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**EIC Notes**

This is the **last weekly DXM**, see y'all in two weeks. Check out the last minute tentative WOKY, WISN and KEVA tests below. **Lee Freshwater** is looking for back copies of **DX Monitor**, check out the end of EDXR for details.

**DX Tests** – *Les Rayburn* – [les@highnoonfilm.com](mailto:les@highnoonfilm.com) (times are Eastern)

* 12/15/04+	0915-1445	1620	WB3XNN	Milford PA	(Schmidt)
* 2/20/05	0100-0200	1130	WISN	Milwaukee WI	(ABDX/Winrich)
* 2/20/05	0100-0200	920	WOKY	Milwaukee WI	(ABDX/Winrich)
* 2/20/05	0205-0255	1340	KEVA	Evanston WY	(ABDX/Redding)

**WB3XNN 1620khz Milford, PA TEST.** Date(s): About December 15th thru end of January. Time: Non-Critical Hours 09:15AM EST until 14:45PM EST. Modes of Operation: 1KW Daytime Non-Directional. Programming: Un-Modulated Carrier with ID's at TOH.

Test is being conducted by Digital Radio Engineering for field intensity experiments concerning area ground conductivity. A full DX Test will be conducted (hopefully at night) before the competition of measurements in January.

Below is the full text received from Dave Schmidt:

WB3XNN - 1620 kilohertz should be on the air about December 15th. This station licensed to Milford, PA is being operated for field intensity measurements of the ground conductivity in the area. This will be operating during non critical hours (approx. 0915 til 1445) with an unmodulated carrier, ID's given on the hour. Power will be 1000 watts into a 50 foot top loaded single tower. (For those in to tower currents, that adds up to 8.8 amps at 14 ohms!) Tests should continue through the end of January.

Reports can be sent to Dave Schmidt c/o: Digital Radio Engineering, 2927 US Route 6, Slate Hill, NY 10973.

As of 12/30/04, I have not received any reports of this station being on the air. If you receive this test, please e-mail me directly at: [les@highnoonfilm.com](mailto:les@highnoonfilm.com).

**WISN 1130khz Milwaukee WI TENTATIVE Test.** Saturday at midnight CENTRAL time. WISN Programming will be: Midnight - 12:06 Local news, 12:06 Art Bell Coast to Coast AM, Mixed in CW IDs planned near top of the hour. 50kW and day pattern will come on at midnight CENTRAL. I may need to power down during ads this time. A "test" was run on 2/13... and WISN was heard in GA and AZ.

**WOKY 920khz Milwaukee WI TENTATIVE Test.** Saturday at midnight CENTRAL time. Programming will be a mix of Standards and AC. NO News at top of the hour. We will run 5kW and day pattern (directional east.) We WILL be in glorious AM STEREO.

Reports to either, or both:  
 Kent Winrich  
 Chief Engineer  
 WISN Radio  
 12100 West Howard Ave  
 Greenfield, WI 53228

**KEVA 1240khz Evanston WY Test.** ABDX is proud to announce a test immediately following the WISN 1130 test also from ABDX. KEVA 1240 Evanston, WY will be running a DX test 2/20 at 0005 Mountain Time Sunday morning immediately following the WISN 1130 test 2/20 0000 Central Time. KEVA 1240 will be running CW and tones. KEVA's normal programming is C&W. The test is planned to run for 50 minutes.

Correct reception reports can be sent to: [michaelj@vcn.com](mailto:michaelj@vcn.com)  
 -or- KEVA - PO Box 190, Evanston WY 82930.

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**HQ NOTES**

**WANTED AIR CHECKS OF HERB JEPKO NITECAP SHOW**

Member Les Rayburn, N1LF is seeking any recordings of the Herb Jepko Nitecap show that aired on KSL, Salt Lake--and later the Mutual Network of stations during the 1960's and 70's.

Interested in show recordings, copies of "The Wick" magazine devoted to the program, or any other related items. Happy to purchase these items and/or pay for duplication of tapes. Please contact Les Rayburn at: 100 Centerview Drive Suite 111, Birmingham AL 35216, (205) 253-4867

**DX Flash Card Alert**

For those IRCA Members without access to the Internet, you can still be alerted to unscheduled DX tests, transmitter maintenance, and other late breaking news. Simply send a few self-addressed, stamped postcards to: Les Rayburn, N1LF, C/O High Noon Film, 100 Centerview Drive Suite 111, Birmingham, AL 35216.

Whenever possible, Les will mail you notification of upcoming DX tests that are not announced in our newsletter in advance. It's the next best thing to a computer.

**Bruce Portzer** writes: It's time for my **annual DX Get-together**. This year it will be on Saturday, February 26, beginning at 2 p.m. Here's a chance to meet other radio listeners and talk about hobby stuff - medium wave, SWBC, utility, TV/FM, or whatever flavor of listening you like to do.

Feel free to bring stuff like receivers, QSL cards, antennas, and other paraphernalia to show off or demonstrate. Please bring a potluck snack or something to drink. At dinner time, we'll pass the hat around and order some pizzas.

My address is 6546 19th Avenue N.E., Seattle WA 98115. It's not hard to find, since the streets are numbered and parallel around here. But if you need directions, let me know.

If you have questions or want to RSVP, my phone number is 206-522-2521. See you there.  
 73, Bruce

The **2005 IRCA/DecalcoMania** convention will be held on Thu. Aug. 25 through Sat. Aug 27, 2005 at the Days Inn, 1111 S. Harbor Blvd. Anaheim CA 92805 (1 block North of Disneyland) [www.the.daysinn.com/anaheim04986](http://www.the.daysinn.com/anaheim04986). Phone number for reservations is 714-533-8830 (request the special \$49 room rate.) Registration fee (not including banquet) is \$25 payable to Mike Sanburn, PO Box 1256, Bellflower CA 90707-1256 - [mikesanburn@hotmail.com](mailto:mikesanburn@hotmail.com). Activities will include station tours, business meeting, auction, and banquet -view menu at [www.jagerhaus.net](http://www.jagerhaus.net). Should have lots of stickers and airchecks. Looking forward to seeing everybody.

**Nominations Are Open for the TVA and RHA Awards for 2004-2005.**

**Ted Vasilopoulos Award (TVA)**

Ted Vasilopolous was a founding charter member of IRCA who died in 1965. This award in his honor is presented to the IRCA member who has contributed the most to IRCA and the DX hobby during the past several years. The following persons have won the TVA in the last five years and are ineligible this year: Phil Bytheway, Rich Toebe, Nancy Johnson, Ralph Sanserino, and Lee Freshwater.

**Ric Heald Award (RHA)**

The Ric Heald Award (RHA) was created in 1995 to recognize the IRCA member who most benefited the club in a particularly noteworthy way during the previous year. The following persons have won the RHA in the last three years and are ineligible this year: Pat Martin, Phil Bytheway, and Rich Toebe.

All nominations, including a brief statement supporting the nomination, shall be sent to the respective winners of last year's awards:

**TVA Nominations:** **Phil Bytheway**, 9705 Mary Ave. NW, Seattle, WA 98117-2334 - [phil\\_tekno@yahoo.com](mailto:phil_tekno@yahoo.com).

**RHA Nominations:** **Pat Martin**, P.O. Box 843, Seaside, OR 97138 - [mwdxer@webtv.net](mailto:mwdxer@webtv.net).

All Nominations must be received by the above no later than February 21, 2005.

