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From the publisher ... As I mentioned last issue, some renewal information transmitted via E-mail did not reach me in September, but Ron Musco and I have compared records and determined who was not renewed. Your label should be correct as of this issue. However, it is clear that E-mails from others may not have reached me, either (recently from Ken MacHarg and Jim Renfrew, for example), and so I'm going to try to get into the habit of acknowledging all E-mails which contain information for publication in DXN. If you do not receive confirmation from me that your E-mail has arrived in Topeka, assume that it didn't, and retransmit. I'm hoping that AOL is not the culprit in these cyberspace capers, and I suspect other factors; indeed, the first transmittal of IDXD this week arrived 12 hours after Jim Renfrew transmitted it the second time! All is not well in cyberspace, I fear. Could the scum who constantly clog the communications lines with spams be the cause? If Hotmail and Juno would curb the origination of spams from their systems alone, I suspect that the situation would improve markedly.

I discovered by accident last week that for over two years I've been affixing the wrong amount of postage to Canadian subscribers' DXN's. All of the Canada bound #3 DXN's were returned for being heavier than one ounce, probably because of the print paper absorbing moisture during the recent rainy weather, and some clerk had attached a stickie advising that we needed another 17¢ per copy. But when I checked the manual for the proper postage, I found that the 46¢ we'd been sending DXN's under was for surface mail, and the proper amount for AO Rate (All Others, or Alles Outres for printed, air-mailed material) mail was 51¢ for one ounce. Suddenly, the reason that two Canadian members reported abysmal service during the postal survey became clear: in spite of the sticker we use indicating "AO Rate", those DXN's must have been sent via surface carriers. Now, if anyone in the postal service can explain to me why, for two years, no one in the postal system bothered to tell me that I was sending mail with either the wrong postage or the wrong label, I'll be moderately happy.

Verie Preservation ... Ron Musco advised that stickers for the NRC verie preservation program have been ordered but have not arrived yet. How-

ever, you can still order the free, 3-inch x 3-inch stickers so that you may place them on your verification albums, tape recordings, and any other items you'd like to see preserved. To request stickers or offer suggestions for the program, you may contact Ron directly (addresses on back page).

DX GTG: Ray Arruda's 20th annual Thanksgiving GTG in "The Lower Deck" at 47 Burt Street, Acushnet, MA will be open to all on Saturday, November 22, starting at noon.

New Products ... Kiwa Electronics is now offering several new items for DX'ers, including the Pocket Regeneration Module available for the Pocket Loop Antenna and a new coupler for the Pocket Loop that connects between a car radio and car antenna. For more information contact Kiwa at <<kiwa@wolffenet.com>>, <<http://www.wolfe.net/~kiwa>>, 509-453-5492, or Kiwa Electronics - 612 South 14th Ave. - Yakima WA 98902 USA.

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DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:
50 years ago ... from the October 25, 1947 DXN: Al Maley, Highland Falls, NY, reported hearing CMJL, Florida, Cuba, on 1395 kHz nightly until 10:00 pm and had received an airmail verie in 6 days.

25 years ago ... from the October 27, 1972 DXN: Several DX'ers reported hearing Urunchi, China, on 1525, including Al Merriman, Bill Grant, and Bob Foxworth.

10 years ago ... from the October 26, 1987 DXN: Randy Seaver's article, "Sea Gain," detailed the whys and hows of over-water signal reception.

AM Switch

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	<u>Old call</u>		<u>New call</u>
620	WXLX	NJ Newark	WJWR
710	WHB	MO Kansas City	KCMO*
810	KCMO	MO Kansas City	WHB*
950	WEJM	IL Chicago	WZDB
950	WZDB	IL Chicago	WIDB*
1080	KWJJ	OR Portland	KOTK
1150	KBAI	CA Morro Bay	KJQY
1310	WDOZ	MI Dearborn	WYUR
1450	KKBY	WA Puyallup	KSUH
1480	KZSN	KS Wichita	KQAM
1540	KXMG	CA Los Angeles	KCTD
1590	WIFN	MI Marine City	WHYT

*Note: WEJM-950 changed to WZDB and almost immediately requested a change to WIDB. The WHB/KCMO call swap doesn't seem to have been officially filed with the FCC yet, but both stations are announcing the swap will take place shortly. Even though this change has not yet appeared in FCC data, we are listing it here for your information.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

1670 ON Toronto: 10000/1000 U1 (although the CRTC has officially said they have no interest in permitting any operations on the Expanded Band, a group that was unsuccessful in getting an FM grant has applied for this station with a proposal to run Asian Ethnic programming)

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1640 OR Lake Oswego: 10000/1000 U1 (KKSL-1290)
1690 CO Arvada: 10000/1000 U1 (KQXI-1550) These mark the first official GRANTS for new Expanded Band stations; many more are expected to follow. The two stations now operating on the X-Band are doing so under provisions of an STA (Special Temporary Authority), but those above are full grants. The FCC dismissed the final two objections to Plan III, and the way has been paved for all the other X-Band applications to be routinely granted.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

800 KINY AK Juneau: night power to 7800 watts (this application was dismissed but has now been reinstated)
1170 KOHO HI Honolulu: reduce night power to 4800 watts
1350 KGHF CO Pueblo: 4700/750 U2
1430 WNFO SC Ridgeland: 213 D1, city of license to Sun City Hall, SC (we can't find this city on any map, but the proposed coordinates place it in the general vicinity of Hilton Head Island)

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

760 WCHP NY Champlain: 35000 D3
980 WLMX GA Rossville: relocate transmitter, antenna to U4
1150 KSEN MT Shelby: 10000/5000 U4, relocate transmitter
1300 KKOL WA Seattle: 5000/2000 U4, relocate transmitter
1520 KRHW MO Sikeston: 5000/2000 U7
1520 WTHE NY Mineola: CH power to 347 watts

OTHERNESS

610 KSVV CO Vail: silent station will return to the air in November (see 1450 KDMN below)

790 WQXI GA Atlanta: CP for 28000/1000 U2 from new transmitter site is on
810 WPIN VA Dublin: CP for 4200 D1 is on
880 WTZY NC Fairview: CP for 350 D1 is on
990 KWFT TX Wichita Falls: station is SILENT (has an application to move to Farmersville, TX, a move of nearly 150 miles; see Issue 30)
1060 KBNB TX Gilmer: silent station is ON THE AIR
1080 WNWI IN Valparaiso: station is SILENT
1110 WMBI IL Chicago: CP for 4270 D1 from new transmitter site is on
1230 KATO CA Safford: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1230 KWYZ WA Everett: silent station is ON THE AIR and relaying Korean programming from KSUH-1450
1260 WMMM CT Westport: station is SILENT but is being donated to Sacred Heart University and will return to the air "in 60 days"
1270 KFCC TX Bay City: license has been REVOKED by the FCC citing numerous problems with unauthorized transmitter relocation and STA violations, but owners have vowed to fight it in court; the present operating status of this station is unclear. Can a member in that area check 1270 and let us know what's there?
1280 KKAL AZ Arroyo Grande: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1310 WVIP NY Mount Kisko: station is SILENT (a fire destroyed the studios. The station continued to broadcast from a trailer at the transmitter for several days, but it is now off the air)
1340 KVIV TX El Paso: CP for 1000/910 U1 from new transmitter site is on
1400 KUKI CA Ukiah: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1420 KYVU CA Yucca Valley: application for license renewal of this silent station has been returned by the FCC; its fate may be cancellation
1400 WWWS NY Buffalo: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1440 KKXL ND Grand Forks: station is still silent due to flood damage but has said they should return by the end of the year
1440 KELG TX Elgin: CP for 800/500 U4 from new transmitter site and city of license to Manor, TX is on
1450 KDMN CO Buena Vista: silent station will return to the air in November when KSVV-610 returns and will relay KSKE programming
1480 KRHT CA Concord: CP for 500/5000 U4 has expired but station has requested a reinstatement
1500 WBFN MS Quitman: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1520 WQWQ MI Muskegon Heights: station has been running 1000/1000 U3 due to problems with the 10 KW transmitter (which we understand is 28 years old)
1520 KOLM MN Rochester: CP for 10000/800 U6 is on
1520 WJMP OH Kent: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1540 CHIN ON Toronto: station has been granted 101.3 FM but unlike other Canadian stations will NOT move from the AM band, this low power (22 watts) FM has been granted to "correct nighttime signal problems" and will simulcast AM programming, a very rare situation in Canada.
1550 KRGO UT West Valley City: silent station is ON THE AIR
1570 WRHD NY Riverhead: silent station is ON THE AIR
1600 WSNR KY Hartford: CP for move to Beaver Dam, KY is on

THANKS: Tony Fitzherbert, Ed Krejny, Phil Boersma, Al Merriman, Les Johnson, Eddie Murfney, and MSJ

73 and Good DX, Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

Jerry & BKf



Bruce Elving's FM Atlas ...17th Edition
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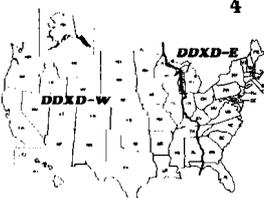
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(Division line is between East and Central time zones)



DDXD-West

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- Welcome to new member and reporter **Robert Bowman** of Artesia, New Mexico, who checked in via telephone with his initial report. Hope to hear from **Robert** and all new members often!
- **Shawn** sez: "Well the weather has been making DX'ing a bit tough. Friday and Saturday saw thunder storms here. Thunder in October in Winnipeg!?!? Sunday was rain all day and today I wake up to SNOW falling. Ah! Winnipeg in fall; never a dull moment. Hopefully things are better for next weekend as we are off to see family in Swan River, and a 310-mile drive is no fun in bad weather."
- Thanks to **Gary Jackson** of Sacramento, California who sent his latest list of operational CalTrans TIS/HARs for District #7 (Los Angeles). See TIS Special, later on...
- Remember, deadlines are five (5) days prior to the one published in *DX News*, as that's the Topeka Deadline. And we need a day or two to get things together. Let's hear from all you folks in the WEST!

