DX News

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KINA-920 - 2211 B. Missouri Ave., Suite S-300 - El Paso, TX 79903-3838 will conduct a DX test on Saturday morning, Oct. 12, between 2:00 and 2:30 am EDT. The test will include tones, voice ID's, and Morse code, with the test time divided between 360 watts directional and 1,000 watts ND. Prepaid calls will be accepted during the test at 915-779-7550. Reception reports may be sent to Mr. David Stewart, CE (71210.0204@compuserve.com). Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.

WAKK-1140 - F. O. Box 1649 - McComb, MS 39648 will conduct a DX test between 1:30 and 2:00 am EDT, including Morse code ID's, march music, voice ID's, and test tones at 1,000 w ND. Reception reports may be sent to Mr. Richard Watts, CE. Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.

KAMA-750 - (same address as KINA) El Paso, TX will conduct a DX test between 2:00 and 2:30 am EDT, including Morse code ID, march music, voice ID's, and test tones at 10,000 w, daytime directional pattern. Reception reports may be sent to Mr. David Stewart, CE (71210.0204@compuserve.com). Arranged by J. D. Stephens for the IRCA CPC.

WTP1-1330, Carrolton, GA will conduct a DX test on Saturday morning, Oct. 26, tentatively from 12:00-2:00 am EDT, airing Morse code, oldies, and polkas at 500 w ND. You may send reports to Bill Alissauskas only at 7548 Hillside Dr - Douglasville, GA 30134. Bill will also accept prepaid phone calls at 770-338-9774. Arranged by Bill Alissauskas.

From the Publisher ... Yep, we're back into the weeklies, a new volume, #64, and the beginning of a new DX season again, and early reports indicate an excellent DX season ahead of us. So it's time to tighten up the loops and dust off the receivers (or vice-versa), log some interesting DX, and report to the pages of this magazine.

We apologize for the "smeared" appearance of some sections of this issue; the toner cartridge of our printer apparently is defective, and of course the place where we exchange them is closed on weekends. Look for dearer print next week.

The NRC AM Log should be available from NRC Publications as you receive this issue of DXN; you can order it at the same price as last year, $16.95 for U.S. and Canadian members. I hope to include the 1997 NRC Publications Catalog in next week's DXN; you'll find some new prices on publications which are printed by Wayne Hein in Colorado, so you may want to hold off for a week or so until you can get the correct prices.

Tony Fitzherbert has joined the ranks of E-mail editors; you can send him submissions for his "Formats" column now at akfrail@aol.com. And don't forget to send your Musing to Dave Schmidt at MIDATLRAD@aol.com. We're still looking for a CPC chairman, too; replace Jeff Tynan who stepped down. If you're interested in taking over his job, please apply directly to Wayne Hein (see p. 29 for addresses). You should possess a PC with word processing/mail merge capability, and it's a definite plus if you can send and receive E-mail. In the interim, J. D. Stephens has volunteered to help us out; he'll accept your target stations until a new CPC chairman steps forward. Send 55c in stamps per station on your target lists to him at 106 Anita Drive - Madison, AL 35758-7163.

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the September 28, 1946 DXN. On Sept. 21, Hal Wagner, N. Girard, Ph., heard the 5:30 am sign-on of WYR-790, Canal Zone, also mentioning the WYUR-1420 relay station ... from October 5, 1946. During very auroral conditions, Al Maley, Highland Falls, NY logged HJF-1305, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on Sept. 9 at 8-9 pm and URS-920 on Sept. 22 until the 1:00 am sign-off.

25 years ago ... from the October 2, 1971 DXN. Ernie Wesolowski was calling for volunteer to help him draw patterns for the Incredible Pattern Book project ... 38-year-old Al Weiner, Youngers, NY was arrested for violating the Communications Act of 1954 by operating four unlicensed AM and FM stations.

10 years ago ... from the October 6, 1986 DXN. Radio pioneer Gordon McLendon died at the age of 65. Among other exploits, McLendon started the Top 40 format on KLIF-1190 in May, 1953.
CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old call     New call
620 KKGM CO Grand Junction KBZS
860 KAPN UT Salt Lake City KCNR
940 WMAZ GA Macon WMWR
970 KBEE CA Modesto KBUL
970 WMVN MI Ishpeming WZAM
1070 KDSI TX Alice KOPY
1100 WLBL GA Carrollton WWWE
1210 WGMP PA Philadelphia WPTS
1250 WQOX MI Frankenmuth WWZJ
1260 WRIP SC Lake City WHYM
1320 KCNR UT Salt Lake City KENZ
1320 WVLR VA Lynnehurst WWJS
1340 KXYZ OK Oklahoma City KEBC
1360 WAOZ OH Cincinnati WAZU
1390 KICB NM Hobbs KLCU
1430 WCKD TN Madison WMAK
1480 KTMX CA Eureka KGEO
1500 KRIG OK Pawhuska KOBH
1520 WCAY OH Canton WWIN
1550 KPQX ND West Fargo KQWB
1560 KKDQ OK Salina KUZ

APPLICATION FOR NEW STATION
830 GA Palmetto: 50000/270 U4 (listed last issue but shown here to correct state, we passed along a typo that showed this in FL)

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS
None

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES
540 WDMV MD Pocomoke City: modify CP to change city of license to Damascus, MD.
(Station is silent; we visited their site last month and found the tower still intact but the studio building stripped to the walls.)

1030 KIQQ CA Folsom: night power to 5000 watts
1090 WKCV TN Kingsport: CH power to 1800 watts
1290 WSTK VA Colonial Heights: day power to 25000 watts
1380 WABH NY Bath: modify CP to show 119 watts nights
1460 KRTX CA Salinas: powers to 10000/10000 U3
1490 WUSS NJ Atlantic City: powers to 290/290

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES
650 KSTE CA Ranch Cucamonga: powers to 25000/10000
1030 WNYR IL Vernon Hills: power to 4000 watts
1120 WMSW FR Hatillo: day power to 2600, antenna to U2
1200 WMVW SC Atlantic Beach: powers to 6500/11 U1, relocate transmitter site (new CP, not on the air yet)
1260 WWJQ MI Zeeland: day power to 10000 watts
1270 KJUG CA Tulara: relocate transmitter site
1350 KDOI MN Ortonville: powers to 670/38, relocate transmitter site
1550 KQXI CO Arvada: night power to 5000 watts, antenna to U2
1550 WRHC FL Coral Gables: to 1560 kHz with 45000/4400 U4 (reinstatement of expired CP)

OTHERNESS
740 WMSM AL Montgomery: CP for 10000/335 U4 is on

WQWQ AM 1520
Good Songs & Good Neighbors
4040 Simon Road
Youngstown, OH 44512-1320

Jerry Starr
C/O WHOT Radio

AM Switch
Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC and listeners

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THANKS: Al Memman, Ed Krejpy, John D. Bower, Bill Hale & MSJ
73 and Good DX Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Fooman

KFCC RECEIVES BAD NEWS FROM ITS NAMESAKE

In late August the FCC began a revocation hearing against KFCC, the station that moved its transmitter from Bay City, TX, to within a mile of Houston.

In 1995 KFCC (then KIOX) requested an STA to relocate their transmitter to "rural southwest Harris County" and build a 180 foot tower on the site. The station claimed they had lost access to their present site. The FCC did not grant the STA since it involved the construction of a new tower.

A month later KIOX asked for an STA again, this time stating that there was a new "180 foot tower on the same site". This request was granted although for some reason the FCC believed the new site was only a quarter mile from the old one. In fact the move was over 50 miles from Bay City into the Houston market. When they discovered this mistake the FCC rescinded the STA, the station could no longer cover its city of license. The rescission was then stayed pending a "clarification of the record." The station has since been operating from the suburban Houston location.

Officials from the FCC Houston Field Office then visited both sites. In Bay City they found three towers, a studio and fully equipped (and assumed operational) transmitter site. They further obtained an affidavit from the landowner stating that the station has always had access to the site.

It should be noted that despite all the physical changes the station made, their official city of license is still Bay City, TX.

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West: David Hale  
301 Boulder Blvd, San Marcos, TX 78666-8530  
David Hale - 97 Clinton Ave., South Nyack, NY 10960  

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DDXD-West  

MEDIUM WAVE / S.A.M.B.U.N.G.E.S.  

- Wow! Volume 64 of DX News. Welcome to all new members, especially those in the "west". Let's hear from you. A reminder to all reporters, please format your loggings as seen here, divided into the proper groups, in frequency order and include date and time, city, state and a brief description of what you heard. Include your location and DX equipment with each submission! Especially E-Mailers. Please keep in mind that what we are looking for is REAL DX, not ordinary receptions. Here's hoping you all have a great '96-'97 DX season!

- Forwarded from Dave Yocis is a "travel report" from Robert Pote of Greenwood, Indiana. Robert ventured west to Arizona, and logged a few west coasters nearly impossible at his regular DX shack. And new GY reporter, Michael Plumb of Papillion, Nebraska submits his first totals to add the big list. Hope you continue to log those Grayeardens and report them here, Michael.

- The boys from Winnipeg are cleaning up on 630 with local CKRC shutting down. Shawn sez: "Very nice of CKRC to go off. I will be on these three frequencies for a few days to see what is possible. Should yield something new. Also got XECA for a new one. A whole new set of pests that were once rare DX catches will show up, I am sure. CKCK is easy copy even on the car in DX, not ordinary receptions. Here's hoping you all have a great '96-'97 DX season!"

