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      *DX CALENDAR*
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Nov.26 * WMAP 1060 Monroe, North Carolina
                                           250 TEST 4:00-4:30 AM
    27 Roxboro N.C.
                                          1000 TEST 4:30-5:00
    27 * NNI
              690 Warsaw, Virginia
                                           250 TEST 4:00-5:30
    28 * KWRO 1450 Coquille Oregon
                                           250 NRC
                                                    3:00-4:30
    28 * KCLO 1410 Leavenworth Kansas
                                           500 TEST 4:00-6:00
    28 * WGBI
              970 Scranton Penna.
                                          1000 NRC
                                                    4:00-4:30
    28 * WQAN 910 Scranton, Penna.
                                          1000 NRC
                                                    4:30-5:00
                                           250 NRC -
                                                    2:00-2:15
    29 * WATN 1240 Watertown.New York
Dec. 1 * WTTM 920 Trenton, New Jersey
                                          1000 NNRC 1:00-3:00
                                          1000 NRC
                                                    3:00-3:30
     4 KIEV 870 Glendale California
                                           250 test 3:00-4:00
     4 * KVCV 600 Redding California
                                                    3:30-4:00
                                          1000 NRC
         WGPA 1100 Bethlehem Penna.
                                           250 test 4:00-5:00
                                          5000 test 3:00-4:30
         KOWL 1580 Santa Monica, Calif.
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         WNAE 1310 Warren, Penna.
                                          1000 test 4:30-6:00
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                                          1000 test 4:00-5:00
         KWKW 1430 Pasadena California
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    11 * KDET
               930 Center Texas
                                          1000 TEST 4:00-4:30
                                           250 TEST 4:30-5:00
    11 WWPF
               800 Palatka, Florida
              770 Medellin, Columbia, S.A. 10KW NRC
                                                    4:00-5:00
    19 * HJDK
                                          10KW NRC
                                                    4:00-5:00<sub>0</sub>
    19 HJDE 6145 Medellin, Col. S.A.
    26 NWHG 1590 Hornell New York
                                          1000 TEST 4:00-4:30
                                           250 NNRC 2:00-4:00
    28 KICK 1340 Springfield, Missouri
* Asterik indicates program counts as bonus points in NRC Contest
                          WRITE-UPS"
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WMAP-Monroe, North Carolina Mr. C.J. Fletcher the CE writes-We Nov.26 4:00-4:30 are making plans for a Test program on Saturday AM Nov. 26th, from 4-4:30 C. Fletcher-CE and will be looking forward toreceiv-1060Kc.

ing reports from your members and all DXERS. Prompt veries will be issued to all correct reports. Lots of Luck. Info-Addy.

WRXO-Roxboro, North Carolina Another swell North Carolina station Nov.27 4:30-5 AM is going to test and will appreciate Harold S. Taylor-Gen. Man. reports from all you DXERS.WRXO has been on the air only since last 1430Kc. May and so will be new to most of us that dont DX during the summer. Lets\_all\_report\_to\_Mr. Taylor who is very friendly. Info-Kruse.

-SPECIAL-In a recent letter received by Bob Gorsuch oft he NRC CPC-Chief Engineer Ben Leff of Station KAGH-Pasadena, Calif. states-

"Effective October 15th Radio station KAGH has extended it's operation schedule - from midnight to 3:00 AM PST (6:00AM EST) daily except Tuesday. This should prove ample programing from KAGH to allow all of us to hear and report his station with out arranging any special DX Transmission. "end quote: Reports should be addressed to Mr.Ben Leff-CE, Radio station KAGH, 800 Sierra Madre Wills Aura Passhans 8 Calif.

Quote" Here at WNNT we ordinarily run a WNNI-Warsaw Virginia Nov.27,1949-4-5:30 fc with RCA on or about the first of each James L. Bittner-CE month, but in accordance with your request, 690Kc. we will run our Dec. Test on Nov. 27th starting at 4AM EST and signing off at 5:30 AMEST. The first part of the test will be our regular fc with RCA. After which we will play transcriptions at various Modulation percentages giving call letters after each transcription. Reports of reception will be appreciated and verified/"end quote.. Fellows! here is a newie that will be a swell catch in any DXer's Log. Info-Len Kruse.

KWRO-Coquille Oregon Nov. 28, 1949 3-4:30AM Walter Read-CE :1450Kc.

Tho KWRO has a Fourth Tues.FC he is covered in the east by alniters. So Mr. Read has kindly consented to run a Special DX Show on Monday AM when 1450Kc is clear of these alniters. KWRO ran a DX for us last March

and ran into some bad weather conditions so here's hoping this time conditions will be right and that we can hear this swell 250 Oregon station. Arranged-Eldon Addy.

KCLO-Leavenworth, Kansas. You may all remember last year KCLO ran Nov. 28th-1949 4-6AM it's Tests our good member Andy Anderson David L. Reed-CE was at the Mike .Well KCLO is going to :1410Kc. run another Test on Monday AM and will be looking forward to receiving your reports of reception. WING will be off so KCLO should be in the clear. Information-Len Kruse.

WGBI-Scranton, Penna. This is one of the old timers in Radio Nov.28,1949 4-4:30AM dating back to the early days of 1925 yet WGBI is needed by many DX Fans.Mr. R.E. R.E.McDowell- Manager McDowell is very anxious to receive your 910Kc. reports of reception so lets all give 910Kc a try on the 28th. WGBI promises a worth while show. Arranged by Leo Herz.

WQAN-Scranton, Penna. Capping off a busy morning of swell DX Nov.28th.1949 4:30-5 Tests and DX Programs. WQAN who shares Robert Flanagan-Program Dir.. time with WGBI is DXing for the NRC 910Kc. and all DXers. We understand that WQAN is on the air only a few hours daily so he will be lacking in most DXers Log. WQAN will also be looking forward to receiving your reports so lets dont disappoint WQAN. Arranged by Leo Herz.