REPORTERS

- RB-NM Robert Bowman Artesia Superadio III, ICF-2010
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 TRH-CA Tim Hall Chula Vista ICF-2010, KIWA Loop
 DS-TN Doug Smith Pleasant View TS940 ham rig, 160m 3/8 wave inverted L
 RS-MO Randy Stewart Springfield Yaesu FRG-100; 15" Sanserino amplified box loop <jrs555t@wpgate.smsu.edu>
 JR-OK John Reed, KA5QEP Ponca City Sylvania R1414/URR with R1490/GRR17 Q5er + Noise reduced wire, Palomar loop <jtreed@poncacity.net>
 ID-DXP Idaho DXpedition at Bonneville Point southeast of Boise (Frank Aden, Jr. N7SOK Boise <wvll23a@prodigy.com>), Joe Barry Bend, OR) Uniden Cr2021, Radio Shack TRF (modified) + two beverage antennas, one pointed NE and the other SW
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SPECIAL

- 540 WDXN TN Clarksville - 10/11 1247 - Now seems 100% sports. No music heard in over a week. Uses Sports Fan network; slogan *Sportsradio 540 WDXN*. (DS-TN)
 570 KLIF TX Dallas - Now uses 570 *Cliff* as their slogan, exclusively. [Ed.-TX]
 710 KCMO MO Kansas City - 10/08 2200 - Fair signal, mixing with KNUS, with an ad for Art Bell who was to be on at Midnight. Clear ID as 7-10 *KCMO Kansas City*. Seems that the much-rumoured frequency swap between KCMO and WHB has happened. Cannot get WHB-810 due to local here, but they are probably on too. Can someone confirm. (SA-MB)
 710 KCMO MO Kansas City - 10/8 0100 - Now here, ex: 810, with NWS/TLK, CBS network. Possible gain of sections of southwest suburbs and smaller electric bills with U4 10000/5000, but loss of huge areas daytime. I don't think their night pattern will help those southwest portions of the metro much. See 810 also. (JEL-MO) The switch is also reported via e-mail by Gary A. Emenitove

WARM/WARMS/WBNT

590 WARM

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 810 WHB MO Kansas City - 10/8 0100 - Now here, ex: 710 as *The Farm* with agricultural news, C&W music. They gain huge daytime coverage area with U2 50000/10000 over their former operation. Presume they will keep their SS music program on Saturday nights. See 710 also. (JEL-MO) (Doesn't matter; WDAF-610 regularly blows them, and most FM's, away in the ratings, hi pls.)
 1670 C ON Toronto - "Radio Asia Canada has applied to the CRTC for a licence to operate an AM radio station in Toronto. The station would have a multi-cultural format programming in a minimum 4 different languages per week, focused on the Asian community. Of interest is the frequency of the application. Radio Asia proposes to operate the new station on 1670 in the extended AM band, with 10 kw day and 1 kw night power." (CBD)



UNIDs and UNID HELP

- 1490 UNID ?? - 10/11 0800 - Weak signal with a partial ID heard: *United spectacular Mountain West*, then what seemed to be two calls - - YM? - - - *Springs*. (SA-MB)
 1500 UNID ?? - 10/13 0800 - With Mexican-styled music and Spanish talk. Best to the south, under KSTP. (SA-MB)

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 1540 KTGG+ MI Spring Arbor - 10/4 ~ 0014 - HEARD. CHIN and a preacher (ZNS?) dominant most of the time, though occasional loud passages of CCM music. Of course, faded down during IDs. Did catch several brief snatches of Morse and one "... T-G-G" in Morse code. (DS-TN)
 KTGG- MI Spring Harbor - 10/4 0000-0030 - No sign of them on either beverage or remote timing on loop at home. (ID-DXP)

TIS & OTHER STUFF

- 890 TIS TX Desoto - 10/10 1515+ - With typical TIS stuff. [Ed.-TX]
 1610 TX Austin - 9/27 0730 - Weather for Austin and other Texas locations. Flutter fading. Last heard in 1995. (JR-OK)
 1620 "KCR" CA San Diego - 10/9 2158 - San Diego State University station noted here with mindless rock music, non-ID at top of hour by chipmunk-voiced student: *San Diego State University's KCR*... This station used to be on 550 kHz several years ago. Seems to get out pretty well, especially during gaps between useless WPJ551's tape loop. This may have been the "pirate" that was running the nonstop tape loop of black oldies several months ago. (TRH-CA)
 1640 WQO767 TX Dallas/Fort Worth IAP - 10/1 2230 - Weak, but clear, with departures for *American Airlines* flights. Female voice. 1680 with departures heard, but 1640 much better. (RB-NM)
 1641.95 MIN MNAitken - CID repeated. First medFER logging for this season. Frequency has since changed to 1648.33 to escape the Dallas TIS. (JR-OK)
 1670 WHI392 TX Midlothian - 10/10 1510 - About 3-4 minute tape loop with "what-to-do-in-case-of-a-disaster" message. Plus mentions it is owned and operated by the city of Midlothian and "is testing". [Ed.-TX]
 1680 WQO767 TX Dallas/Fort Worth Airport - 10/12 0710 - Woman with flight announcements. Poor signal. (SA-MB)

TIS SPECIAL

530 WPHJ53	CA	Palmdale	34% 34' 53"	118% 08' 02"	(Cal 14 @ 14/138 at Palmdale Rd)
620 WPGR279	CA	Eagle Rock	34% 08' 46"	118% 08' 46"	(Cal 2 @ 134 interchange)
620 WPET710	CA	Long Beach	33% 47' 11"	118% 05' 36"	(I-405 @ I-605 interchange)
620 WPGR279	CA	Newbury Park	34% 11' 02"	118% 54' 41"	(US 101 @ Ventura Park Road)
620 WPGR279	CA	Pomona	34% 04' 23"	117% 47' 13"	(I-10 @ Ganesha Blvd)
1610 WPGT708	CA	Arleta	34% 14' 44"	118% 25' 23"	(I-5 @ Osborne St)
		1610 WPET708		CA Canyon Country	34% 23' 32" 118% 28'

		23"	(Cal 14 @ Golden Valley Road)	
1610	WPET708	CA	Gorman	34% 47' 41" 118% 51' 04" (1-5 @ Gorman School Road)
1610	WPGT708	CA	Santa Clarita	34% 24' 38" 118% 34' 33" (I-5, 1 mi. SE of Cal 126)
1610	WPHJ962	CA	W. Los Angeles	34% 01' 43" 118% 26' 46" (I-10 @ Bundy Drive)
1620	WPGR283	CA	Los Angeles	34% 01' 59" 118% 21' 03" (I-10 @ LaBrea Blvd)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

550	WASG	AL	Atmore - 10/1 0600	- Legal ID for WYDH-FM, slogan as Y 105.9, country music. Fair, but weak enough that it might have been on the listed 143 watts. (DS-TN)
620	KMNS	IA	Sioux City - 10/10 0434	- On top or even with CKCK with <i>Real Country</i> program and ID. No WTJM at all. (SA-MB)
650	CISL	BC	Richmond - 10/4 0600	- Solid signal, not heard this good in town. (ID-DXP)
680	KNBR	CA	San Francisco - 10/3 0735	- Sports talk, call ID. Last heard in 1996. (JR-OK)
690	CBU	BC	Vancouver - 10/4 0630	- Solid signal over Mexico, even in town with loop they are rarely on top. (ID-DXP)
710	KNUS	CO	Denver - 10/10 0429	- CNN Headline News and ID as <i>AM 7-10 KNUS</i> . On top with good signal. (SA-MB)
750	KERR	MT	Polson - 10/4 0050	- Solid signal, pointed in the wrong direction for them! (ID-DXP)
790	KXXX	KS	Colby - 10/10 0745	- Fair, with <i>K-triple X</i> , <i>AM 790</i> slogans. C&W music. Haven't heard in a while. (JJR-WI)
900	KFAL	MO	Fulton - 10/10 0741	- With full ID sandwiched between two C&W songs. Alone. (JJR-WI) [This is correct city, John - Ed.]
1090	KKYN	TX	Plainview - 10/13 0100	- Briefly good with KAA Y. No KBOZ. Legal ID at :00 into ABC News: <i>It's midnight at the Big 10-90 KKYN Plainview</i> . KKYN new, and I haven't heard KAA Y in a number of years. (Jc-MT)
1160	WBOB	KY	Florence - 10/10 0721	- With poor-to-fair signal. Imus, traffic, promo, ads. <i>1160-Bob</i> , <i>Turn your knob to Bob!</i> , <i>Imus in the Morning</i> , <i>Sports/Talk all day on 1160-Bob!</i> . Last heard as WBND. No WSCR heard at all. (JJR-WI)
1190	WOWO	IN	Ft. Wayne - 10/15 0740	- Call ID, ad for race track, local news. Strong signal but later faded quickly. New here. (JR-OK)
1510	WVHN	IL	Joliet - 10/14 0754	- Only heard call ID, then faded into background noise. New here. (JR-OK)
1560	KKAA	SD	Aberdeen - 9/27 0750	- Only heard call ID. Then signal lost in QRM. (JR-OK)
1570	KQWC	IA	Webster City - 9/26 0750	- Call ID, local announcements, birthdays. New here. (JR-OK)
1590	WAIK	IL	Galesburg - 10/10 0651	- Noted poor, in/out, with calls in mess. Haven't heard in a while. (JJR-WI)

0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

1080	KOTK	OR	Portland - 10-16 0910	- Dominant, but nullable to a very weak KRLD. No KVNI or KRPX. With country music format and <i>KTOK AM 1080</i> IDs. Spot clusters heard at 0913 and 0920. Ex:KWJJ. (Jc-MT)
1100	KNZZ	CO	Grand Junction - 10/4 1100	- Incredible daytime reception and in wrong direction of antenna. (ID-DXP)
1190	KEX	OR	Portland - 10/4 1140	- Nighttime quality signal! (ID-DXP)
1200	CKXM	BC	Victoria - 10/12 0846	- Fair signal, with country music and a clear <i>CKXM</i> ID. (SA-MB)
1380	WMTA	KY	Central City - 10/11 1216	- Good, with <i>Western Kentucky Gospel Singing Hour</i> . (DS-TN)
1490	WCLU	KY	Glasgow - 10/11 1242	- Fair, with 14 Carat Gold WCLU; oldies. (DS-TN)