- Robert Kramer and Steven Branch have big news regarding 820 and 1160 in The Windy City. See SPECIAL:

- 1900 on your AM dial

REPORTERS

PR-OR  
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SA-MB  
Shawn Axelrod Winnipeg ICOM R-70 w/filter mods and PLAM board = 4 box loop/Quantum Loop/100 lw <saxelrod@mh.sympatico.ca>

RP-AZ  
Robert Pote (Greenwood, IN) DXing in Wickenburg, DX-392 + Quantum Loop

JR-OK  
John Reed Ponca City Modified Sylvania R1414 UXR = Noise reduced wire, Kiwa MW loop, ANC-4 phasing <jreed@juno.com>

BW-MB  
Barry Wasylik Winnipeg Sony 1992 <barry.pangena.com>

FA-ID  
Frank Aiden Boise

BF-IL  
Barry Finkel Chicago uniID help <b19141@ailles.etc.nal.gov>

RK-II  
Robert Kramer, N9MBK Chicago NR=535Db, Radio West Loop, 175 N=50 & 90 NE=5Wires, Super MWDX5 phasing unit, 40db pre-amp, Kantronix Signal Enforcer Peak/Nothc filter, Timewave DSP-599a digital signal processor

TRH-CA  
Tim Hall, Chula Vista ICF-2010, KiWA Loop <rkdx@aol.com>

TRH-NV  
DXing in Las Vegas and along US 93 SE of Las Vegas ICF-2010 with internal antenna, KiWA pocket loop <ms177a@prodigy.com>

TRH-AR  
DXing at Grand Canyon National Park ICF-2010 with internal antenna

DE-MO  
Dennis Ely, Jefferson City GE Superadio III barefoot <delya@computerland.net>

SB-IL  
Steven Branch Champaign GE Superadio III <branch@secmail.csc.com>

Inet  
Various Internet sources (not always dependable)

Ed-NM  
Editor Alamogordo Delco AM/FM caradio or * $12 GE portable inside hardened facility (always dependable, hi)

SPECIAL

630 CKRC MB Winnipeg - 9/11 1900 - GONE!!! They went silent sometime after 1800 when I last checked. On 99.9 FM only now after // operation for about 2 months. (SA-MB)

730 KKDA TX Grand Prairie - New slogan is Soul 73. (Inet)
820 WSCR IL Chicago - Per Chicago Sun Times, this station has been sold. In early January The Score SPT format will move to 1160 & go fulltime. The historic WJID call will cease to exist. The new owner will put motivational talk here. (RK-IL)
1070 KOPY TX Alice - 93 - Now these Cls; ex: KDSL (Inet)
1130 WTAM OH Cleveland - 9/1 0100 - Good, with new calls, ex-WWWE. (RK-IL)
1150 KWWK IA Shreveport - Now carries BMN's country format. (Inet)
1160 WJID IL Chicago - Has dropped TLK & went back to NOS. This station will leave the air in January when WSCR-820 moves here. (RK-IL)
1240 WCRW IL Chicago - Station is silent. Former WCRW hours now being taken by WSIC. (RK-IL)
1740 KYSO OK Ardmore - 9/3 - Now OLD, plus Rush; ex: C&W. (Inet, but confirmed via phone - Ed.)
1300 KUCU NM Hobbs - 9/8 - Heard with these Cls. Ex: KHOB. (Ed-NM)
1410 WRCV MI Grand Rapids - 9/10 1900 - Fair in WMRN phase, with C&W, ID. (RK-IL)
1450 KEJZ ID Twin Falls - 9/15 - Now back on, / KBJSU-730, with joint IDs. (FA-ID)

UNIDS and UNID HELP

- 9/12 0105 - Poor signal, with ABC Information news then into NOS or EZL music (SA-MB) [Maybe KAAM-TX? You gottem later - Ed.]
- 9/14 2150 - Fair, rising to be on top for about 5 minutes, with religious programming. Looped East-West. (SA-MB)
- 1030 UNID ?? - CB-Wi's unlD CBS Game of the Week (reported in issue 30) - The only CBS program, 9/10 (from WWW 9/9/96) are WBZ-MA and KTWQ-WY. (BF-IL)
- 1590 UNID ?? - 9/7 2140 - Playing oldies with ID V-104 or B-104. (JR-OK)

HURRICANE FRAN

970 WINF VA Waynesboro - 9/5 2337 - Blasting in, with NEWS format, some local phone-in with weather info. (RK-IL)
1050 WKGX NC Lenoir - 9/5 2255 - On top, with C&W music, weather info. (RK-IL)
1550 WBSC SC Bennettsville - 9/5 2326 - Fair, with weather info. (RK-IL)

TIS & OTHER STUFF

530 KP737 AZ - 9/16 1700 - 1900 - Grand Canyon Nat'l Park (South Rim). Station is here now, ex-1610 with tape loop about facilities at South Rim. Signs have been changed to say Tune to 530 instead of 1610. This explains why I haven't heard them from home in a while. (TRH-AZ)

HAR NV Hoover Dam - 9/16 1210 - Signs on winding mountain road said to tune to 530 for highway info, but this area is so surrounded by power lines that the station (which did seem to be there) was completely unintelligible. Doesn't seem to get out at all due to electrical noise and mountain blockage. (TRH-NV)

KNRN NV Las Vegas - 9/14 1300 - New TIS for McCarran International Airport. Gave parking rates, advised travelers to arrive 90 minutes before their flight. Gets out fairly well. Wasn't on the air last November when I was here. (TRH-NV)

1610 KP737 AZ Grand Canyon National Park (Desert View) - 9/16 1730 - This station, with tape loop about facilities in the Desert View area, remains on 1610. Audible from South Rim viewing areas now that KP737 has moved to 530. (TRH-AZ)

KO7517 NV Lake Mead Recreational Area - 9/16 1200 & 9/16 2330 - New TIS, mostly wading weather info. Mentioned visitor center at US 93/NV 166 junction. Nearby mountains seem to prevent signal from getting out too well in some directions. Not sure of calls. Lots of static while listening from moving bus. I don't think this is the KO7517 listed in IRA Almanac
The text contains a mix of programming information for various radio stations, along with some general observations and updates. Here is a summary of the content:

1. **Midnight to 0800 Hours ELT**
   - Updates and changes in programming, including changes in frequencies and formats.
   - Mention of stations like KHOW, KFI, and others.

2. **0800 to 1600 Hours ELT**
   - More detailed updates on the same, including programming changes and listener feedback.
   - Stations like WWLS, KSLR, and others.

3. **1600 to 2400 Hours ELT**
   - Further updates with station names like KSLR, WWLS, and others.

4. **Graueyard DX Update**
   - Abbreviations used in DDSD.
   - Details about a song by Johnny Cash and other music updates.

5. **Accountancy**
   - Mention of a Johnny Cash song, seemingly out of context.

6. **Checklist**
   - Weekly Deadlines.

7. **Rental Money**
   - Rental money due on Tuesdays.

8. **1600 to 2400 Hours ELT**
   - More programming updates, including BLE: sunset, SSS: sunset skip, Y: time check.

9. **Service**
   - Service updates.

10. **Values**
    - Economic values.

11. **Programming**
    - Changes in programming and listener feedback.

12. **Events**
    - Event updates.

13. **General**
    - General updates and information.
Recent and DX, not stations you hear regularly unless you are reporting information about a format or call change. There is no need to arrange your logging by frequency or by the sections you see here. Most importantly, if you have not positively ID'd the station, by call ID or recognized slogan, please mark your log as "tentative". Careless reporting of stations one really didn't hear diminishes the credibility of the reporter and the column.

Mike Harder made it through a second hurricane this season and sends some info on local radio during Fran. We also have some DX reports from the NRC convention in Knoxville TN. Looks like the DX season is starting to heat up. It should be a very good year... so make time to listen, and to send your loggings to DDXD!

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**WFLA 97 NEWS RADIO**

910 WLAS NC Jackson - Went off the air sometime during the afternoon of 9/5, returned 9/7 with an oldies format, back to usual talk format (9/8).

