridge. 12-3 good. 18:59 with weather report, ID "AM 14-50 KEMW Breckenridge, Wahpeton..." [NJ-MT]

KZZJ ND, Rugby. 12-3 strong. 18:00 with ID into ABC News.  
 "14-50 KZZJ Rugby. ABC News is now up at five o'clock."  
 [NJ-MT]

1470 CJVB BC, Vancouver. 12-3. 22:00 with ID in EE into oriental  
 language. [NJ-MT]

1580 WWSJ MI, St. Johns. 11-28 very good. 16:32 with sign off by  
 woman announcer. [JJR-WI]

1620 KAZP NE, Bellevue. 11-30 very good, way over WHLY. 20:55-2115  
 with Gray Java Sports Show, ID on the hour with rapid-  
 fire call letters. There was almost a total absence of  
 WPHG at this time. [TMJ-IL]

1660 (KXOL) UT, Brigham City. 12-2 noted on with carrier only. 03:45  
 tried to hear anything else, but only very faint talk  
 under carrier. KXOL is very strong here. [JcJ-MT]

DX TESTS

1660 WMIB FL, Marco Island. 11-28 DX Test good with 10kW. 00:00-  
 03:00 with news headlines, oldies music, talk about the  
 station. [TMJ-IL]

(WMIB) FL, Marco Island. 11-28 DX Test not heard here, just a  
 strong KXOL. [JcJ+NJ-MT]

UNID

690 unID 12-2 unID with excellent signal and dominant for a few  
 minutes. Montreal, PQ station replacing CBF. Male and  
 female in FF appeared to be repeating the same  
 announcement over and over. Suspect talking about new  
 station. I don't believe this was there yesterday or  
 even this morning during my drive to work. What are the  
 calls on this? [TMJ-IL]

910 unID 11-28 unID poor. 16:41 with "WQPN" or similar jingle  
 into satellite fed talk. The "WQ" part was very clear.  
 Might be an FM call? [JJR-WI]

940 unID 11-29 unID with good signal. Montreal, PQ station with  
 taped loop promoting the new all news talk format that  
 will soon be broadcast on "AM 9-40." Asking listeners to  
 call in and report any interference. Mentioned 50,000  
 watt signal. What are the calls on this? [TMJ-IL]

1370 unID 11-27 unID. 21:50-21:58 someone broadcasting the time  
 signal from the US Naval Observatory (male voice, EST  
 and UT updates every 15 seconds with time ticks on the  
 seconds). Looping SE/NW. Any ideas? See my 1370  
 logging of WMJT above, this may have been WMJT. [TMJ-  
 IL]

25 YEARS AGO

December 7, 1974 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Hal Christianson of  
 Winnipeg, MB said he was 16 and in grade 11 at Westdale High. He had  
 logged 182 stations in a little over 2 years ... Bill Meredith of  
 Kensington, GA logged WBAL for state number 2 5 ... Bruce Portzer of  
 Lancaster, CA said his stay in Lancaster allowed him to hear 585  
 stations from 34 states. Bruce also mentioned visits with Don Erickson,  
 John Clements, Grant Manning and Ralph Sanserino.

OPEN MIKE

The wheel that squeaks the loudest is the first to be replaced. It's  
 time to start planning your 2000 Convention vacation! Billings-2000. 73,  
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- [JcJ-MT] Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A with a "Radio West" loop.

### DOWN THE DIAL

- 810 WJWQ WI, Tomahawk. 12-3 weak mixed with WDMP, WHB and an SS (WMGC?). 08:10-08:30 with male voice talk and call letters. [TMJ-IL]
- 880 CKLQ MB, Brandon. 12-3 good. 18:55-19:10 with country music, "It's 4 degrees in Brandon on CKLQ" at top of the hour. [TMJ-IL]
- KJOJ TX, Conroe. 12-2 good. 22:45-23:15 with Houston Rockets vs. Clippers basketball PBP, ID on the hour as "Houston Rockets Radio Network on super talk News Radio 9-50 KGRT Houston and 8-80 KJOJ Conroe, Houston. Clear Channel Company." Al so mentioned earlier KHWB channel 39 for viewing in Houston. [TMJ-IL]
- 1100 KFAK CA, San Francisco. 12-6 fair through KNZZ OC. 02:30 with ID after spot, "K-fax" slogan also heard. [NJ-MT]
- 1230 KZZR OR, Burns. 12-6 briefly atop mess a few times. 01:41 with satellite country music, "KZZR AM 12-30" heard twice. Not enough for a report. [JcJ-MT]
- 1260 KWYR SD, Winner. 12-9. 22:04 with PSA, ID "Real Country KWYR." [NJ-MT]
- 1340 KWOR WY, Worland. 12-9. 18:57 into oldie with "Good times, great oldies, AM 13-40 KWOR." [NJ-MT]
- 1450 KVSI ID, Montpelier. 12-12 on top. 21:05 out of ABC News with weather and sign off with vocal SSB. [JcJ+NJ-MT]
- 1550 KMRI UT, West Valley City. 12-6. 18:58 woman announcer with "....here on KMRI" then faded under KQWB. [NJ-MT]

