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CPC DX TESTS SUMMARY

CPC Chairperson (IRCA) - Lynn Hollerman - gmhollerman@mindspring.com

- 1/17/00 Mon - 0400-0500 - 760 - WVNE - Worcester MA (IRCA)
- 1/23/00 Sun - 0000-0100 - 1090 - KTNS - Oakhurst CA (IRCA)
- 1/30/00 Sun - 0100-0300 - 1450 - WILM - Wilmington DE (NRC)
- 0100-0130 - 630 - WMAL - Washington DC (IRCA)
- * 2/21/00 Mon - 0100-0200 - 1150 - WIMA - Lima OH (NRC)

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 (NLATU)
 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.)

Sunday, January 23, 2000 - KTNS-1090, Oakhurst, CA will conduct a DX test from 9:00pm-10:00pm PST (12:00 am-1:00 am EST). The test will consist of "Music of your life". The test will be run at KTNS's full daytime power of 1000 watts and a non-directional antenna pattern will be used.

Reception reports may be sent to:

Mr. Larry W. Gamble
 General Manager
 KTNS-AM
 40356 Oak Park Way
 Oakhurst, CA 93612
 Email: mtkaat@sierratel.com
 (Arranged by Lynn Hollerman for the IRCA CPC.)

Sunday, January 30, 2000 - WMAL-630, Washington, DC will conduct a DX test from 1:00 am - 1:30 am EST. The test will consist of Morse code IDs

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inserted into regular programming at the top of the hour. According to CE John Butler, the station will be running "When Radio Was" at this time, an anthology of classic radio shows.

Reception reports may be sent to:

Mr. John Butler

WMAL-AM

4400 Jenifer St. NW

Washington, DC 20015

Email: John.C.Butler@abc.com

(Arranged by Lynn Hollerman for the IRCA CPC.)

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 a 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.)

Monday, February 21, 2000 - WIMA-1150, Lima, OH will conduct a DX test from 1:00- 2:00 am EST. The test will include Ohio State Buckeye march music along with voice & CW IDs. WIMA will be at 1KW non-directional for the test. A special e-mail & snail-mail QSL card will be issued.

Reception reports may be sent to:

WIMA DX Test

Atten: Engineering

667 West Market Street

Lima, Ohio 45801

WWW: <http://www2.wcoil.com/~markg/wima.html> (please browse to this URL for a verification/signal report form)

(Arranged by Mark Gierhart 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...

CPC RESULTS & INFO

FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF - phil bytheway

Another 2 week trip to RI starting next week... once again, Ralph will be your guest Editor-in-Chief for the 1/18 and 1/25 SDXM. Send all material to him at sanser@gte.net. Thank you all for making DXM GREAT!!!

>From the Publisher. Volume 37, Number 09 of DX Monitor went out to US addresses before midnight PLT on December 27, and to foreign addresses before 1900 PLT on December 28. The delay was due to the Christmas holiday.

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.

2000 M STREET RADIO DIRECTORY (9th Edition)

The IRCA Bookstore is proud to announce that the 'M Street Corporation' has agreed to offer a discount on their 2000 'M Street Radio Directory' to DXers ordering through the IRCA Bookstore. The Directory contains a complete listing of over 15,000 radio stations (AM/EM, US/Canada) including the following information: facilities, ownership, formats, LMAs, station personnel, phone numbers (and FAX), addresses, ratings, as well as information on almost 400 radio markets in the US and Canada. Stations are listed by location (complete info), frequency (frequency, call, location, power and pattern) and call (call, frequency, location) and market (frequency, call, location, rating, format). It also includes a former call reference (old call, location and current call). Major network information (addresses/phone numbers/etc) and several interesting radio articles are included as well.

The price to US and Canadian DXers ordering through the IRCA Bookstore is \$40.00 post paid (UPS address required). The book is expected to be out by February 2000 (usual disclaimer on date 'cause we can't be sure!). Retail will be \$72.00.

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IRCA Bookstore, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334

(all checks payable to Phil Bytheway)

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Airmail (Central America, Caribbean) - DXM \$35.00, DXM/SDXM \$40.00

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DXM/SDXM - \$43.00

Airmail (rest of the World) - DXM - \$41.00, DXM/SDXM \$46.00

IRCA's web site check it out!!

<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/5792/>

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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FORMAT CHANGES:

CA Stockton	KUYL-1280	was KJAX, talk //KFIV, now oldies "Kool 1280"
KY Irvine	WIRV-1550	was oldies, now oldies//WEKY
KY Paintsville	WKYH- 600	was WKLW, s. gospel, now s. gospel & talk
MA Ashland	WJLT- 650	was WRPT, talk, now cont. Xtian (WJLT's old talk format moves to WMEX-1060)
MA Natick	WMEX-1060	was WJLT, cont. Xtian, now talk (J-light format moves to 650)
MI Petoskey	WWKK- 750	was WJNL, new, currently testing (to begin pgming this month)
MO St. Louis	KSLG-1830	was KZJZ, silent, now Reach s. gospel
MO Warrensburg	KOKO-1450	was AC, now AS (broadcasts Jim Bohannon 9 PM-midnight)
MT Glendive	KXGN-1400	was AC, now WW1 oldies, AC (WW1 oldies days, WW1 AC nights)
NY Albany	WPTR-1540	was WDCD, rel //WDCD-FM, now AS
NY Rochester	WEZO- 950	was AS, adds tropical 5-7 PM
PA Corry	WWCB-1370	was oldies, now AC

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

CA Burney	KMCA-1450	dec. to 260/250 ND
MO Macon	KLTI-1560	adds 41-N, ND
NM Los Ranchos de Albuquerque	KNML-1050	inc. to 1000-N, DA-1 vice DA-2
PA Allentown	WTKZ-1320	dec. to 750/195, DA-N vice DA-2
TX Cleburne	KCLE-1120	moves to 1140 khz., inc. to 850/710, DA-2 vice ND-D