WATN-Watertown, N.Y. Harry Righter the geniel president of Nov.29.1949 2-2:15 WATN continues to dedicate his FC to the Harry Righter-President NRC am all Daers. Even the WEDC is on 1240Kc. lets support Harry by listening and send ing him our reports. Harry is a true friend to all DXers. A word on HJDK and HJDE

This station has agreed to put on a hour show for the members of - the NRC and all DXers on Monday AM Dec. 19th. 4:00-5:00AM EST. They will announce in both Spanish and English. They also would like reports on both the long and short wave Transmitter. Mailing address on this Special will be as follows --- Senor William Gil S., Gerente; "La Voz De Antioquia - HJDK - Maracaibo Numero 46-80; Medellin, Columbia, South America. Arranged by George Hotton.

\_Musings\_of\_the\_Members\_

Bob Brown - 721 South 9 Street - Goshen, Ind. First of all, I added a few veries after my last report way back last spring. They Were WTRY WIMX KNEX KGYN KLOK CKCO WYNJ WHLN KTFI CHEK KTAT WGRD WGVM WDBJ WPIT & WKIN. The latter was for reception this season. On Nov. 5th: KSIG at 3:15 on f/s, WSPC at 3:35 on their all-night show, KTYL at 4:00 on f/c, WKLA at 4:15 on f/c, WKIN at 4:45 on f/c, and OAX4A at 10:30 p.m. S-6, but not strong enough for a report. On Nov. 6th: WTTS at 5:20 on all-night show and KUOA at 5:35 on early morning program. On Nov. Tth: WBZA at 1:15 on f/c, KCOL at 1:30 on regular schedule, KCTX at 2:00 on f/c, WCLD, Cleveland, Miss., 1490, at 2:17 on ET, WNAG at 2:55 on ET, and KSVP at 3:30 on f/c. On Nov. lith: WGEM at 1:50 on regular schedule, WTOM at 2:00 on f/c, WFRO, Fremont, Ohio, 900 kc/s., at 2:23 on ET, and WQUA at 1:30 on f/c. I guess the merger of WKJG and WFTW has gone through. This afternoon, 11/11, WFTW wasn't on the air and WBAL was on top (4:00 p.m.) at about 5 db above R-9. It might be a good idea to log WJVA while there's time The Bendix strike hart all of the South Bend stations. Well, I guess that's about all for the time being: I might send along another report next week. I don't look for the TAs or TPs to come in good for 2 or 3 more years but I'll be trying for 7a's es DX. (Glad to hear from you, Bob, and we hope for more from you! -Ed.)

Donald L. Frey = 3511 North Halsted - Chicago 13, 111.

Greetings, gang: DX has been just like "Fission" - atomic, that is, or as the professors said when they had the first meal cooked by Atomic Energy, "My, what tasty Fission Chips." Ha, before too many of you become sick souls I'll give with the info - all time is E.S.T. 11/6/49 - KARK, regular schedule 1:05-1:23; WKAX f/c 3:02-3:04, TT, WNAW test 4:02-4:15, music, 11/7 - KCTX f/c 2:01-2:16 TT, WNDB f/c 3:11-3:15, music, 11/8 - WSBA f/c 1:31-1:45 music, WGTM f/c 1:48-2:00 music. 11/9 - WHIR s/off 1:10, the following were on all morning with election returns - KYSM KWYO KGO WEDL KFSD WSFR. 11/11 - WTOM f/c 2:12-2:15, WFRO in Fremont, Ohio, 900 kc/s., with a power of 500 watts, testing all morning, and offering \$5.00 for the farthest DX report. In the evening, on 11/21, I logged on regular schedule TGW 640 kc/s. in Guatemala City 11:50-12:00. XEB in Mexico 12:05-12:16. Both were in Spanish but I had the help of my friend and the world's well-known linguist, Derek Wharton in translation of same, probably won't hear from either one, hi Derek. Received the following veries: 11/7 - Letter from KWK. 11/8 - Letter from KVIC. 11/9 - Letters from WDLB and WLBJ. 11/11 - Cards from WGYV and WPTF and a letter from KARK. 11/12 - Letters from CJER and WNAW. That's all for now, so will say best of DX, and 73's to all.

. . . . . Leo Herz - 720 Barry Avenue - Chicago 14, Ill. Conditions the beginning of the week were not too good for DXing, so only sent; out 3 reports. Veries coming in slow this season; only 2 in last week. Have 14 reports out from this season. Could not hear WIHL with WGN and its 50 kw. on all night. They splash over on 730 kc/s. Reports sent out this week are: Nov. 7 - WMGM on all-night program. Nov. 12 - WIRL on son when WMIL who is usually heard on this frequency was 5 minutes late. Nov. 13 - KWCR on f/c and DX program despite some interference by WWDC and a couple of other and an interesting note on this program was Don Frey and I had almost identical loggings while "the Derek" could not even hear KWCR. Veries in this week, both letterpheads: KVLC and WJPS. Veries now 795 with 14 out from this season and only one each out from the seasons of 1947/48 and 1948/49. Have my portable all primed for a session on the Hiawatha parlor car. Always interesting what can be heard on the grave-yard channels. Will do a bit of DXing at Eldon's, using Eldon's SX-42, while it does not count in the contest, I count stations logged away from home and verified in my personal log. Will talk ever CPC matters with Elion. Regards to all.