### 25 YEARS AGO

December 14, 1974 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Bill Meredith of Kensington, GA told about his two new receivers, a Realistic DX-160 and a Heath SW-717 ... Fred Prechtl of Cincinnati, OH told about his visit with Frank McCoy in Baton Rouge, LA ... Eric Fader of Bayside, NY added WJZZ for station #500 logged ... Karl Forth of Villa Park, IL told about a CADX gathering with members Robert Kramer, Dave Peterson, Eric Draut, and Rick Evans ... New members included Mike William Sanburn of Bellflower, CA.

### OPEN MIKE

A block of granite which was an obstacle in the pathway of the weak becomes a stepping-stone in the pathway of the strong. It's official! The 2000 IRCA Convention will be held once again in Billings, MT! Make your plans now for the August 25, 26, 27th convention. Details will soon follow. If you missed the 1993 Billings Convention you will want to join us in 2000! If you were here in 1993 you will want to return for another great time. Yes, Fuddruckers is still next to the convention hotel (along with about 6 new restaurants!). 73, John

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Superphaser-1 phasing unit

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## \*\*\* TRANS-ATLANTIC DX \*\*\*

- 558 | SPAIN | RNE5 synchros, DEC 12 2326 - SS talk; in WGAN slop.  
[Connelly\*O-MA]
- 567 | IRELAND | RTE, Tullamore, DEC 12 2326 - "Stand By Me" by Ben E.  
King from 1961; good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 576 | CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN | RNE5 synchros, DEC 12 2325 - SS talk;  
over other. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 585 | SPAIN | RNE1, Madrid, DEC 12 2324 - fast SS talk by man; just  
slightly stronger than Tunisia-585.25. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 585.25 | TUNISIA | ERTT, Gafsa, DEC 12 2323 - AA vocal, 250 Hz het  
against Spain-585.0. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 612 | IRELAND | Athlone, DEC 12 2321 - man & woman in EE; under Morocco.  
[Connelly\*O-MA]
- 612 | MOROCCO | Sebaa-Aioun, DEC 12 2321 - emotional male AA vocal &  
drumming; atop Ireland. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 621 | CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN | RNE1 synchros, DEC 12 2319 - SS talk; in  
Cuba/WZON slop. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 639 | SPAIN | RNE1, La Coruna, DEC 12 2317 - a bit of SS talk; getting  
dumped on by Cuba/CBN-640 mix. [Connelly\*O-MA] 675 |  
NETHERLANDS | R. Ten Gold, Lopik, DEC 13 0011 - Dutch  
talk, into Buddy Holly song "It Doesn't Matter Any More";  
fair to good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 684 | SPAIN | RNE1, Sevilla, DEC 12 2310 - SS news mentioning the  
military; huge signal. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 693 | UNITED KINGDOM | BBC, Droitwich et al., DEC 12 2308 - news item  
about a car that went into a river, then an item about the  
International Olympic Committee corruption investigation;  
good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 693.7 | AZORES | RDP, Santa Barbara | DEC 12 2309 - bits of music, het  
against stronger UK-693. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 711.04 | WESTERN SAHARA | Laayoune, DEC 13 0015 - bits of AA vocal  
music, through tough Cuba slop. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 729 | SPAIN | RNE1 synchros, DEC 12 2306 - // 774 with SS news; fair to  
good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 738 | SPAIN | RNE1, Barcelona, DEC 13 0018 - SS talk by woman; in CHCM  
slop. [Connelly\*O-MA]