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

AZ Tolleson	KXEG-1010	inc. to 15000-D, DA-D
MD Gaithersburg	WMET-1150	move to 1160 khz., inc. to 19000-D, DA-2
NV Sparks	KPLY-1270	inc. to 13000-D, DA-N vice DA-2
PA Philadelphia	WPEN- 950	inc. to 50000-D, DA-2 vice DA-N
TX Daingerfield	KEGG-1560	inc. to 1500/60 ND

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

CA Stockton	KJAX-1280	becomes KUYL "Kool"
CO La Junta	KBZZ-1400	becomes KBLJ "La Junta"
KY Paintsville	WKLW- 600	becomes WKYH "KY Highlands 600"
MA Boston	WPZE-1260	becomes WMKI "Mickey"
MI Petoskey	WJNL- 750	(CP) becomes WWKK
MO St. Louis	KZJZ-1380	becomes KSLG "St. Louis Gospel"
NY Albany	WDCD-1540	becomes WPTR

Pat Martin of Seaside, OR. sends along the following from Bart Cronin of Seattle, WA.:

Call letter changed noted: Seattle's 50-kw stepchild on 1090 is IDING as KYCW-AM, ex-KMPS-AM for the past several weeks, ex-KRPM since 9/95 after it swapped frequencies with 770 (now KNWX). In 3-95 the calls were changed from KINF to KNWX. KINF was used for only several months. Prior was KING-AM from 1948. Is running "Classic Country." KYCW-FM still being used on a sister station which has dropped country for Hits of the '80s and now known as "The Point." The FM calls are also to be changed to KQPT or something like that. By the way, KYCW-AM and KNWX share towers on Maury Island (attached by a causeway with Vashon Island in Puget Sound).

Ye editor passes along the following:

High-tech Silicon Valley workers will soon be able to turn off the soft rock and tune in to software news on their car radios. Technology news and information company CNET Inc. and radio broadcaster AMFM Inc. announced Tuesday (01/04/00-ed.) they will join forces to create CNET Radio, the country's first all-tech radio format. It will be launched this month in San Francisco on AMFM's KNEW AM station, and the companies plan to develop the new format in the San Francisco Bay area, with plans to roll it out nationally by the end of 2000. Broadcasting from CNET's San Francisco studios, CNET will produce daily tech-focused news radio programming, from the start of the morning drive to the end of the evening commute. CNET Radio will draw on CNET's extensive experience producing technology news and information online and on television. CNET Radio will have a companion Web site at www.cnetradio.com <<http://www.cnetradio.com>>, which will feature live streaming audio of CNET Radio broadcasts, as well as information on CNET Radio programming and talent, useful Web links, and other resources for the listener community.

"AMFM, CNET and KNEW are early movers in bringing a full day of relevant, important technology news to radio listeners enabling them to better understand the opportunities presented by new technology and the new economy," said Brent Osborne, General Manager of KNEW.

"With the addition of radio to our leading online and television properties, CNET is emerging as the prototypical media company of the 21st century -- a dynamic merging of mediums with the Internet at its core," said Halsey Minor, chairman and chief executive officer of CNET. The AMFM Radio Group has more than 440 stations in 100 markets and reaches a weekly listener base of approximately 64 million people.

Pat Martin sends along the following from Frank Aden of Boise, Idaho: KTIK (1340-Nampa, ID. - ed.) has been running announcements that they are going to 1350 00:00 MST Jan 1.

Additional info on this subject forwarded by Pat from Allan Dunn (location unknown):

Looks like (KTIK's day and night power-ed.) 5000W day non-directional and 600W night into a four tower array.

And Pat forwards even more information along from Bill Frahm of Boise, ID on this subject:

Their (KTIK-ed.) engineer claims night-time power to be 900 watts with last change in CP. The FCC database is wrong?! I'll check on that. It seems the towers were placed as specified in the first application for CP (two 1/2 wave towers & two 1/4 wave towers). The application for CP was modified to one half wave tower & three 1/4 wave towers with the towers in slightly different locations. So the last modification to the CP corrected the tower placement & changed the parameters.

Pat sends along further info on this subject from Frank Aden:

KTIK switched to 1350 at 00:00 MST 01/01/00, they did it right in middle of a commercial. No special announcements were made. I did tape it. (I also heard them here in San Jose, they mix with KSRO Santa Rosa, CA. nights-ed.)

Rich Toebe of Davis, CA. (I listed him as Fairfield, CA. in last column, my mistake!!! -ed.) sends along the following (info also forwarded on by Pat Martin):

KUYL (1280-Stockton, CA. -ed.) did go oldies this week. They still use the KUYL calls and are now "Cool 12-80". They are live; DJ gives

lots of local references (or they've done a great job fooling me into thinking they're local, hi).

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

Our CE tells me that 1460-AM (KTXS Salinas, CA. -ed.) should go on the air for the first time with regular programming this coming Monday, 1/3/2000 at 1:00 p.m.!

That's tentatively the time it should begin broadcasting, if everything goes according to schedule.

The 1460 signal will be sportstalk that had been on 1380, and KTOM-AM 1380 will start at that time with its new classic country format from Jones.

And Jim sends along further information on this subject:

Looks like 1460 in Salinas, CA (KTXS-ed.) made it on the air today (1/3/00-ed.), as scheduled! It is now broadcasting the One-On-One sports talk format formerly heard on KTOM-1380, as 1380 now has the Classic Country format, which began today.

1460 will likely changel to an all talk or news-talk format later this year.

Rich Toebe passes along the following information:

1480 (KRHT-ed.) in Concord (CA.-ed.) has been silent for several months now.