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**CALL CHANGES**

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY	NEW CALL
680	WJCE	Memphis, TN	WWTQ
970	KUPL	Portland, OR	KCMD
1050	WCMS	Norfolk, VA	WVXX
1150	KXTA	Los Angeles, CA	KTLK
1150	KRMZ	Portland, OR	KXMG

1260	KFGQ	Boone, IA	KFFF
1280	KILM	Pearsall, TX	KVWG
1310	WXDX	Dearborn, MI	WDTW
1310	KBMV	Birch Tree, MO	KACE
1310	WGH	Norfolk, VA	WCMS
1340	KTLK	Santa Barbara, CA	KIST
1400	KKTK	Texarkana, AR	KEWL

**FORMAT CHANGES**

FREQ	CALL	CITY	OLD INFO	NEW INFO
540	KVIP	Redding, CA	religious teaching	cont. Xtian //KVIP-FM
570	KLAC	Los Angeles, CA	adult standards	sports "Extra Sports 570"
600	WAEI	Mayaguez, PR	Spanish oldies	Spanish news/talk
680	WWTQ	Memphis, TN	WJCE, WW1 AS	talk
690	XETRA	Tijuana, BCN	sports, Fox sports	adult stds "The Lounge"
700	KMBX	Soledad, CA	Spanish oldies	Spanish CHR //KSES-FM
740	WRWB	Harrogate, TN	talk	news/talk
790	WAXY	South Miami, FL	ESPN sports	sports
970	KCMD	Portland, OR	KUPL, WW1 C&W	talk/comedy "Johnson 970"
1000	WRTG	Garner, NC	cont. Xtian	Spanish
1000	WYBT	Blountstown, FL	country	oldies
1010	WCST	Berkeley Springs, WV	silent	country//WDHC
1030	KBUF	Holcomb, KS	ABC Real country	talk
1050	WVXX	Norfolk, VA	sports	Spanish
1060	WGSB	Mebane, NC	contemp. Xtian	Spanish
1070	WGOS	High Point, NC	news/talk	talk
1070	WKOK	Sunbury, PA	talk	news
1090	WWGC	Albertville, AL	southern gospel	silent
1140	KCXL	Liberty, MO	Jones AS, talk	Jones adult standards
1150	KRMZ	Portland, OR	romantica	Spanish hits
1150	KTLK	Los Angeles, CA	KXTA, sports	talk "Progressive Talk 1150"
1220	WKMT	Kings Mountain, NC	country	talk //WXNC
1230	WWGA	Waycross, GA	news/talk (new CP)	talk
1240	KFOR	Lincoln, NE	adult contemporary	talk
1240	WAVN	Southaven, MS	southern gospel	gospel music
1250	KQYN	Twentynine Palms, CA	news	silent
1260	KBHC	Nashville, AR	adult standards	regional Mexican
1280	KDOX	Henderson, NV	regional Mexican	tejano
1310	KACE	Birch Tree, MO	hot AC	unknown format?
1320	KXYZ	Houston, TX	Spanish religion	business news
1340	KRMD	Shreveport, LA	talk	adds Sporting News Radio
1360	WKAT	North Miami, FL	classical	talk
1360	WLBK	De Kalb, IL	adult contemporary	talk
1380	WPCH	North Augusta, SC	ABC Real C&W	classic country//WIBL-FM
1410	WEGO	Concord, NC	ABC Stardust oldies	ABC Stardust adult stds
1410	WKKP	McDonough, GA	Jones adult stds	Salem s. gospel
1440	KETX	Livingston, TX	adult standards	silent
1490	KICO	Calexico, CA	regional Mexican	Spanish sports
1490	KRNR	Roseburg, OR	country	classic country
1490	KXLQ	Indianola, IA	sports	silent
1490	WLRT	Hampton, VA	oldies, Fox Sports	sports, Fox Sports
1520	WDMN	Toledo, OH	contemp. Xtian	black gospel
1520	WTRI	Brunswick, MD	ethnic	silent
1530	WRTP	Chapel Hill, NC	cont. Xtian	Spanish
1550	KMRI	West Valley City, UT	religious teaching	Spanish CHR "Exitos 1550"
1580	WKKD	Aurora, IL	business news	health news/talk
1590	WSMN	Nashua, NH	business news	silent
1600	KUBA	Yuba City, CA	adult standards	oldies

**CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY**

1410	WQBQ	Leesburg, FL	5000/90 ND to 10000/90 DA-D (station silent)
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**FACILITY AND PARAMETER APPLICATIONS**

540	WLIE	Islip, NY	2500/220 DA2 to 4300/175 DA-D
740	WMIN	Hudson, WI	1100 DA-D to 2500 DA-D
1510	KSPA	Ontario, CA	10000/1000 DA2 to 50000/1000 DA3



**ADDITIONAL NOTES: (CONTRIBUTOR IN PARANTHESES)**

**PUBLIC LISTINGS:**

WVXX 1050 Norfolk VA drops Fox Sports for Spanish AC under new owner Davidson Media Group; Fox Sports moves to WLRT 1490 Hampton VA, which drops already sports-heavy "Outlaw Oldies" in favor of "Fox News and Sports 1490."

WACD 106.1 Antigo/Wausau WI flips from standards to AC as "CD 106.1"; sister station WATK 900 Antigo WI drops ESPN sports for "Real Country."

KRMZ 1150 Portland OR changes calls to KXMG, matching its "Magia" Spanish oldies format.

KSVE 1150 El Paso TX flips from Spanish oldies "La Consentida" to regional Mexican "Radio Tricolor," following the lead of Entravision sister station KRZY 1450 Albuquerque NM.

WWGC 1090 Albertville AL has gone silent, as has KXLQ 1490 Indianola/Des Moines IA. KLAC 570 Los Angeles CA flipped from standards "Fabulous 570" to sports "Xtra Sports 570" on Thursday, as part of a three-way format flip in southern California that also saw XETRA 690 Tijuana BCN flip from "Xtra Sports" to standards as "Fabulous Radio 690" and KXTA 1150 Los Angeles flip from "Xtra Sports" to progressive talk as KTLK. (KTLK 1340 Santa Barbara CA returns to its previous calls, KIST.)

WRTP 1530 Chapel Hill NC, WGSB 1060 Mebane NC and WRTG 1000 Garner NC flip from contemporary Christian to Spanish. (They've been sold by "His Radio," which continues on FM.)

WIBL 105.7 Augusta GA drops country "Bull" and WPCH 1380 North Augusta SC drops classic country "Peach Country 1380," and both begin simulcasting classic country as "105.7 & 1380 Country Legends."

KUPL 970 Portland OR drops classic country to pick up the All Comedy Network as "Johnson 970," KCMD.

WSMN 1590 Nashua NH has gone silent; its studio and transmitter site is being redeveloped as housing.

KCCT 1150 Corpus Christi TX will drop oldies for Air America talk on 2/8.

KMBX 700 Soledad/Monterey CA drops "La Consentida" Spanish oldies for a simulcast of "Super Estrella" Spanish hits from KSES-FM 107.1 Seaside CA.

WCST 1010 Berkeley Springs WV has returned to the air with country, simulcasting WDHC 92.9 Berkeley Springs WV.

WKKP 1410 McDonough GA flips from standards to southern gospel.

WKMT 1220 Kings Mountain NC joins WXNC 1060 Monroe NC with talk as "The Conversation Stations."

WONE 980 Dayton OH and WIZE 1340 Springfield OH rebrand their sports format as "980 Homer, the Sports Animal," matching sister station WSAI 1360 Cincinnati OH.

KFOR 1240 Lincoln NE drops the last of its music, becoming news/talk.

KXYZ 1320 Houston TX flips to business talk (for most of the day) on 2/1.

WAXY 790 South Miami FL drops ESPN but remains sports as "SportsTalk 790, the Ticket."

WJCE 680 Memphis TN drops standards for progressive talk as "Talk 680," requesting new calls WWTQ.

WKKD 1580 Aurora IL will go full-time health talk on Monday 1/31.

KILM 1280 Pearsall TX returns to its former calls, KVWG.

WXDX 1310 Dearborn/Detroit MI takes new calls WDTW.

KETX 1440 Livingston TX has gone silent.

WYBT 1000 Blountstown FL has flipped from country to oldies.

KKTK 1400 Texarkana TX changes calls (back) to KEWL.

**CONTRIBUTOR LISTINGS:**

**Art Blair** sends along the following:

January 27, 2005, BY ROBERT FEDER SUN-TIMES COLUMNIST

In what may be the first of its kind in the country, a Chicago area radio station is about to switch to a full-time format of talk shows devoted strictly to health, wellness and fitness. Starting Monday, Kovas Communications' west suburban WKKD-AM (1580) will call itself "Health Radio 1580" and become a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week outlet for the programming of Health Radio Network. Health Radio Network was founded last summer by three longtime Chicago radio executives, Tom Disa, Darrel Peters and Rick Jakle, through north suburban-based Independent Radio Services. WKKD has been airing the syndicated health talk programming on weekends since September. Overseeing the format switch and ongoing operation at WKKD will be Greg Batton, the former WLS-AM (890) talk show host who recently became the network's director of special projects. Along with his wife, Yvonne Greer, Batton doubles as co-host of "Hot Mamas," a show geared to helping women get in shape physically, mentally and emotionally. Other talk shows on the network's lineup, hosted by a variety of doctors, fitness experts and other health professionals, include "The Deborah Ray Healthy Talk Radio Show," "Skin Deep," "Mind and Muscle Fitness," "Global Medicine Hunter," "Body Talk," "Naturally Good for You," "Duke and the Doctor," "FitWits" and "Dead Doctors Don't Lie." The only similar venture in the country is believed to be WWNN-AM in Pompano Beach, Fla. Billed as the Health and Wealth Network, it consists mainly of time-brokered shows on health as well as finance. (AB-CA)