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

1110	KRLA	CA	Pasadena - 10/15 2340-10/16 0130	- Philadelphia-Anaheim hockey (this is apparently the flagship station). Some KFAX-1100 slop, but not bad while using the MFJ-1026mw. (BK-CA)
1160	WODYt	VA	Fieldale - 10/10 2236	- Poor, under KSL, ending a religious program with what sounded like a "WODY" call ID, into contemporary Christian-sounding music. If this was then, it'd be a new one for me. (RS-MO)

1320	WMSR	TN	Manchester - 10/11 1740	- Fighting with WNGO-KY, with area obits. (DS-TN)
1380	KRKO	WA	Everett - 10/3 2330	- On top of KSRV; almost no sign of them! Antenna was pointed right at KSRV. (ID-DXP)
1510	KPBI	AR	Greenwood - 10/9 2136	- Fair, in WLAC null, with Prime Sports programming & KFDF ID jingles; weather forecast from <i>Sports Radio KFDF 1580 and KPBI 1510</i> . Thought this was a daytimer... been trying to ID it for a few weeks. (RS-MO)
1580	WEAM	GA	Columbus - 10/9 2150	- Good, atop frequency, with canned ID... <i>praising his holy name</i> , <i>WEAM</i> -- into gospel music. (RS-MO)

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

* indicates record held by DXer from North America

1490 kHz:				
WNLC	CT	New London	Andy Rugg	Pointe Claire, PQ 294
WTOR		Torrington	Andy Rugg	Pointe Claire 253
WMGW	PA	Meadville	Andy Rugg	Nuns' Island, PQ *424

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Welcome back to *Jim Nahiriak* with what he writes is his first report in years. Jim has a new job and time for DXing and we hope to see lots more reports from him. And a welcome to *Neil Adams*, who sends some e-mail reports on the 1030 kHz doings; a new reporter in my time as editor at least. Also a nice logging from Dr. Adrian Peterson, well known to SW DXers from his work at Adventist World Radio. Great to hear from you!

Mark Burns has some nice loggings from his mini-DXpedition site but notes that he would have had better results had a cow not knocked down his antenna! And there are some other good ones in this week's reports too. So thanks to all our reporters for the great tips, and let's keep hearing from more of our Eastern members!

STATION NEWS

620	WJWR	NJ	Newark - 10/12 1700	- One on One Sports, ID on the hour. Ex-WXLX and SS. (DY-NY)
850	WKBB	MI	Muskegon - 10/6	- Contrary to my report in no. 3, still carries Michael Reagan 1800-2200. They have, however, dropped CBS for CNN news on the hour. (PLB-MI)
910	WLAS	NC	Jacksonville	- Has been noted off the air from 0530 tune-in to 0630 when I arrive at work. No idea when they sign-on, but must be after 0630. So, no longer 24 hours. (MH-NC)
1220	WGNV	NY	Newburgh	- A look at the FCC database shows that WGNV's operation on 1200 was by CP, not a full license. Apparently, the FCC denied an extension and cancelled the CP on 6/28. The license for 1220 was still in effect (although daytime only) and so they moved back. (JD-MA)
1280	CFMB	PQ	Montreal - 10/14 1525-1559	- Noted on new frequency in Italian with 11 music, local ads, and yak. Callsign in EE 1558, followed by Italian slogan " <i>CFMB, la radio italiano di Montreal</i> ," and mention of 24 hour schedule. Had been simulcasting on former 1410 frequency, which it apparently abandoned on 10/11. (AR*PQ)
1310	WYUR	MI	Dearborn - 10/13	- Now full-service news, music, and talk aimed at an older audience, slogan " <i>Your Radio Station</i> ." All veteran Detroit radio personalities, news and sportscasters, and management from WJR and other stations that have moved to a younger audience. They decided to start their own station, leasing time from the Chancellor/Evergreen-owned facility. Sounds like a Radio Reunion Weekend! Audio available at www.1310.com . (JN-MI)
1330	WASA	MD	Havre de Grace - 10/12 around 2020	- Loud with NOS music and "WLG" ID while driving through Havre de Grace area on I-95. Oddly, WWLG-1360 seemed to be carrying some sort of sporting event at the time; nothing // heard in the muck on 1360. (DY*MD)
1390	WDBI	VA	Arlington - 10/14 1300	- Coming out of speedreading infomercial disguised as a talk show, with ID " <i>WDBI Arlington-Washington</i> ." Ex-WZHF, ex-WMZO. Heard on the car radio somewhere north of the Beltway. (DY*MD)

- 1520 **WWKB** NY **Buffalo** - 10/7 2200 - Now One on One Sports and ID as "Sports Radio 1520 *WWKB Buffalo*." No more C&W. (PT-NJ)
 1600 **CHNR** ON **Simcoe** - 10/9 0800 - Noted with FM simulcast, non-ID as "CD-106.7 FM." They've moved to FM, but will continue AM // for a while. (MB-ON)

DXTEST

- 1540 **KTGG** MI **Spring Arbor** - 10/4 0000-0030 - *Not heard*, would have helped much if CHIN were off the air. Much wanted as a rare eastern-K call. (MB-ON)

UNID and UNID HELP

- 1090 **UNID** - — - 10/5 2345-0035 - C&W over, under WBAL, program "Partyin' Night" with "Hollywood Harry," phone 1-800-54-PARTY. Music always clear, but naturally always faded on breaks. (PT-NJ)
 1100 **UNID** - — - 10/2 1750 - Several C&W oldies in a row such as "Margie's at the Lincoln Park Inn," "Attitude Adjustment," etc., faded up briefly before WTAM moved in. (RCP-IN)
 1220 **UNID** - — - 10/10 2005 - High school football game heard under WKNR, mention of the Wolfpack. (WM-MD)
 1410 **UNID** - — - 10/8 1912 - Station with satellite OLD, ID caught on tape sounding like WUGZ? Third letter sure sounds like a "G" on playback. AM Switch lists Watertown NY as using WUZZ, but no way does the playback sound like this. (HJH-PA)
 1530 **WEYZ** PA **North East** - Possibly the one that JK-VA is hearing, as noted by CR-IL in no. 23 and myself in no. 29. Call is phonetically close to WVFC or WFIC. (PT-NJ)
UNID - — - 9/26 0537 - Sounded like country gospel, briefly heard under a very distorted WSAI. (RCP-IN)

LOGGINGS: 0000-0800

- 640 **WOI** IA **Ames** - 10/10 0640 - Good with sports show, ID at 0700, no sign of WBOW. (MB*IN-2)
 660 **WVAL** MN **Sauk Rapids** - 10/1 0701 - Poor in WFAN null with heavy metal music, ID "Rock 101, *Sauk Rapids-St. Cloud, Minnesota's best rock*." (MB-ON)
 670 **WWFE** FL **Miami** - 10/8 0105 - Briefly in with ID as "This is WWFE," then SS programming, good to fair. (MB-IN)
 1080 **WKGX** NC **Lenoir** - 10/9 0700 - Local news, weather forecast, ID. (WM-MD)
 1120 **WKCE** TN **Maryville** - 10/7 0450 - Country gospel, several songs back to back, frequent WKCE-1120 IDs and "Solid Gospel" slogan used. Very good signal, walking all over KMOX. First time heard. (RCP-IN)
 + 10/10 0753 - Fair in partial KMOX null with REL music, ID. KMOX is too strong to null down back home in Terre Haute. (MB*IN-2)
 1340 **WMBO** NY **Auburn** - 10/7 0727 - Poor with rundown of events at Auburn YMCA, local weather, ID as "AM 1340 *News-Radio WMBO*," killed when WLVL went to day pattern. (MB-ON)
 1640 **KXBT** CA **Vallejo** - 9/21 0101 - Music very clear between bursts of local line noise, first time heard on this frequency. Also very clear 10/3 2300 with "Solid Gold Soul" promo and ID. (PT-NJ)

LOGGINGS: 0800-1600

- 1240 **WBBW** OH **Youngstown** - 9/30 0807 - Surfaced over CJCS with announcement "Sports on 1240 AM *WBBW*" into sports report, then gone in GY junk. (MB-ON)
 1460 **WEMR** PA **Tunkhannock** - 10/10 1525-1555 - C&W music, occasional "Your Country" slogan by lady. Ad cluster, weather, ID by man at 1554. (AR*PA)
 1540 **WSIV** NY **East Syracuse** - 10/10 1130 - GOS music from 1116, ID 1130. (AR*NY)

LOGGINGS: 1600-2400

- 560 **WFRB** MD **Frostburg** - 10/8 1930 - C&W music, ID as 105.3 FM. (WM-MD)
 780 **WWOL** NC **Forest City** - 10/7 1850-1900 - Country gospel music, chorus singing "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" and sign-off, partial ID. (WM-MD)
 790 **WTNC** NC **Thomasville** - 10/7 2310 - ID heard in muck, Southern Gospel. (WM-MD)
 800 **KREI** MO **Farmington** - 10/3 1918 - Fair on the Beverage with call ID, mention of Farmington. Lost to WMGY at 1919. (MB*IN-1)
 990 **CKGM** PQ **Montreal** - 9/23 2155 - Fighting hard with, over WZZD with talk program.