1000 WMVP IL Chicago - Per query in DDXD-East no. 30, as of June 5 WMVP simulcasts rock WLUP (97.9) 0700-2000 daily. This eliminates sports talk during the day, except for pre-game, game, and post-game shows. WMVP broadcasts the Bulls, White Sox, and Black Hawks. (BF-IL)

1150 WROR MA Boston - 9/2 - Ex-WMEX, still ethnic with fast "WROR Boston" ID on the hour. Local press says will be children's format in October. (SM-MA)

WGBR NC Goldsboro - 9/6 and 9/7 - Noted at various times during the day (also noted off a couple of times) operating with generator and reporting damage, clean-up ops, etc, for Wayne County. (MH-NC)

1160 WJJD IL Chicago - 9/4 0533 - Noted with new morning format of "Music of Your Life" type music. (RCP-IN)

1210 WPHT PA Philadelphia - 9/20 0700 - Heard with these calls, not WPTS as previously reported here and in AM Switch; many IDs as "AM 12-10, We're Philadelphia's Talk Station," legal ID into CBS news 0700, same thing 9/22 2100. (DY-NY)

1230 WFAS NY White Plains - 9/24 0714 - With ID as "News-Talk 1230 WFAS," format change from NOS. (DY-NY)

1240 WJNC NC Jackson - Remained on the air throughout the hurricane, using a generator and reduced power. A critical and welcome contact with what was going on. Occasional loss of power 9/6 as T-storms rumbled through the area and their antenna sustained a (reported) direct hit, but back on shortly. Back on RS with canned programming on the evening of 9/7. (MH-NC)

1290 WJCV NC Jackson - Went off the air the afternoon of 9/5, back on RS evening of 9/7. (MH-NC)

1310 WXMC NJ Parsippany-Troy Hills - 9/21 1800 - My closest unheard at home, heard while driving through Parsippany with SS programming, but mentions of "cado Sabado," so Saturdays only? (DY-NY)


1430 WDJS NC Mount Olive - Can usually hear this in Jacksonville, but not heard since leaving school around 1330 on 9/5. That area was reportedly heavily hit and without power. (MH-NC)

1580 WCTJ NC Camp Lejeune - Also off the air the afternoon of 9/5 and back on RS 9/7. (MH-NC)

1600 WKWF FL Key West - Carries Prime Sports at night. No sign of pest WPOM, what happened to them? (DT-JAM)

**UNID and UNID HELP**

940 WNNWR - (date/time) Heard in Knoxville and cannot find a listing for them. Format is like WMIX, the closest one to Knoxville. Did they change calls? (DTTN) [I don't think so, Don; WNNR-1540 is Philadelphia area and ethnic. Perhaps WNNR as you later logged? - DY]

1030 UNID - 9/5 2100 - Notre Dame vs. Vanderbilt football, Vanderbilt network, ABC news on the hour, mention of hurricane. (WM-MD)

1240 WTME ME Lewiston - Probably my unID in no. 30; there is a channel 13 in Portland, and I have heard them with Portland Sea Dogs baseball and Channel 13 mentions. (BVT-MA)

9/23 2019 - Cleveland Indians baseball, promo for "Indians" fans giveaway, "It's Indians baseball and NASCAR racing on AM 1270." Only WUCO listed, would be very surprising here at 500 watts. Fair-poor in mess of stations. (DY-NY)

9/25 2317 - AP network news clear for a few moments in the pile. WZNZ Jacksonville FL? (DY-NY)

9/18 0308-0402 - Over WJDM with almost classical music, string orchestra, no voice, disappeared at 0402. (DT-JAM) [A spur or harmonic of some kind? - DY]
LOGGINGS: 1600-2400

540  WLUX  NY Ithiip - 9/14 2216 - Fair at times over and under the FF station. Nostalgia music and mention of “Memories Rekinned.” (HH-PA)

560  WOOF  AL Dothan - 8/30 1816-1845 - Talk show, sports, ID “AM 560 The Ball, WOOF,” poor. (DT-TN)

570  WAAX  AL Gadsden - 8/30 1846-1906 - News, talk show, ID as “WAAX, for over half a century,” poor with WVMQ QRM. (DT-TN)

580  WOFE  TN Rockwood - 8/30 1913-1923 - C&W music, time signals, no ID, fair. (DT-TN)


600  WKLW  KY Paintsville - 8/30 1949-1956 - Older rock, coming events calendar, mention in Paintsville re the by-pass, fair. (DT-TN)

620  WWNR  WV Beckley - 9/5 1910 - News, ID, mention of West Virginia, also heard sports talk show. (WM-MD)

630  WMAL  DC Washington - 8/31 2100 - ID “News Talk 630 WMAL,” ABC news, K-mart ad, talk show advice about car problems and mortgages. Good. (DC-ON)

660  WMIC  MI Sandusky - 9/12 1929 - C&W music, weather forecast, marine weather forecast for Lake Huron, ID “FMIC.” Fair but noisy. (DC-ON)

810  WEDO  PA McKeesport - 9/6 1930 - Report on Bavarian festival, “Your station of stations,” “AM 81,” ID. (WM-MD)

850  KOA  CO Denver - 9/1 2344 - Huge, with spot for Rocky Mountain Acura dealers. (MS'TN)

880  WMBM  TN Nashville - 9/14 1842 - Good with ad for ADT, call letters, UC music. (MP'MIN)

900  WKDW  VA Staunton - 9/6 1906 - C&W music, “Big Country,” ID. (WM-MD)

940  WNRG  VA Grundy - 9/1 1805-1822 - C&W music, news, hurricane update, ID as “This is WNRC,” poor. (DT-TN)

950  WGOG  GA Valdosta - 9/1 2040-2105 - UC music, no ID but call letters in promo, poor. (DT-TN)

960  WABG  MS Greenwood - 8/29 2035 - Fair with ID, Chuck Harder’s “For the People.” (MB-IN)


990  WCMF  NY Rochester - 9/12 2040 - Sports talk on NFL teams, ads for Coca Cola, Gold Bond, American Diabetes Association, ID “Sports Radio 990,” good. (DC-ON)

1010  WLVK  TN Knoxville - 9/12 2010 - Political talk show about Iraq and other global issues. Was this Ollie North program? ID “Live Talk Radio WLVK.” (DC-ON)

1110  WTIS  FL Tampa - 7/29 1803-1828 - REL preacher, sign-off 1828, ID as “WTIS Tampa-Clearwater-St. Petersburg,” fair, WBT QRM. QSL now in. (DT-JAM)

1120  WHFF  NY Buffalo - 9/13 1950 - Strong at times with oldies, ID as “1950” and many mentions of “The Waterfront.” (HH-PA)

1650  WPOS  NC Charlotte - 9/16 2025 - Carolina Panthers sports talk, coaches, ads for Danka Copier service, Ford-Lincoln-Mercury dealers, WBT and Phantom of the Opera. Excellent. (DC-ON)

1660  WACC  OH Canton - 9/12 2300 - Talk show, partial ID “WACC 24 hours,” poor. QRM from HNJW and splot of U.S., Cuban on 1180. (DT-JAM)

1665  KBRA  TX Dallas - 7/31 2253-2315 - Talk show, news, ad for Business Sports Daily, no IDs, poor, 1180 splot. (DT-JAM)

1670  WCHB  MI Taylor - 9/16 1854 - Sports talk, ID “WCHB Detroit” and “Sports Beat 1200 WCHB,” Discovery Channel and Sears Brand Central ads, news with Charles Van Dyke, good. (DC-ON)

1675  WQDY  ME Calais - 9/13 1950 - Probably the one with slogan “This is Hometown Radio,” ad for TLC at 454-457, sounded like a medical supply or service “where neighbors help neighbors.” Calls to information revealed that there is a medical supply company in Calais called TLC. (RWT-MA)

1680  WMHI  OH Cleveland - 9/25 2307 - Promo for program “here on WMHI, Radio for the Catholic Community,” strong and atop. (DY-NY)

1685  WLBR  PA Lebanon - 9/9 1930 - News, mention of Erie County, sports scores and news, Sports Line phone-in sports talk show. Fair. (DC-ON)

1690  WNLM  MI Niles - 9/14 1802 - Poor with ID as “The hottest sports talk around, WNLM.” (MB’P’IN)

1695  CHLW  AB St. Paul - 9/14 2000 - Good with call letters, news, mentions of Alberta. (MP’P’IN)

1700  WCRB  NY Coral - 9/14 1917 - Only ID “AM 1350 WBBA” heard in midst of many others. (HH-PA)

1705  WCHL  NC Chapel Hill - 9/17 2045 - PSA, ID heard in mess. (WM-MD)

1710  WHMA  AL Anniston - 8/17 2107-2200 - C&W music, mention 107.5, fair, WXTC QRM. (DT-JAM)

1820  WSTC  SC Charleston - 8/17 2007-2232 - Talk show, weather, Charleston mentions, poor over/under WHMA. (DT-JAM)

1825  WGRD  MI Grand Rapids - 9/14 2015 - Good with call letters, “Real Country” show. (MB’P’IN)

1830  WACT  AL Tuscaloosa - 8/17 2039-2100 - GOS, poor over/under WYRV at 2030. (DT-JAM)

1835  WBSO  MA Marlborough - 9/10 2045 - Discussion of high school football, mention of Yankees-Red Sox baseball game, ad for local business in Marlborough. (WM-MD)

1840  WLOR  AL Huntsville - 8/28 2204-2245 - UPI news, ad for furniture store in Huntsville, UC music, poor. (DT-JAM)

1845  WWNO  GA Vidalia - 9/1 1906-1932 - Play-by-play football game, Alabama vs. unknown, mentions of WWNO, poor under UNID SS. (DT-JAM)

1850  WPAD  KY Paducah - 9/1 2338 - Over, under WPQB, ID: “Original hits on WPAD, we’ve got the Lettermen,” song “Hurt So Bad.” (MS’STN)

1855  WRJQ  WI Appleton - 9/14 1926 - Fair poor with call letters. NOS music. (MB’P’IN)

1860  WVKO  OH Columbus - 8/29 1955 - With slow, clear “W - V - K - O” ID. (JW-PA)

1865  WJDQ  NJ Elizabeth - 9/1 2347 - Booming in with R. Aahs promos by female, Kenny Loggins song. (MS’STN)
**TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS**