**Pat Martin** sends along the following from Niel Wolfish of Toronto, ON:

As scheduled, they made the big announcement at 8:20 a.m. CHAM is now "820 CHAM, The Legend, a new home for old favo(u)rites". After the announcement they went into the top 500 all time

C&W countdown. The last song they played before the "switch" was by Shania Twain (some Canadian content). And as Saul mentioned, one of their competitors ("91.7 The Spirit" in Welland) is now "91 point 7, the new Giant FM". They've dropped the C&W, as the one song I heard was by Crowded House. (PM-OR)

**Pat Martin** sends along the following from Bill Dvorak of Madison, WI:

There is a new format starting on KXYZ 1320 Houston, TX on Tuesday, February 1st, 2005 at 0600 CST with live and local Business New-Talk format until 1800 CST. BIZradio1320 will be on the air seven days a week from 0600 to 1800 CST. The purpose of this email is to let you all know that BIZradio1320 will be a DXer friendly station and will verify all correct reception reports received. I know that the nighttime hours are getting short now, but hopefully you will be able to receive BIZradio1320 in the next couple of months. We welcome all reports from Houston to Hollywood to Hoboken and all points in between. BIZradio1320 will have a special verification letter for all correct reports received on the first day of broadcasting on Tuesday, February 1st, 2005. If you live in Houston we welcome your report as well. If you live or work in a high rise building please let us know how the reception of BIZradio1320 is received in the high rise that you live or work in. The report does not have to be from the high rise, BIZradio1320 is trying to find out how well are signal is received in the high rise buildings that are spread around the city. It will help in future plans for a power increase if necessary to better penetrate high rise buildings in the city. The address to send reports is: BizRadio1320, 3050 Post Oak Blvd, Suite 1680, Houston, TX 77056, Attn: QSL Dept. We hope to in the near future set up an email address were you can send your report and we will verify via email. This could be a month or two away however. In the time being please send your report the old fashioned way via regular mail. Please DO NOT send reports to Multicultural Radio Broadcasting, Inc as they will not verify reception reports. BIZradio1320 also cannot verify any programming from 1800 to 0600 CST as the programming is done by other companies and BIZradio1320 does not have any record of their programming. BIZradio1320 is looking forward to hearing from you! Sincerely & 73 BIZradio1320, 3050 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 1680, Houston, TX 77056, Attn: QSL Dept (PM-OR)

**Ye editor** passes along the following:

Monday, Jan. 31, 2005, KGO/San Francisco, 49'ers Split

The NFL team and ABC Radio's market-leading News/Talker have ended their relationship after 18 years together. The split comes with two years left on the station's current five-year deal with the 49'ers, who finished 2-14 this season. KGO President/GM Mickey Luckoff, who characterized the current deal as a money-losing proposition for the station, reports that KGO tried to renegotiate but told Bay Area newspapers that the team "wasn't willing to do that." KGO's decision to exercise its right to end the deal leaves both the 49'ers and the Oakland Raiders without radio homes in the Bay Area, though KGO clustermate KSFO carried the Raiders last season under a one-year contract and is currently negotiating a new deal. No word yet on whether Susquehanna Sports/Talker KNBR/San Francisco could enter negotiations for the rights to either of the Bay Area NFL teams. (Ye editor)

**Dale Park** sends along the following:

Wednesday, February 2, 2005. In the Northwest: Liberal voices turning up the volume on the radio. By JOEL CONNELLY, SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER COLUMNIST

Over the past four decades, one law of mathematics has ruled AM hot talk radio in America: Liberal equates to loser. The golden throat of former New York Gov. Mario Cuomo was among many to choke on a format long dominated by angry, blustery, occasionally witty right-thinking voices. Out of Fargo, N.D., however, has come the voice of a former football player named Ed Schultz, who has gone from two radio outlets to 77 just in the last year. "I'm prairie-dwelling, pro-union, pro-health care and pro-education. I hunt and fish, and I don't fly on Lear jets and I don't smoke Cuban cigars," said Schultz, in a not-too-subtle poke at the rarified tastes of such right-wing populists as Rush Limbaugh. Schultz has taken over the noon-to-3 p.m. slot on AM 1090, KPTK radio, launched in late October as a liberal-progressive alternative to the ubiquitous voices of the right. The station finished 26th in the fall Arbitron ratings. Winter ratings will tell a far different story, say industry sources. Schultz is catching on, especially among sought-after male listeners in the 25-to-54 age group. "Schultz is the most interesting of the liberal talkers because he's a former Republican and is running against the trend of left-of-center people moving rightward as they (and their kids) age," said John Carlson, top-rated drive-time host on KVI radio. Schultz, 50, has experienced a personal epiphany, thanks in part to his second wife. "Oh yea, I was a conservative," he said. "I was probably hard-line, preoccupied with how much money I would make and how far I would go. But I began seeing a lady who directs a homeless clinic in Fargo.

"One of our first get-togethers was to a Salvation Army dinner, where I met some jobless Vietnam veterans. It started my transition, opened my eyes. I investigated veterans benefits, and began to discover where we are coming up short as a society." "Finally, in 2000, I declared on the air: I'm a Democrat, I'm a liberal." Schultz's show is a product of Democracy Radio, a New York-based non-profit group headed by Tom Athans, a former Democratic congressional staffer and husband of Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich. Democracy Radio found out about Schultz from Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D. "Democrats are trying to help them with access to big players the way the GOP did for the Washington Times and Fox," Carlson noted. Unlike some hosts on the right, however, Schultz regularly crosses swords with the other side. Last week he hosted Republican National Chairman Ken Mehlman. Independent-minded GOP Sen. Chuck Hagel of Nebraska is a frequent guest. Competition -- in ideas, consumer products, newspapers and the airwaves -- makes America a better place. KPTK is occupying a historic place on our local radio dial, once the home of KING-AM in days when the

Bullitt Family made King Broadcasting a national leader in public-affairs broadcasting. In the 1960s, erudite, liberal Seattle attorney Irving Clark Jr. spent weekday nights on AM 1090 crossing verbal swords with then-outgunned conservatives. The late 1980s saw the arrival of Mike Siegel, a talker who relished controversy. Usually lining up on the right, Siegel stoked public anger at a proposed congressional pay raise. He was, in turn, reviled in Washington's congressional delegation. "Does Mrs. Bullitt listen to KING radio?" then-Rep. Al Swift, D-Wash., demanded, when broadcast brass arrived on Capitol Hill for what they thought was a peaceful breakfast. The Bullitts listened and made Siegel move on. Today, he holds forth in the early morning on 770 KTTH. Liberal talkers have finally broken through in the past year. Two groups, Democracy Radio and Air America, are in friendly competition. After a rocky start, Air America is now airing programs on 44 stations. Democracy Radio is up to 80 outlets, with Schultz on stations in 16 of the country's top 20 markets. "We don't have the structural connection with the Democratic Party that the Republican Party has with talk-show hosts of the right," Athans said in an interview. "Certainly among Democrats, there is excitement for what we're doing. It stands to reason why. Democrats have been demonized over the last 15 years by right-wing talk-show hosts." Schultz did give \$2,000 apiece last year to Dorgan and Democratic Senate leader Tom Daschle, who lost. He raised money on the air to support Christine Gregoire's bid for a hand recount in the Washington governor's race. Why has Schultz succeeded while other liberal voices have croaked? The answer is similar to why Limbaugh took off on the right: Unlike some super-serious liberals, Schultz has a sense of humor, and knows how to inform AND entertain. "I'm not prepared to be governor of New York," he joked. "I'm a radio guy; I do a radio show. A radio show is entertainment. You need to move it along. When does a politician move anything along?" The 6-2, 250-pound Schultz -- who once made the Raiders' roster -- brides at talkers on the right who describe themselves as populists, or claim to be "looking out for you." "Bill O'Reilly doesn't care about the little guy. He's on an agenda just like any other right-wing commentator," Schultz said of the mighty mouth of Fox. "These people call themselves journalists. Nonsense! What you see on Fox News and hear from right-wing talkers comes from the basement of the White House." Nor does he think highly of fellow Fox voice Sean Hannity. "My goal is to beat Hannity; I'm going to beat that SOB," he said. "He distorts, he lies, he is a fraud." All of this is going to make early afternoon an interesting time for radio in the Emerald City. Hannity holds forth from noon to 3 p.m. on KVI 570. Conservative critic Michael Medved matches wits with guests on 770 KTTH. Schultz, Hannity, Medved: It's the radio version of a rat featuring three male rhinoceros, with KIRO p.m. host Dori Monson in the role of the tick bird. (DP-HI)

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Raining like heck tonight, 3 days till Valentine's Day. Hope your DX is a real sweetheart, hi. 73's and good DX.