- Promo for Dr. Joy Brown program weekday mornings at 9. "Make an appointment to join the doctor for three hours of stimulating discussion on 990 CKGM." (PT-NJ)
 1010 **WFGW** NC **Black Mountain** - 10/8 2000 - Briefly in with weather, call ID, mention of Black Mountain, REL music. Lost to WHIN at 2004. (MB-IN)
 1030 **WQSE** TN **White Bluff** - 10/10 2015 - Heard over, under WSFZ with GOS music, "Today's best gospel, *WQSE*" ID. No sign of usual WBZ from 2005-2020; they've been largely absent during the early evenings for the last week. New here. (NSA-OH)
WBGS WV **Point Pleasant** - 10/18 2000+ - Heard clobbering WBZ with country-gospel music, mention of WBGS, Point Pleasant, and "The Ministry Station." Last heard // FM, now apparently an AM stand-alone. The Log lists them as D3 2900, although FCC database has D5 10000 (ch 2900). Another one that apparently can't tell time, since October sunset would be around 1845. Later (2200-2215), WBZ dominant but WBGS still very clearly audible. (NSA-OH)

 1090 **WNVY** FL **Cantonment** - 10/3 1848 - Briefly on top with plug for radio advertising, "Thank you for listening to WNVY." Lost to KAAY at 1850. (MB*IN-1)
 1110 **WSLV** TN **Ardmore** - 10/8 1905 - Good at tune-in with SID as "1110 WSLV," C&W music. (MB-IN)
 1150 **WGOW** TN **Chattanooga** - 10/2 1811 - "This is News Radio 1150 WGOW, Chattanooga," very good, steady and alone on channel. (RCP-IN)
 1160 **WODY** VA **Fieldale** - 10/8 2155 - Country gospel music, mention of Martinsville. (WM-MD)
 1250 **WKBR** NH **Manchester** - 10/9 1915 - C&W music, ID. (WM-MD)
WLEM PA **Emporium** - 10/11 2243-2300 - C&W music in the mix, ID "Country 1250 WLEM, your home for Red Rangers football," ID at 2300 "Country 1250 WLEM Emporium, a Priority Communications Station" and into CNN News. In and out with WTAE nulled, but good if really 30 watts. (PT-NJ)
 1270 **WYXC** GA **Cartersville** - 10/10 2025 - Presumed with high school football game between Carroll and Cobb Counties. (WM-MD) [Careful, WLJK is in Coker County and mentioned it a lot during Friday night HS football when I heard them a while back. - DY]
WQKR TN **Portland** - 10/10 1845 - Tentative with People's Radio Network, mentions of Tennessee. (WM-MD)
 1290 **WNBF** NY **Binghamton** - 9/27 2029 - During quiet song intro on WJBR, "So tune in 'Woman to Woman' right here on WNBF, News-Talk 1290." Briefly fighting with the 32 watt local. (PT-NJ)
CJBK ON **London** - 9/29 2035 - National Sports Radio Network program, ID "This is the talk of London, 1290 CJBK." Much stronger than usual, briefly overriding local WJBR. (PT-NJ)
 1310 **WTLB** NY **Utica** - 10/11 2200 - NOS music up to ID "WTLB Utica 1310 AM and ..." then fade, sounded like possible dual ID mentioning 1080. Into ABC news, "Community Calendar" promo, and ID "Unforgettable radio for the community, we're WTLB 1310 AM." Slow fades, good at times. (PT-NJ) [I believe the //s are WTLA-1200 and WSGO-1440. - DY]
 1330 **WYSN** PA **Somerset** - 10/8 1845 - NOS music, ID "The new Sunny 1330." (WM-MD)
 1340 **WLVL** NY **Lockport** - 10/4 2246 - Promo for "Melody Corner, weekends on WLVL," into singing intro for the Sports Fan Radio Network. Fair for a few more minutes, then drifted away.
WQSC SC **Charleston** - 10/7 2030 - Break in ballgame on Braves Radio Network, ID "You're listening to WQSC Charleston." Said more after that, but not readable. Mostly poor, but a sentence or two very clear at times. (PT-NJ)
 1370 **WTAB** NC **Tabor City** - 10/3 1927 - All alone and strong with Columbus vs. South Columbus Gators football, ad for Colman's Drive-In with curbside service. (HJH-PA)
WMJT WV **Moundsville** - 10/3 2315 - Requesting phone calls at "845-3048 WMJT, call right now." Then lost to a ballgame. Heard on car radio 10/8 2105 with weather report and several call IDs. (PT-NJ)
 1440 **WGIG** GA **Brunswick** - 10/1 2100 - "News-Talk 1440 ... WGIG Brunswick, Georgia" in mix with WWTM, others, very poor. (PT-NJ)
WJLL NY **Niagara Falls** - 10/7 2155 - Very loud with IDs, OLD at this late hour. (HJH-PA)

- 1460 WBET MA Brockton - 10/8 1859 - Weak with many others, weather, ID, "All service radio." (HJH-PA)
 1480 WSAR MA Fall River - 10/10 2313 - While phasing out an unusually weak WADR, heard "Number one talk radio, Fall River Massachusetts" and back to talk program. Weak, with QRM from WISL, WADR. (PT-NJ)
 1490 WOLF NY Syracuse - 9/12 2300 - ID "WOLF Syracuse" amid ads. (HJH-PA)
 WESB PA Bradford - 10/4 1900 - In and out with "WESB News Week in Review." (HJH-PA)
 1550 WIRV KY Irvine - 10/1 1732 - Several WIRV IDs heard, also mention that "WIRV has undergone extensive work this past several months," then faded abruptly with a highly distorted signal. First time heard. (RCP-IN)
 1560 WAGC AL Centre - 10/3 1950 - Good between fades with GOS music, ID at 2000, then church announcements. (MB*IN-1)
 WTNS OH Coshocton - 10/11 2051 - Satellite-fed C&W music ixing with WQEW, WRHC. Sign-off at 2051 "WTNS now signs off the air. WTNS-AM is owned and operated by the Coshocton Broadcasting Company of Coshocton, Ohio..." mentioning address and invitation to tune to WTNS-FM at 99.3. Oddly enough, the C&W music continued, giving same phone number 1-800-457-6647. Either this one didn't really go off or somebody else is carrying the same feed. (PT-NJ)



TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS

- 870 TIS PA Claysville (WGW862) - 10/10 - Heard this afternoon for the second time, with location at the Path of Progress Welcome Center on the eastbound side of I-70 just west of Exit 2. Address is I-70 East Welcome Center, 1000 I-70 East, Claysville PA 15323, and telephone is (412) 663-5248. (GHD-WV) [Sounds like a whole state-wide TIS network with each station having individual IDs ... DXer heaven! - DY]
 1610 TIS KY Paducah (WMWE330) - 10/3 1710 - Fair on the Beverage with Paducah tourist info. (MB*IN-1)
 1620 TIS TX Galveston (WPAM217) - 10/3 1933 - Good to poor on the Beverage with National Weather Service broadcasts. (MB*IN-1) {Nice! - DY}
 1630 UNID - - "This is a test of a Survival Radio Station broadcasting on 1630 kHz," other information too low to copy, continuing repeats on loop tape. Heard often in the early evening, shortly after dark. (AP-IN)
 1700 HAR NY New York - 10/10 2213 - "John F. Kennedy International Airport Highway Advisory Radio, broadcasting at 1700 on your AM dial," tape loop about closing of N.Y. Thruway and "Thanks for using JFK International Airport, have a great trip." Tough copy with fading, TVI, and line noise. (PT-NJ) [Since JFK is operated by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, this may well have been MB-IN's UNID a couple issues back mentioning those two states. - DY]

REPORTERS

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| NSA-OH | Neil S. Adams | Medina OH - Car radio |
| PLB-MI | Phil Boersma | Spring Lake MI - Local news |
| MB-ON | Mike Brooker | Toronto ON - RF-2200, RFB-35 |
| MB-IN | Mark Burns | Terre Haute IN - R8, 80' LW, Kiwa loop |
| MB*IN-1 | | At Poland IN - R8, 1000' unterminated N/S wire, Quantum loop |
| MB*IN-2 | | At RCP-IN's shack, R8, Kiwa loop |
| GHD-WV | G. Harley DeLeurere | Hendricks WV - Local news |
| JD-MA | John Dunn | Holbrook MA - FCC mystery research |
| MH-NC | Mike Hardester | Jacksonville NC - Local news |
| HJH-PA | Harry Hayes | Wilkes-Barre PA - Superadio II, inoperative SM-2 for phasing |
| WM-MD | William McGuire | Cheverly MD - DX-380 |
| JN-MI | Jim Nahirniak | Warren MD - Local news |
| AP-IN | Adrian Peterson | Indianapolis IN - |
| RCP-IN | Bob Pote | Greenwood IN - R8A, Quantum loop |
| AR*Var | Andy Rugg | On the road in New York, Pennsylvania, and Quebec |
| PT-NJ | Paul Thomas | Salem NJ - R8A, MWDX-1, phased wires, 1' air loop |
| DY-NY | David Yocis | South Nyack NY - R71A, Kiwa loop (or on the road in MD) |

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Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELI, subtract 5 hrs.