When they were on, I could hear them day or night; driving around, I figured out that their puny transmitter had to be near Buchanan Field. I could hear them out to Fairfield during the day; at night they were easily overwhelmed by various stations. They were not listed in the local phone directory. I wonder if they'll ever come back; it was my understanding that they were eligible for an X-band slot, but had trouble finding a transmitter site. Running the NOAA broadcasts was apparently to keep their license alive.

Floyd Perry of Stockton, CA. sends along the following:

What is happening at KFRE-940 (Fresno, CA. -ed.) ? Most of their programming is now at KMPH-107.5 and KTRB-860. And KFRE is currently silent right now (1/1/00-ed.). (Not anymore, they're now Radio Unica-ed.)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Alan Dugan (location unknown):

Crawford Broadcasting has reinstated the old WPTR Call letters at 1540 (Albany, NY. -ed.) !!!! The new format, which will be standards, is also on their 96.7 frequency.

At least for now you can get Pop Standards a night!

Mike Brooker of Toronto, ON., passes along the following:

Infinity Broadcasting is one of several competing applications for CBL's vacated 740 frequency. Proposed format is multi-ethnic. This is a new station, not a frequency move of an existing ethnic format such as CIAO-530 or CHKT-1430. Their main argument is that Toronto's non-official language communities need a 50 Kw clear channel outlet, because some ethnic programs are even being farmed out to WTOR-770 in Youngstown NY. View Infinity's application to the CRTC at <http://www.infinitycanada.com>

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

KFRE (940 Fresno, CA. -ed.) appears to have gone SS with Radio Unica. What a surprise, although KMJ has been beating up on them bigtime ratings-wise ever since they went news/talk. Take a look at their web

site <http://www.kfre.com> ; I can't figure out if some or all of their programming is going to KTRB/KMPH-FM. I can't hear KTRB here. Nice signal; that makes two 50 KW'ers, the other being KBLA.

Pete Taylor of Tacoma, WA. passes along the following information:

KJR-950 is installing its new 50kw XR at the co-owned KHHO site near Port of Tacoma Road in Tacoma. Two towers have been added (there are now six) and they plan on testing it starting in mid-January. Look for some down time and a possible change in signal strength. They will have a fat northerly lobe (which means I'll be getting about 100kw in my face). They would have installed it at their present site but couldn't do a proof because of buildings, cranes etc. in the area. KHHO-850 is simultaneously installing a new XR. It should be stronger (the old one was operating at about 65%) and louder (new, KJR-like audio processing). They will eventually split programming with KHHO carrying a different sports format.

Meanwhile, at Salem Communications, Construction of KAZJ-1680 facilities has not yet begun (the CE says they will probably have a sports format and apply for KSEA). Likewise, nothing's happening with the KKOL-1300 power increase due to landlord and/or permit delays. And finally, KAYO-920 is still off (as of 1/1); phone calls there as to what's happening have never netted much information and my 12/30 call was no exception.

Gary Jackson of Sacramento, CA. sends along information that confirms earlier information presented on the switch of KFRE-940 Fresno, CA. to Radio Unica".

The first column of the new millenium! Hope everyone had a great Xmas and a better New Year, with not a single Y2K glitch! May you find peace and good DX in the year 2000 and beyond... 73's.

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1230 KRSY NM, Alamosgo 12/25 with ESPN 1955, then something about channel 30 and clear KRSY ID at 2000 into CNN news. Ex-KPSA. (BN-CO)
- 1410 KIIX CO, Ft. Collins 12/25 2100 "The X" with ESPN. (BN-CO)
- *****
- 590 KID ID, Idaho Falls 12/19 2253 strong in Spanish with "Super Caliente" slogan (per NRC Log). (LG-MT)

700 KGRV OR, Winston 12/17 1044 religious program, birthday greetings, ID at 1048 followed by Christmas music. Good. (AB-CA)

800 KPDQ OR, Portland 12/19 0755 dominant with call ID before religious show. Good signal for 500 watts. (LG-MT)

830 KPLS CA, Orange 12/17 2005 "AM 8-30 KPLS" ID, KNCO nulled somewhat. (AB-CA)

840 KXNT NV, North Las Vegas 12/18 0759 "AM 8-40 KXNT North Las Vegas" ID, CBS news at 0800. Dominant. (AB-CA)

880 KWIP OR, Dallas 12/17 1059 KWIP ID, several Radio Unica slogans. Good. (AB-CA)

960 KSRA ID, Salmon 12/18 0907 KSRA ID under KABL. New. (AB-CA)

980 KJOX WA, Selah 12/20 0830 mostly under KFVB with ID, ad for Olympia Tailor's, and news. New. (AB-CA)

CKNW BC, New Westminster 12/20 0804 Broadcast News, ID at 0807 mixing and over KFVB. New. (AB-CA)

1230 KBOV CA, Bishop 12/6 0410 new logging in KYPA null. Becoming dominant with Good Time Oldies, KBOV weather jingle, Happy Birthday wishes, forecast mentioning Mammoth Lakes, spots... Some QRM from KLAV & KXO. Report sent. (MS-CA)

KORT ID, Grangeville apparent s/on at 0756 12/20. Announcer said to stay tuned for the best C&W. (LG-MT)

1240 KASL WY, Newcastle 12/20 with Wyoming BB, clear ID at 2305. (BN-CO)

1290 KAZA CA, Gilroy 12/15 1035 good with talk in Spanish. Some fading. (MS-CA)

1350 KBID CA, Bakersfield 12/13 2013 "All time classics, KBID AM 13-50" ID into Christmas music. (AB-CA)

KCKC CA, San Bernardino 12/15 1020 strong with continuous loud clock ticking. Possible countdown to Y2K and/or new station. ~~KSRO & unID underneath. Noted 12/17 in Spanish!~~ (MS-CA)