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610 KRTA OR, Medford 2/8 1910 variety of Spanish music, nice clear English ID "This is KRTA, Medford Oregon." (DP-OR)

880 KCMX OR, Phoenix 2/8 0954 poor under KWIP, "... thanks for calling KCMX" and ID at 1000 mentioning Phoenix and Medford. (DP-OR)

980 KINS CA, Eureka 2/8 1107 good, ID and mention of "North Coast News." (DP-OR)  
 KVLV NV, Fallon 2/8 1115 many mentions of Fallon, ad for Fallon "Total Fitness" into Don Gibson country song. (DP-OR)

KSVC UT, Richfield 1/26 1908 lengthy state news, with break for furniture store ad, weather followed, with KSVC ID at the end, then into Paul Harvey. (NP-AB)

1040 KCBR CO, Monument 2/7 heard at 1930 with s/off. (BB-AZ)

1050 KCAA CA, Loma Linda 2/6 0917 with ad for San Bernardino and ID "KCAA." (BB-AZ)

1060 KDUS AZ, Tempe 2/11 0803 KDUS call into traffic report, KNX-1070 slop. (AB-CA)  
 KKVV NV, Las Vegas 2/11 0943 Thru the Bible religious program, ID at top of the hour, into The Grace Hour program. Fair with KNX slop. (MF-CA)

1090 KVOP TX, Plainview 1/26 1939 ID as "The Mighty 1090, KVOP" then into Texas Tech basketball. (NP-AB)

1100 KFNX AZ, Cave Creek 2/6 0400 top of hour ID into CNN news. (KR-AZ)  
 KNZZ CO, Grand Junction 2/6 0400 "You're listening to the Newstalk Superpower, KNZZ, Grand Junction" heard through local KFNX. (KR-AZ)  
 WTAM OH, Cleveland 2/5 on top of KNZZ with break for news at 0330, "Right now on Newsradio WTAM," no KFAX off Eastern Beverage. (PM-OR)

1110 KFAB NE, Omaha 2/6 0404 news and into "Your Health Matters" about green tea. (KR-AZ)

1120 KANN UT, Roy 2/6 0406 with "Unshackled." (KR-AZ)

1120 KMOX MO, St. Louis 2/6 0406 under KANN with ID. (KR-AZ)

1130 KQNA AZ, Prescott 2/6 0837 weak in a mess with CNN News. (KR-AZ)  
 KWKH LA, Shreveport 2/6 0410 with ad for Shreveport Home Show then ID. (KR-AZ)  
 CKWX BC, Vancouver 2/6 0411 with a realty ad for growing Vancouver property values then a traffic report. (KR-AZ)

1140 CHR8 AB, High River 2/6 0413 "First with news and information for Southern Alberta, this is 1140" then C&W with a surprisingly good signal. (KR-AZ)

1150 KCKY AZ, Coolidge 2/6 0149 Spanish religious music with a reggae beat. (KR-AZ)  
 KTLK CA, Los Angeles 2/4 1000 new calls and format, LA's progressive talk, Air America programming. Ex-KXTA, KPRZ, KIIS, KRKD. (MS-CA)  
 CKFR BC, Kelowna 2/6 0415 good and dominant with "Oldies 1150" ID's and Paul Revere and the Raiders "Kicks." (PM-OR)

1160 KSL UT, Salt Lake City 2/6 0421 with "When Radio Was." (KR-AZ)

1170 KFAQ OK, Tulsa 2/6 0424 ad for poison control phone number. (KR-AZ)

1180 KERI CA, Wasco-Greenacres 2/6 0428 playing religious music. (KR-AZ)  
 KOFI MT, Kalispell 2/6 0429 with Art Bell. (KR-AZ)  
 KYDZ NE, Bellevue 2/6 0430 with "Who Let the Dogs Out." (KR-AZ)

1190 KMTL AZ, Tolleson 2/6 0436 with the Dave Ramsey Show. (KR-AZ)

1220 WHK OH, Cleveland 2/7 0702 heard with weather, several call ID's as WHKW, not WHK, "First Talk, WHKW." I already have heard and QSL'd WHK and from a couple years back. (PM-OR)

CJRB MB, Boissevain 2/7 0559 finally logged this one, with end of bluegrass music program, into "This is CJRB News" with news on Winnipeg & Manitoba mostly. I have heard classical music on 1220 many times, but no ID on the hour. I am very pleased with this. (PM-OR)

1280 KXTK CA, Arroyo Grande 2/10 2152 ESPN sports, powered down at 2156, then overpowered by KFRN at 2200. (AB-CA)

1300 KROP CA, Brawley 2/4 2111 with ID "Playing Real Country, this is KROP." (BB-AZ)  
 KACI OR, The Dalles 2/8 0926 in & out under KAPL, agricultural talk and mention of The Dalles, ad aimed at potato farmers. (DP-OR)

1310 KXAM AZ, Mesa 2/6 1000 over XEC, coming out of Jewish talk show, ID "We're Independent 1310 AM KXAM." (MS-CA)  
 +2/8 0916 traffic, ads, Jeffrey O'Brien show. (MF-CA)

?KMKY? CA, Oakland 2/5 2326 Radio Disney "AM 13-10" slogan, no ID at top of the hour. Poor with XEC interference. (MF-CA)

1330 KWLO IA, Waterloo 2/9 on top at 0359:50 with ID "KWLO Waterloo, Cedar Falls" into ABC news. (PM-OR)

KNSS KS, Wichita 2/9 fair on top at 0459:50 with cluster of spots and ID "Newsradio KNSS Wichita 1330" into network news. (PM-OR)

KLBO TX, Monahans 2/9 fair on top of KNSS with oldies rock at 0558, ID at 0559:50 "The music you grew up with, KLBO Monahans." (PM-OR)

1410 WIZM WI, La Crosse 1/26 1956 local ads, weather, with announcer mentioning "18 degrees in downtown La Crosse" then into talk program. (NP-AB)

1460 KUTI WA, Yakima 2/8 2137 "Cutie Country" slogan, Anne Murray song, KUTI ID. (AB-CA)

1470 KUTY CA, Palmdale 2/9 2000 with ID and then into news. (BB-AZ)

1530 ?KGBT? TX, Harlingen 1/24 0310 possibly one of the Spanish speaking stations heard with KFBK off too much QRN for an ID. I logged them many years back. (MS-CA)

1560 WQEW NY, New York 2/3 0200 good on top of KNZR with kids saying "WQEW New York." (PM-OR)

1570 KVTK SD, Vermillion 2/6 good on top of XERF with sports talk and ID at 0359:50 "1570 ESPN Radio, KVTK Vermillion." (PM-OR)

1630 KWKY WY, Fox Farm 2/8 0842 country music, financial report, weather, "KWY" slogan and "Fox Farm AM 16-30." (MF-CA)

#### DX TEST

1530 (KFBK) CA, Sacramento 1/24 0200 heard well with numerous voice ID's and talk show (Rush) – no Morse code noted. They signed off at 0305 "We are now going off the air for scheduled maintenance on our transmitter. Keep it tuned to Newstalk 1530 KFBK." (MS-CA)

#### UNIDS

1220 UNID 2/5 0341 with ID, but could not make out calls if they gave them, topping the channel "New Talk Radio 12-20," off Eastern Beverage. (PM-OR)

UNID 2/5 C&W station at 0325. Oakes, ND? (PM-OR)

UNID 2/5 adult standards station in the jumble at 0328. (PM-OR)

UNID 2/5 station with call, sounded talk, "WR???" at 0347. (PM-OR)

UNID 2/5 classical station topping channel at times from 0345-0400. (PM-OR)

UNID 2/6 0430 station running Coast to Coast in the jumble with music to end half hour. Who on 1220 is Coast to Coast? (PM-OR)

UNID 2/6 Spanish station here with Tropical format over/under XEB with Romantica at 0345, not audible at 0400. Florida? (PM-OR)

The anniversary issue WDXR deadline is March 11. Don't forget to send a report that week. Nancy 2/11 2100

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#### DOWN THE DIAL

1090 KVOP TX, Plainview. 2-8 sometimes taking KAAV completely out. 20:00 with ID during Hale Center Lady Owls basketball PBP. New. In nightly this week. [DE-MO]

1150 KKNW WA, Seattle. 2-10 poor with KSAL nulled. 22:59 with "News talk 11-50" slogan and call ID into weather. New station for me. [NJ-MT]

1630 KKWY WY, Fox Farm. 2-9 in and out with KCJJ and KKGm. 00:12 with ID between classic country song. [DE-MO]

1640 KFNY OK, Enid. 2-9 in and out for a half an hour with WKSH and WTNI. 00:40 with "All Comedy Radio" programming. New logging. [DE-MO]

#### 25 YEARS AGO

February 16, 1980 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Bill Townshend** of Washington, DC logged HJAC 1400 Barranquilla ... **C. M. Stanbury II** of Ridgeway, ON discussed Falkland Islands reception ... **Mark McMillan** of Rathdrum, ID mentioned he had paid \$75 for his HQ-180 ... **Pat Martin** of Seaside, OR logged Tonga 1017 coming in stronger than he has ever heard them.