1620 WNWZ910 IL Bensenville - 9/15 0630 - Fair on the Beverage with news about Bensenville, non-emergency police and fire department numbers, information concerning siren warnings. (MB'IN)

**REPORTERS**

MB-IN Mark Burns Terre Haute IN - R8, 80 LW, Kiwa loop
MB'IN Mark Burns
DC-IN Don Cassel Bramalea ON - Superadio 3, PT 990, Kiwa loop
BE-IL Barry Finkel Chicago IL - Local news
MH-NC Mike Hardeste Jacksonville NC (Hurricane Country) - Sony 2010
TJS-HH Harry Hayes Wilkes-Barre PA - Superadio II, broken S-M2
WM-MD William McGuire Chevery MD - DX3B
SM-MA Stan Morris Boxford MA - HQ180A, Space Magnet II
MS-ITN Robert C. Poole Greenwood IN - 88A, Quantum loop, car radio
MSTN Mike Sanburn DXing from Knoxville TN: GM Car Radio, Sony SRF MAW
DT-JAM Don Treliff Runaway Bay, Jamaica - R2000, LW
MSTN Mike Treliff DXing from Knoxville TN: GM Car Radio, Sony SRF MAW
RWT-MA Rick Turner North Dartmouth MA -
JW-PA Jim Weber Lancaster PA - Delco Autobeverage
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Well, the Apocalypse must be upon us; our DXN "Musings" Editor, Dave Schmidt, now has e-mail. Unless you direct me otherwise, I will now feel free to send to Dave the substantial musings-type comments many of you attach to your logs. He's always looking for contributions, and I will be happy to oblige. If this is not okay, please let me know with each report you submit. I am talking about forwarding your general comments about DX, conditions, equipment, DXpedition sites, etc., not your personal comments to me. Welcome, Dave, to the exciting world of e-mail.

I recently discovered a free World Wide Web terminal at my local library. In just one hour I found an incredible number of web pages relating to medium wave and shortwave radio, including this column and lots of other stuff from the NRC. Check it out! Apologies to Bruce Conlty for losing his report last issue, it's found below.

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**TRANS-ATLANTIC DX**

171 MOROCCO Nador, SEPT 9 0402 - Good with Moroccan pop music until sign-off at 0110. Is often the only LW heard this earl. Couldn't find a / / [Dangerfield-PA]

183 GERMANY, Europe Number One, SEP 1 0342 - good signal with a mix of GG contemporary and US oldies music (i.e. "Let's Dance" by Chris Montez from 1962). Weak carriers also noted on: 162, 171 and 252 kHz. [Sharp-FL]

198 ALGERIA Ouargla, SEPT 14 0112 - Fair on an Algerian night. Man was speaking in AA, but I couldn't ID any parallels. No signal from BBC. [Dangerfield-PA]

207 MOROCCO Azilal, SEPT 11 0336 - Very strong with orchestra and chorus with very solemn music. [Dangerfield-PA]

243 DENMARK Kalundborg, SEPT 9 0412 - Fair signal with pop fem vocal followed by man speaking in Danish. New LW station for me. [Dangerfield-PA]

252 ALGERIA Tipaza, SEPT 14 0058 - Like a local for an hour with Algerian instrumental music. Man sang most of the time and later a chorus came on. Sounded like a concert. At 0058 a woman began speaking in AA. Through all this my buzz was on, but no problem on this frequency thanks to grounding and phasing. [Dangerfield-PA]

558 SPAIN, RNE5(1), Valencia et al, SEP 8 0428 - male vocal on SS ballad / 576, 585, 684; fair. [Connelly-Y-MA]

576 SPAIN, RNE5(1), Barcelona, SEP 8 0428 - SS ballad / 585, 585, 684; fair. [Connelly-Y-MA]

585 SPAIN, RNE5(1), Madrid, SEP 8 0428 - SS male ballad / 585, 585, 684; fair to good. [Connelly-Y-MA]

1525 SPAIN, RNE5(1), Madrid, SEP 8 0342 - SS talk, weak signal, was starting to fade after being in for 3.5 hours. / 855. [Wyllie-RJ]

594 unID (probably MOROCCO), SEP 7 2257 - AA male vocal over fast SAH and WBNN slop. [Connelly-Y-MA]

594 SAUDI ARABIA Duba, SEP 16 0243 - Strong and clear on // 1521 with man in AA followed by the Koran for about 10 minutes. Someone else way back. [Dangerfield-PA]

612 MOROCCO, Sebaa-Aioun, SEP 7 2229 - signal starting to show at this early time. [Connelly-Y-MA]

621 CANARY ISLANDS, Santa Cruz, Tenerife, SEP 7 2230 - fast SS talk, already S9+20 and fading out over WP2. [Connelly-Y-MA]

648 GAMBIA, Bonto, SEP 7 2349 - African accented EE talk by man noted during good African opening. UnID AA music station was heard in the background. [Connelly-Y-MA]

666 PORTUGAL, RDP Lisboa AUG 10 0330 - Fair, announcements in Portuguese and rock music // Azores-837. [Conti-ME] SEP 7 2340 - Very good with pop music by orchestra and a female vocalist, and // to 720. Like old times. [Dangerfield-PA]

684 SPAIN, RNE1 Sevilla AUG 10 0250 - Good; "en Radio Nacional de España, Radio Uno" ID and telephone talk in Spanish. // 693. [Conti-ME] SEP 8 0413 - // 585 with female SS vocal, SS talk by woman; loud. [Connelly-Y-MA]

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**Geomagnetic Summary**

High "A" values indicate possible auroral conditions.