Frank Wheeler - R. D. #5 - Erie, Pennsylvania

A small report. As far as new stations are concerned, DXing here has been bad on account of the 24 hr. stations. New ones received since Oct. 18 are: WYVE & WNDB. New veries are; CFAC and WYVE. I received a verie (for my extra verie list & for the contest) from XERF. They stated as follows: "Thank you for the nice verif. you sent in on our distance contest. So it gives us pleasure to send you a set of our lovely Simulated Diamond Rings." I got a liamond & wedding ring. I told my wife all I need now was another woman, hi. Last yr. at this time I had recd 18 new stations in 6:22 of DXing for I every 22 min. This year only 8 new ones in 11 hrs. of DXing, I in 1 hr. 22 min. I say very bad compared to last year

Kermit Geary - Walnutport, Pennsylvania

Glad to report a slight upswing in veries during the past week, with six new ones arriving here as follows: KNEB KVLC WBCU WJCD WKRS and WLRP. KVEB sent two long-overdue hand-written postal cards, while the other 5 were nice personal letters. Of particular interest was the 2-pager from WKRS which heads in part as follows: "Undoubtedly, the reception of our signal at Walmitport was due to sky wave, and even considering the pecultarities of sky wave, it was quite a surprise to me to realize that you could receive WKRS with such clarity through WCAR, Cleveland. Our directional array was primarily designed to protect WGAR on 1220 kc/s., as well as WKAM, Warsaw, Indiana, operating on the same frequency. Our radiation along the radial to Cleveland is limited to approximately 70 watts." The following reports were sent out: 11/9 - WSFL, Springfield, Mass. 1600 kc/s., on Program Test from 3:10 to 3:20 a.m. 11/10 - WLIN on its regular monthly f/c. 11/11 - WFRO, Fremont, Ohio, 900 kc/s., on ET from 3:10 to 3:45 a.m. 11/12 - WPTR on regular schedule from 6:00 a.m. s/on until 6:35 a.m. 11/13 - KWCR on f/c and DX program through the WTBO-WWDC QBM from 1:57 to 3:00 a.m., WOHI on ET from 6:07 to 6:34 a.m. and WMUU on regular schedule from its 7:00 a.m. Sunday sign-on until WGWR took over at 7:29 a.m., and 11/14 - KFTM on f/c from 3:04 to 3:20 a.m., WDUN on f/c from 3:20 to 3:30 a.m., and KGIL on regular schedule from 3:29 to 3:43 a.m. 73.

Frank Gravely - 201 Starling Avenue - Martinsville, Virginia Wy prediction about U. Va. whipping Penn came true. Now all they've got to do is beat Bulane and Carolina for an undefeated season! Not too much DX nere. Listened a couple of rornings this past week. Recent veries in are nice letter from CFAC for their 11/1 special, signed by S. C. Gilbert, of Technical Staff; letter from KVLC, on their DX program of 11/1, signed by W. S. Miller, C.E.; WBEX finally sent a letter for 10/2 report, signed by R. H. Albers, C.E.; hand-written letter from KNEB for their f/c of 11/1, signed by Dale Woods, ass't engineer. Recent reports out to HJCZ WATO WCNU WMWB & WCLD. 11/7 WCID, 1490, with initial ET; WENC, 1240, f/c with TT 3:15-3:30; WBBQ, f/c 3:30-3:45; HJCZ heard 7:00-11:00 p.m. topping 710 kc/s., with QRM from WKJB, and WOR not in the running. Also heard some one on 1000 8:30-9:00 p.m. with a program of news and music in Englash, later in Spanish. Think it is a Mexican, XEOY. 1179 - KOB heard QSA 2-3, behind WJZ at 7:45 p.m. Not able to copy a report though. For the contest, I'll get them some night. 11/10 - Plenty of DX; WVWW, s/off 2:0 s.m. on 1490; WKDA top of 1240 at 2:00 a.m., WMMB f/c with music 2:00-2:15; KROF, 960, f/c 2:00-2:15 with TT; TCMU, f/c 2:30-2:45 with music; WATO, f/c 3:00-3:15 with music; TT's on 740 830 230, 1090, 1300, 1380, 1050 and all the graveyard frequencies. That's all the DX I managed to do last week. Hope to do more this week. I ordered a 12 vertical antenna and am anxious to see how it is going to work. Since middle of September, I have sent 51 reports, received 18 replies, sent 8 follow-ups and received no replies to them. Not too good a percentage. Hope it picks up. SW seems to be the best for getting QSL's. I ve got about 25 countries terified. The percentage for SW stations is very high, except for South American stations. Almost makes me want to desert BCB altogether. It'll never happen, the.

Pat-Reilley - 11 Irvine Place - Jamestown, New York New veries are WEOL KYNO WGXI WJCD WROD. 11/8 - Unknown one at 3:44 on 740 - WOPI off f/c at 3:50 - WGAP on f/c at 4:11 to 4:20 - WCAE on test at 4:38 - WWV harmonic on 1060 and 905 today, but very noisy. 11/9 - Worked on election edition until after 4:00 and not much DX. Who signs on at 5:00 a.m. with Bulova Time at 6:00 a.m. on one thosand, two hundred and ninety-five kilocycles, as given by speaker, then plays classical music and quite weak and bad fading and haven't caught call yet. (Sounds like VP4RD - Ed) 11/ 10 - Heard KOOL on f/c at 3:53 until WATW came on with f/c at 3:58, WJJM on f/c (1490) 4:00-4:30 and very noisy today here, and to bed early. 11/11 - Bad thunder and lightning storm, too noisy to DX. 11/12 - KELP heard on f/c at 3:13, 920 kc/s. WFRO, 900, on ET at 3:19, Fremont, Ohio, offered \$5.00 for most distant report, WRRF on f/c at 5:06 a lot of TT but now calls on 1340, 1400, 1380, 740, 750, etc. 11/13 - WIHL not heard here, unknown on and off 740 all morning - no voice or call heard. TT on 860 at 4:04, mp call for 15 minutes and I quit. WIBK, 800, on their 2nd Sunday f/c 4:45-5:00 and not every Sunday. XEOA. 910, believe it is him who is on until 4 or 5 each day, quite heavy noise again & bad wind altho 520. 11/14-WROB f/c to 3:15, WDUN off f/c 3:30, KLBM f/c3:30-3 3:45. KHONns 1961 but KYOR offi 4; 08 thru KAWA fic towas 15 KAGH His Rater Wille 1 left by Weing? ing 3-tower antenna pattern.