#### OPEN MIKE

A big CDXR welcome to **Dennis Eyla**. Dennis said he is back to DXing after a 10 year break. I'm sure he will notice a difference across the dial. That 25 years ago issue also contained a great Special Features article by **Gene Martin** on what radio was like in the 1930's. Included was a reprint of the December 1930 "Radex" listing broadcast stations on the air at that time. Imagine having a Drake R8B back in 1930. Long time readers probably know that Valentine's Day is also Nancy and my anniversary. This column was typed 2-12-05. 73, John



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### STARS OF THE WEEK

(IEN-GA)	<b>Ira Elbert New</b>	Watkinsville, GA Drake R8B, 135' N/S LW, Sangean ATS 909
(KW-KY)	<b>Ken Wilson</b>	Georgetown, KY NRD 525, SHERWOOD SE-3 MKIIIS, WELLBROOK K9AY, ALA 1530
(RB-NY)	<b>Ray Bauernhuber</b>	Whitestone, NY Sangean CC Radio Plus
(CJG-KY)	<b>Chris Gray</b>	Lexington, KY KENWOOD TS-2000, W/ L.W.

### LOGGINGS

750	GA	WSB	Atlanta	2/11 2105	ID as "Newstalk 750-WSB" - nx, wx etc F-G.	(RB-NY)
800	ON	CKLW	Windsor	2/11 2100	ID as "AM - 800 - CKLW, Your Information station w/The Larry King Show Live". Fair.	(RB-NY)
1230	NY	WFAS	White Plains	2/11 2030	ID "AM 1230 - WFAS"; NOS mx P-F.	(RB-NY)
1280	SC	WANS	Anderson	2/12 1600	Religious programming. 10 over S9 with splatter from WJJC in Commerce, GA on 1270. "1280 AM, WANS, Anderson, South Carolina".	(IEN-GA)
1360	SC	WELP	Easley	2/12 1730	Religious programming. 30 over S9 with fading and electrical noise. "Radio that changes the way you live, WELP, Easley, Greenville".	(IEN-GA)
1410	CT	WPOP	Hartford	2/11 2010	very poor w/uniD QRM; basketball game.	(RB-NY)
1480	NC	WPFJ	Franklin NC	2/12 1815	Religious music. Weak signal mixed in the static that faded in and out. "1480, The Dove".	(IEN-GA)
1520	KY	WLGC	Greenup	02/05 1130	Country music. Ground wave to me, but this is the first time I've heard it. Area code and ID heard, also verified by Internet audio stream.	(CJG-KY)
1550	KY	WIRV	Irvine	2/12 2200	Oldies. Weak signal buried in the static that would fade often. "You're listening to the TriCity AM Network...1550... Irvine".	(IEN-GA)
1600	KY	WTSZ	Eminence	1/19/05 17:50	WSZ Sports Zone.	(KW-KY)
	NY	WWRL	NewYork	1/19/05 18:54	Urban Talk.	(KW-KY)
	MO	KATZ	St.Louis	1/23/05 06:12	Gospel MX.	(KW-KY)
	SC	WFIS	Fountains Inn	1/31/05 20:15	Furman Basketball.	(KW-KY)
	WV	WZZW	Milton	1/25/05 12:20	Joy Radio.	(KW-KY)
1640	WI	WKSH	Sussex	02/06 1800	Radio Disney. Good signal, competing well with WTNI.	(CJG-KY)
1650	IA	KCNZ	Cedar Falls	02/09 2100	sports. Dominating the channel over WHKT KWHN.	(CJG-KY)
1680	MI	WDSS	Ada	02/09 2205	Radio Disney. Very strong sig.	(CJG-KY)
					<b>T.I.S.</b>	
550	NY	WPQB670	Queens	2/11 2115	traffic advisories for the NY Metro area. P-F with ID's.	(RB-NY)

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This is the last of the weeklies, an indication that the season is starting to wind down.... There is STILL lots of DX out there!!! go for it!!!!. The reprint service is looking for the following issues of DXM VOL 28 #1&2 / VOL 30 # 34/ VOL 31 # 26 and VOL 33 # 22. If you have these issues please let me know. I can scan them and return or accept your scans via e-mail. Thanks to you all 2/12 0930.....

## DX WORLDWIDE – WEST / TROPICAL BAND DX

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all times UTC

Some Latin and TP DX this time and John Bryant got a really nice Chinese QSL too.

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## PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 950 **CUBA**, Radio Reloj at 0630 UTC 2/12, Hrd some flutter on local KPRC so I switched to my Radio West loop and found Radio Reloj outlet with the usual time ticks and "RR" in Morse code. "Fidel Report list from Harold Frodge shows two Reloj locations on 950, La Habana 10 KW and Mayari Arriba 1 KW. Due to signal, I would presume it to be the La Habana outlet. (SP-TX)
- 1060 **MEXICO**, Mexico DF XEEP 0647 UTC 2/12, hrd Cuban style mx and thought it may have been the Cadena CMKS outlet from Cuba, but later I heard XEEP ID (SP-TX)

## TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 630 **AUSTRALIA**, Townsville Qld, 4QN 2/5 1706 UTC, man and talkback pgm with phone number 1-800-800-Triple 2, talk to guest via phone, both men with Aussie accents Right around sunrise. Very poor. (5P-HI)
- 1575 **THAILAND**, Ayutthaya VOA 2/5 1648 UTC Woman ment "America, Washington" another woman singing American R&B song, first woman with talk or news, man with accent and inst. tecno mx, 2nd man saying "This program has come from..." but cut off by second anmt "This is the Voice of America from Washington DC signing off" IS and off at 1700 All //7280. Bengali program per VOA website. Very poor. (5P-HI)

## VERIFICATIONS

- 828 **PR CHINA**, Beijing, New Beijing News Station. Beijing News Radio, 14 Jian Guomen wai Avenue, Chaoyang District, Beijing 100022, People's Republic of China. (JB-WA)  
(Congrats John. A great catch and QSL.PM)

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## OCEAN CITY STATE PARK DXPELITION - Feb. 7-8, 2005

What a difference a week makes! Seven days earlier, trans-Pacific MW reception was at the best level since the amazing reception of last September and October.

A few of us in the Pacific Northwest listen for TP hets or audio from our Victoria, BC and Tacoma, WA area homes for signs of Asian or Down-Under signals. Last week we were wishing we were at Grayland or another coastal DXpedition site, knowing that our good conditions inland were equivalent to excellent reception at the coast. I couldn't get away until Sunday the 7th (UTC), and unfortunately the propagation conditions were degraded due to a recurring sunspot region and associated geomostms. Still it was an enjoyable trip, with sunny weather and spectacular ocean sunsets. The DX highlight was morning longpath African reception on 60 meters lasting far past local sunrise.

Mediumwave was almost entirely DU; the only Japanese station heard was JOAK Tokyo on 594. All signal levels were modest, without the strong, long reception that characterizes better openings. On this DXpedition, it was common for a station to rise above the noise for a half minute or less, and then fade back into the muck for long stretches of time.

Except for the longpath Africa reception, the tropical bands were below average. The Papua New Guinea regionals were at low levels on the 7th, and stronger the next night. However, the weaker Indonesian targets like RPDT2 Manggarai (2960) and RSPK Ngada (2899) were totally absent.

Ocean City State Park is north of the well-known Grayland DXpedition site, and across Grays Harbor on the sandy, flat Ocean Shores peninsula. Most visitors head straight for the resorts and casinos of the peninsula, but the smart ones do their gambling by stringing out a Beverage antenna and DXing! An empty logbook is cheaper than an empty wallet if things don't work out...