Geomagnetic Summary July 27 1996 through August 23 1996

**Date** | **FLUX** | **A** | **K** | **SA** | **GEO** | **OTHER**
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7/27 | 73 | 3 | 0 | very low | quiet | GEO - Geomagnetic activity
28 | 76 | 6 | 4 | very low | quiet-active | maf - major flare
29 | 78 | 10 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | mas - major storm
30 | 80 | 6 | 4 | very low | quiet-active | mix - minor storm
7/31 | 80 | 14 | 3 | very low | quiet-active | pca - polar cap absorption
8/1 | 82 | 10 | 3 | very low | quiet-active | SA - Solar Activity
2 | 80 | 10 | 3 | very low | quiet-active | spe - satellite proton event
3 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
4 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
5 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
6 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
7 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
8 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
9 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
10 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
11 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
12 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
13 | 78 | 6 | 2 | very low | quiet-active | static - storm
14 | 69 | 11 | 3 | very low | quiet-unsettled | static - storm
15 | 69 | 9 | 2 | very low | quiet-unsettled | static - storm
16 | 69 | 11 | 3 | very low | quiet-unsettled | static - storm
17 | 69 | 11 | 3 | very low | quiet-unsettled | static - storm
18 | 69 | 11 | 3 | very low | quiet-unsettled | static - storm
19 | 69 | 11 | 3 | very low | quiet-unsettled | static - storm
20 | 69 | 11 | 3 | very low | quiet-unsettled | static - storm
21 | 69 | 11 | 3 | very low | quiet-unsettled | static - storm
22 | 69 | 11 | 3 | very low | quiet-unsettled | static - storm
8/23 | 74 | 11 | 2 | low | quiet |
ITALY, RAI Roma AUG 10 0210 - Fair; woman in Italian and nostalgic music // 6060, looking for South Africa but TA conditions were definitely favoring Europe. [Conti-ME] 855 ROMANIA, First Programme, SEP 1 0140 - female announcer, brief music bridges, best ever received here w/ fair copy despite splatter high side. Most readable LSB. [Sharp-FL] 855 SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, SEP 7 2234 - SS teletalk. [Connely-Y-MA] SEP 15 2252 - SS talk, strong signal, much stronger than 585. Noted ID "Radio Española Spaina", good until 2314 fade. [Wyllie-RI] 891 ALGERIA, Algiers, SEP 7 2235 - cappella vocal, fading up (pre-sunset) through WBPS slope. Huge signal later. [Connely-Y-MA] 892 ALGERIA, Alger, SEP 7 2235 - AA music; in slop. [Connely-Y-MA] 899 SPAIN, COPE, Madrid, SEP 8 0010 - time pips, SS news; loud. [Connely-Y-MA] 1026 SPAIN, SER synchros AUG 10 0345 - Fair; telephone talk in Spanish with strong echo caused by delay between synchronized stations. // 1116. [Conti-ME] 1026 SPAIN, SER synchros, SEP 8 0439 - SS teletalk; fair. [Connely-Y-MA] 1044 MOROCCO, Sebbia-Aouen, SEP 7 2220 - AA vocal at pre-sunset fade-up 2229 UTC, to good level at 2240 UTC. SEP 7 2319 - Weird AA / Berber group vocal with instrumentation surprisingly like that used in Haitian 'zouk'. [Connely-Y-MA] SEP 13 2312 - Strongest I've ever heard this on. Had a woman in AA followed by pop Moroccan music. Spain far behind. [Dangerfield-PA] 1044 SPAIN, SER synchros, SEP 8 0440 - SS teletalk; brief music segment, more news; good, over growl. [Connely-Y-MA] SEP 15 2017 - Strong at first, but stayed in good strength, SS talk with two men. Noted three beeps on half hour, my first station from Spain. [Wyllie-RI] 1053 MOROCCO, RTM "A": Tanger, SEP 7 2358 - AA a cappella male vocal // 1044; to good peak, over others. [Connely-Y-MA] 1053 UNITED KINGDOM, Talk Radio, SEP 15 2035 - Good but slightly weak signal, Brit accent EE talk. No ID noted, but I'm sure it was them, fade at times, splash from 1050, my first UK station. [Wyllie-RI] 1053 SPAIN, COPE, SEP 15 2100 - Weak and in briefly over UK. Beeps on hour with SS talk. [Wyllie-RI] 1053 DENMARK, Kalundborg, SEP 8 0342 - Paul McCartney song; fair. [Connely-Y-MA] 1053 SPAIN, "Radio Escuela" Bilbao, SEP 14 2340 - Nice ID over a real mess. I monitored this freq for a long time hoping for AIRジャクト but no luck! ISO 322. [Burnell-NF] 1058 ANGOLA, Radio Nacional, Mulenvos, SEP 1 0336 - PP talk, threshold with light music or hifile on peaks // 11955 which wasn't much better with tonight's low MUF. [Sharp-FL] SEP 7 2315 - on old-plan channel with mushy audio talk by man through 1089/1090 hours. Not regeneration definitely helped on this one. [Connely-Y-MA] 1058 SLOVAKIA, Nitra, SEP 8 0145 - good and clearly dominant with usual orchestral light / semi-classical music. [Connely-Y-MA] 1058 SPAIN, RNE3 synchros, SEP 8 0444 - woman in SS; good. [Connely-Y-MA] 1116 unID, AUG 10 0405-0440 - Test tones, about 12 seconds long at 30 second intervals, seemed to be 1314 // 0400 over/under SER-Spain. [Conti-ME] 1134 CROATIA, HRT, Zadar, SEP 7 0105 - mellow instrumental music; good, over Spain. [Connely-Y-MA] SEP 14 2110 - Unknown language (not SS), noted weak and fadey. Could be Croatia? From tip by neighbor John Thresher. [Wyllie-RI] 1134 ENGLAND, Virgin Radio (pres. Moorside Edge site), SEP 1 0246 - strong carrier but attenuated audio. Did peak once at 0251 with pop music, so doubt Albania. [Sharp-FL] 1154 NETTIERLANDS, Trintalhaven AUG 11 0020 - Good; urban/pop music, 3 beeps and intelligible EE vocal with instrumentation. SEP 10 0150 - on old-plan channel with sound effects at the top of the beam, but audio not doing so well. Presume can, to any Dubai frequencies I could pull-in on shortwave. Was airing non-stop vocals for which Valencia is listed. [Dangerfield-Pa] 1197 LESOTHO, BBC, Lancer's Gap, SEP 1 0300 - SS talk, threshold with light music or hifile in CKEC slop. [Connely-Y-MA] 1216 ENGLAND, Virgin Radio (pres. Moorside Edge site), SEP 1 0246 - strong carrier but attenuated audio. Did peak once at 0251 with pop music, so doubt Albania. [Sharp-FL] 1251 LIBYA, SPLAJBC, SEP 1 0300 - AA talk, this one presumed, no ID heard. However, it wasn't to any Dubai frequencies I could pull-in on shortwave. Was airing non-stop vocals and was most readable in US to avoid slop from local WDAE. [Sharp-FL] 1253 unID, AUG 1 0415 - Fair to poor; Arabic vocals with flutes and string music, possibly Morocco or Qatar, but no LW, MW, or SW parallels could be found. [Conti-ME] 1296 SPAIN various RNE-5, SEP 8 0130 - AA talk, this one presumed, no ID heard. However, it wasn't to any Dubai frequencies I could pull-in on shortwave. Was airing non-stop vocals and was most readable in US to avoid slop from local WDAE. [Sharp-FL] 1296 GERMANY DeutschlandsRadio, Neumunster AUG 11 0100 - Good; woman with news/announcements in German, then classical music // 1422. [Conti-ME] 1296 SPAIN Valencia 1 SEP 19 0300 - Strong with man in SS and music in 5 minutes. Not unusual, but did seem to go to stations on 1305 and 1314 which belong to RNE5 not COPE for which Valencia is listed. [Dangerfield-PA] 1314 SPAIN, "Radio Escuela" Bilbao, SEP 14 2340 - Nice ID over a real mess. I monitored this freq for a long time hoping for AIRジャクト but no luck! ISO 322. [Burnell-NF] 1324 SUDAN, SNBC, SEP 1 0426 - fading but still readable with rambling male announcer, nice local oud (local lute) music. // 7200 and 9200. [Sharp-FL] 1324 SPAIN, SER-Spain, SEP 8 0334 - Spain's SS talk was clearly atop; AA talk (seemingly // 7200) under. [Connely-Y-MA] 1324 SPAIN various RNE-5, SEP 20 0300 - Good with man in SS, then music at 0305. To me these sounded // to 1296 which is supposed to be COPE. [Dangerfield-PA] 1314 ANGOLA (1), SEP 8 0149 - fair strength old-plan-channel hit against Norway/Spain-1314 had to be this, but very little audio could be found to nail down an ID. [Connely-Y-MA] 1314 SPAIN various RNE5, SEP 20 0300 - Good with man in SS, then music at 0305. To my ears these sounded // to 1296 which is listed as a COPE station, but maybe all these Spanish stations sound alike. [Dangerfield-PA] 1314 SPAIN various RNE5, SEP 8 0322 - a real melange here; Norway atop most of the time with New Age music that was quiet enough to allow other stations' audio to slide through. AA vocal (probably Kuwait) came up to nearly equal strength briefly, then the channel degraded into a jumble followed by Spain's fast SS talk taking over. [Connely-Y-MA] 1314 ITALY, RAI R. Due, synchros, 22 SEP, 2150 - Under NRK and with some Spanish QRM, nevertheless a fair amount of useful audio with rock music, "RAI Radio Due" ID just before 2200. Parallels 1116 and 1449 in well at the same time. [Burnell-NF] 1324 GERMANY, VO Russia relay, Wachenbrunn, SEP 8 0323 - serious-sounding EE talk by man; dead ahead. [Connely-Y-MA] 1324 MAURITANIA, R. Mauritani, Nouakchott AUG 11 0040 - Fair signal but weak audio. Afropop music, strong hit against 1350. [Conti-ME] SEP 7 2304 - violin and Oud music, then talk; light audio, but huge carrier. Strong at 2309 UTC with wild yeling vocal. [Connely-Y-MA]
1514 THE LANDMEN Logik AUG 11 0028 - Fair; jazzy pop music, formerly Veronica Nieuweradio, format changed to jazz. [Conti-ME] SEP 14 2352 - Brazilian jazz, ID at 2355 as "JazzRadio, just a ribbon in the sky"; SIO 454. [Burnell-NF] [Jorge Garzon, if I've translated his comments correctly from Spanish, indicates that Jazz Radio is a separate entity purchasing time on Veronica - Jim]

1422 GERMANY, Heusweiler, SEP 8 0534-0539 - good w/ GG talk, oldies music, including "Workin' in a Coal Mine" by Lee Dorsey, "To Know Him is to Love Him" by the Teddy Bears, and "Green Onions" by Booker T and the M.G.'s. [ContiY-M-A]

1431 UKRAINE(s), SEP 8 0259-0300 - massive pre-sign-on open carrier had to be this; a bit later (when weaker?) Slavic-sounding talk was noted. Less- potent open carriers were noted on 800 kHz and 1408 kHz (other Ukrainian channels). [ContiY-M-A]

1530 SAUDI ARABIA, Jeddah, SEP 14 2232 - Two IDs, Independent Radio News, weather, ID again then Roy Orbison song; SIO 243. [Burnell-NF]

1512 SAUDI ARABIA, Riyadh, SEP 8 0207 - AA vocal getting through the WNRB slop. [ContiY-M-A]

1514 UNID, SEP 8 0220 - carrier and bits of talk; not 100% sure if this was of TA or Pan-American origin. [ContiY-M-A]

1518.0 (see 1534 item below) UNID SEP 14 2217 - Woman with news in AA, definite ID after 2212 after little fanfare ended "... Mutahida min Ras ...", thus possibly from the UAE; the Jeddah station on 1476 kHz was inaudible; deep, long fades, SIO 232. [Burnell-NF] Here follow some comments Jean received via email from Dave Kenney in Great Britain: "1518 and 1534 are probably US-funded Iraqi opposition stations; it's the same transmitter frequency hopping. I can hear it in the UK most evenings anywhere between 1515 and 1537 kHz; it carries a variety of anti-Saddam radio, but getting a full ID is difficult here due to the adjacent-channel splatter. Location is not known - suspect anywhere in the Gulf, Saudi, Jordan or even Egypt. It's been around for a couple of years but seldom gets logged. More effort is needed by Euro DXers on this one - it would be nice to confirm at least the county it's coming from (anyone visiting the Mid-East on holiday this winter??.)"