- 765 | SWITZERLAND | RSR, Sottens, DEC 12 2305 - Radio Suisse Romande mentioned by woman in FF, then light instrumental music with classical influences; very good. [Connelly\*O-MA] 774
- | SPAIN | RNE1 synchros, DEC 12 2303 - SS news; good, over one or more AA station. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 792 | SPAIN | SER, Sevilla, DEC 12 2300 - // 1044 with news with segment of SS speech / public address; fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 836 | AZORES | RDP, Pico da Barrosa, DEC 12 2259 - man in PP; fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 837 | CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN | COPE synchros, DEC 12 2258 - SS teletalk // 1296; slightly over a pile-up of others and het from Azores-836. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 846 | ITALY | Rome, DEC 12 2257 - soft piano music; slopped. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 855 | SPAIN | RNE1, Murcia et al., DEC 12 2253 - // 864 with woman in SS; fair to good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 864 | EGYPT | Santah, DEC 13 0019 - Koranic male vocal; fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 864 | SPAIN | RNE1, Socuellamos, DEC 12 2253 - // 855 with SS talk by woman; poor. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 873 | SPAIN | SER synchros, DEC 12 2254 - // 1044 with brief segment of music, then high-speed talk by man in SS; fair to good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 882 | UNITED KINGDOM, BBC Wales, Washford, DEC 13 0023 - EE interview; poor to fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 891 | ALGERIA | Algiers, DEC 12 2251 - AA vocal at low audio level on good carrier. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 909 | UNITED KINGDOM | BBC, Moorside Edge et al., DEC 12 2249 - EE discussion; to fair peak, over WABI/CHRL slop. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 954 | SPAIN | R. Espana, Madrid, DEC 12 2248 - SS teletalk over SAH and bits of audio from a Mideast-sounding station (Turkey or Qatar ?) [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 963 | PORTUGAL | R. Renascenca, Seixal, DEC 12 2247 - PP talk; mixed with others (likely Spain/Tunisia). [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 981 | ALGERIA | Radiodif. Algerienne, Algiers, DEC 12 1928 -powerhouse het against WCAP on the car radio at pre-sunset fade-up.  
+ DEC 12 2245 - man in AA at light audio level on monster carrier. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1035 | PORTUGAL | R. Nacional, Lisboa, DEC 13 0028 - romantic PP vocal; poor to fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1044 | MOROCCO | Sebaa-Aioun, DEC 12 2243 - rustic violins and Berber-style screaming vocal; strong, over SER-Spain. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1044 | SPAIN | SER synchros, DEC 12 2254 - // 873 with fast SS talk; under Morocco. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1053 | MOROCCO | Tanger, DEC 12 2242 - AA strings, drums, vocal; over Talk Radio UK. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1053 | UNITED KINGDOM | Talk Radio synchros, DEC 12 2242 - man & woman in EE; under Morocco. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1071 | SPAIN | EI, Bilbao, DEC 12 2240 - emotional SS ballad; just getting by strong CBA. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1098 | SPAIN | RNE5 synchros, DEC 13 0030 - // 684 with man in SS; to fair peak. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1107 | SPAIN | RNE5 synchros, DEC 13 0030 - SS talk; over low growl from something slightly off channel. [Connelly\*O-MA] 1134 | CROATIA | HR, Zadar, DEC 12 2233 - mellow vocal and instrumental; a little bit over Spain. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1179 | CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN | SER synchronos, DEC 13 0031 - SS talk in jumble; poor. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1224 | SPAIN | COPE synchronos, DEC 12 2224 - SS talk; slightly over rough growl. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1251 | LIBYA | Tripoli, DEC 12 2223 - group AA chant; to good peak, way over unID talker. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1296 | SPAIN | COPE, Valencia, DEC 12 2222 - fast SS talk; fair, over unID station with AA-sounding music. [Connelly\*O-MA] 1305

| SPAIN | RNE5 synchronos, DEC 12 2221 - SS talk with some synchrono-echo. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1385.92 | GUINEA | Labe, DEC 12 2220 - African-accented FF talk by man; poor to fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1467 | FRANCE | TWR, Roumoules, DEC 12 2207 - Christmas choral music; to fair peak through slop. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1521 | SAUDI ARABIA | BSKSA, Duba, DEC 12 1925 - pre-sunset het fade-up. + DEC 12 2200 - man in AA, then interlude of AA string music; fair to good over SER-Spain. [Connelly\*O-MA] 1548 | KUWAIT | VOA, Kuwait City, DEC 13 0038 - VOA "special" (slow) EE talk mentioning Hong Kong; fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1575 | KUWAIT | CLANDESTINE, Al Mustaqbal, DEC 12 2355 - AA vocal, strings, drums; over Spain. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1583.65 | CEUTA | RadiOle, DEC 12 2353 - bits of SS music, mostly just a het. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1602 | SPAIN | EI, Vitoria, DEC 12 2354 - SS talk (non-SER); poor. [Connelly\*O-MA]