## MEDIUMWAVE

- 558 **FIJI** R. Fiji One, Feb 7 1445 - Low level island music of acoustical guitar and choral singing; woman announcer in pres. Fijian. Noted parallel to 639 and 684, all with weak signals. I found it interesting that all three frequencies began and ended their long fades into the noise at the same time, and then rose again at 1454. More guitar and choral singing over the top of the hour. (Atkins-WA)
- 594 **AUSTRALIA** 3WV Horsham, Feb 8 1550 - Poor-fair, with woman announcer in English, and parallel to 738 2NR Grafton. (Atkins-WA)
- 594 **JAPAN** JOAK Tokyo, Feb 8 1523 - First and only Japanese MW station of the DXpedition, in at a poor-fair level. Man and woman with talk in Japanese interspersed with English comments; seemed to be discussing aviation or flight. Even without a northwest Beverage, the Japanese and other North Asian stations are usually heard on a west Beverage antenna also (although at weaker level) if propagation permits. (Atkins-WA)

- 639 **AUSTRALIA** 8RN Katherine, Feb 7 1502 - Two men with talk or interview in English, talking about movies and taking phone calls. Parallel to 4RN 792. Fair, and competing with Fiji R. One on the frequency. Also heard 2/8 at fair level. (Atkins-WA)
- 639 **FIJI** R. Fiji One, Feb 8 1505 - Better reception than last night 2/7, with a fair-good signal on peaks. Beautiful island vocals and instrumentals, and song introductions by man in Fijian, parallel to 558 and 684. Fiji giving way again to 8RN Katherine by 1515. (Atkins-WA)
- 684 **FIJI** R. Fiji One, Feb 8 1509 - Heard during a brief peak with island music and male announcer in Fijian, parallel to 639. Poor. (Atkins-WA)
- 729 **AUSTRALIA** 5RN Adelaide, Feb 7 1513 - Woman announcer with mention of 'ABC news and sports' at tune-in; advertisement or promo, and then signal took a nose dive. Poor-fair. (Atkins-WA)
- 738 **AUSTRALIA** 2NR Grafton, Feb 8 1544 - Woman announcer with talk in English, poor level, but clearly parallel to 594 3WV Horsham. (Atkins-WA)
- 738 **TAHITI** RFO Papeete, Feb 8 0500 - I checked a number of times for audio from this South Pacific regular, but never heard more than a strong het. This is unusual, given the presence of audio from other MW stations in the South Pacific region. (Atkins-WA)
- 774 **AUSTRALIA** 3LO Melbourne, Feb 8 1612 - Fair during very brief peaks, with man and woman announcers in English. Parallel to 891 5AN Adelaide. (Atkins-WA)
- 792 **AUSTRALIA** 4RN Brisbane, Feb 7 1519 - Aussie-accent announcers in English with talk, parallel to 639. Fair. (Atkins-WA)
- 846 **AUSTRALIA** 2RN Canberra, Feb 7 1525 - Briefly peaking above the slop, with a male announcer interviewing a woman, apparently about her visit to Africa. Parallel to 639. Fair signal. (Atkins-WA)
- 846 **KIRIBATI** T3K1 R. Kiribati, Feb 7 0950 - Old US country music at tune-in; female announcer in pres. I-Kiribati lang. with possible mention of 'frequency'. Into log drumming music with male choral vocals. A fair signal, but it took the inevitable nose dive before the top of the hour. (Atkins-WA)
- 891 **AUSTRALIA** 5AN Adelaide, Feb 7 1529 - Woman announcer with news updates, including Pope John Paul's health. Man with weather forecast, and ID as 'ABC Adelaide' at 1535. Adelaide faded down at 1540, to be replaced by an EZL music station (2XW The Breeze, Wellington?). Fair-good. (Atkins-WA)
- 891 **UNIDENTIFIED**, Feb 7 1540 - Fading up to replace 5AN Adelaide, with Beach Boys music and female announcer in English. Sounded Kiwi... perhaps 2XW The Breeze in Wellington, NZ? Fair signal before fading into noise. (Atkins-WA)
- 1098 **MARSHALL ISLANDS** V7AD Radio Marshalls, Feb 7 0940 - Nice island choral music fading up from the noise, with a few moments of a male announcer in pres. Marshallese before fading down again. Fair signal while it lasted. (Atkins-WA)
- 1548 **AUSTRALIA** 4QD Emerald, Feb 8 1602 - Woman announcer reading news items; poor level and frequent fades. However, during a short peak 1548 was found parallel 3WV Horsham on 594. 'ABC Radio...weeknights' heard at 1605. (Atkins-WA)
- 1575 **THAILAND** VOA Ayutthaya, Feb 7 1555 - Man and woman VOA announcers with special (slow) English. Very low level, but in the clear. Gone by 1558. I heard this station much better from home last week. At the coast, VOA 1575 is often a powerhouse. (Atkins-WA)

#### SHORTWAVE

- 2310 **AUSTRALIA**, 1012-1018, VL8A Alice Springs Feb 7 Bluesy country music and male vocals by Joe White to 1016 announcer in English. Into old British comedy routine. Fair-good signal, and parallel 2325 VL8T Tenant Creek (fair) and 2485 VL8K Katherine (fair). (Atkins-WA)
- 3205 **PAPUA NEW GUINEA**, 1018-1031, R. West Sepik Feb 7 Two men in English with a discussion on PNG economics; many mentions of 'Kina'. Poor to fair signal. (Atkins-WA)
- 3223 **INDIA**, 1611-1614, AIR Shimla Feb 7 Tentative; with woman in English. Barely above threshold level. (Atkins-WA)
- 3255 **SOUTH AFRICA**, 0314-0318, BBC WS, Meyerton Feb 8 Two men with discussion in English about USA farm exports; fair signal and parallel to 5975 with a slight delay. Only audible via the backend of the southwest Beverage antenna. (Atkins-WA)
- 3260 **PAPUA NEW GUINEA**, 1031-1034, R. Madang Feb 7 Male announcer in Pidgin with mentions of Madang at 1032 and 1035. Poor signal. (Atkins-WA)
- 3275 **PAPUA NEW GUINEA**, 1035-1039, R. Southern Highlands Feb 7 Enjoyable PNG sing-sing music with female chorus and guitars; announcer in Pidgin. Too bad the signal was such a low level; tonight is a poor PNG propagation evening. (Atkins-WA)
- 3315 **INDIA**, 1615-1620, AIR Bhopal Feb 7 Noted in passing, with fair signal of woman and man announcers in Hindi. (Atkins-WA)
- PAPUA NEW GUINEA**, 1041-1048, R. Manus Feb 7 Announcer in Pidgin with US pops tunes; seemed to be a music countdown program. 'R. Manus' ID noted at 1106 recheck. Fair. (Atkins-WA)
- 3320 **SOUTH AFRICA**, 0303-0312, R. Sonder Grense Feb 8 Two men with lively discussion in Afrikaans. Fair to good, and improving as sunrise approaches South Africa. (Atkins-WA)