1521 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA, SEP 1 0309 - AA Koran recitations, creating a strong hot against 1520 and 100% copy if tuned in US0. By far, the best of all TA's today. [Sharp-FL] SEP 8 0305 - / 1440 with male Koranic AA vocal; at monster level, reducing WWKB to background hot. [ContiY-M-A]

1521 NORTHERN IRELAND, 1521 AM, Craigavon, Co. Armagh, SEP 14 2349 - Pop oldies mainly from the 70s, noted "that was ELO on Radio 1521" at 2316; QRM from Mexico Extra SIO 232 "Budapest-MB"

1530 SAO TOME VOA, SEP 13 0322 - Right behind WSAI with their nightly news program. At times their signals were equal. Had WSAI phased somewhat. [Dangerfield-PF]

1534.0 (see 1518 item above) UNID SEP 15 0033 - May have just signed on, very weak with man and woman in AA. SIO 0136 but never better than fair: at best heard through WFAN-New York, with long fades, noted with news at 0510, repeated 3 note sound effect, ID. [Benven- NY]

1520 UNID, SEP 22 0220 - Briefly over CCKX with SS talk. Good signals but not as clear as Cuban on 640. May have been Rebelde?? [Axelrod-MB]

28.3 UNID, SEP 7 2340 - SS talk by man, strong hot against WPRQ/WSKN/CFCY- 630. [Axelrod-MB]

1530 HONDURAS several locations, Radio America, SEP 13 0250 - Fair to good signals with a very fast talking man calling a sports event (possible baseball game). Several mentions of Cuba and Nicaragua. Clear ID at 0045 with "Radio America Tegucigalpa". These are // 610. New! [Axelrod-MB]

1530 MEXICO XEUF Cosamaloapan, SEP 22 1103 - Fair signal, very sudden sign-on and into music. New! [Axelrod-MB]

1540 CUBA Guanabacoa, Radio Progreso, SEP 12 0430 - Mix of Latin American and English pop music. [Axelrod-MB]

1540 MEXICO Fresno-El XEYO, SEP 13 0315 - Poor signals in KJFU with ballad music and a clear XEYO ID in Spanish. [Axelrod-MB]

1540 MEXICO XENO Tulancingo, SEP 22 1140 - Fair to good signals with ballad type music and Radio Provincia IDs. NEW!! [Axelrod-MB]

1540 MEXICO XESTN Los Lachis SEP 16 1157-1203 bouncy SS vocals, rooster crowing at 1200 into what sounded like English pop music, ID 1203 as R. Seis y Cinco, La Ley. Nice level for 2kw in WRTH-96 [Winkelman-OK]

1540 COLOMBIA R.Autentica AUG 10 0030 - Spanish contemporary Christian music and many mentions of "el Señor" heard through WFAN-New York. R.Autentica is a religious network in Colombia.. [Conti-ME-EE newsmagazine, item ending "from VOA News, London"; severely QRMed by British stations, SIO 322. [Burnell-NF] SEP 20 0153 to 0230 - Quite a good signal with mostly news commentary by men and sometimes a woman and weather at 0230. Has been heard the past several nights, but weakens after 0230 and apparently signs off at 0300. To me their power sounds like lots more than the listed 100 KW. [Dangerfield-PF]

1557 ENGLAND Northants Radio, Northampton, SEP 14 2257 - Ads with addresses and phone numbers in Northampton, jingle ID just before news at 2300; QRM mainly from station with Indian music (BBC R. Lancaster?) heard "BBC News" after pips at 2300, SIO 222. [Burnell-NF]

1560 INDIA All India Radio, Nagpur, SEP 14 2329 - Strong over the Iranian with Indian music, pips at 2330, "Akhaniwai" ID, then news in Hindi by man and news in EE by woman at 2335; SIO 433. [Burnell-NF]

1560 SWITZERLAND, SEP 21 0225 - Someone playing soft pop music, a female vocal at one point. Faded shortly thereafter. Could it have been a test from Switzerland? SEP 22 0243 to 0245 - now may not have been the Swiss station testing. Heard with good signals was a selection of Swiss-German type music, polkas, and marches. Couldn't pick up much in the way of announce ments but there were some and sounding GF. [Dangerfield-PF] Yes, Ben, that was pretty definitely Switzerland. I had 'em loud and fairly clear last night. There was a bit of QRM that sounded like Iran or India, but nothing that sounded like Switzerland. [ConnellyY-MA]

1575 SPAIN, SER synchro AUG 11 0005 - Good; news in Spanish, "Cadena Ser, Servicios Informativos" ID. [Conti-ME]

1575 SPAIN [and probably ITALY], SEP 13 0412 - Great signal with the top station having talk between a man and woman and I suspect OCR Villanova as it didn't seem to be // to the SER stations on 1584. Two stations below were a mix. [Dangerfield-PF]

1584 SPAIN SER stations, SEP 13 0414 - Good with Spanish instrumental music, but did not seem to be // to the top station on 1575. [Dangerfield-PF]

1602 SPAIN various, SEP 13 0418 - The strongest station had a man in SS and the second one down seemed to have music. I think I noted another one down there but could not get a fix on the language. Nice to have the high end back. [Dangerfield-PF]

Dave Sharp: "Strong carriers, but no audio detected on the following, between 0300 and 0400 UTC: 783, 792, 846, 882, 936, 1026, 1125 and 1224. Actually, most 'splits' today had a carrier, but these frequencies represent the 'best of the rest.'

PAN-AMERICAN DX

555 ST. KITTS and NEVIS, ZIP, Basseterre, SEP 7 2253 - EE talk, jingle with synthesizer notes; fair o/ WGAN slop. [ConnelyY1-M-A]

600 CUBA, Rebelde, SEP 27 0900 - A varying frequency I think, with long fades, noted with news at 0510, repeated 3 note sound effect, ID. [Benven-FR]

600 UNID, SEP 22 0220 - Briefly over CCKX with SS talk. Good signals but not as clear as Cuban on 640. May have been Rebelde?? [Axelrod-MB]

620 UNID, SEP 7 2340 - SS talk by man, strong hot against WPRQ/WSKN/CFCY- 650. [Axelrod-MB]

630 HONDURAS several locations, Radio America, SEP 13 0250 - Fair to good signals with a very fast talking man calling a sports event (possible baseball game). Several mentions of Cuba and Nicaragua. Clear ID at 0045 with "Radio America Tegucigalpa". These are // 610. New! [Axelrod-MB]

650 MEXICO XEUF Cosamaloapan, SEP 22 1103 - Fair signal, very sudden sign-on and into music. New! [Axelrod-MB]

660 CUBA Guanabacoa, Radio Progreso, SEP 12 0430 - Mix of Latin American and English pop music. [Axelrod-MB]

670 MEXICO Fresno-El XEYO, SEP 13 0315 - Poor signals in KJFU with ballad music and a clear XEYO ID in Spanish. [Axelrod-MB]
and steady for only 1kw and was on earlier than 1200 s/on listed in WRTH. [Winkelman OK]

670 VENEZUELA, R. Rumbos, YVLL, Caracas, SEP 7 2335 - huge with fast SS talk by 2 men, then Rumbos jingle and ID. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

700 JAMAICA, JBC R. 1, Montego Bay, SEP 8 0135 - Jamaican DJ and Afro- Caribbean rhythm/jap music; well over Colombia and Venezuela, WLV multi-carrier. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

705 ST. VINCENT and THE GRENADINES, Kingstown, SEP 7 2345 - middle-of-the-road vocal; to fair peak. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

720 VENEZUELA / VENEZUELA, SEP 7 2334 - YVQ, Porlarman with SS talk and Venezuela mentions slightly over probable YZ70, Recife with FF talk (political or religious) in a hall before a large group of people. CTN was below the two South Americans. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

750 VENEZUELA, CBS, Brasilia(t) AUG 11 0900 - Fair to good; Portuguese talk and news including many National mentions, most likely CB, but could have been also one of the other higher power Brazilians on this frequency. [Conti-ME]

757 VENEZUELA, YWKS, Caracas, SEP 7 2331 - local-like with SS Venezuelan news.

760 VENEZUELA, R. Record, ZH1558, Fortaleza, SEP 7 2330 - PP talk with reverbs; slightly over pile of others. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

800 COLOMBIA, HJA, Barranquilla, SEP 8 0137 - RCN ID, political SS talk; huge, way over mix of Reloj/WJR/YYQQ others. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

805 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES, Pib, Bonaire, SEP 8 0130 - excellent R. Transmusical ID, "transmite desde Bonaire, Antillas Holandeses", then into religious SS program "El Camino de la Vida" (Road of Life); dominant / loud. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

810 COLOMBIA, CARACOL, HJCY, Bogota, SEP 8 0129 - CARACOL ID; loud, over CJVA/WYG. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

820 VENEZUELA, R. Guadalupana, YXYV, Coro, SEP 8 0126 - Guadalupana ID, fast SS talk; just over bad growl and a pile of others. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

830 ST. KITTS and NEVIS, TBN, Bassetere, SEP 8 0125 - / 7510 with EE preacher in assembly hall; mixed with YVLT/WCRN/CFJR. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

837 VENEZUELA, R. Sensación, YVLT, Caracas, SEP 8 0120 - atop with SS Caracas news. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

895 ST. KITTS and NEVIS, VON, Charlestown, SEP 7 2327 - excellent with dancehall reggae and soca music. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

1039 6 unID, SEP 7 2325 - fat het against 1040 Latin American cluster. At one time, HJAI Barranquilla was a bit off channel; perhaps they're drifting again. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