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 531 ALGERIA, Ain-EI-Beida, OCT 8 0055 - // 549 with bits of AA music; mixed with Spain & slopped by R.V.C.-530. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 549 ALGERIA, Les Trembles, SEP 28 2232 - fast modern AA music with vocal, guitar, violins, & flutes; big S9+30 signal, totally demolishing 550. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0053 - Oud music, flutes, AA male vocal; very good. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 11 0000-0022 - beautiful loud and clear signal with time pips, ID and news by woman in AA followed by Middle Eastern music (mostly strings and flute). Boston TV Channel 5 mentioned that many New Englanders had reported seeing the Northern Lights this evening. [DeLorenzo-MA]
 567 IRELAND, RTE R.1, Tullamore, SEP 28 2239 - fair with nostalgic standards including Perry Como's version of "Volare". [Connelly*H-MA]
 567 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, OCT 8 0059 - // 585 with woman in SS; poor, slightly under Ireland. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 576 SPAIN, RNE5, Barcelona, OCT 8 0105 - // 657 with man & woman in SS; fair. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 585 SPAIN, RNE1, Madrid, SEP 28 2205 - man in SS; excellent with WEZE-590 phased. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0059 - woman in SS, then man on the phone; good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 594 MOROCCO, Oujda, SEP 28 2207 - // 207 with AA vocal & violins; good. [Connelly*H-MA]
 603 SPAIN, RNE5, Sevilla / Palencia, SEP 28 2223 - rap / dance-mix version of Limahl's "Never Ending Story", then man in SS; loud & dominant. Not // 684 or other RNE1's at the time. [Connelly*H-MA]
 612 MOROCCO, Sebba-Aioun, OCT 11 2230 - LOUD with AA male vocal, drums, & violins. [Connelly*C-MA]
 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, RNE1, SEP 28 2327 - man in SS; way over other. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 12 0501-0505 - only fair with man and woman in SS. DF bearing well south of due east. [DeLorenzo-MA]
 639 SPAIN, RNE1, La Coruna et al., SEP 28 2242 - SS teletalk; good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0103 - SS teletalk; fair to good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 657 SPAIN, RNE5, Madrid, OCT 8 0105 - // 576 with man & woman in SS; fair. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 666 PORTUGAL, RDP, Lisboa, OCT 8 0105 - man in PP; poor to fair. Slop was mostly from YVLL-Caracas on 670. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 675 NETHERLANDS, R. Ten Gold, Lopik, OCT 8 0110 - man in Dutch, then "Reach Out, I'll Be There" by the Four Tops; fair, over het from Libya-674. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 684 SPAIN, RNE1, Sevilla, SEP 28 2211 - fast SS talk; excellent at S9+20. Bits of probable Serbia under. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0107 - SS talk & laughing by woman; excellent. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 693 AZORES, RDP, Santa Barbara, SEP 28 2328 - PP talk; atop BBC-UK. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0045 - // 836 with folk instrumental in a somewhat symphonic style; slightly over UK. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 11 2223 - // 836 with '60s & '70s oldies including "Behind Blue Eyes" by the Who; excellent and alone on channel, one of the loudest TA's during slightly auroral conditions this early evening. [Connelly*C-MA]
 693 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC, Droitwich et al., SEP 28 2328 - pop music; under Azores. [Connelly*H-MA]
 711 WESTERN SAHARA, Laayoune, SEP 28 2213 - AA talk by man; good over rumble. WOR was easily nulled with the phased vertical array. [Connelly*H-MA]
 729 SPAIN, RNE1, Oviedo et al., OCT 8 0112 - // 738 with woman in SS; poor / slopped. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 738 SPAIN, RNE1, Barcelona, SEP 28 2213 - SS newstalk by man; good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0112 - SS // 585 & others; excellent. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 747 NETHERLANDS, Flevoland, SEP 28 2214 - Dutch talk by man mentioned Marv Albert. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0113 - woman in Dutch, then Broadway show tune. [Connelly*rw-MA]

- 756 GERMANY, Deutschlandradio, Braunschweig/Ravensburg, SEP 28 2353 - classical music, starting to overtake Spain's SS talk. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 756 SPAIN, R. Euskadi, Bilbao, SEP 28 2330 - man in SS, then old-time blues music; good/dominant. Germany audible under. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 765 SWITZERLAND, RSR, Sottens, SEP 28 2215 - classical violin music; local-like, slopping WABC heavily. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2259 - strong classical music with just hints of other signals lurking under. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 774 SPAIN / EGYPT, SEP 28 2216 - SS talk & AA talk battling it out at even strength; both loud, well over S9. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2258 - even SS/AA mix. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 774 SPAIN RNE1 synchros, OCT 12 0435-0450 - fair with man and woman inSS. Very stable signal. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 783 SPAIN, COPE, Barcelona, SEP 28 2354 - // 837 with SS teletalk; slightly over apparent Syrian. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2256 - // 837 with man & woman in SS; over Syria & others. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 792 SPAIN, SER, Sevilla, SEP 28 2218 - SS talk including sports report (game excerpt) and a telephone interview; excellent, blasting in at S9+25, better than adjacent domestics on 790. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 801 SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, SEP 28 2355 - SS talk by man, then instrumental music; fair, mixed with several others. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 810 SPAIN, SER R. Madrid, Madrid, SEP 28 2219 - clearly // 792 with SS talk & teletalk getting right through CJVA and nulled WGY. Europeans heard on US channels are always welcome. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 819 EGYPT, Batra, SEP 28 2226 - Koranic vocal; over Morocco and others. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 819 MOROCCO, Rabat, SEP 28 2235 - // 207 & 594 with male AA vocal and violins; now atop Egypt/others. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 827 SYRIA, Deir el Zawr, SEP 28 2356 - strings, then AA talk by woman; poor with het from jumble on 828. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 836 AZORES, RDP, Pico da Barossa, SEP 28 2348 - // 693 with "Candle in the Wind" (Diana version) by Elton John; good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0045 - // 693 with classically-influenced Portuguese folk instrumental; good to excellent, killing 837 at the time. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 11 2223 - // 693 with "Behind Blue Eyes" by the Who; excellent. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, COPE synchros, SEP 28 2227 - loud with fast SS talk by man & woman; choppy SAH, also 1 kHz het from Azores-836. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 846 ITALY, Rome, SEP 28 2245 - operatic-style male pop vocal; loud. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0035 - // 900 with a syrupy schmaltzy female vocal that sounded like something from 1920. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 855 SPAIN, RNE1, Murcia et al., SEP 28 2225 - local-like with man in SS mentioning banks. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0121 - // 936 with SS; loud. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 864 EGYPT, Santah, SEP 28 2357 - slightly-reverberated male Koranic vocal; huge signal with fragments of Spain & others way under. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 873 SPAIN, SER R. Zaragoza, Zaragoza, SEP 28 2246 - SS news/teletalk; good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0043 - good with SS teletalk that was // to local-like 1044. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 882 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC Wales, Washford, SEP 28 2248 - light pop and country vocals; mixed with Canaries-Spain. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0042 - gardening interview with British EE female reporter and a US EE male horticultural expert; blasting in over Spain/Canaries and sometimes at equal strength to WCBS-880. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 891 ALGERIA, Algiers, SEP 28 2224 - AA telephone interview; huge at S9+40 (like a Boston or NYC domestic). [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0037 - AA man fast-talking over weird electronic music & drums; super signal, almost pinning the S-meter. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 900 ITALY, RAI Radiouno, Milan, SEP 28 2251 - clearly // 846 with operatic male vocal; charging atop a CJBR/CKDH mix with very little other domestic interference noted. I haven't heard this for several years here in the USA. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0035 -old-fashioned maudlin / sentimental female vocal with strings; easily paralleled with 846. All the co-channel Canadians had talk, so the music really stood out. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 909 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC, Moorside Edge et al., SEP 28 2253 - EE sports commentary; fair in sloop. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0032 -EE news mentioned Albania; good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 918 SPAIN, R. Intercontinental, Madrid, SEP 28 2252 - compressed-audio SS teletalk; good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0040 - SS talk with interspersed music fragments; slightly over a "stew" of others (including bits of AA music believed to be Syria). [Connelly*rw-MA]

- 936 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, SEP 28 2254 - // 603 and other RNE5's (but not to RNE1's at the time): SS talk with intervals of music. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0121 - // 855 with man in SS; good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 954 SPAIN, R. Espana, Madrid, SEP 28 2255 - SS talk; fair through sloop from WROL still on day power; much better at 2335 (after WROL power cut). [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0028 - SS teletalk; excellent / local-like. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 963 PORTUGAL, R. Renascenca, Seixal, SEP 28 2258 - religious vocal, apparently in PP; poor, mixed with others; slopped by CHNS. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0030 - bits of PP-sounding talk / teletalk; mixed with others. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 972 SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, OCT 8 0123 - bits of talk seemed // 855. Tough WZAN sloop. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 981 ALGERIA, Algiers, SEP 28 2257 - AA vocal; fair. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2215 - AA talk with interspersed music; excellent with WCAP phased. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 981 GREECE, Elleniki Radiophonia, Megara, OCT 8 0024 - program was // 1386: techno-Eurodisco type synthesized dance instrumental music followed by a traditional Greek dance song with male vocal. This had a fair signal (Algeria had signed off). A good cardioid phase-null of WCAP also took out most of WTRY and probably some of CBV. Two Greek stations heard in one night out at the salt-marsh - it looks like the DX season is well under way. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 999 SPAIN, COPE, Madrid, SEP 28 2259 - SS teletalk; briefly good over CKBW sloop and over a co-channel growl from a second station that might have been Morocco. [Connelly*H-MA] + OCT 8 0124 - SS teletalk with man & woman; almost equal to adjacent CKBW - 1000. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1008 CANARY ISLANDS, Las Palmas, R. Las Palmas / RadioVoz, SEP 28 2336 - man in SS, musical interlude, then woman in SS. Not SER Spain as not // 1026 & 1044. Fair with WINS phased. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1017 GERMANY, Rheinsender, SEP 28 2300 - instrumental sounded like Arthur Lyman's "Yellow Bird"; GG talk by woman followed; fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1017 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, OCT 8 0126 - SS talk mixed with light music (Germany ?) and another (Turkey ?). [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1026 SPAIN, SER synchros, SEP 28 2301 - SS news; good to excellent. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1044 SPAIN, SER synchros, SEP 28 2303 - good & dominant with fast SS news. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0012 - huge with SS teletalk show with woman moderator; unID other station under. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1044 unID, OCT 8 0012 - operatic male vocal way under Spain: Morocco was off at the time. Germany, Greece, and Georgia are all theoretically possible, maybe others as well. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1053 MOROCCO, Tanger, SEP 28 2342 - // 207 with female AA vocal & strings; way over Spain / UK. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1053 UNITED KINGDOM, Talk Radio synchros, Start Point et al., OCT 8 0011 - EE teletalk; slightly above the Morocco/Spain jumble. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1071 SPAIN, EI, Bilbao, OCT 8 0009 - // 1197 with folk-rock SS vocal, then woman in SS; good. OCT 8 0127 - // 1197 with Proclaimers "500 Miles" hit; loud! [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1089 UNITED KINGDOM, Talk Radio synchros, OCT 7 2357 - talk: "Brian in Liverpool, welcome to Talk Radio!"; very good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1098 SLOVAKIA, Nitra, OCT 7 2356 - Slavic rap (!) vocal; mixed with Spain. OCT 8 0006 - bland James Last type orchestral music, then Slavic talk by woman; big signal, dominant. WTAM-1100 was just a background het. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1098 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, SEP 28 2340 - // 1107 with SS talk, seemingly an excerpt from a dramatic presentation; in growl. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2356 - SS talk mixed with Slovakia. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, SEP 28 2340 - // 1098 with dramatic SS talk by man; loud, way over others. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2356 - SS talk; good, well over others. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1116 SPAIN, SER synchros, SEP 28 2341 - // 1044 with SS talk by several announcers; fair to good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2354 -SS telephone news interview; fair. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1125 CROATIA, HR, Deanovec, OCT 8 0005 - with Zadar-1134 coming in at local-like strength, I checked for this and sure enough it was dominating with a folk vocal // 1134, slightly above Spain. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1125 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, SEP 28 2311 - SS teletalk. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2353 - // 1152 with man in SS; fair to good, and well over Deanovec, Croatia. [Connelly*rw-MA]