- 3355 **PAPUA NEW GUINEA**, 1057-1101, R. Simbu Feb 7 PNG pop music 1057; male announcer at 1059 with announcements in Pidgin; 'R. Simbu' ID at 1100 with mentions of 'province'. Suddenly off without fanfare at 1101". Other PNG stations still on, though. Poor-fair signal. (Atkins-WA)
- 3365 **INDIA**, 1620-1633, AIR Delhi Feb 7 Presumed, with English announcers; orchestral music 1625, and woman with mention of India at 1632. Weak, noisy signal at 1+ hour past local sunrise. (Atkins-WA)
- 3385 **PAPUA NEW GUINEA**, 1048-, R. East New Britain Feb 7 Male announcer in Pidgin with slow, casual talk. Time check in English 'five minutes until 9 o'clock' at 1055; phone number and poss. quick ad for restaurant. Initially a poor-fair signal, but a recheck at 1107 revealed a good level with Pidgin language hymn and male chorus. (Atkins-WA)
- 3905 **PAPUA NEW GUINEA**, 1105-1111, R. New Ireland Feb 7 Presumed. Male announcer in Pidgin with mentions of 'tok tok' and 'come up long hearim...'. Poor level signal, with strong co-channel ham QRM from the New England Weather Net. No evidence of RRI Merauke on the frequency. (Atkins-WA)
- 3935.07 **NEW ZEALAND**, 1116-1121, ZLXA Levin Feb 7 Tentative. Threshold level of female announcer in English (seemed Kiwi accent) with monotone talk. Very weak with occasional ham QRM. Only audible on southwest Beverage antenna. (Atkins-WA)
- 3976 **INDONESIA**, 1120-1127, RRI Pontianak Feb 7 Male announcer with poss. talk of regional politics, with mentions of Indonesia and Pakistan. Female Indo vocals at 1127. Excellent signal, but some co-channel ham interference. (Atkins-WA)
- 4000.1 **INDONESIA**, 1125-1135, RRI Kendari Feb 7 Two Indonesian announcers with talk and occasional mentions of Kendari. Good signal. The notch filters on the 756Pro are the best I've ever encountered, and did a great job on the big het that's usually present on this frequency. (Atkins-WA)
- 4604.95 **INDONESIA**, 1135-1147, RRI Serui Feb 7 Male announcer with 'RRI Serui' ID at tune-in, followed by brief news items with mentions of Indonesian cities and pauses in-between. Orchestral anthem at 1142, and into C&W style Indonesian music and vocals. Excellent signal. (Atkins-WA)
- 4760 **INDIA**, 1647-1653, AIR Port Blair Feb 8 Presumed, with sub-continental vocals over/under TWR Swaziland. Good signal and best on west Beverage. (Atkins-WA)
- SWAZILAND**, 1647-1652, TWR Mpangela Ranch Feb 8 Male preacher in African vernacular, over/under AIR Port Blair's sub-continental vocals. Fair-good level and best on southwest Beverage. (Atkins-WA)
- 4770 **NIGERIA**, 0510-0537, R. Nigeria Feb 7 Very tentative. I first tuned 4770 at 0510 and found a weak signal with threshold English language. Later checks revealed an African-sounding language as sunrise approached Lagos. The signal never improved, but stayed threshold. Gabon 4777 also in at a very good level. (Atkins-WA)
- 4774.95 **SWAZILAND**, 0409-0420, TWR Mpangela Ranch Feb 8 African choral music that sounded like a hymn at tune-in; religious organ music 0413; brief talk or meditation by man in what sounded like the German language (per WRTH sked), and into a series of short hymns by choir with organ accompaniment. Language switched to English at 0430, also per schedule. Faint signal. (Atkins-WA)
- 4777 **GABON**, 0538-0605, R. Diff. TV Gabonaise Feb 7 Very good signal of French pop music and male announcer in French. Fading considerably at 0550, and almost gone by 0555. However, signal improved somewhat at 0558. ID at 0600 and into presumed news, with mentions of Libreville and Gabon. (Atkins-WA)
- 4885 **BRAZIL**, 0520-0531, R. Club do Para Feb 7 Brazilian music to 0529 ID by male announcer with promo and mentions of meter band and frequency. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)
- 4910 **ZAMBIA**, 1634-1708, ZNBC Radio One Feb 7 Male announcer in African language, with sermon; numerous mentions of 'Janni' or 'Juani' and 'Patmos', which was likely a Bible story relating to the apostle John who was imprisoned on the Island of Patmos. Announcer with voice-over organ music at 1656; hymn and choir 1658; 2+1 time pips at 1700. Female announcer with possible ID and mentions of Lusaka 1701, followed by news items read by a man, mentioning Zambia, Angola, Malawi, and other locations. Choral anthem or national song at 1704. Bassy modulation. Very good signal, with AIR Jaipur faintly in background 1634-1650 with sub-continental music. Surprisingly strong even at 1 hour 40 minutes past local sunrise and peaking at 1705, which is Lusaka sunset. Still in at a fair to good level at 1735 recheck, 2+ hours past SR with fast-paced advertisement mentioning many African music styles such as makossa, soukous, mbqanga, hilife, and others. Also heard 2/8 with a good signal. (Atkins-WA)
- + 0327-0338, ZNBC Radio One Feb 8 Fading up nicely with Afropops music and cheery male announcer in vernacular at 0330; mentions of Zambia and 'ZNBC'. I heard a clear mention of 'Radio Three' just before 0333; perhaps a promo for another network (?). 2+1 time pips at 0400 and into short vocal selection by female chorus. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)

- 4920 **INDIA**, 1702-1705, AIR Chennai Feb 8 Exotic subcontinental music, with male announcer in Hindi or Tamil at 1704. Much stronger than faint Xizang PBS (China) signal co-channel in background. (Atkins-WA)
- 4925 **INDONESIA**, 1145-1201, RRI Jambi Feb 7 Playing a mix of Indonesian pops and US music; male announcer with 'RRI Jambi' ID 1159 and into Love Ambon tune briefly, then more pop music at 1200. Good signal. (Atkins-WA)
- 4930 **BOTSWANA**, 1709-1730, VOA Feb 7 Very good longpath signal at Botswana sunset. Man and woman announcers in African language giving news items from around Africa, and mentions of many regional locations. Brief mabira music selection 1711, and back to news or political talk. Woman with mention of 'Washington DC' at 1713, followed by '909 AM' and 'shortwave 11975 and 17895 kHz', and what sounded like 'Voi Amerika' or similar at 1714. Man with 'Washington, DC' at 1729, and 'This is the Voice of America' by woman in English at 1730, and into English programming with mention of upcoming features and news. Surprisingly strong at more than two hours past local sunrise. Also heard VOA Botswana at a very good level on 2/8 at 1657 with VOA NewsNow report on human rights in Laos. (Atkins-WA)
- + 0338-0346, VOA Feb 8 Various news items in English read by different male announcers, including a US envoy travels to Pakistan, fighting in Afghanistan, and others. 'VOA News' IDs 0343. Good signal as Botswana sunrise approaches. (Atkins-WA)
- 4960 **PAPUA NEW GUINEA**, 1112-1116, Catholic Radio Network Feb 7 Talk or interview about Catholic and family planning issues. First noted at 1035 with Christian contemporary music. Poor-fair level, but seemed to be slowly improving. Also heard at 1707 on 2/8 with choir music; weak signal. (Atkins-WA)
- 4965 **TAJIKISTAN**, 1603-1612, V. of Russia, Yangiyul Feb 7 While searching for R. Christian Voice, Zambia, I came across Voice of Russia on the frequency. Female newscaster with world news, VOR ID at 1607, and into light jazz. 'VOR World service' ID again at 1609 and 1611 by male announcer. Good. (Atkins-WA)
- 4965 **ZAMBIA**, 0346-0355, Radio Christian Voice Feb 8 Tentative. Weak signal of Black Gospel music; traditional African choral music (hymn?) at 0348, but signal lost to the noise by 0355. (Atkins-WA)
- + 1706-1715, R. Christian Voice Feb 8 Presumed. Woman in English giving web address ('www.' something) at tune-in; Christian contemporary music 1707; short prayer or devotion 1712, and into Black Gospel music. Weak signal, nearly two hours past local sunrise. (Atkins-WA)
- 5010 **MADAGASCAR**, 1617-1633, R. National Malagasy Feb 8 Probable. Man and woman with discussion or interview in heavily African accented English, over/under AIR Thiruvananthapuram in Hindi. Good signal, but very difficult to follow due to the Indian at equal level. Language changed to pres. Malagasy 1628 with announcements by a man; brief drumming, then woman in French at 1631 with possible mention of 'Malagache' beneath AIR's subcontinental music. I was surprised to hear English on this frequency at tune-in; unfortunately the level was so low I couldn't make out the subject or topic. (Atkins-WA)
- 5019.9 **SOLOMON ISLANDS**, 1737-1740, SIBC Feb 7 Honiara still in at a good level with BBC news relay in English, 2-1/2 hours past local sunrise. Panel discussion about economies of Middle Eastern countries. (Atkins-WA)
- 5985 **CONGO**, 1713-1750, R. Congo Feb 8 Fair to good level at Brazzaville sunset (1715). Male announcer in African vernacular; into French at 1723 with 'Ici Brazzaville, Congo' ID at 1731. Enjoyable Soukous music selections starting at 1732, but unfortunately by 1740 the signal was weakening and getting noisy. However, Congo was still listenable with a fair signal even past 1800 (10am local time PST). Strongest on southwest Beverage. (Atkins-WA)

Those interested in seeing some photos along with the DXpedition loggings I posted recently can check out this URL: [http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/oceancity\\_2005\\_02.dcx](http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/oceancity_2005_02.dcx)

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Mark Connelly reports in with another outstanding batch of loggings.