1040 PUERTO RICO, WZNA Moca AUG 10 0051 - Good; ad for auto parts store in Moca, many Agrounda mentions, "ocho cincuenta y uno" UTC-4 TC, and WZNA Moca legal ID in Spanish, top of the hour as "WZNA, diez-cuarenta kilohertz, Mayaguez". [Conti-ME] SEP 14 2152 - SS music noted here, many "Mayaguez" mentions, one at top of the hour. [Wyllie-RI]

1040 VENEZUELA, YVLL, Valencia, SEP 7 2355 - Venezuelan national news in SS; atop jumble with SS Caracas news. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

1040 COLOMBIA, H[C], Bogota, SEP 8 0103 - Bogota sporting event; over others and strong 1039.6 het. [Connelly'Y1-MA]

1090 VENEZUELA Union R, Caracas AUG 10 0105 - Good; "Noticias Union Radio" news / 640. [Conti-ME]

1110 VENEZUELA, R.Carupano, Carupano AUG 10 0120 - Excellent; "Notarial Notarial Por Radio Carupano" ID, a "diario" newspaper ad and message about preserving the forest. [Conti-ME]

1500 VENEZUELA, R.Dos Mil, Cumana AUG 11 0017 - Good; "En Dos Mil, echo diecisiete" UTC-4 TC, tropical music. [Conti-ME]

873 JAPAN JOGB Kumamoto, SEP 17 1305 - with man speaking /\ to 774, poor. [Helms-CA]

882 UNID but suspect it's something good. Tune-in 1320 SEP 18 at poor level to song by 1970s group Bread, followed by OM announcer in what didn't seem to be JJ, CC, or KK. 1322 different man in excited voice, almost like a spot, back to previous man announcer. Fades 1325 but returns 1327 with EE male country song! 1330 man chatter at low audio level, fades for the last time 1332. Re-checks SEP 20, 22 and 24 showed carrier up to SS and good but couldn't pull audio. Have caught bits of audio in previous seasons but no ID. Will keep chasing this one. [Helms-CA]

972 SOUTH KOREA HLCA Tangjin, SEP 14 1303 - in nicely with woman in KK, into man 1305.

1053 NORTH KOREA, SEP 9 1240 - "Space Patrol" jammer at a terrific level. [Helms-CA]

1476 UNID, SEP 13 1314 - believe this to be the Russian. Talk by woman, 59 carrier but very muddy audio (didn't seem Oriental lang). However, abrupt carrier cut 1315 with no anthem or apparent sign off announcement. The Russian usually owns this channel but supposedly sign off at 1600. Ideas anyone? [Helms-CA]

1566 SOUTH KOREA HLAZ, SEP 13 1302 - consistently the best TP of this young season; hitting S9+20 dB with male speaker. [Helms-CA]

1590 JAPAN, SEP 13 1310 - assumed here with brief segment of instrumental music, announcement by man in what seemed to be JJ, weak, flatter, sissy. [Helms-CA]

STATION NEWS

ARGENTINA: 990 La Red has returned to slogan "R. Splendid". [Info-Gama-DX Newsletter (Argentina) in Play-DX 899]

FIJI: The information in the WRTH is basically correct. The exception is with Bakirali 1332 Program 1 - this frequency has changed to 1152. The ID's of the three channels on medium wave are: Radio Fiji 1: "Radio Fijio One" [in Fijian and EN]. Radio Fijio 2: "Akashavani Fijii" (Hindustani); Radio Fijio 3: "Radio Fijio Gold" (EE). [Mauricio Molano, via Grupo MEDI-DX #10]

FRANCE/REUNION: Local programs on 1404 Ajaccio and 1494 Bastia are 07-08-12-13 CET. [Jorge Garzon in Grupo MEDI-DX #10]

ICELAND: RAS 1 0645-0100 on 207/666/738 kHz. Night program on 0100-0645 on same as well with man and woman in what seemed to be DJ, weak, flatter, sissy. [Helms-CA]

MARSHALL ISLANDS: 1098 V7AB ex WS2O. 1557 Micronesia Heatwave is V7RR, not 87RR. 1224 AFRTS Kwaajalein (not 1222 as in WRTH), 1 kw. [Mauricio Molano in Grupo MEDI-DX #10] (Mauricio travelled in the Pacific - Jim)

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES: Delta 171 is the name of the new 1000 kW longwave station that will be built at Apeldoorn. The format will be rock and the start is scheduled for the second half of 1997. [Francis-TN] (As the old "Chicago" song asks, "Does anybody really know what time it is?"

897 TANZANIA: Radio One, Dar Es Salaam, previously only on FM, is now also on medium wave 1440,0300 sign-on noted JUL 21. [H. Rauch in Play-DX]

LEBANON: With Mexico AUG 1 (DXN 63-30). With Mexico AUG 21. [H. Rauch in Play-DX]

SOUTH KOREA: North Koryo, Kaksan, previously only on FM, is now also on medium wave 1100,0100 sign-on noted JUL 7. It is a local commercial station, operating in Swahili. [V. Korinek (South Africa) in Play-DX 997]

QUERIES, UNIDS, ETC

Re: Terry Krueger's 1280 Mexican National Anthem at 1100 AUG 1 (DXN 63-30). With Mexico now observing DST, a WRTH-listed 1200 sign-on would be heard in August at 1100. Also, in 23 of the 31 states, 1100 in summer coincides with 6:00 AM. A time (local midnight is another) when all on-air Mexican stations are required to play the NA, even the 24 hour guys. [Francis-TN] (As the old "Chicago" song asks, "Does anybody really know what time it is?" - Jim)
Re: Dave Crawford's 650.8 unID (DXN 63-29). This is Radio Rebelde, same as 670 and 590 among others. Location is most likely Santiago de Cuba; bearings fix to that area. Other listed location is Media Luna near Manzanillo at the west end of the island, but bearings aren't right and distance would be too great for daytime reception here at Manasota Key. [Zechino-FL]

CANAVDX 1996

A radio listeners' DXpedition at Canaveral National Seashore, Florida, will be held on 7-8 December 1996. CANAVDX is a not-quite autumn event that began in 1979, and is hosted by DX FLORIDA. CANAVDX is held at the CNS House of Refuge site, which is accessible only through the north entrance of the park. It is located on a narrow barrier island between the Atlantic Ocean and Mosquito Lagoon, and is an ideal spot for DXing due to lack of electrical noise, good ground conductivity, and lots of room to run antennas. Everyone is welcome, so pass the word, and please RSVP to David Crawford, KD4VHK, 7821 SW 56th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32608. Telephone 352-374-8324. Email to dcreaw@nervm.net.ufl.edu. Please let me know if you plan to be there so we can give the Park Service an estimated attendance.

CONTEST!

An international medium wave and long wave contest sponsored by Grupo DX Mediterraneo will be taking place 0000 DEC 15 - 2359 DEC 28 and 0000 JAN 18 - 0000 JAN 23. Points are awarded for each log with multipliers for distance and power. Detailed logs are available from Jim Renfrew via e-mail. [Mark WAIN@Aol.com]

Shawn Axelrod, Winnie MB; ICOM ICR-70 with PLAM board and filter mods, 140 ft longwire [saelrod@sympatico.ca]

Jean Burnell, DXing from Middle Cove NF; Drake R8A, antenna 700-foot wire towards northern Europe.

Mark Connelly, DXing from West Yarmouth ["Y"] and South Yarmouth ["Y1"]; Cape Cord MA; Drake R8A, RL-1 Remote-Tuned Loop with Quantum head, MWT-3 regenerative tuner /-controller combination was used.

Bruce Conti, Camden Hills State Park, ME; Drake R8A, MWDX-5, two 30-m slopers.

Ben Dangerfield, Wallingford PA; Drake R8A, 2 slopers, DL2 phasing unit, KIWA loop.

Harry Helms, Solana Beach CA; Drake R8, Quantum Loop Plus.[RWQ15A@Prodigy.com]

George Holland, Latham NY; R8A, Radio West Loop.

Dave Sharp, FL; NRD-535D with noise-reducing longwire antenna, and Timesave DSP 599x digital signal processor. [Drsradio@aol.com]

Steve Whit, UK

Bruce Winkelman AASCO Tulsa OK; R8, 2 75 ft "longwires" and MWDX-5 phasing unit.

William Willly, Franklin MA; DX-90, built-in antenna.

Paul Zecchino, Englewood FL; R-390, ICF-2010, ATS-803, Benmar 555A RDF Unit.