\*\*\* PAN-AMERICAN DX \*\*\*

535 | GRENADA | GBC, St. George's, DEC 13 0004 - very good with US preacher talking about family arguments. [Connelly\*O-MA]

550 | VENEZUELA | Mundial, YVKE, Caracas, DEC 13 0003 - Mundial ID; slightly over other Latin Americans. [Connelly\*O-MA] 555

| ST. KITTS & NEVIS | ZIZ, Basseterre, DEC 12 2327 - "Oh Holy Night" sung by a male vocalist in a black gospel style; excellent. [Connelly\*O-MA]

570 | DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | R. Cristal, HIMS, Santo Domingo, DEC 13 0006 - R. Cristal mention; under Reloj-Cuba. [Connelly\*O-MA]

580 | COLOMBIA | DEC 12 2359 - "R. Monteria" mentions and an HJ call, not sure if the actual ID of this station or a different network affiliate (with this one probably the listed HJHP Cali). [Connelly\*O-MA]

600 | CUBA | R. Rebelde, CMKV, Urbano Noris, DEC 12 2322 - SS talk (// 710) about "Guantanamo ... provincia oriental"; huge. [Connelly\*O-MA]

630 | PUERTO RICO | WSKN, San Juan, DEC 12 2319 - phone-in SS talkshow with local mentions, then announcer used EE expression "Y2K" and laughed; way over CFCY & WPRO. [Connelly\*O-MA]

650 | COLOMBIA | RCN Antena Dos, HJKH, Bogota, DEC 13 0008 - SS talk about Colombian 'loteria', then RCN Antena Dos ID; loud. [Connelly\*O-MA]

660 | CUBA | R. Progreso, CMHG, Santa Clara, DEC 12 2316 - almost operatic SS male vocal // 890; over WFAN. + DEC 13 0010 - // 890 with Strauss waltz; huge, totally dominant. [Connelly\*O-MA]

670 | CUBA | R. Rebelde, CMQ, Arroyo Arenas, DEC 12 2331 - dominant with SS talk about events in Cuba. [Connelly\*O-MA]

680 | PUERTO RICO | WAPA, San Juan, DEC 12 2311 - SS baseball coverage with mentions of Puerto Rican cities including Caguas;

atop WRKO. [Connelly\*O-MA]

690 | ANGUILLA | Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, DEC 12 2332 - EE preaching (// 6090) about the need to spread the word of God; loud. Montreal not noted (though audible a couple of hours later on the car radio on Route 6). [Connelly\*O-MA]

700 | COLOMBIA | R. Net, HJXC, Cali, DEC 13 0013 - // 810 with SS sports; dominant over Jamaica. [Connelly\*O-MA]

710 | CUBA | R. Rebelde synchros, DEC 13 0014 - SS // other Rebelde outlets; annihilating WOR. [Connelly\*O-MA]

750 | VENEZUELA | RCR, YVKS, Caracas, DEC 12 2335 - Venezuelan SS sportstalk; slightly over CBGY classical music. [Connelly\*O-MA]

770 | COLOMBIA | RCN, HJXX, Bogota, DEC 12 2336 - // 760 with SS sports play-by-play; huge, nearly alone on channel with barely a trace of WABC. [Connelly\*O-MA]

800 | NETHERLANDS ANTILLES | Trans-World Radio, PJB, Bonaire, DEC 12 2337 - SS religious talk by woman, then violin, piano, and celeste mood music. [Connelly\*O-MA]

810 | COLOMBIA | R. Net, HJCY, Bogota, DEC 12 2338 - frenetic SS sports coverage; under Puerto Rico, no domestics noted. + DEC 13 0013 - sports // 700; mixed with others. [Connelly\*O-MA]

810 | PUERTO RICO | WKVM, San Juan, DEC 12 2338 - SS Puerto Rico mentions and talk about the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe; atop Colombia. [Connelly\*O-MA]

830 | ST. KITTS & NEVIS | TEN, Basseterre, DEC 12 2340 - over domestics with southern US preacher talked about relations and "blaming things on everybody else". [Connelly\*O-MA]

890 | CUBA | R. Progreso, CMDZ, Santiago de Cuba, DEC 13 0010 -Strauss waltz // 640; local-like, 100% dominant. [Connelly\*O-MA]