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

- 549 **GERMANY** DeutschlandRadio, Nordkirchen & Thurnau, FEB 6 0518 - // 1422 with classical music; slightly over Algeria. [Connelly\*B-MA]

- 567 **IRELAND** RTE R.1, Tullamore, FEB 6 0518 - traditional fiddle music; fair. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 747 **NETHERLANDS** Flevoland, FEB 6 0515 - soft instrumental music with a synthesizer and a conventional orchestra; good, way over Spain-Canaries. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 837 **FRANCE** Nancy, FEB 6 0513 - French talk; over others. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 882 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC R. Wales, Washford, FEB 6 0512 - English talk about medicine; poor to fair. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC R.5 synchros, FEB 6 0526 - English talk by man & woman mentioned car racing; getting by WABI. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 945 **FRANCE** Toulouse, FEB 6 0527 - French talk; in CINW-940 & WROL-950 slop. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1062 **DENMARK** Danmarks R., Kalundborg, FEB 6 0509 - Celine Dion style vocal, woman in Danish; to good peak. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1179 **SWEDEN** R. Sweden, Solvesborg, FEB 6 0530 - classical music with a religious-sounding chorus; over Spain-Canaries. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1206 **FRANCE** Bordeaux, FEB 6 0459 - // 1377, 1557 with French talk by 2 men. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** Virgin R. synchros, FEB 6 0504 - folkish kind of rock vocal, maybe Neil Young; to good peak. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1314 **NORWAY** NRK, Kvitsoy, FEB 6 0442 - news in Norwegian; excellent, S9++, loudest TA. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** Lille, FEB 6 0459 - // 1206, 1557 with French discussion, a bit of music, then news read by woman; to good peak. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1422 **GERMANY** DeutschlandRadio, Heusweiler, FEB 6 0458 - soft classical music; fair. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1548 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC R. Bristol, Bristol-Mangotsfield, FEB 6 0454 - BBC talkshow; over other. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1557 **FRANCE** Nice, FEB 6 0500 - // 1206, 1377 with musical interlude, then French news by woman; fair. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1584 **CEUTA** RadiOle, FEB 6 0453 - Spanish music; over SER. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1584 **SPAIN** SER synchros, FEB 6 0453 - SER net talk; under Ceuta. [Connelly\*B-MA]

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

- 555 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** R. ZIZ, Basseterre, FEB 6 0521 - soca male vocal; fair. [Connelly\*B-MA]
- 1620 **US VIRGIN ISLANDS** WDHP, Fredriksted, St. Croix, FEB 6 0452 - good with Carib-English talk by woman mentioned "on 1620 AM and on 103.5 FM in St. Croix: carnival and Caribbean culture", talk about steel orchestra competition. [Connelly\*B-MA]

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Receiver: Drake R8A; Antenna system: dual-feedline Flag: 5 m x 10.6 m.

That's all for this week. 73, Brandon.

## HEARING IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

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Greetings fellow IRCAN's and welcome to another edition of "Hearing It Through The Grapevine." This one features 1600 kHz and the State of Massachusetts. Let's see what our reporters have heard recently and over the years.

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RCA1-RA-11; GE Superadio II and III, Hallicrafters S-38E; Collins R-390, etc.

### Featured Frequency 1600 kHz:

KWOW/KMNY	Pomona, CA	KXEW	Tuscon, AZ
KGST	Fresno, CA	XETCT	Tecate BC, Mexico
KUBA	Yuba City, CA	KVRD/KYBC	Cottonwood, AZ
KRXY/KWMM/		KTAP	Santa Maria, CA
KYGO/KCKK	Lakewood, CO	KOHI	St. Helens, OR

### Featured State of Massachusetts:

1030 WBZ Boston "Heard well in the 70's when 1020 L.A was a 'daytimer' only. I got to visit the WBZ tower site in 1994."

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**Dennis Vroom**, San Pablo CA – 1968.  
 HQ 180 75" long wire  
 Vancouver, WA, HQ 180, 5' loop

**Featured Frequency 1600 kHz:**

KWOW	CA, Pomona 67 CA	KMBD	OR, Tillamook 2004 WA
KUBA	CA, Yuba City 67 CA	KGST	CA, Fresno SS "Radio Formula" dominates nights. 2004 WA
KLAK	CO, Lakewood 67 CA	KVRI	WA, Blaine 2004 WA
KASH	OR, Eugene 67 CA		
KOHI	OR, St. Helens, Local 2004 WA		

**Featured State of Massachusetts:**

1030 WBZ Boston, 10/26/68. Owned by Westinghouse, transmitter in Hull, MA.

**Ken Wilson**, Georgetown, KY

NRD-525, Sherwood SE-3, MklIID, Wellbrook K9AY, Wellbrook ALA 1530

**Featured Frequency 1600 kHz:**

WTSZ	KY Eminence 1/19/05 17:50, WSZ Sports Zone
WWRL	NY 1/19/05 18:54, Urban Talk
KATZ	MO, St.Louis, 1/23/05 06:12, Gospel MX
WZZW	WV, Milton, 1/25/05 12:20, Joy Radio
WFIS	SC, Fountains Inn, 1/31/05 20:15. Furman Basketball

**Martin Foltz**, Mission Viejo, CA

Hammarlund HQ-180A & Collins 51J-2, 1 foot air core loop

**Featured Frequency 1600 kHz:**

KXEW	South Tucson, AZ	KMNY	Pomona, CA
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**Mark Connelly**, WA1ION - Billerica, MA

**Featured State of Massachusetts:**

Massachusetts stations logged at DXpedition or vacation/business travel sites:

**From Sligo and Westport, Ireland (1977)**

680 WRKO Boston	1260 WEZE Boston (now WMKI)
850 WHDH Boston (now WEEI)	1510 WMEX Boston (now WWZN)
1030 WBZ Boston	

**From El Paso, TX (1986)**

1030 WBZ Boston

**From Portugal Cove South and Cappahayden, Newfoundland, Canada (mostly 1998)**

680 WRKO Boston	1240 WBUR W. Yarmouth
760 WVNE Leicester	1260 WPZE Boston (now WMKI)
830 WCRN Worcester	1300 WJDA Quincy
850 WEEI Boston	1330 WRCA Waltham
890 WBPS Dedham (now WAMG)	1390 WPLM Plymouth
1030 WBZ Boston	1430 WXKS Everett
1060 WJLT Natick (now WBIX)	1480 WSAR Fall River
1090 WILD Boston	1510 WNRB Boston (now WWZN)
1200 WKOX Framingham	1550 WNTN Newton
1230 WESX Salem	1600 WUNR Brookline

**Doug Pifer**, 3410 Marion St SE, Albany, OR 97322

Drake R8B, Kiwa Loop

**Featured frequency 1600 kHz:**

KEED	OR, Eugene/Springfield, Religious. Often times simulcasts with KWIL 790, Albany. Occasional non-religious programs. Dominant.
KCKK	CO, Lakewood, Classic Country 16 Kicks. Heard periodically.
KGST	CA, Fresno, La Mexicana.
KMNY	CA, Pomona, Chinese News and Money Radio. Used to be KWOW- Oldies. Oh well. Last heard in 2000.
KVRI	WA, Blaine, South Asian and Indian broadcasting with a variety of Languages. Their patterns are directed towards British Columbia.

Thanks to everyone for these great reports! For the next issue of the 'Grapevine' let's see what's been heard on 560 kHz and in the State of Washington, which was 1st settled in 1811 and was admitted to the Union on November 11, 1889. Their State bird is the Willow Goldfinch and the State flower is the Western Rhododendron. The 'popular' name for Washington is "The Evergreen State."

The deadline for this will be Saturday, March 5th at 1500 hours EST. At that time we will be into the bi-weekly issues of the 'Monitor'.

Until then be well my friends and --- 73 de DX de NY, Ray

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Hi everyone and welcome to another edition of "Website Wanderings." If anyone comes across a radio related website please forward it to me at: [DXRADIO@webtv.net](mailto:DXRADIO@webtv.net). I will be most grateful.

Please remember to access and enjoy IRCA excellent website at: <http://www.ircaonline.org/irca1.htm>.

This week I have another interesting link from Doug Pifer. "Radio, Ham & Wireless History" is everything you'd expect and more. If you spend time in this site you'll understand why I'm just giving you one pick this week - there's plenty here to take up your spare time (IF you HAVE spare time - Hi). Thanks Doug for the contributions - they are very appreciated. Your 'royalty' check is 'in the mail' for making my job easier! Hi. Find it at: <http://ac6v.com/antique.htm#HIST>.

I hope you enjoy this week's selection and with that I will bid you good health until the next issue of the 'Monitor' and say: "73 de DX de NY" ~~~ Ray



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