KSRO CA, Santa Rosa 12/13 0835 "Newstalk 13-50 KSRO" ID, then into local weather. (AB-CA)

1360 KKMO WA, Tacoma 12/13 1958 "AM 13-60 KKMO" ID, very strong. (AB-CA)

1400 KVBL CA, Visalia 12/14 1928 ID and song "Cry Like A Baby" by the Box Tops. (AB-CA)

+12/15 0304 momentarily dominant with dual ID "KCBL-1340 and KVBL-1400." Sports programming. QRM from KKJL, KKZZ and XEPF. First logged these guys as KONG. (MS-CA)

1510 KFNN AZ, Mesa 12/15 0914 ID & traffic report, huge signal well over KGA. (AB-CA)

1540 KNGL KS, McPherson 12/19 woman with s/off under Spanish station. (BN-CO) (Time??-NJ)

1570 KHFN CO, Loveland 12/19 2311 in like a ton of lead with C&W songs "On Life's Highway" and "Go Tell it on the Mountain." Lady DJ, ID at 2337. (MS-CA)

?KHFN? +12/21 0753 presumed the one with extensive Colorado livestock report, very strong. (LG-MT)

1680 TIS CA, Lake Tahoe 12/25 0900 with short tape loop for North Star Info Radio. Good signal for 10 watts. Thanks to Pat Martin for Christmas gift! (LG-MT)

WTTM NJ, Princeton 12/17 finally logged during WJNZ fade at 2300 with ESPN show, then legal ID. (LG-MT)

HELP WITH UNIDS

1520 Fred Eatock's unID on 1520 in Vol. 37 #10 is almost certainly KVTA Port Hueneme, CA. They are about 50 miles from LA (one of

the spots mentioned LA Airport), and they put most of their night signal to the west. Between that and their tower location being very close to the ocean (great ground), I think it's very likely their 1kw would make it out to Hawaii. They do get out extremely well. (DG-CA)

In case you have not heard, the 2000 IRCA convention will be held here in Billings, MT August 25, 26 and 27. John and I hope that you can come to Billings that weekend!

WDXR #2

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GE Superadio, Select-A-Tenna, HQ-180A, Radio West loop

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1350 KTIK ID, Nampa 1/3 0656-0700 good over/under KSRO with "All Night From New Orleans," 1-888-ESPN-???, ad for ESPN Sports Century book, ID on hour "ESPN Sportsradio, KTIK, Nampa-Boise." Frequency change, ex-1340. Puts good signal this way (suspect they protect KRLC Lewiston, ID on 1350 and put a lot of signal strength south, hence good signal here!). First new catch of the new millennium.
(RW-CA)
- *****
- 550 KGME AZ, Phoenix 12/31 good here with talk format, "KGME" ID at 2306. (PM-CA)
- 560 KBLU AZ, Yuma this one is good all day here in the desert, but non-existent after LSS. Talk format. (PM-CA)
- 590 CFAR MB, Flin Flon 12/20 1930 man mentioned Manitoba and Flin Flon, fair with KMJ-580 and KOGO-600 slop. Don't think I'll ever get a clean shot at this one. New. (AB-CA)
- 610 KFRC CA, San Francisco 12/31 0750 in good with oldies. (CM-NV)
- 620 KTAR AZ, Phoenix good day & night here. (PM-CA)
- 630 KHOW CO, Denver 1/1 talk format, then "K-HOW" at 0105. (PM-CA)
KCIS WA, Edmonds 12/20 1943 legal ID, mixing with KIDO. New.
(AB-CA)
- 660 (KTNN) AZ, Window Rock 12/27 0610 totally off the air, two in Spanish mixing with each other with one ID'ing as "La Consetida." (RW-CA)
- 670 KLTT CO, Commerce 1/1 0034 good with religious format, "K-Light" IDs. No sign of KBOI down here. This one is heard all day here too. (PM-CA)
- 750 KXKL OR, Portland 12/31 0700 coming in good with ID. (CM-NV)
KAMA TX, El Paso 1/1 in Spanish, man in English saying "K-A-M-A" at 0055. (PM-CA)
- KOAL UT, Price 12/31 0700 in good with ID. (CM-NV)