895 | ST. KITTS & NEVIS | VON, Bath Village, DEC 13 0009 - old-style soul female vocal; excellent. [Connelly\*O-MA]

900 | CUBA | R. Progreso, DEC 13 0024 - // 890 with mellow vocal and acoustic guitar; good. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1040 | DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | R. Cadena de Noticias, HION, Santo Domingo, DEC 12 2244 - Radio Cadena Noticias & Radionoticias mentions; over jumble, domestics not noted. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1080 | VENEZUELA | R. Barcelona, YVQJ, Barcelona, DEC 12 2239 - reverberated SS talk with Barcelona mention; over/under WTIC. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1100 | ANTIGUA | R. ZDK, St. John's, DEC 12 2238 - "Oh Come All Ye Faithful" by a children's chorus, then Caribbean-EE preacher and organ music; good, over WTAM/LA's. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1170 | unID | DEC 12 2231 - excited talk, possibly a sporting event, through phase-nulled WWVA. Language seemed to be an Africanized version of either PP or FF, perhaps Haitian Creole. Eventually this was lost to Colombia & a second SS station. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1210 | VENEZUELA | R. Anzoategui, YVZT, Barcelona, DEC 13 0033 -several Venezuela mentions; briefly dominant over WPHT, VOAR, and an apparent Reloj Cuban. [Connelly\*O-MA]

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## DXWWE PART 2

DX Report

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Pan-American DX

- 530 UNID. Still a semi-regular here. Noted with SS male singing 0259, DEC 11 poor in RVC null. [Thomas-FL]
- 535 GRENADA, St. George's. Soft-spoken women in EE at poor/fair level, 0127, DEC 11. [Thomas-FL]
- 540 NICARAGUA, Managua. YNOW noted in passing @ 2300, DEC 7 with ID as "R. Nicaragua" (not Corporacion). Poor under WQTM & WDAK. [Thomas-FL]
- 550 JAMAICA, Montego Bay. Fair with nice reggae at 0033, DEC 8. [Thomas-FL]
- 555 UNID. There's someone else here with ZIZ and causing a SAH. Carrier detectable in ZIZ null and roughly looped Central America /northern South America. Absolutely no hope for audio. This @ 0145, DEC 10. [Thomas-FL]
- 567.9 UNID. Fair carrier with weak acoustic guitar. Garble from 570 masked anything useful 0133, DEC 12. [Thomas-FL]
- 580 JAMAICA, Galina. RJR atop @ 0010, DEC 8 with news about firefighters. [Thomas-FL]
- 580.6 UNID. Someone hetting the crowd on 580 @ 0158, DEC 10. [Thomas-FL]
- 627.5 UNID. This one finally produced some audio at 0212, DEC 12 but not enough to even wager a guess. SS male singing and a well-modulated SS male appeared for about 5 secs at this time. Carrier is usually pretty good but readable audio is rare. [Thomas-FL]
- 652.5 UNID. The only time I've heard this one. Male shouting in SS, then a heartfelt ballad at 0223, DEC 10. Quickly gone; hasty DF says deep Central America /northern South America. [Thomas-FL]
- 700 JAMAICA, Montego Bay. RJR battling WLW with local spots 0421, DEC 9. Conditions very good to the south tonight. [Thomas-FL]
- 720 JAMAICA, Kingston. One of the less frequent Jamaicans here. JMC fair under Cuba with phone-in show @ 0239, DEC 10. [Thomas-FL]
- 730 TRINIDAD & TOBAGO (t), Port of Spain. Popped on top for about 5 mins at 0335, DEC 9 with distinctive island music and accented EE female. No ID heard but DF agrees. [Thomas-FL]
- 765 UNID. In every night with a poor/fair carrier and intermittent audio. Usually just a muffled SS male but plaintive SS singing heard once. Audible here 0200-0300 the week of DEC 5. DF ranges from 172-176 degrees and suggests any of a half dozen possible QTHs. [Thomas-FL]
- 770 COLOMBIA, Bogota. HJJX fair with R. Colombia ID (not RCN) at 0303, DEC 10. [Thomas-FL]
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES, Bonaire. TWR good atop with EE announcer & ID @ 0329, DEC 8. Switched to SS at 0330. [Thomas-FL]
- 810 COLOMBIA, Bogota. HJCY noted in passing at a super-loud level with news and ID @ 0430, DEC 11. [Thomas-FL]