Musings of the Members Ralph M. Johanns - 64 East Huron Street (rear) - Buffalo 3, N.Y. Just a friendly letter to all of you. Not too much listening here lately. Only had a vertical antenna on roof for last month, as a new building cut my East antenna down and sp only got it back up Saturday afternoon, 11/12, in time to hear last 10 minutes of TLIO (1570) till 5:00 p.m. s/off to return at 8:00 a.m. 11/29- Managed 20 minutes of WILL (580) regular f/c with music through CKEY, WPAX (1240) all morning regular program offering five points of Pecan Nuts for furthest report received within 10 days. WTBO (1450) said, every Saturday night from 12:05 to 3:00 a.m. so nix on KWCR special. WIHL had I think CBL slop-over QRN as little music and what sounded like a call at 3:45 might be also Lenoir, N.C. testing? WILM TT/f/c was fairly good and WFPG (1450) was on pop 1)00;1:05 with news, then a prayer and s/off with National Anthem. 11/16 - Mostly rain and nix on WFAX special, but WCRS (1450) TT f/c 3:40-3:50 a.m. was 75% strong and KENN (1400) 4:25-4:40 nicely with regular TT f/c said, 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. their time was the regular schedule. Say, Len - I heard WFEC special but was unable to copy WNAW's although Grandpa Edge heard 'em OK. 11/12 - I just tuned in 990 kc/s. when announcer said: "at Orlando, Fla., conducting ET"3:40, off, maybe was WHOO. WARC, 950, is not all night but signs on at 4:00 or 4:30 I guess. Believe a list of stations allnight, silent times, Saturday nighters schedules and stations on till 3:30 or 4:00 a.m. EST would come in handy this sadson. Say Maley - KFFA (1360) I heard f/c with 1 kw. music 2:45-3:10 s/off to return at 5:15 a.m. their time on Oct/11 with 65% volume. Veries are only 1025 but glad to see those nice NRC specials, also that MO \* asterisks are in front of Nov. 21 as "one dozen roses" in a bunch, I like better. Let's donate a buck for a new mimeograph maching and get a "good" new member. Best DX to you all. New CE at WFCB (1410) was not able to give me an opening date. As yet they are arrang-

Ted Weiser - 19R Fairview Avenue - Schwylkill Haven, Pa.

Veries in last week were KTUL KNEB KWCB WCBS WNLK WBZ WUSJ WJZM WJCD & WEOL. KNEB came through with a hand-written card by Dale Woods, WBZ was card, others were letters and all very nice ones at that. WEOL to replace a thank-you one from their ET. WUSJ says my report was very interesting, accurate and complete. WGBS says my report is of great interest and of value to them. A.W.Shropshire C.E. The logging of this one through WOR was an interesting one for me. 11/7 tried WMOU for a report on their f/c, they topped 1230 kc/s. with strong signal here. wcLD on 1490 kc/s. heard through WWSW for a report on their ET. 11/9 Up at 4:00 a.m. and logged WHHH topping 1400 kc/s, with Election results for a new one here, ditto on WJAC after WHHHA sign/off. I no doubt missed a few good ones this morning, local WPPA and WPAM were still on at 5:00 a.m. They should be getting reports from new listeners. On 11/10, WFCB heard with voice and carrier, call at 4:01 and 4:30. 11/11 Got around to WGH on their f/c for a report, needed this old-timer here. WFRO heard on their ET, also on 11/12.

of late. Nov. 11, WHSC 1450, f/c at 2:08, WOMI 149C at 2:29, WCLD testing under them through WCMI at 2:30. KCNY on 1150 briefly at 3:01, messed up by WTCO on f/c. Finally evercome by CMBQ (?). Then WNDB at 3:12 with f/c. Nov. 11, WFRC, 900, effecing a five spot for farthest report at 2:57. Nov. 12 - Nothing new after two hours at the dials. KRMB, 1340, f/c at 4:52. WHYN, 1400, at 5:15. KWTO on 560 at 5:40. Just can't seem to land CFRA on 560 on early sign-on, and not very far away, either. Nov. 13, 1450, WTBO until 3:00. WFAX on 1240 with a 2:00-5:00 platter show for #1277. Veries on ration again, only KWHT, Marshall, Tex. in this week. Ray Edge - I put up another 100 feet of antenna without noticable results. Letter veries in 11/14 from WNAW WCID WNOE and card from WGCD.

Ray B. Edge - 325 Shirley Avenue - Buffalo 15. N.Y.

Well again it's very little to report, only new one heard was WFRO on 900 kc/s. in Fremont, O. 2 letter veries received and they from WYVE & WRCO. Missed out on the specials listed for the 12th account of being too busy at the station, couldn't get time out to tune them in. Hope all you others are getting a lot more than I, will be in there pitching vy soon. Remember DEADLINE FOR DEMESTIC LISTING OF CONTEST WILL BE Nov. 30, There were no listing this menth. Next deadline 12/7.