- 900 KBIF CA, Fresno 12/21 1952 religious talk program "Person to Person," covered by CJVI at 1959. Monday-Friday sked: 0600-1800 is religious in English, 0000-0600 the programming is in the Hmong language. Saturday it's religion to 1500, Asian languages to 2400, and then business programming in English. Sunday the foreign language starts at 1600. The station makes the switch to 500w around 1645 PLT. Much thanks to Tony Donato at KBIF for this info. (AB-CA)
- 940 KFRE CA, Fresno Has been sold to Radio Unica and is all Spanish as of 1/1/00. Heard at 1900 1/2. (GJ-CA)
 +1/3 0758 sports news, "K-F-R-E Fresno" ID at 0759, Radio Unica slogan at 0800. (AB-CA)
 (KFRE) +1/1 0300 noted totally off in preparation to become Radio Unica later on 1/1/00. ID 1/5 1000 as "KFRE, Fresno, nueve cuarenta, Radio Unica." Thanks to various individuals for this tip. (RW-CA)
- KBRE UT, Cedar City 1/3 0700 ID and ABC news, fair under KFRE. New. (AB-CA)
- 960 ?KCTK? AZ, Phoenix 1/3 0815 tentative with talk about Dr. Jack Kevorkian on Daybreak USA, ad mentioned 1-888-321-AIDS, then ad for Phoenix fast-food restaurant, back into ad for Gold Bond Medicated cream. Faded under CFAC in KABL null. Tentative call change ex-KPXQ. (RW-CA)
- 970 KFTA ID, Rupert 12/27 0756-0800 good over KANM with ID as "Kah-eff-teh-ah, Rupert, Fantastica Nueve Setenta, La Buena," later mentioned "... a lunes a viernes, aqui, en La Buena," ad for New Beginning Home Center of Twin Falls. Call change, ex-KBBK. Last new catch of the old millennium. (RW-CA)
- 1010 KBBW TX, Waco-Marlin 12/28 0756 woman with anti-racism in Texas talk/sermon. (AB-CA)
- 1230 KLXR CA, Redding 12/27 1003 good over mess with ad for North Valley Bank of Redding. Rare here. Believe they were silent for a while. (RW-CA)
- 1250 KHIL AZ, Willcox 1/1 good on top with C&W music, weathercast at 0106, "K-Hill" IDs. (EM-OR)
- 1280 KRVM OR, Eugene 12/26 1935 legal ID mixing with KDYL. New. (AB-CA)
- KIT WA, Yakima 12/23 0700 legal ID and CBS news. New. (AB-CA)
- 1340 KTSN NV, Elko 12/26 0842 "in" for a moment with end of sports news and ID. New. (AB-CA)
- 1350 KCKC CA, San Bernardino 1/3 1925 spoke to Mike Callaghan CE of KFTA-1150. He confirmed what I've heard in past weeks, they are Spanish and no longer // 1150, 850, 610. Unsure of studios, etc, but 2 tower site still on W. Mill, San Bernardino. (GL-CA)
- 1460 KTXK CA, Salinas 1/5 0100 terrible signal, even worse for 10kw! Just barely over KCKX, then went under KCKX for 5 minutes! Heard quick ID "KTXK, Salinas" on hour after One-On-One Sports, then One-On-One Sports Flash. Came on air 1/3 1400 per Jim Hilliker. Suspect they protect KRRS-1460 CA, KEST-1450 CA, and KRAK-1470 CA, putting good chunk of signal to south or into ocean like old KDON used to do. Signal is even worse than old KDON! KTYM used to eradicate them at sunrise! (RW-CA)
- 1490 KOWL CA, South Lake Tahoe 12/31 1300 in good with ID. (CM-CA)
- 1630 TIS/HAR CA, Los Angeles Airport 1/4 0530 with parking info for airport. (GJ-CA)

- 1610 TIS/HAR CA, Placerville 1/5 0635 giving weather conditions for the summit. Mentioned to carry chains as conditions can change. (GJ-CA)
- KCJJ IA, Iowa City 12/27 through XEUT's carrier, ID at 0700. XEUT is becoming a pest with testing every night, no audio, just carrier. Anyone have an address for XEUT??? KCJJ heard again 12/29 0700 ID very weak. (GJ-CA)
- 1640 KPBC OR, Lake Oswego 1/4 0600 ID through KDIA. (GJ-CA)
- 1670 TIS/HAR CA, Menlo Park 12/26 0400 in with good signal with regular programming. Good verifier, nice letter saying I was the first to report them, received Menlo Park PD patch and police sports card. 12/29 0715 regular programming with info on New Year's Day and DWI driving. (GJ-CA) (Gary, I did not include the calls letters you had for this one, because I was unable to read your writing. --NJ)
- 1680 TIS CA, Lake Tahoe 12/28 North Star is no longer testing and is on a regular schedule giving weather reports and snow conditions for North Star & plans of fireworks for the New Year. Female announcer. Strong 12/28 at 0600. (GJ-CA)
- TIS/HAR CA, San Mateo signed on the air Dec. 23. Now doing regular broadcasts, using five watts. (GJ-CA)
- WTIR FL, Winter Garden 12/28 0627 weak signal with ID. 1/2 in with music & ID at 0555. (GJ-CA)
- 1700 KQXX TX, Brownsville 12/26 0600 with ID & Spanish music. Owner called me in Nov. saying they would verify my report. Still no answer. 1/3 0540 mixing with and overriding KTEK. (GJ-CA)
- KTBK TX, Dallas 1/3 0530 with sports & ID. Strong signal. (GJ-CA)

DX TEST

- 1420 KSTN CA, Stockton 1/1 0300-0700 in real strong with music, ID's, Morse code, and phone calls. Mentioned Pat Martin won last years contest. (GJ-CA)

UNIDS

- 830 12/31 0705 country coming in good. Alberta? (CM-NV)
- 1250 12/31 Radio Disney coming in poor. Any ideas? (CM-NV)
- 1610 12/29 0400 two TIS/HAR stations very weak, unable to ID. CalTrans, but no location given. (GJ-CA)
- 1630 12/26 0452 strong carrier 25+, no audio. Assume XEUT but no ID on hour. Has been testing like this for over a week, but no ID. (GJ-CA)
- 1670 0715 C&W music, sounded like old hay ride or barn dance shows, then sounded like Grandpa Jones & Minnie Pearl. Weak. WRNC in Warner-Robins, GA? (GJ-CA)

Robert Wien sends along word that KBJD-1650 Denver "The Beat" is now on the air. John and I have heard it, details are in CDXR. The 2000 IRCA convention will be held in Billings Aug. 25, 26 and 27. Hope that you can attend!

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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[JcJ-MT] Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A with a "Radio West" loop.