900 MEXICO, Mexico City. XEW good in Cuba null with female choral singing at 0332, DEC 10. [Thomas-FL]

1050 MEXICO, Monterrey. XEG, La Gigante del Norte excellent in XEQOO null 0345, DEC 10 with light Latin American music. [Thomas-FL]

1050.3 UNID. Mark Connolly's unid carrier also noted at weak level and being obliterated by XEG and XEQOO at 0346, DEC 10. DF seemed to be Honduras/Nicaragua but highly uncertain. [Thomas-FL]

1135 UNID. A fair to good carrier appears here (along with a het from Spain-1134) some nights between 0100-0400. The only audio has been an unintelligible, muffled SS male. Signal is tightly looped on Guatemala so I'm guessing that this is LV de la Costa Sur, a station that was a semi-regular here the last time I DXed seriously a couple of years ago (WRTH says it's on 1130, though). [Thomas-FL]

1466-1468 approx. UNIDS. Over the past weeks, carriers have been noted around here suggesting at least 3 different stations. A station heard on 1466.2 (DF 120 deg, Hispanola/PR) was almost good at times with upbeat SS music including steel drum. Noted a carrier on 1468.1 later and thought the 1466.2 stn had drifted but both faded up at the same time (along with a weak het from France 1467). The 1468.1 produced audio (ment's of Valencia, Caracas, Isla de Margarita, etc.), a DF of 123 deg., and a shouted, ID-like "Latina Radio" which suggested this was R. Latina, Valencia, Venezuela. More recently, a station has appeared on 1467.3 and looped 142-deg. This one does not sound commercial but rather like a provincial Cuban flea-powered stn and DF points right at Cardenas, Cuba (R. Ciudad Bandera, CMGE). As of today, I haven't heard the 1466.2 unid in weeks but the others make intermittent appearances. Anyone in southern Florida hearing these? [Thomas-FL]

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## DX WORLDWIDE WEST

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Hi everyone:

Not too much to report this time around. CX here have been poor most of the season, but we do have a nice report from Larry Godwin and a tip from Mike Stonebridge. So away we go.

### PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

530 KHZ TURKS & CAICOS 11/15 0600 Male voice " This is WWRV New York 1330 AM, Radio Vision Cristiana International, 530 AM, South Caicos, Turks and Caicos Islands, British West Indies. Unwanted. First heard in 2 years, but first time with official ID . (MS-AB)  
 (Mike, RVC is also very much a strong pest here. They get out for 4000 miles. PM)

t760 KHZ MEXICO, Nogales, Son. XENY was I believe the SS speaker at 1301 11/8. Man gave TC as MST (which fits) and I thought I heard slogan "Radio Geny" mentioned. In again with what

sounded like "Radio Geny" ID at 1300 11/19. There was a report last June this station might have moved to 730. (LG-MT)

- 1000 KHZ COLOMBIA, Cartagena HJAQ was evidently the one w/two plugs for "la loteria de Bogota" at 0356 11/15 (LG-MT)
- 1170 KHZ MEXICO, Aguascalientes, AG, XEUVA a powerhouse 11/18 from 0358-0422 11/21, w/frequent slogan "La Rancherita" per WRTH, mentioned power of 10 KW, this is a rare XE to log, AU CX, no sign of KVOO. Also in from 0402-0409. (LG-MT)
- 1170 KHZ MEXICO, Puebla, PUEB, Muscled on top of XEUVA 0405 11/18 w/XECD call ID Ancr mentioned "la palabra". New (LG-MT)
- 1630 KHZ MEXICO, Tijuana BCN XEUT finally logged 11/2 0100 w/light Jazz prog. Woman IDed as "Radio Universidad" (LG-MT)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 531 KHZ NEW ZEALAND, Auckland 1XPI good on top with Samoan programming at 0915 12/3 (PM-OR)
- 738 KHZ TAHITI, good with man in FF at 0814 12/3 (PM-OR)
- 1575 KHZ UNID Weak station in Ort. language, had deep fades 10/29 1400. Seems to be chimes (not pips). Any thoughts? (I think this type of ID was reported here years back w/o an ID too. VOA I think was ruled out at the time. China uses chimes at times so that is possible. PM)

VERIFICATIONS

- 650 KHZ ALASKA, Anchorage. vf back in 305dff. V/S: Van Craft-CE. Address: 800 E. Dimond Bl #3-370, Anchorage AK 99515. (PM-OR)
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# EASTERN DX FORUM