Musings of the Members\_ Derek Wharton - 1231 Norwood Street - Chicago 40, Il1. There is not so much this time, but I think it will fill up some space, hi. Logged since Nov. 1, 1949, underlined are veried by letter. KVLC tough on test through WMGM, verie states that an excellent report was received from a fellow 78 miles from transmitter of said QEM. (That would undoubtedly be Kerm Geary, Derzk -Ed.) WEAK ET, CFAC DY easily copied, no QRM. WGUY f/c, a surprise catch here. Leo went to Eldon's to get them, hi! KLMX ET. WARK f/c through WWSW. WENT f/c on top of 1230 mess, WRYO ET on top of WMGM, KGFL f/c on top of 1400 kc/s. mess, easily copied code number necessary for verification. They used to be in Raton in 1928 hi, Sid. WNAW test tough, very weak, with northern lights crackling. Tirst time anything ever hurt my eardrums, being slightly hard of hearing have phones off the output of set, where volume level is as it would be through the speaker. No sign of WFEC - did not come through - Kruse couldn't get them, hi ho! KICK Sundays till 3:00 a.m. now on 1450 kc/s. along with EFGT, Fremont, Neb on ET also there now, from 1340. WGXI. Guess Hal Wagner did not get me straight over the phone. No credit to me for WEDC. When I phoned Mr. Kotnour informed me that some one else had contacted him already for stand-by. My ideas payed off only in Polka or band or waltz music from the 3 mentioned stations, only KVRH, KA3623 answered - said he thought it was an excellent idea for riding over QRM. Vir N. James, Owner, Manager,

and Verie Signer. Here are some tips not in the bulletin, all EST: 860 Glendale, California 3:00 - 4:00 a.m. NNRC test - Dec. 4 KIEV 250 watts NNRC test - Dec. 7 WGPA 1100 Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 250 4:00 - 5:00 a.m. MNRC test - Dec. 10 KOWL 1580 Santa Monica, California 5,000 3:00 - 4:30 a.m. 4:30 - 6:00 a.m. NMRC test - Dec. 10 WNAE 1310 Warren, Pennsylvania 1000 NNEC test - Dec. 11 KWKW 1430 Pasadena, California 4:00 - 5:00 a.m. 1000 NEEC test - Dec. 11 WCTC 1450 New Brunswich, New Jersey 250 5:15 - 5:45 a.m. It's kind of late and I've had a very busy day at the shop, so long for now and best DX.

Len Kruse - 817 Wilson Avenue - Dubuque, Iowa Late afternoon DXing has profited my log with two new stations. The ideal time to DX, in the late afternoon, is between 30 and 45 minutes after local "daytimers" sign off. It is then when further to the west and south can be logged, during their last programs of the day. Station KCLW (900) Hamilton, Tex. logged on 11/8 from 6:15-6:30 p.m., and then on 11/10, KSOK (1280) Arkansas City, Kansas, logged 6:00-6:15 p.m., atop this frequency. The morning following Elections, I had plans of logging a number of stations on with Returns, but unfortunately I over-slept, and added only one after a late hour, namely WSPR (1270) Springfield, Mass. On 11/10 KGCU (1270) Mandam, N.D. added on its 2nd Thursday f/c 4:40-4:55 a.m. for a new one in the log; while on 11/11 added RELO (1320) Sioux Falls, S.D. on thear schedada 7:15-7:30 a.m., for still another new station. The ET from WFRO (900) Fremont. Ohio added on 11/12 from 3:00 to 4:00 a,m. Then the weekly ET of WOHI (1490) East Liverpool. Ohio added on Sunday 6:00-6:30 a.m., good signal with WWSW off the air at this time. Station WALA (1410) Mobile, Ala. added during their regular schedule 8:00-8:15 a.m. on the same morning of 11/13. The scheduled DX test from WIHL on 11/13 was not heard, and with the continued 'poor conditions' I'm wondering if they were on the air, or if they were not heard at this den. Verifications the past week included letters from KBOW WBCU WRCO WCLD, and a card from CBK. Wy delinguent reports still out from the 1948-1949 DX season are from WTSP WDXI KGHI WECW WCOC KSWA WHIZ KHSL WDXB.

Bernie Duffy - 68 Watchogue Read - Staten Island 14. N.Y.

As I said last week, the farther we advance into another so-called "DX season" the worse and more limited becomes reception and the amount of additions to my log the past ####### 7 days nested me but two - WCNU and WFRO, the latter in Fremont, Ohio, on 900 kc/s.

2:00 a.m. 11/11. Counteracting that gloomy situation however was my great pleasure in receiving these 6 letter veries in the same mail delivery - WEOL WROO WNAW WSFL WCMB & KLKC. Unfortunately, WTBO and WWDC's local-like signals precluded my getting kWCR's DX 11/13, likewise with KOKX's the same morning, due to CKOY. Had the latter been scheduled for a Menday they would be in the clear as that Canadian is silent that morning weekly. 11/14. I heard an unknown weak one on 860 kc/s. sign off with Natinal An-

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Musings of the Members

Sid Rosenbaum - 806 Market Street - Wheeling, West Virginia Conditions excellent for twilight DX this period and several good mornings as well. Reports to underlined. On Nov. 8th, new WCLD, 1490; Cleveland, Miss. on ET from 2:00 a.m. on. Topped frequency here. \*KEID \*WJWD and WBML on f/c, the latter, 3:15-3:30. Nov. 9th, Found most channels crowded due to Election Returns. Picked up a couple of rare ones that repaid me for lost sleep. KBY on test with tone, 2:30-2:37. WSPR & WPPA on with Election News. WHAR on f/c 2:03-2:15. WAUD, f/c 3:00-3:15. CKNO came in strong 3:30-4:03 s/off. In the evening, KLOU topping 1380 at 5:35 p.m. with Diam's Toy Trumpet. As I was the most distant listener to report this program last year, another report sent in. Diann verifies her own programs. KENT heard 6:30 to 6:30 p.m. and water regular on top at 7:00 p.m. On Nov.: 10th, KROF on f/c, WNOP, f/c. KIMC on with 15-mirate musical test, followed by f/c, 2:30-2:55. \*WATO, f/c. \*WAR, f/c, KOLN f/c. An unknown heard at 4:00 through 4:20 on 1400. Tested with Band Marches, no titles. Faded deeply at conclusion and missed call. Location sounded like Akron? WKGN on f/c 4:30-4:45, voice only. WROD, f/c. Nov. 11 - \*KWLC, f/c. WBTH, musical f/c, 4:35-4:57, to s/on at 6:30. KWBC, regular at 5:00, WHAP s/on at 6:00. On Nov. 12th, KEUF, f/c, music, 2:30-2:40. KOSE conducting test 2:30-3:00, CKEY regular and WHOO testing 3:15-3:30. Nov. 13th, WDXI regular, KOKX on test through heavy QRM. WPAX on test all morning. Nothing heard of WIHL DX. Letter veries in are KNEB KNBY CFAC WEEK WUSJ WOKO WYVE. Cards from KWAT WULA WBAT. Veries very slow coming in. Have the largest outstanding list I've ever ##### had, 52. This does not include anything over 60 days old. The reports of various members contain plenty of information which I have found very profitable. Let's provide Lefty and Hal with material and the proper tools to work with and provide that mimeo as soon as possible. That's all from here. \* Indicates f/c is as listed in latest f/c list of NRC.