- 1134 CROATIA, HR, Zadar, SEP 28 2312 - Slavic talk; evenly mixed with Spain. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 8 0004 - music-box / circus / carnival type music with a folk-style vocal; huge, way over Spain and about equal in strength to WBBR- 1130. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1134 SPAIN, COPE synchros, SEP 28 2312 - SS talk; over / under Croatia. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2351 - // 1143 with SS talk & teletalk; good, dominant over Croatia for awhile. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1143 SPAIN, COPE synchros, SEP 28 2313 - fast talk by man in SS; over growl. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2351 - // 1134 with woman in SS; poor to fair in growl. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1152 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, OCT 7 2350 - a bit of a reggae instrumental, then fast SS talk by man; loud, better than the jumble of CKOC/WNFT/others on 1150. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1179 SPAIN // CANARY ISLANDS, SER synchros, OCT 11 2220 -SS news / interview // 1044; good, over unID station that had Mid-East sounding music. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 1197 SPAIN, EI, Vitoria, OCT 7 2347 - uptempo SS folk vocal with Mexican or Colombian style accordions. OCT 8 0009 - // 1071 with SS rock music, SS talk by woman; loud. OCT 8 0127 - // 1071 with "500 Miles" by the Proclaimers; excellent. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1215 SPAIN, COPE synchros, SEP 28 2346 - SS talk by 2 to 3 announcers; dominant. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 1215 UNITED KINGDOM, Virgin R. synchros, OCT 7 2335 - "Riders on the Storm" by the Doors; good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1224 SPAIN, COPE synchros, SEP 28 2347 - // 837 with fast SS talk by man; fair. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2256 - // 837 with man & woman in SS; barely over the co-channel jumble. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1242 FRANCE, R. Bleue, Marseille, OCT 7 2253 - FF-sounding female vocal presumed this. This was fair on peaks, but heavily slopped. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1251 LIBYA, Tripoli, OCT 7 2249 - woman in AA; loud. This was potent all evening, often demishing the 1250 domestics on the car radio. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1286 CAMEROON, Yaounde, OCT 11 2214 - bits of male vocal, African drumming; poor. Regeneration was needed to untangle this from Spain-1287. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 1287 SPAIN, SER synchros, OCT 11 2215 - SER SS newstalk by man; narrowly over a jumble, low growl, and a 1 kHz het from Cameroon on 1286. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 1296 SPAIN, COPE, Valencia, OCT 7 2246 - SS talk & teletalk; to good peak. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1305 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, OCT 7 2244 - SS teletalk // 1314; good, over growl. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1314 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, OCT 7 2244 - // 1305 with SS teletalk; poor, over others. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1349 MAURITANIA, R. Mauritanie, Nouakchott, OCT 11 2052 - early fade-up: 1 hour and 15 minutes pre-sunset. Noted through slop at 2140 UTC with kalimba music and vocal. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 1386 GREECE, Elleniki Radiophonia, Athens, OCT 7 2327 - Greek vocal & bouzouki music, then talk; briefly fair/good before taking a fade into the slop. Something mixing at times sounded like Islamic music (Iran ?) OCT 8 0024 - clearly // 981 with techno-disco instrumental followed by a Greek male folk-dance vocal; fair. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1395 NETHERLANDS, Lopik, OCT 7 2240 - Dutch teletalk by man & woman mentioned Baden-Baden (Germany). Excellent signal with just a weak het from Togo-1394. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1413 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, OCT 8 0138 - SS talk // 738; fair over other (unID) that had music. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1422 GERMANY, Deutschlandradio, Heusweiler, OCT 7 2235 - good with clanky "Roaring '20s" style bar-room piano, then man in GG. OCT 7 2320 - old-time US C&W vocal (maybe Hank Williams Senior); excellent. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1467 FRANCE, TWR, Roumoules, OCT 11 2210 - EE preaching, hymn; good. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 1485 SPAIN, SER synchros, OCT 8 0052 - // 1044 with SS female teletalk, piano interludes between conversations; poor to fair, taking slop from 1490 semi-locals WPOR and WHAV. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1512 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA, Jeddah, OCT 7 2226 - man in AA; over presumed Belgium, noted during pauses in WNRB slop. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA, Duba, SEP 28 2209 - AA flutes, vocal, & drums; good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2225 - AA vocal with full orchestra, then man in AA mentioned Saudi Arabia; huge, S9+30, annihilating 1520. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1521 SPAIN, SER, Castellon, OCT 8 0135 - // 1044 with SER SS talk; fair. UnID with bits of C&W type music (UK ?) way under. [Connelly*rw-MA]

- 1530 VATICAN, R. Vaticana, SEP 28 2320 - light violin music; very good with the cardioid phased array null pointed west to eliminate WSAI and WDJZ. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2307 - classical music at monster level with little opposition from domestics. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1544 ALGERIA - CLANDESTINE, Tindouf, SEP 28 2321 - flute music, talk; slopped by WDCD. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 7 2314 - emotional AA/African group female vocal; fair to good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1548 KUWAIT, VOA, Kuwait City, SEP 28 2223 - VOA EE program mentioning technologies of the future; slightly over a British teletalker. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1566 IRAN (t), IRIB, Bandar Abbas, OCT 8 0137 - man reading short equal-length sentences, typical of spoken Koran verses; poor. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1584 CEUTA, RadiOle, OCT 11 2206 - male SS vocal not // to the SER outlets. Poor to fair with bits of the SER Spain synchros audible well under. [Connelly*C-MA]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 535 GRENADA, GBC, St. George's, OCT 8 0054 - fast-paced '50s-type jazz, possibly Dave Brubeck; good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 540 MEXICO XEWA Monterrey, OCT 10 0814 - Series of ID's covering their network. // to 900 but weaker in CBK null [Axelrod-MB]
- 540 CUBA R. Rebelde, OCT 12 0140 - noted with music program, and announcements honoring the memory of Che Guevara (who died 30 years ago this week in Bolivia). First time this 1 kW outlet has been heard, weak but // 550, 600, 620, 670, 680, 710, 5025 kHz. [Renfrew-NY]
- 555 ST. KITTS & NEVIS, ZIZ, Basseterre, OCT 8 0056 - soul / Caribbean vocal; fair through WGAN slop. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 570 CUBA, R. Reloj, OCT 11 2321 - Reloj SS news & on-the-minute time show started to clobber WMCA. Over the next hour, Cubans popped up on many other channels during a "pipeline-like" opening. [Connelly*C-MA] OCT 12 0249 - shown in 1997 WRTH as a Rebelde outlet. No other Reloj outlets could be heard, including past season regulars on 590, 760 and 930. [Renfrew-NY]
- 580 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIAF R. Montecristi, OCT 16 0059 - excellent with hot merengue, promo at 0058 for a program with Padre Vacos, 0059 ID as "Radio Montecristi AM, HIAF, transmitiendo desde ????? en la Republica Dominicana". Listed at 3kW in WRTH, a new one for me. [Renfrew-NY]
- 595 DOMINICA, DBS, Hillsborough, OCT 8 0100 - reverberated Carib-EE political speech; good, over 594 TA het. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 600 CUBA R.Rebelde, Urbano Noris OCT 12 0330 - Fair; romantic vocals // 3600 & 5025. [Conti-NH]
- 610 COLOMBIA, HJKL, Bogotá, OCT 11 2325 - SS talk about Colombian events & people, a business in Monteria, etc. This was followed by the Latin American equivalent of 1940's big-band jazz. Good signal, totally dominant during short-lived run of auroral band conditions. Bits of EE noted later weren't WIP or WGIR, but most likely just WIOD-FL rather than Trinidad. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 630 PUERTO RICO, WSKN, San Juan, OCT 11 2329 - SS news about public events and charitable organizations in Puerto Rico; good, totally overriding WPRO/CFCY groundwaves during aurora. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 630 CUBA R. Progreso, OCT 11 0425 - noted with program // 640. Not listed in 1997 WRTH, although there was a Cuban station here for many years. [Renfrew-NY]
- 640 CUBA, R. Progreso, Guanabacoa / Las Tunas, OCT 11 2333 -folk music, then a woman in SS talked about Cuba's history; dominant over others and Spain-639 het. Parallel on 660 also noted. [Connelly*C-MA] OCT 12 0320 - Good; political interview // 890. [Conti-NH]
- 670 VENEZUELA, R. Rumbos, YVLL, Caracas, OCT 11 2335 - SS talk with several Caracas mentions; mixed with Cuba and (apparent) Surinam. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 670 CUBA R.Rebelde, Arroyo Arenas OCT 12 0200 - Ballads // 5025, under "La Poderosa 670" WWFE-Miami. [Conti-NH]
- 680 PUERTO RICO, WAPA, San Juan, OCT 8 0107 - SS talk / Puerto Rico news good in an even mix with CKXG-NF (C&W); WRKO nulled way down with the phased vertical array. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 680 CUBA R. Rebelde, OCT 12 0140 - see 540 item above, rarely heard on this crowded frequency. [Renfrew-NY]
- 690 COLOMBIA R. Deportes, OCT 12 0215 - drawn earlier to continuous Mexican mariachi music, retune showed news items concerned with Colombia, maybe two stations? [Renfrew-NY]