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Well, it has been a long time so maybe a brief intro is called for. I am married with three kids (one of each, hi) and was a pretty regular contributor to the DX hobby (in one form or another) from 1978 until a couple of years ago. I started Radio Plus+ in the mid-eighties and have sold hundreds of Quantum Loops and other DX devices to fellow hobbyists since then. I also am a scientist for the Navy doing research in aerospace medicine, a job I had hoped to retire from last year but will probably continue for another three years. My main MW DX interests center around foreign DX but I also visit the utilities on SW from time to time. I also like the technical side of the hobby and enjoy designing, building, and testing DX-relevant circuits and talking shop with like-minded folks. The reason I have been out of touch the last season or two has been due to a combination of factors. Working two jobs for 17-18 years had me slowly heading toward burn-out which was hastened by a head injury in a car accident. The lingering effects of the injury made it difficult to work my mortgage-paying job with the Navy, much less the nights and weekends needed for Radio Plus+. In the past few months I have started feeling a bit more "with it" so I have returned to the radio hobby and a limited "second job" schedule. I have made a limited number of Quantum Loops and have geared up for at least two new DX devices: the often-delayed Quantum Phaser (awaiting circuit boards) and a 15-inch version of the Quantum Loop that also covers LW. As I have returned to making loops, I am being reminded of the frustrations that drove me batty to begin with...finding reliable suppliers of usable parts (e.g., the first shipment of MOSFETs for the loops had an elevated noise floor...try returning a batch of electronic parts some time!). Anyway, if you have requested info on R+ products in the past months or are interested in any of them, we should have some product sheets ready around the first of the year. As far as actual Dxing goes, after trying to log WI for years, I never thought that it would become a pest but WKSH-1640 pretty much owns the frequency (except for WJ Y-Dallas/Ft. Worth Airport and some Louisiana Dept. of ??? station). Dxing the expanded band is a real treat and must be what it was like Dxing back in the 1920's. There is even some decent programming on...try the music at night on KCJJ-1630. Well, that is about it from here for now. I can be reached at email radioplus@gulf.net but my ISP is sometimes squirrely (last summer I went almost four months without email then my ISP sent over 600 emails at once!).73's...GT

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Seems to good to hear from Gerry. Sure wish some of the rest of you would report again. I did listen from time to time over Thanksgiving Weekend and am looking forward to Christmas as I will have another four day weekend followed by a three day weekend the next week. (We are supposed to get Friday night off then.) I was able to copy Gerry's report over to here so while I was proofreading it, I happened to realize that the expanded band we are dealing with right now is not the first time the country has gone thru an expansion of the AM band. I remember noticing in some of the old NRC bulletins I got from Sid Steele in the mid-60's (DX News dating back to 1943) that the band was a



lot smaller than when most of us started listening. How about some of the (how do I put this gracefully, hi) longer-term DXers reminiscing about what it was like in those days and how the expansion of the band has handled back then? I know there was a wide re-assignment of the stations, changing what frequencies they were on, so I am wondering if the re-alignment and the expansion took place at the same time or if they were done several years apart. I suspect this would be of interest to many in the club. 73.  
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## 1999 NF DXPEDITION REPORT

by Jean Burnell

### Introduction

This was the eighth major effort at Cappahayden, and as such we seem to be getting more and more demanding about what we expect to hear. The incredible 130 country total of the fifth DXpedition is unlikely to be surpassed without an equally large DXpedition, so we have focused once more on going for new catches and difficult DX. The DXpeditioners were:

Alan Merriman [AM], Chincoteague, VA, AOR AR-7030 Plus 15 Oct - 23 Oct  
John Fisher [JF], Calgary, AB, Icom R-71A 15 Oct - 17 Oct Neil Kazaross [NK], Barrington, IL, AOR AR-7030 17 Oct - 24 Oct Jean Burnell [JB] St. John's, NF Drake R8A & Icom R-71A 9 Oct - 24 Oct

As I had my children with me for a couple of days, some logs have also been contributed by 9-year-old cub-DXer Christopher Burnell [CB] using a Sony 2010.

The antenna complement at the DXpedition was: Brazilian Beverage: 1 km twin-lead with Byan termination aimed at eastern Brazil. This is also quite effective for Paraguay, Uruguay and Argentina as well as southern Africa. We extended this even longer for one night. African Beverage: 390 m unterminated wire towards southern Africa. This was extended half-way through the DXpedition, and with a wider beam than the Brazilian Beverage, it really helped with the Africans. European Beverage: 500 m terminated wire towards northern Europe. Eastern routes were far from exceptional, so we may not have missed much when this antenna was clipped short by wave action. Delta (K9AY) Loops: Up to three such systems were used. By and large these were handy for filling in the gaps between the Beverage beams, and sometimes these provided quieter coverage than the Beverages. The ends of the Beverage antennas connected through noise-reducing transformers to coaxial cables that brought the signals into the radio "shack." The signals were gently amplified using Kiwa broadband amplifiers then split four ways using ICE splitters. Each DXer could choose his antenna at the flick of a switch.