Hal Stein - 432 Sutter Street - San Francisco, California
Well, I finally began to bring in a few non-locals this week, and can now regard the
1949-1950 DX season as being under way! Reports out this week to KICA KFQD KOSE KORE.
11/9 - KRSC s/off at 3:10 a.m., KPRO s/off 3:00 a.m., KSBW s/off 3:05 a.m. Picked up
KFQD from 3:20 to 3:33 a.m., first Alaskan station I have ever heard. They were quite
weak. Switched over to 1400 kc/s. for DX program from KCOD but they were buried in
QRM from KENO, nound 3:40 a.m., Gave KFQD another try from 3:50 to 4:15 a.m., and found
that their signal peaked at around 4:00 a.m. for a QSA 4 R 7 signal! 11/11 - KFRE sign
off at 3:00 a.m. KORE s/off at 3:08 a.m. 11/12, with a strong signal. I am batting
.500 on DX programs. Don't see how any Easterner could have heard KSUE at 12:30 a.m.,
P.S.T. I had a tough time getting them clear from KSON (24 hours), San Diege, Cal.

Mel Oliver - 1706-? National Standard Building - Houston 2. Tex.

A weak week here, with several nights being too moley and another with just no results. Only a couple of reports sent out - to WFRO and XEAO, although I don't know why I don't give up on the Mexicans. First verie of season was from KSNY, with other from KNBY KIMX WMEV and WCLD. 11/11 - WFRO, 9CD kc/s., Fremont, Ohio, on ET-ani-offering a \$5.00 bill for most distant report. 11/14 - KEPO, whom I needed, caught concluding test at 1:17 (CST?) but not in time to get a report. KTFY and KAMO mixing it up on 1050 at 1:45. 11/15 - Copied station on 960 with music and tome for some 45 minutes, but finally had to give up without hearing an announcement. XEAO on 910 signing off at 2:10, and got a brief report on him. For Pat Reilley, the bus strike you mentioned here lasted only 15 hours, but long enough to result in a fare increase.

NEW STATION New Yersey 250 U-1 900 Fremont. Ohio:

NEW CALLS

740 K P B M Carlabad, New Mexico

800 W J A T Swainsboro, Georgia

950 K O E L Celwein, Iowa

950 W V S C Somerset, Pennsylvania

1050 K W S O Wasso, California

1590 K W B G Boone, Iowa

As of November 1, 1949, according to figures of the Federal Communications Commission, there were a total of 2,055 standard radio stations on the air. Frequency modulation outlats numbered 742 and television stations, 89.

Lefty Cooper - 438 East 21 Street - Brooklyn 26. N.Y. Veries in from WRCO (who also sent program for dedicatory program) WSFL WJMX, and a poor card from WTTS, to bring total to 1,821. Letter from KFAN saying they were to f/c between 4:00 and 6:00 a.m. on 11/15 - no definite time mentioned - new Chief Engineer there is John K. Ball. DX during the week - On 11/11, only one new one added in 4-2 hours of DXing - WFRO on 900 with good signal, on again on 11/13 and much weaker then. WCNC was tesing on 1400 at 2:50. I have a new image on 1090, caused by WJZ & WPAT. WJZ, 770, WPAT 9301 160 kc/s. apart, then another 160 kc/s. up to 1090, and there they are again, weak and muffled. I had a big morning on 11/13, and surprised no one else logged some of these: First was WEAS, 1010, on 1:00-2:00 test, even heard when WINS! carrier was on 1:05-1:20. Then I took KOOL on 960 at 1:30 a.m., and then ran into WSFL on a Voice/Test on 1600, just a shade under WVOM. How those two 5 kw. stations can operate so close together is a tribute to modern antenna engineers! KWCR was one of the toughest I ever had to log since CKFI's DX of many seasons back, through the tremendous signals of WTBO & WWDC, both of whom were playing "Mule Train" at the same time at one point. I wonder if I had enough on KWCR for a verie. I also suggested to them that they try a DX on a Monday when they'd have a decent chance of being heard. Especially surprised that no one else mentioned the wonderful signal put in most of the morning by the testing CJNT, 1340, Quebec, with marches and old songs and over S-9 at 4:00 a.m. I had them at 3:27, and tuned away at 3:31 to look for WIHL, whom I thought I heard with one selection then, and then I dashed back to 1340, but coming back after identifying CJNT to my dismay there was no more signal on 730 - only the rushing noise of WOR slopping over. Then to round out the morning, I caught WIBK whom I understood was to leave the air on October 15 for good. On 11/14, I logged WDUN TT-f/c 3:15-3:30, and got by best so far this season, KAWT, 1450, Doughas, Ariz. 4:00-4:15 f/c-music. WCRS? carrier blocked them until 4:06, however. That will do it from here. I want to thank For Edge for taking over next week to allow me to confentrate on our play. Inx, Pop!