DOWN THE DIAL

830 WMMI MI, Shepherd. 12-25 good to fair in WCCO null. 18:00-19:15
with Detroit Tigers football on "The WXYT Network" along
with plenty of local spots. [TMJ-IL]
950 KXJK AR, Forrest City. 12-23 in WNTD null. 18:06 with call
letters and sports talk. Needed for Scrabble DX Contest.
[TMJ-IL]
WGOV GA, Valdosta. 12-20 good in WNTD null. 18:30 with UC
programming. "Magic 95" slogans. Several mentions of WGOV
and Valdosta. First time heard. [TMJ-IL]
1020 KJKK MN, Fergus Falls. 12-23. 21:00 with "KJKK oldies 10-20"
ID. Needs for the Scrabble DX Contest. [TMJ-IL]
1030 KTWO WY, Casper. 12-18 good, over a weaker WBZ and WWBG all in a
null of WNVR. 11:00 with UoFW sports and ID on the hour as
"K-two clear channel radio in Casper." Good daytime
conditions near winter solstice. [TMJ-IL]
1200 KFNW ND, West Fargo. 12-26 in with a weak WLXX and a stronger
WOAI. 17:30 with call letters and religious talk. [TMJ-IL]
1240 CJCS ON, Stratford. 12-22 briefly atop during early SSS. 16:31
with "In Stratford your source for news and information on
the CJCS news..." New. [FM-IL]
1290 KOWB WY, Laramie. 12-27. 21:01 with ID. [NJ-MT]
1390 WRSC PA, State College. 12-22 briefly surfaced. 17:14 with "News
radio WRSC, WBLF." New. [FM-IL]
1410 CFUN BC, Vancouver. 12-29. 21:00 with "C-fun" slogan into woman
with traffic report. [NJ-MT]
1430 WCLT OH, Neward. 12-22. 16:56 with promo for Ohio State Buckeyes
basketball "...on 14-30 WCLT, your... and information
station." New. [FM-IL]
1450 KYLS MO, Fredricktown. 12-23 poor. 18:39 with "14-50 KYLS The
Fox" and oldies into spots. [JJR-WI]
WKEI IL, Kewanee. 12-24 poor, fade up in mess. 18:52 with "WKEI
stock report." New. [JJR-WI]
1480 WCIN OH, Cincinnati. 12-25. 02:42 with urban oldies. ID included
web site of www.1480wcin.com [JJR-WI]
1520 KKSX OR, Oregon City. 12-31 good through nulled KOMA. 22:00 with
after out of NOS music. [NJ-MT]
1530 KCMN CO, Colorado Springs. 12-26 good with no sign of KFBK. 18:58
with NOS format, ID "KCMN Colorado Springs." [NJ-MT]
1540 KASA AZ, Phoenix. 12-31 good with KXEL nulled. 20:58 with SS
music, ID, "Radio Casa" slogan. [NJ-MT]

DX TESTS

740 (WJIB) MA, Cambridge. 12-20 DX Test. 00:00-00:20 listened during
this time for the DX Test, but nothing heard. [TMJ-IL]
750 (WAAT) PA, Olyphant. 12-18 DX Test. 00:00-00:20 listened during
this time for the DX Test in WSB null, but nothing heard.
[TMJ-IL]
1420 KSTN CA, Stockton. 1-1 DX Test. Both of us tried for this at
separate times, we only heard a few bips of code, most

likely KSTN. Not enough for a report. [JcJ+NJ-MT]

UNID

1350 unID 12-27. 00:05 with "Newark" spot into ESPN Radio. Most likely from east or northeast, but nothing fits. [FM-IL]

25 YEARS AGO

January 4, 1975 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Albert S Lobel of El Cajon, CA said we was 27 and married. He used a DX150A with a Sanserino Loop and an IRCA Loop ... Bill Harang of San Jose, CA told about KLOK-1170 and KBAY-FM's licenses being channaged by a citizens group headed by two San Jose State University professors ... Gary Parton of San Mateo, CA wanted to trade tapes of local radio stations broadcasts.

OPEN MIKE

Always exaggerate the importance of important things and overlook their deficiencies. 2000 is here! 73, John

2000 IRCA CONVENTION NEWS

The 2000 IRCA Convention will be held in Billings, Montana on August 25, 26, and 27th. Registration fee will be \$35.00 which includes the Saturday night buffet. Convention headquarters will be at the Homestead Quality Inn -- this is the same location as the 1993 convention. We have arranged for special room rates: \$55 for singles, \$72 for doubles, and \$59 for their twin suites. When making reservations at the Quality Inn 1-800-228-5151 number please mention the Homestead Quality Inn and "2000 IRCA Convention." Want to know more? Log onto the convention web site at http://pages.prodigy.net/john_johnson/irca2000.htm for complete details. More details will appear in the printed "DX Monitor" soon, including a mail-in registration form. John and Nancy Johnson are your hosts.

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[JcJ-MT] Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A with a "Radio West" loop.

SPECIAL INTEREST

1350 KTIK ID, Nampa. EX-1340. 1-5 strong. 21:01 with "Sports radio 13-40 KTIK Nampa, Boise" into local spot. Yes, that is correct, they said 1340, but are on 1350 now. [NJ-MT]

1650 KBJD CO, Denver. New expanded band station is on the air. 1-9 strong with fades. During fades KCNZ could be heard. 00:00 legal ID. Many mentions of "The Beat 1650." [JcJ+NJ-MT]

DOWN THE DIAL

1340 KCAP MT, Helena. 1-1 strong. 05:00 with ID into CBS News. [NJ-MT]

1460 KENO NV, Las Vegas. 1-5 good. 20:00 with ID into CNN News.
[NJ-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

January 11, 1975 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Michael Hogan of Chicago, IN told about a get-together at Bob Kramer's house ... New DXWW editor Bruce Portzer of Seattle, WA said he was 23, single, but would be married in a couple months. His totals were 1281/528 ... John Zondlo of Muncie, IN tried DX'ing over the holidays back in Hammond, but said it was much nicer being in Muncie.

OPEN MIKE

The worst bankrupt in the world is the man who has lost his enthusiasm. Thanks to Nancy we have a column this time! 73, John

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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WELCOME TO THE NEW YEAR...Its been a pretty good DX season so far, but would love to hear from you...Email your reports to ENGWTRS@AOL.COM. or FAX to 352-732-7223.....Here is this weeks report.....