I used a modified MJF-1026 unit for phasing. Al used a unit based on Mark Connelly's Super-phaser design, and Neil had his zillion-knob Connelly unit of uncertain vintage (carbon-dating being unavailable at Cappahayden).

I like to go to the DX site the weekend before the crowd arrives so that I can ferry the many spools of antenna wire and coax and other heavy material such as bottles of drinking water. The hamlet of Cappahayden does not change much. This time there seemed to be even fewer human inhabitants, but more aggressive dogs. The best way to make sure that nothing important has been forgotten is to DX for a night. I had forgotten part of my delta (K9AY) loop set-up! It would

have been foolish to try to erect it anyway, as the wind was howling at about 100 km/h, and it began to rain heavily. I did stretch out the 1-km long Brazilian Beverage and the 500-m European wire, but neither was terminated until the next week. I was stalked by a seal while fiddling with the latter, and I picked up a jawbone and a vertebra of a baleen whale on the beach.

Propagation from the East was better than during the full-fledged DXpedition. I heard stations such as Yemen on 760 kHz and BBC from Redmoss on 1449 kHz that were not audible a week later. I discovered that the Brazilian Beverage had snapped about 250 meters from the shack, which explained a disappointing initial showing from Brazil.

The next Friday I was back in Cappahayden getting the shack set up. Al Merriman arrived in the afternoon, and I had to zoom back to St. John's to collect my children from school and bring them down to Cappahayden. They were disappointed not to be stalked by a seal, but we did find another whale vertebra and half a dozen pieces of baleen (machete-sized, but flexible whale teeth). My first log was Tanzania on 1377 kHz, not a bad start! We were DXing when John Fisher arrived. He picks up the narrative here:

John Fisher:

While this may have been my third trip to the East Coast Mecca of DXing, Cappahayden, Newfoundland, time has not jaundiced my appreciation of this great location.

As with my last trip in 1998, I was fortunate to have been able to have my visit coincide with a business trip to Germany. So rather than have to deal with an 8-hour time difference and jet lag in Germany, I was able to split the trip in half, making my transition to German Time easier. (That's my story, and I am sticking to it!). In fact, when I heard in late Spring that I would be making this trip, I sent off a note to Jean, asking if he would be interested in a weekend of DX. His reply was that he had been thinking of having another DXpedition, so invites were sent and the plan was set in motion.

Every time that I have been to Newfoundland, the weather has been almost as exciting as the DX. This year was no exception. I saw on Friday morning's weather report in Toronto that there were high wind warnings for Atlantic Canada, so I expected a rough ride on the flight in. When I landed and picked up the rental car, I got the first taste of the wind that was awaiting me. The woman at the counter told me that I may want to avoid an area near the University since some streets were closed because the roof was blown off the Aquarena. When I got in the car and tuned on the radio, I heard that there had been hurricane-force winds of 140 km/h on the south shore (where I was headed) and that the winds tonight would be gusting over 100 km/h. Well those winds stayed with us all weekend and made putting up the K9AY loops for Jean and Al a real challenge. However, I tip my hat to the pilots of the planes that flew in and out of St. John's airport; they really know how to handle these windy conditions. The take off and landings were as smooth as any that I have had in calm conditions. While I was only at the DX Inn for 47 hours, reception conditions provided for a little bit of everything. On the first night, reception was so-so; Europeans were in with fair signals, South America was OK, and we could hear Kenya on 1386. A check of the MW bands in the morning revealed improving conditions to deep South America and my first logging of HCJB on 690. On Saturday afternoon, central Europe and North Africa was coming in stronger, providing me with my first receptions of Belgium 1188 and Algeria 1422.

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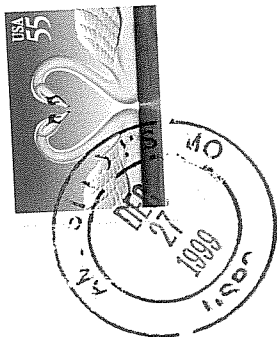
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