Dear Mr. Duffy,
"It is indeed with pleasure that we tender herewith this letter of verification of your reception of Radio Station KLKC, you report tallies exactly with dut log.
"We are extremely gratefull for report such as yours and the others we have received, without such reports we would have to remain uninformed as to our extraordinary coverage.
"For your information the following schedule is maintained for test purposes, on the first Tuesday morning from 12:15 to 12:30 a.m., C.S.T. This is of course the first Tuesday of each month, at this time we are having our frequency measured by the Commercial Monitoring Co. of Kansas City, Mo. The modulation will be a 1,000 cycle tone broken at 12:20 and 12:25 for approximately one minute to enable us to make station identification, at 12:29 the tone ends and the station is again identified, from 12:30:05 we run a fidelity check lasting till 1:00 C.S.T. All tone controls are cut out and the audio section of the station is operated uncompensated to give the best fidelity we can obtain, during this above mentioned period we request both local and <u>DISTANT</u> listeners for reports on signal strength tone quality, etc.

LETTER TO BERNIE DUFFY, FROM K L K C . PARSONS, KANSAS (1540 kc/s.)

"This station operates with a Maximum power of 250 watts on 1540 kc/s. and if you are interested in accurate frequency measurements it might be of interest to mention that during the period you mention our frequency deviation was .00000. Of course as Chief Engineer I am very happy to see us on the money, and also by the way this is the second consecutive report we have of O deviation, maybe those sleepless nights are now paying dividends, hi.

"We will be happy to consider you as a regular listener on our monthly runs and if you have a favorite selection you would like to hear, just drop us a line and we will do our best to dedicate it to you, by the way you might mention to your DX friends that this is one B.C. station that QSL's 100% and will continue to do so as long as I am Chief Engineer.

Sincerely,"

(signed) J. L. "Pabpy" Teats, Ch. Eng. We think, as Bernie does, that this is really a wonderful letter, and "Pappy" invites all DXers, through this letter, to send in reports and requests for their half-hour test from 1:30 to 2:00 a.m., E.S.T. Thanks to Bernie for submitting it.

eign stamps, which are, of course, the very best thing you can use in reporting a foreign station. We wrote Mr. Koester for details, and here is his letter to your Editor:

Walter H. Koester - 51? Brighton Road - Wilmington, Delaware

Dear Mr. Cooper:

"Thanks for your recent inquiry in regard to the foreign postage I have for sale. You may recall that I started a small business some 10 years ago with this type of service in mind. We had quite a successful service until the war broke out and then I struggled on with the few good customers I had who were not otherwise engaged and who found that they could continue their hobby to a limited extent. George Hotton was one of these and while I have made no effort to build up the old business, I have always attempted to fill what orders I have received from my old customers and those who have heard of my efforts.

"I am sorry that I have no price list to send you, but as I am unable to quote prices on stamps, my price being entirely dependent upon the stamp desired and my ability to pick up such at a reasonable cost, I have been in the habit of asking my customers to send me a want list, giving the face value desired, (or the use to which the stamp is to be put — airmail, let class letter, or postcard) and I will then send such stamps, if available, on approval and subject to maximum prices which the person ordering states he is willing to pay.

"In view of the conditions as I have stated them, if you care to give me any space in one of your publications, I would suggest that you mention that I will be glad to try to supply the needs of your members if they will write me and order stamps giving the following: 1 - Country. 2 - Face value required (if unknown I cam probably help)
3 - Maximum price willing to pay. 4 - Maximum time willing to wait for delivery.
5 - Guarantee to accept stamps if I meet such conditions. Each such order should be accompanied by return postage and I will extend credit for 10 days after delivery for your members in good standing. I will, of course expect to have your cooperation in collecting any delingment accounts should I extend credit to first timers on the basis aff club membership but will not hold you responsible. I'll, of course, answer each letter immediately.

"If there is enough interest shown, I'll be glad to build up my stock of the stamps in greatest demand and there should be little delay in filling any orders for the most frequently meeded stamps. No doubt you will want some idea as the the prices I usually charge. The old set up was based upon the old price of \$4\$ for I.R.C.'s. We attempted to supply stamps at no more than \$4\$ and in the case of Cuba, Mexico, Canada, and some of the South American countries we could cut this nearly in half. \*\*\*\*

"Will be glad to hear from you as to your reaction to this suggestion, will supply any details which you might like to have to fill in the story, or will gladly cooperate in any way which you may find that I can be of help to your club. I never took an interest in DXing but got quite interested in the radio hobby just by reading club publications of those who gave me publicity. At one time or another the old Return Postage Bureau got publicity in RADEX, IRC, NNRC, DX Alliance (W. T. Green, Cincinnati) etc. last active interest in a club was in VRC and the VRC Associates.

"Guess that should be plenty of background. No doubt you think it far too much. However, I feel that you should know something about me if you are to recommend my service

Now, in reference to the above. We wonder how many of you are interested in this service. With the DX coming up from HJDK-HJDE we certainly recommend Colombian stamps for return postage. Maybe this is the answer to receiving Cuban and Mexican verifications. This, coupled with the Spanish letter we have published two or three times in the past, and which we are going to repeat in a soon-to-come issue. Now Mr. Koester's service can be a great boon also with Canadian postage stamps, for replies from the Dominion! At any rate, think about this, and why not write to Mr. Koester wand tell him what you would like in these stamps of other lands, and answer the 5 questions he posed in the above letter, and above all, be sure to merition that you are a member of the NRC. Our heartiest thanks to Mr. Koester, and we do hope many members will join in this service.

Sincerely, "

and ask your members to help me re-establish this.