STARS OF THE WEEK

- (LF-FL) your editor Drake R-8A / HQ180A, Potomac FIM-41
KIWA Loop, 75' l.w. N/S
(GT-FL) Gerry Thomas Pensacola,FL Drake R-8/Quantum loop w/15"head
Quantum Phasor VIA E-MAIL

LOGGINGS

- 770 WLWL NC Rockingham. 12/31 2114. Loud w/"Big Wave 77" ID and the "Rhythm and Beach Network." Apparently on daytime power this New Year's Eve. (GT-FL)
1010 WIOJ FL Jacksonville. 12/30 1733. Noted with religious prgming (not AC/Old as log says). (GT-FL) (Gerry-The last M street directory shows religion as well as my database on the web-ed)
1030 KFAY AR Farmington. 12/30 1736. Atop with spots for local bank and then sports. (GT-FL)
1130 WBBR NY New York. 12/18 1759. Bloomberg Radio almost loud w/nx and traffic report at SSS. (GT-FL)
1290 WNBW MS Meridian 12/27 1953 ID, local Meridian spots into gospel MX. (LF-FL)
1300 WMTN TN Morristown 12/27 1739 Up with ID as "WMTN-AM" very poor (LF-FL)
1310 WDKD SC Kingston 12/29 1713. Mixing with WDOD and SS stn. Local news. Poor (LF-FL)
1430 KQLL OK Tulsa. 12/7 2047. Briefly atop the mess w/basketball game between Tulsa and SW MO State. (GT-FL)
1440 WNYG NY Babylon. 12/18 1755. Surprised to hear this one w/spot for First National Bank of St. Albans. SSS to NE superb this day. (GT-FL)
1520 KRHW MO Sikeston. 12/7 2030. Good w/basketball game between Sikeston and Poplar Bluffs. (GT-FL)
1660 WQSN MI Kalamazoo. In nightly around 2100, often with talk about Detroit Pistons. (GT-FL)
1680 WJNZ MI Ada. 12/28 2121. Finally heard this one under WTIR and WTTM w/soft blues/jazz; fair copy. (GT-FL)
1690 KDDZ CO Arvada. In nightly with kid's programming and mixing with WMDM-MD's sports prgming. Both at fair levels but KDDZ usually dominant. (GT-FL)
1700 KTBK TX Dallas/Sherman. 12/29 1750. Good w/sports talk and ID as "Sports Talk 13-10" (KTCK). (GT-FL)

SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1270 WLIK TN Newport 12/28 1900 Up with Oldies and ID as "The Smokie's Oldies Station". Our database shows as Country. Can someone verify this ??? (LF-FL)

UN-IDEN:

- 1630 UNID Who is this guy? Heard occasionally in KCJJ partial null with cool jazz. Very weak but readable signal and looped E-W. Noted again 12/28 at 2135 w/light jazz sax (nice!) but annrc sd/lk SS (?). Nothing listed in NRC log. (GT-FL)
- 1640 UNID FL New Smyrna Beach (?). 12/28 2122. Appeared at loud level w/beach driving restrictions on Flagler Ave and ments of SE Volusia Chamber of Commerce. Not noted 12/31 or since. (GT-FL) All 1640 TIS stns hrd in WKSH-WI null

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

- 1610 ?? ?? FL Ocala 12/31 all day Marion County Sheriffs mobile TIS noted here. Giving State Road 40 information on detours. (City had closed off road through downtown for the BIG New Years celebration) Alerting travelers on what routes to take to bypass Ocala. Off the next day (LF-FL)
- 1610 WPLY701 FL Tarpon Springs. 12/18 1600. Easy copy of this TIS w/Coast Guard info and fire safety tips. (GT-FL)
- 1630 WPLR917 LA, Baton Rouge. Heard many nights in Dec w/"LA Dept. of ?? on 16-30 kilocycles" ID in KCJJ null. (GT-FL)
- 1640 WPLR660 TX, Dallas-Forth Worth. In late nights (>2200) with airport info and ID as "This is WJ_Y (??)-1680 broadcasting on 1640" (GT-FL)
- 1640 WPMU722 LA, Lake Charles. Often alternates with WPLR660 with robot wx and tide info. (GT-FL)

It's an all Florida report this week. Nice to see Gerry back at the dials again. Nice to know he is feeling better...see you all next time 73's and all the best.....

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Comments: Despite good northern European reception reported in late December by Bruce Conti and Ben Dangerfield, I hit another opening that was good to the Iberian Peninsula and northwest Africa, but poor to northern Europe.

*** TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ***

549 ALGERIA Les Trembles, JAN 8 2310 - AA talk by young woman; good. [Connelly*O-MA]

585 SPAIN RNE1, Madrid, JAN 8 2308 - // 855 with SS news, telephone interview; fair, hetted by Tunisia-585.25. [Connelly*O-MA]