- 690 CUBA, R. Progreso, Jovellanos, OCT 11 2349 - R. Progreso ID popped out of the stew. A domestic with Limbaugh (presumably FL) was bombing in about a half hour earlier: CBF was aurora'ed out until after 0100 UTC when "normal" conditions returned. [Connelly*C-MA] OCT 12 0150 - Good; romantic vocals // 890. [Conti-NH]
- 700 VENEZUELA, R. Sur, YVPO, Puerto Ordaz, OCT 11 2318 - festive music, R. Sur ID; dominant over a jumble of others during a brief early-evening "mini auroral outburst". [Connelly*C-MA]
- 700 COLOMBIA, CARACOL R.Net, Cali OCT 12 0130 - Good; América vs. Unicosta in Colombian fútbol, spiced with frequent jingles and ads such as a "tiro de esquina" jingle for corner kicks, and heard "Gooooool de America!", very entertaining, // 5075. [Conti-NH]
- 720 VENEZUELA, YVQE, Porlamar, OCT 11 2331 - R. Oriente ID, old-fashioned SS music; atop CHTN and low growl. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 750 VENEZUELA, YVKS, Caracas, OCT 8 0114 - SS Venezuelan news; huge, well over runner-up CBGY-NF. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 760 GUYANA, R. Roraima, 8RG, Georgetown, OCT 11 2336 - Afro-Caribbean- accented EE talk seemed to be about local politics; slightly over YVQQ/HJA mix. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 760 MEXICO XEABC Mexico DF, OCT 10 0824 - Lively music and a man and woman doing talk. [Axelrod-MB]
- 760 COLOMBIA, RCN Barranquilla OCT 12 2359 - Fair; "RCN la radio de Colombia" jingles and IDs going into news. [Conti-NH]
- 770 COLOMBIA, RCN, HJXX, Bogotá, OCT 11 2338 - man & woman in SS; slightly behind WABC. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 780 BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, ZBVI, Roadtown, Tortola, OCT 11 2258 - clear ZBVI ID, Caribe-EE talk; very good, well over 2 SS South Americans & CFDR. [Connelly*C-MA] OCT 12 0225 - Good; Tortola Fryers basketball over an unID Latin American station. [Conti-NH]
- 780 VENEZUELA Ecos del Torbes, San Cristobal OCT 12 2330 - "Oro de Ecos del Torbes" Spanish and English oldies, including Melanie's "Candles in the Rain", mostly under ZBVI. [Conti-NH]
- 810 BAHAMAS, ZNS3, Freeport, OCT 11 2343 - most likely this with "Bad Boys" (rap version), then a Black DJ mentioned "that's for our listeners in McLean's Town". Mentioned FM. Briefly atop Colombia, WGY, others. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 810 COLOMBIA, CARACOL, HJCY, Bogotá, OCT 11 2340 - SS talk mentioning Bogotá, Colombia, and the "Ésta es su casa" show. Over ZNS3 / WGY. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 830 ST. KITTS & NEVIS, TBN, Basseterre, OCT 8 0118 - // 7510 with US EE preacher mentioning Lazarus; loud / totally dominant, something in SS (YVLT ?) way under. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 840 HAITI, R. 4VEH, 4VEF, Cap-Haitien, OCT 11 2346 - Creole FF preaching; over WHAS, SS LA's, & probable St. Lucia. [Connelly*C-MA]
- 840 CUBA Dobleve, Santa Clara OCT 12 0120 - Good; local news ending with "Radio de gusta, Dobleve" ID, salsa music. [Conti-NH]
- 895 ST. KITTS & NEVIS, VON, Bath Village, OCT 8 0039 - good with EE talk about local politics. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 900 MEXICO XEW Mexico DF, OCT 10 0815 - Series of ID's covering their network // 540 but much stronger. On top dominating the frequency. (Axelrod- MB)
- 1020 VENEZUELA, Mundial Margarita, YVRS, La Asunción, OCT 8 0124 -R. Margarita ID, SS talk; over/under CCR-Turks & Caicos; no sign of KDKA. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1080 VENEZUELA, R. Barcelona, YVQJ, Barcelona, OCT 7 2359 -old-fashioned SS vocal, then R. Barcelona ID; good, over SER Spain with WTIC deeply phase- nulled. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1100 COLOMBIA, CARACOL Barranquilla OCT 13 0120 - Good; Peru vs. Chile in World Cup futbol qualifying match from Santiago, // 5075. [Conti-NH]
- 1160 BERMUDA, VSB3, Hamilton, OCT 7 2330 - BBC // 5975 with a discussion of reggae music and religion; good, well over the WSKW/WOBM/WVN] jumble. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1170 COLOMBIA, CARACOL Cartagena OCT 12 0015 - Fair; international fútbol news // 5075. [Conti-NH]
- 1180 CUBA Radio Rebelde, OCT 11 0452 - Latin or Romantic ballads and Radio Rebelde ID. Have not heard Radio Taino in a while. Good signals wiping out WHAM. [Axelrod-MB]
- 1190 PUERTO RICO, WBMJ San Juan OCT 11 2335 - Tentative; PSA in English with many Puerto Rico mentions, then salsa music program in Spanish again with many Puerto Rico mentions by DJ, in a battle with at least two other unID Latin American stations on the frequency. [Conti-NH]
- 1500 UNID, OCT 13 1300 - Under KSTP with Mexican styled music. ID did not sound like the usual XEAI ID. New calls?? [Axelrod-MB] (Yes, see previous editions of IDXD, they have switched calls - Jim)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 657 NORTH KOREA Pyongyang OCT 11 1318 - man with KK talk, good carrier but low modulation. This one doesn't seem to have the "oomph" it used to. [Helms- CA]
- 774 JAPAN JOUB Akita, OCT 11 1320 - tune-in to musical break followed by man and woman with EE lessons. The woman said "this is a real nice song, let's listen to it" followed by a syrupy, "John Davidson-ish" ballad. Good signal, unfortunately. [Helms-CA]
- 828 JAPAN JOBB Osaka, OCT 11 1322 - parallel to 774 with same ballad, good carrier strength but needed to use 1.8 kHz filter, passband tuning, and LSB to split from 830 domestics. This used to be easy to hear! [Helms-CA]
- 873 JAPAN JOGB Kumamoto OCT 11 1323 - can't escape that inane ballad, fair signal here parallel to 774 and 828. [Helms-CA]
- 1566 SOUTH KOREA HLAZ Cheju OCT 11 1324 - great signal with hymn, into JJ talk by woman. Almost always the best TP here. [Helms-CA]
- 1638 AUSTRALIA 2ME Castle Hill, OCT 6 1112 - best at 1112 clearly past KXBT slop with man with Aussie accent and then AA music. Het/carrier is common here. [Kaz-IL]
- 1665 AUSTRALIA 2MM Kingsgrove, OCT 6 1117 - getting past a strong WJDM with Greek music best around this time. Carrier very common. [Kaz-IL]
- 1683 AUSTRALIA 2?? Kingsgrove, OCT 6 1105-1150 - the best of these Aussies fair-good peaks from 1105-1150 with Greek music, no announcements but typically a pause between records. Also noted weakly on peaks OCT 10 around 1100. Other carriers noted on 1629, 1701, and 1548 weakly. [Kaz-IL]
- Neil speaks:* "Finally after lots of trying I was finally able to hear some extendend band Australians here in Barrington, IL. Last Sunday night I noted very strong signals from KXBT 1640 so I made sure to wake up early Monday morning to check. Started about 1050z and was greeted by strong carrier/hets on 1683, 1665, and 1638. By 1105 I had nice Greek music on 1683 and some audio came thru on 1665 and 1638." (Neil, way to go! - Jim)
- Harry speaks:* "Very odd morning; no trace of South Korea-972, which is almost always in when 657 is heard, nor was there a trace of the powerhouse jammer on 1053! Unfortunately, it's been a "blah" TP season so far---hope it picks up before the end of October."

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DX FILE: MERRIMAN'S MFJ MEDIUM WAVE MEANDERINGS

On the evening of Oct 11 was doing some casual tuning around Medium Wave and happened to tune down below the band. Starting at 510 kHz and every 10 kHz going down I noticed some mixing products. On some freqs, such as 490 kHz, these were fairly strong. Started looking for things wrong and discovered that I had inadvertently turned on the amplifier on the Aux Antenna of the 1026. Immediately turned it off hoping that the spurs would disappear but unfortunately they did not. Although the signals got weaker, they were still there. When the 1026 was turned completely off the spurs went away thus confirming that it was the source of the problem. Replaced the MFJ-1026 with my DL-2 Delay Line Phasing Unit and with the DL-2, even when the broadband amp was turned on there was absolutely no trace of any problems.

On Oct 12 checked out the 1026 during the day. With the amp turned off there was no trace of any mixing products but when the Aux Antenna amp was turned on I had a very weak signal on 480 kHz. This test was done around 1030 local. At 1200 I checked again and this time with the amp on there were signals on several freqs from 490 kHz down and the one I noted earlier on 480 was noticeably stronger. Again with the amp off all spurs disappeared.

My MFJ-1026 has been in use for over two months, and this is the first time I've noticed any problems - but they may have been there and I just didn't notice. Have not run into any spurs inside the MW band yet but I suspect they are there and covered up by stronger signals. Although these problems which may be limited to my unit do not mean that the 1026 cannot be used for MW

phasing, they do indicate that the Aux Ant amp should not be used, at least with an external antenna and that great care should be used in identifying what is heard.

It will be very interesting to see if other DXers have these same problems with the 1025/1026. In Europe problems would probably start at 513 kHz and go down every 9 kHz. The receivers used were a Drake R8A and a AOR AR7030 Plus. Both gave the same results.

-Al Merriman-K4GLU

PS: The Aux Ant amp in my unit is set to position number 3, moderate gain on an external antenna as shown in the owners manual.