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                           NATIONAL RADIO CLUB DX NEWS
Page 10
                                "DX DOWN THE DIAL"
All time AM EST
             Atlanta, Ga. Consistantly on top at 0530 (Rosenbaum)
  590 WALA
             Newport Ky.FC TT hrd 2nd Thurs 0200-0218 on 11-10 (Rosenbaum)
 740
      WNOP
 800
       WIBK
             Knoxville, Tenn.FC 2nd Sun only 0445-0500 (Cooper)
             North Adams, Mass.FC 3rd Fri 0200-0215 per verie (Rosenbaum)
       WNAW
 860
              Oklahoma City, Okla. TT hrd 0225-0237 on 11-9 (Rosenbaum)
 890
       KBYE
              Fremont, O. ET 11-11 thru 11-17,$5 most distant report (Everyone)
 900
       WFRO
              Salisbury.Md.On top in WVa at 6 PM (Rosenbaum)
 960 WBOC
             Who is Latin speaking all nighter on here? (Cooper)
Pittsburg, Cal. Started 11-5. Eked 0930 to 0200 or 0300 (Mechan)
970 ????
 990 KECC
              Carthage, Ill.FC TT hrd 3rd Wed 0530-0545 on 11-16 (Rosenbaum)
       WCAZ
              Decatur, Ga.ET with 10Kw 0100-0200 on 11-13(Cooper)
1010 MEAS
1020 WMMJ
              Peoria; Ill. Will be silent to at least 12-23. (Duffy)
       WKLO
              Louisville, Ky. Hrd behind WTIC 0000-0100 daily (Cooper)
1080
              Ft. Wayne, Ind. Now off air, merged with WKJG (Duffy)
1090 WFTW
1210 WCNT
              Centralia, Ill. Weekday s/on at 0700 (Herz)
1220 KOFO
              Ottawa, Kan. Check hrd 0450-0502 on 11-15 (Johanns)
 1230 WAUD
              Auburn Ala Reg FC hrd 2nd Wed 0300-0315 on 11-9 (Rosenbaum)
             Ft.Myers, Fla.Reg FC TT hrd 2nd Tues 0310-0320 on 11-15(""")
1240 WINK
              Thomasville.Ga. On all Sun AM with request program(Cooper)
       WPAX
              Liberal Kan FC hrd 2nd Tues 0300-0315 on 11-15 (Rosenbaum)
1270
       KSCB
              Anderson, SC. In clear Sundays at 0600 (Brauner)
 1280 WANS
1290 WIRL
              Peoria, Ill. Weekday s/on at 0700 (Herz)
              Picayune, Miss. ET hrd AM of 11-17 (Brauner)
1320 WRJW
              Quebec, Que. Tested Sun AM 11-13 with marches & old songs (Cooper)
1340 CJNT
              Shreveport La.FC TT hrd 0445-0500 on 11-12 (Brauner)
       KRMD
             Milwaukee, Wis. Tested Mon AM 11-14 with carrier & voice (Cooper)
       WEMP
              Clarksburg. WVa.FC TT hrd 2nd Wed 0200-0215 on 11-9(Rosenbaum)
       WHAR
       WJMA
              Orange. Va.CE says FC with RCA 2nd Tues Oll5-0130 (Brauner)
             Knoxville, Tenn.FC hrd 2nd Thurs 0425-0445 on 11-10 (Rosenbaum)
       WKGN
             Montgomery, WVa.FC TT hrd 0230-0240 on 11-17 (Bruaner)
Daytona Beach, Fla.FC TT hrd 0430-0445 on 11-10 (Rosenbaum)
""" FC TT hrd 0320-0331 on 11-17 (Brauner)
       WMON
       WROD
              Des Moines, Ia. Now en all nite (Addy, Brauner)
1390
       KCBC
              Monroe, La. Now on here with 5000 watts (Duffy)
       KNOE
              Centerville. Ia. Has FC 1st Sat 0200-0215 per verie (Brauner)
       KCOG
1400
              Also on 11-26 0200-0215 per info from Walbridge)
              Lincoln, Neb.FC TT hrd 2nd Thurs 0325-0338 on 11-10(Rosenbaum)
       KOLN
             McAlester, Okla. TEst hed 2nd Thurs 0230-0255 on 11-10(""")
       KTHC-
              Elizabeth City, NC. Tested to 0240 on 11-11 (Cooper)
       WCNC
              Gainesville, Ga.FC TT hrd 2nd Mon 0315-0330 (Cooper)
       WDUN
       KAWT
              Douglas, Ariz.FC 0400-0415 on 2nd Mon.ex 0500-0515(Cooper)
1450
              Hendersonville, NC.FC TT hrd 0415-0430 on 11-15 (Rosenbaum)
       WHKP
1470
       KVLH
              Pauls Valley, Okla.FC TT hrd 0215-0240 on 11-15 (Johanns)
             Mason City, Ia. Check 0346-0415, TT after 0415 on 11-17 (Johanns): Pine Bluff, Ark. FT hrd 0335-0350 on 11-17 (Johanns)
       KICM
 1490
       KOTN
              Pensacola, Fla. Test hrd 0325 on--11-10(Rosenbaum)
       WEAR
       WOMI
              Owensboro, Ky.FC hrd 2nd Wed 0330-0355 on 11-9 (Rosenbaum)
1550 KENT
             Shreveport, La. often on top in WVa. at 6 PM (Rosenbaum)
                    ADDITIONAL TIPS FROM THE NNRC
                Nov 24
         WBIW
                                                               3:00-6:00AM
     24
         CHSJ
                1400 Springfield, Mo.
                                                       test 1:00-1:30
   30
        KTTS
        KTTS 1400 Spring. Montana
KGCX 1480 Sydney, Montana
KIYI 1230 Shelby, Montana
                                                       NNRC 2:30-3:15
Dec 12
                                                       NNRC 3:30-4:15
                                                       NNRC 4:00-4:45
   12 KAVR 1240 Havre, Montana
Stations heard per our Frequency Check list, KELD, WJNO, WOPI, WGAP, WAJR, WADC, WHIT, KGFL, WBEX, KWAT, WOKO, KORN, WIRK, WHAP, KICM, WULA, WPKE, WATO, These are from Rosenbaum and Brauner.
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