- 603 SPAIN RNE5, Sevilla / Palencia, JAN 8 2307 - SS speech, then discussion; good. Not // RNE1 at the time. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 612 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aioun, JAN 8 2304 - AA vocal, drums; to fair peak. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE1 synchros, JAN 8 2303 - fast SS news by man, // 684; good. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 684 SPAIN RNE1, Sevilla, JAN 8 2302 - SS news by man; very good. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 693.7 AZORES RDP, Santa Barbara JAN 8 2259 - PP discussion; good, stronger than stations on 693.0 (growl of 700 Hz noted). [Connelly*O-MA]
- 836 AZORES RDP, Pico da Barrosa, JAN 8 2247 - outdoor public address or sports announcements by man in PP; fair, better than Canaries-837 at the time. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE1, Murcia et al., JAN 8 2308 - // 585 & others with SS newstalk; loud. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 882 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, JAN 8 2246 - man & woman in SS; to fair peak in YVYM slop with WCBS phased [Connelly*O-MA]
- 891 ALGERIA Algiers, JAN 8 2242 - AA vocal, flutes, drums; low audio, but huge S9+30 carrier. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 909 UNITED KINGDOM BBC, Moorside Edge et al., JAN 8 2238 - EE talk by man (seemed sports-related); poor, over probable Morocco, sloped by YVRQ/WABI, and hetted by Gambia-907.8. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 954 SPAIN R. Espana, Madrid, JAN 8 2236 - woman in SS; to fair peak. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 981.1 ALGERIA Radiodif. Algerienne, Algiers, JAN 8 2355 - back about 100 Hz on the high side of the channel: bits of AA vocal; mostly a big het against WTRY/WCAP. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1008 CANARY ISLANDS Las Palmas, R. Las Palmas / RadioVoz, JAN 8 2233 - non-SER SS talk; poor. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1035 PORTUGAL R. Nacional, Lisboa, JAN 8 2350 - light piano music, then man in PP; good. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1044 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aioun, JAN 8 2232 - AA / Berber vocal and drumming; at low audio level on huge carrier. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1053 MOROCCO Tanger, JAN 8 2349 - instrumental music, then man & woman in AA; LOUD ! [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1098 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, JAN 8 2347 - SS talk with messy growl. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1179 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 8 2244 - SS news; loud. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1206 FRANCE R. Bleue, Bordeaux, JAN 8 2343 - woman in FF; to good peak. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1215 SPAIN COPE synchros, JAN 8 2342 - woman with fast SS talk; fair. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1269 SPAIN COPE synchros, JAN 8 2340 - bits of SS talk; in tough CJCE/WTSN slop. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1296 SPAIN COPE, Valencia, JAN 8 2246 - // 882 with SS talk; poor to fair. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1485 SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 8 2334 - SS teletalk; to good peak. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1503 AZORES AFRTS, Lajes, JAN 8 2215 - US football game coverage; poor, over RTTY-type jamming(?) signal. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA, Duba, JAN 8 2222 - man in AA speaking in a somewhat echoey room; good. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1575 SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 8 2337 - // 1485 with fast SS talk and teletalk; good. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1584 CEUTA (t) Radiotele, JAN 8 2336 - SS music atop SER station: likely it's found its way back to the correct 1584 channel from its 1583.6 "drift" frequency. [Connelly*O-MA]

1584 SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 8 2336 - SER teletalk; under presumed Ceuta. [Connelly*O-MA]

*** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***

- 526 BAHAMAS ZLS, Stella Maris, JAN 8 2318 - "ZLS" code beacon; fair in RVC slop. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 530 TURKS & CAICOS R. Vision Cristiana, JAN 8 2317 - SS talk about religion, law, and government; local-like signal. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 535 GRENADA GBC, St. George's, JAN 8 2315 - country influenced female pop vocal; rising up to a good level over the RVC-530 slop. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 570 CUBA R. Reloj, JAN 8 2309 - SS news, clock ticks, "RR" beeps; huge, burying WMCA. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 609.27 unID JAN 8 2305 - carrier with AC ripple; hetting 610 domestics. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 627.5 unID JAN 8 2359 - het against WSKN/CFCY/WPRO-630. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 670 VENEZUELA R. Rumbos, YVLL, Caracas, JAN 8 2359 - R. Rumbos ID; strong, dominant. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 690 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, JAN 8 2301 - EE preaching from the gospels of St. Paul; strong, well over a messy melange (FF, SS, PP stations) and an unID tone-tester. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 720 VENEZUELA R. Oriente, YVQE, Porlamar, JAN 8 2256 - Oriente ID and SS talk about cultural programming; good, over CHTN. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 860 VENEZUELA R. Enlace 860, YVYE, Valle de la Pascua, JAN 8 2358 - Enrique Iglesias doing SS version of "Rhythm Divine", then numerous "Valle de la Pascua" mentions in slogans and advertising; good, atop CJBC. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 895 ST. KITTS & NEVIS VON, Bath Village, JAN 8 2356 - mellow soul vocal (sounded like Boyz II Men); good. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1100.8 unID JAN 8 2346 - dramatic SS female vocal; in and out of the slop. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1110 VENEZUELA R. Carupano, YVQT, Carupano, JAN 8 2345 - Carupano ID, man in SS with "telco" audio (possibly a feed from an outdoor event); atop WBT. [Connelly*O-MA]
- 1375.02 ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON RFO, JAN 8 2339 - Latin American style jazz; good. [Connelly*O-MA]

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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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Hello. Hope everyone had no problems on Jan 1. All went well here - was at job as 1-1-00 arrived. I called and spoke to CE Mike Callaghan of KXTA. I've heard Spanish in past couple weeks on 1350 KCKC. He says they changed to obtain more ad dollars. Also KCKC is under same ownership. Towers still on Mill St. 73 for now.

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My deadline is the last Tuesday of the month.

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55318; L; 23; JCJ

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1620 KAZP Stephen D Claasen*; JCJ

1630 TIS Sheila Gonzales, Public Relations; Los Angeles Convention
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GVJ

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1670 (Unsigned); Todogasaki Beacon Office, Miyako-cho,
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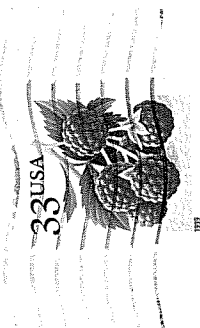
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John clarifies the signer's name for KAZP-1620; it is Stephen D Claasen.
Thanks, John! Patrick's verie from KENI-650 was his 2600th MW QSL!
Congrats, Patrick! This column was prepared on 11/30/99. 73, SSH.

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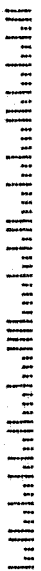
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