BRUCE CONTI: On the weekend of August 10, I went on a camping trip to Camden Hills State Park in Maine, located on the coast just north of Rockland and Rockport, south of Acadia National Park. And of course the radio wasn't left behind, as this was an opportunity to check out a potential mini-DXpedition site. The campground is located on the eastern slope of Mount Megunticook, "Where The Mountains Meet The Sea". While my friends went to sleep after a full day of hiking, I came to hate the sound of slopers into the trees with the birds between the trees. Believe me, I felt it. I didn't want to hear it. The detailed logs are only a fraction of what could be heard, had there been more time to listen and I wasn't so worn out from the daytime activities. A significant amount of time was spent trying to ID some of the more unusual receptions, such as the Brazilians on 750 and 760, the Indian music on 1314, the unID T'fer on 1116, the Arabic on 1235, and the Netherlands-1224. More hours were spent afterward reviewing tapes to no avail, until I decided to just get on with it and report the details as they stand. Help on IDing the unID 570 would be greatly appreciated; maybe DXers closer to the action can shed some light on that one. Camden Hills will definitely be worth revisiting, purely for the purpose of DXing. The campground is 190 miles from Nashua, NH, or about 3 hours 15 minutes away. The campground operates on a first-come-first-serve basis, so it's advisable to get there on Thursday or early Friday to claim a campsite for the weekend during the warm weather. The rate is $15 per campsite per night plus tax, and about half that during the off-season. It's not the Ritz-Carlton, but better than being confined to the car where you're likely to be chased away by police or where longwire antennas aren't an option due to proximity to a local electrical noise source at a coastal location during tourist season. It's more affordable than $350 typical for a weekender cottage, and no electrical noise. How can you go wrong? If you're lucky enough to get a campsite on the edge of the park, then there's even enough room for Beverage-length wires. It's the budget Newfie experience. [Cont-ME]

SHAWN AXELROD: Well it was very nice of local 10,000 watt only 2 miles from the house 630 CRKC to finally go silent. They have been // 99.9 FM for two-three months. This has left me three new frequencies to DX. So far just one new one outside of Canada and the USA but what a good one. I find that I have to believe that the three relays listed on 630 are only running 1,000 watts each. The signal was very clear on fade ups and did dominate the freq a couple of times. The ID was clear and two were heard just so my brain and ears were in agreement.

MARK CONNELLY: Two Great (and Different) DX Openings * Conditions were good to Africa around local sunset on 7 SEP. Two north-coast Brazilians (Recife-720, Fortaleza-760) were also heard. Africans included Gambia-648, Burkina Faso-747, Angola-1088, Lesotho-1107, Mauritania-1349, and many of the "garden variety" Moroccos, etc. Burkina Faso was particularly strong at times. Listening was done from the car at Windmill Beach, South Yarmouth, MA, a proven Africa-Brazil hot spot. The Drake R8A / remotely-tuned loop / regenerative tuner controller combination was used.

At my parent's house (W. Yarmouth), I caught a totally different, but equally exciting, opening: an unusually good Middle East high-band dawn-enhancement run. (UTC: 8 SEP / 0145-0315). The prize-winner here was an ASTOUNDINGLY loud and clear VOA Kuwait - 1548 with news at 0200 UTC. It was blown out by the 1550 domestic jumble "English speaking Programming" MIXED with Arabic on 1314 (what else but Kuwaiti?), Arabic-sounding programming briefly atop 954 (possibly Qatar), likely UAE carrier on 1476, Saudi Arabia -1512 and (of course) massive 1521. And... get this... Saudi-1440 definitely through the domestic heap with Koran recitation at 0305. Sudan-126 noted a bit later, in a dogfight with Spain. And, outside the Middle East proper, but not too far away from there, Ukraine-1431 had an immense pre-sign-on open carrier (with weaker ID's). My usual痼 basic DX sound clips for Bruce (AA5CO), Sudan-1296 noted a bit later, in a dogfight with Spain. And, outside the Middle East proper, but not too far away from there, Ukraine-1431 had an immense pre-sign-on open carrier (with weaker ones on 972, 1377, and 1404).


Session of SEP 7 (W. Yarmouth, MA) * 0100-0159 UTC * Spain-999, Colombia-1134, St. Kitts and Nevis-990, Venezuela-930, Colombia-510, Norway-1313, Jamaica-700, Colombia-760, Slovakia-1098, Angola(t)-1313 * 0200-0259 UTC * Kuwait-1548, Saudi Arabia-1512, Norway/Kuwait/Spain-1314, unID (prob. UAE)-1476, unID-1514, unID AA (Qatar)-954 / Spain, Ukraine(n)-1431 * 0300-0359 UTC * Saudi Arabia-1521, Saudi Arabia-1440, Germany-1275, St. Kitts/Sudan-1286, Denmark-1062, Germany-1422 * 0400-0459 UTC * Maca-1349, Sudan-684, 576, 576, and 558, UK-909, Spain-1026, 1044, and 1107; Algeria-981, Spain / Canaries-537, Spain-774

Rockport DX session notes

On the evening of SEP 9, I travelled out to the Granite Pier site in Rockport, MA. For a full report will come later on: this is just a quick review. Weather conditions: cool (about 10 C) and cloudy with an occasional shower. I turned on the R8A at 2235 UTC and many TA's were rolling in. These were predominantly from North Africa and the Iberian Peninsula. Northern Europeans were buried: 882 had strong Spain // Canaries with little evidence of UK, 1215 all Spain, etc. I brought the cassette recorder with me this time to get a few DX sound clips for Bruce Contri's international DX column in the NRC DX Audio Service. (Bruce, I'll have this tape as well as a collection of Parts Vendors lists on disk in time for the 18 OCT BADX meeting. Also the Ice splitter, other NF trip stuff, etc.) To the DX: Algeria-1544 big at 2251, Mauritanias-1490 good, Spain totally atop 1098 and 1134 (the central Europeans were out of the game) - in fact, Spain was all over the place. Moroccos, including 1044 and 711, were in at monster level. Different Arabic on 1053 from what was on 1044 ... maybe Libya. I was hoping for better Middle Eastern conditions. Saudi-1521 was loud at 2245 (before its sign-off), but that's...
hardly unusual. Syria-783 atop Portugal, but tough CFDR/ZBV1/YV7 - 780 slop at times. A jumble on 1413 finally yielded Spain instead of hoped-for DX frequencies now that hardly unusual. Syria-783 atop Portugal, but tough came through with recognizable VOA English programming, but suffered more domestic slop and many of the domestic channels below 900 kHz had substantial Latin American activity mixed

merengue music on 732.6 (easily heard with CKAC-730 phase-nulled with the loop/whip cardiod array). I left the site at 0130 (UTC 25 SEP). As I checked the car radio, TA hets were still roaring in and many of the domestic channels below 900 kHz had substantial Latin American activity mixed with the domestics. Band conditions would be described best as very mildly auroral.

I'll keep my property close to house some time this weekend, so I'll merge the Rockport and W. Yarmouth logs together in the same report. This whole package should hit the Internet highway by the start of October.

JEAN BURNELL, NJ I may head for Middle Cove tonight. I was scouting for a quickie DXpedition site (within half an hour's drive from home) that I could use for Africa and South America. I think I found a good one, but the place was crawling with hunters, so I think I'll try it only when hunting seasons end. At this time of year putting up Beverages in the woods around St. John's is not safer than the same in the woods around Sarajevo.

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* NRC Convention Report *

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Thanks to STEVE FRANCIS and Carol Massengil for hosting a great convention. Among the highlights:

FRANK MERRILL was disappointed however, that I wasn't able to tune in to Toulouse-945; he desperately wanted to unload the one-liner, 'What have you got to go along with the Quantum Loop? 1 may be using a Q-Stick from GERRY WINKELMAN's home office also includes an official NRC videographer ERNE WESOLOWSKI.

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Greetings from Oklahoma as we enter another DX season. A brief re-intro is in order. I'm 46 years old, married for 24 years to Jeannette and have 2 sons, aged 17 and 14, and a dog, Lady. I'm a pharmacist here in Tulsa. I've been "radio-active" for a long time, first joining the NRC way back in 1969. Took a doublespace, sf?) 73

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I haven't MUSED about this while the reintro issue seemed like a good excuse to send one in. I'm 31, married and we bought a house here in Fernandina Beach (aka Amelia Island) this year. In fact, I think that this may be a good one for the software for a benefits administration company. I get to work at home and I travel just enough to break the routine now and then. My home office also includes a RCA Victrola with a 12 inch discograph. AM radio sounds GREAT! As far as DXing and being a good member, I've learned a lot in the last year so about doing my homework. I'm specifically referring to the WVA-1510 issue. After hearing it and reporting it to DJ News and asking for help, I got an address for WVAA from an anonymous person. Instead of doing my research, I took it at face value and reported it to DJ News. Turns out that the old WRKU facility, according to the ECC, never was on the air and certainly didn't apply for a call change to WVAA. Yet I wasn't the only member that heard it! Discussing this via BBS with PAUL MOUNT, he figured 1 must have been a pirate in the same area as the silent WRKU using the open frequency. So while I bristled a bit at a suggestion that WVAA was "radioactive", I did report the information to DX News that turned out to be wrong. I apologize for that. On the plus side, I finally broke down and spent the money on a Sony ICF2010 to go along with the Quantum Loop. I may be buying a Q-Stick from GERRY THOMAS as well and try out some of those techniques he wrote on in VE3621. One other topic that will probably affect our hobby, the Internet. It certainly a superb resource of information, and I enjoy surfing the Web. It has occurred to me, though, that it will be even harder to verify stations in the future as more and more broadcasters put their program onto the World Wide Web. For example, anyone in the world with an Internet connection, Netscape or Internet Explorer and the Real Audio plug-in can listen to WBAL-1090 in Baltimore, Maryland. The sound is not broadcast real-time. The sound is not broadcast in. or Internet Explorer and the Real Audio plug-in can listen to WBAL-1090 in Baltimore, Maryland. The sound is not broadcast in.

Radio Ranchito; 9/13 7:03am

The station will be a requirement to prove you are not a "radioactive" listener. I'm not impressed with it-DWS)