DX FILES: SLOVAKIA

According to the Web site of Slovak Radio (www.slovakradio.sk) the current medium wave line up is considerably different from WRTH 97:

Rimavska-Sobota

567	20	S4 Zilina
567	14	S4 Orava
621	14	S4 Banska Bystrica
702	200	S1 Bratislava
792	10	S4 Skacin
864	1	S4 Poprad
900	14	S4 Kosice
927	10	S4 Nitra
927	50	S4 Bratislava C.
1017	5	S4 Rimavska-Sobota
1017	50	S4 Banska-Bystrica
1035	7	S4 Presov
1071	40	S4 Nitra
1098	750	S1

Notes: (1) Only Banska Bystrica listed on 702, Presov not mentioned. (2) Many of the transmitters listed as S1 in WRTH 97 actually carry S4 (the regional and minority network). (3) Powers are assumed to be as in WRTH 97, or (in some cases) as in earlier editions of WRTH. [Andy Sennitt in *Medium Wave News* OCT 97]



Jim

On Radio 4, Programming Changes Get Static

By Fred Barbash
Washington Post Foreign Service

LONDON—Only in Britain would rumors of changes in the schedule of a single radio station be front-page news: to wit, speculation about the possible cancellation of "Farming Today."

And only at the British Broadcasting Corporation's Radio 4 would the head honcho feel compelled to hustle down to the studio, as Controller James Boyle did Friday morning, to reassure early-morning listeners that there was no conspiracy or secret plan, that no decisions had been made about "Farming Today" or any other program, that reports about "Farming Today" were not merely speculation but "wild speculation."

Only on that station would he have to declare that "there will be no change for change's sake," or risk nothing less than a small uprising.

On the other hand, perhaps it would not be so small. If you believe Radio 4's most loyal followers, the uproar isn't really about "Farming Today." If they can eliminate "Farming Today," they can eliminate anything. Start with "Farming Today" and the next thing you know it's "Gardener's Question Time," or "Woman's Hour," or "Book at Bedtime," or, horror of horrors, "The Archers," the world's longest-running radio soap opera.

A domino effect. Who knows where it might stop? Radio 4 changes at its peril, for it has a long relationship with its audience that may be

unique in the world. All of the BBC's five national radio networks have followings. But Radio 4, the only purely "speech" network, has a family. Many of its programs, including "Farming Today," have been running for more than 30 years. "Desert Island Discs" has been going since 1942.

"People make appointments to listen" to the programs they like, said Jocelyn Hay, chairman of a grassroots broadcast watchdog called Voice of the Listener and Viewer. They "schedule their day around them. They wait to do their shopping. . . . They make an appointment with a program, and they don't take it lightly" if the program doesn't show up. "It's a loyalty most broadcasters would give their right arms to get," she said.

They understand this at Radio 4, said Maron Greenwood, Radio 4's chief spokeswoman. "You can't bat an eyelid on Radio 4 without making the front pages. Some of those programs are national icons. There are people up in arms about 'Farming Today' who have never heard it," she said.

"When other things are changing, when people perceive a dumbing-down generally, an increase in vandalism, cities getting dirtier, Radio 4 is a bastion to them of what everything should be like."

If people think they own Radio 4, it's because they do. The BBC, radio and television, is a public station with no advertising, financed by a "license fee" of roughly \$140 annually, which

is supposed to be paid by everyone who owns a television set.

The latest case of fitters in the Radio 4 audience began when Boyle was brought in as controller last summer. (His predecessor—who quit after a listener backlash to some program reshuffling—had lasted a year. "Tolerance is not a virtue normally associated with Radio 4 audiences," said the Guardian newspaper in reflecting on the departure.) Boyle promised a thorough review of programming and said the unsayable, that "Radio 4 has a long, long tradition of fine program-making, with programs we have had for 50 years. . . . That becomes a problem: It leaves me looking at a number of tensions. Satisfying the existing audience and attracting new listeners is one of the tensions."

He was diplomatic. He didn't use the "Y" word. He did not say attracting "younger" listeners, but there was that suspicion, which still lingers, that suddenly Radio 4's over-40 audience was going to get short shrift.

There's a theory that they think it's too skewed to the middle-aged," Hay said. "The fact is that young people are not as available to listen as are older people. . . . Our response was, 'Yes, you must have the right to introduce changes. You can't ossify anything. But he's got to approach that task very sensitively, recognizing how precious a commodity he's dealing with because of the personal relationship the audience has with Radio 4.'

Boyle came to meet Hay's group, which she said was "reassured, but boy, he better handle it sensitively. If not, there'll be a huge outcry. The Radio 4 audience numbers 12 million a week. They'll rise up. These are people who know what they like and are prepared to fight for it."

What do they like? "The Archers" is by far the most legendary. Set in a fictitious middle-England village called Ambridge, the traditionally gentle soap opera has generated controversy recently by focusing on such ungentle matters as violence against women.

"Farming Today" airs at 6:10 a.m., just before "Today," Britain's leading news program. And according to Friday morning news reports, "Farming Today" is to become a casualty of a desire to expand "Today." The farming program is, in fact, interesting, even to non-farmers. It focused more expertly than any other broadcast outlet on Britain's "mad cow" disease troubles, for example.

The fierce loyalty of listeners is a "double-edged sword," Greenwood said. "It's major news whatever we do. Television can move programs all over the place without batting an eyelid. Radio 4 moves something by five minutes, and the civilized world comes to a standstill."

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DX'ing 'smart', with sbared tips and requests by NRC members

I received some good feedback from Mark Connelly and Al Merriman regarding the last Target DX column about isolation/matching transformers. Merriman obtained positive results experimenting with a 4:1 transformer. And for those who like to wind their own, both Connelly and Merriman provide information on homebrew toroidal transformers.

Al Merriman: "After reading Bruce's article in the last DXN regarding the use of a 4:1 transformer with wire antennas, I decided to do some experimenting. Had been using a 10:1 transformer, FT50-43 core with a 35/11 turns ratio. To make a long story short I now am using a 4:1 transformer, FT87-A core, 20/10 turns ratio. Signal improvements range from 8 dB at the bottom of the band on 540 to a whopping 13 dB at the top of the band on 1590! The improvement in signal levels was not linear as you went up the band but stronger signals, 3 dB or more, are noted on all frequencies. Approximately 1.5 dB of this improvement came from eliminating the resistor pad that Mark used in his article but the rest is just improved transformers! To say the least, I am quite pleased. Did some experimenting with another core first, FT114-75 using turns ratios of 30/15 and then 20/10. Although there was improvement using this core, with the best signals coming with the 20/10 setup, the FT87-A delivered even more signal. I intend to do more experimenting when I get the chance - might run into a combination even better than this. I will keep you informed of what I discover.

"When I am experimenting with transformers, and I did quite a bit at my old QTH, I do my measurements from the receiver's S-meter. I do this in the middle of the day, around noon local when signals are generally the steadiest. Although there are small variations in signal strength from minute to minute, it seems this is probably a pretty good way to compare one transformer to another if you lack sophisticated test equipment like me. I do a check of a dozen or so frequencies from top to bottom on the reference transformer noting S-meter readings as accurately as possible, go out and put the next transformer in place and immediately check the same stations. This should be pretty accurate, within a dB or so."

Mark Connelly: "Although I haven't wound a homebrew transformer in about 10 years, I do have additional information gleaned from my earlier projects, Lankford's articles, etc. The Sevick handbook on RF transformers is a good resource. Lately I've just been using Mini-Circuits DIP transformers; these seem to work fine in most cases. Here's some information from various technical articles (QST / DeMaw, LWCA / Cornell, NRC / Lankford, etc.) about ferromagnetic materials, mostly from Amidon. Additions / comments / updates are welcomed."

APPLICATION = BROADBAND TRANSFORMER

Notes

9:1 = 11 trifilar #24
4:1 = 16 bifilar #24; 9:1 bal = 27:9 t #24
9:1 = 24:8 t #26
Siemens 4:1 = 12 bifilar #24 mu=5000/AL=4600

Model

FT-50-43
FT-82-43
FT-50-75
B64290K618X830

APPLICATION = TANK COIL

Notes

45 t #24 (tap 12 t): 500-1700 kHz
84 t #26 (tap 21 t): 500-1700 kHz (lower IMD)
16 t #24 (tap 4 t): 1400-5100 kHz
36 t #24 (tap 9 t): 1400-5100 kHz (lower IMD)
22 t #24 (tap 5 t): 3600 - 13500 kHz
6 turns #24 (tap 3 t): 8600 - 32000 kHz
105 t #28: MW ?

Model

FT-82-61
T-106-1
FT-50-61
T-106-2
T-50-2
T-50-6
T-106-15

FERRITE BEADS TO SUPPRESS VHF OSCILLATIONS

Notes

general use
may not work with some amps tuned above 10 MHz

Model

FB-101-43
FB-101-64



References

Amidon Associates, P.O. Box 25867, Santa Ana, CA 92799. (714)850-4660. Amidon produces a nice catalog containing extensive technical information on ferrite rods, toroidal and balun cores, and materials, and sells a variety of cores, completely assembled ununs and baluns, and technical publications on transformers.

Mini-Circuits, P.O. Box 350166, Brooklyn, NY 11235-0003. (718)934-4500. Ask for the RF/IF Designer's Handbook.

KKNW employees gather for last time

By CHRISTINA KELLY
PENINSULA DAILY NEWS

PORT ANGELES — After 18 years of running a small radio station, Tom and Shirley Newcomb finally sold the business, grateful to see the station they built remain on the air.

"We're in the dark — we don't know what's going on," Tom Newcomb said.

He was responding to news that KKNW is going off the air, after only about a year in operation.

Although Newcomb did not want to disclose details of the sale to John Stephens and Mike McCormick, from Texas, he said he is uncertain whether he could wind up with the business again.

"I haven't even thought about it," Newcomb said. "We're getting up there in years, and we don't need another job. We are disappointed about the station. Shirley and I worked at it for 18 years, and you hate to see all that effort go off the air."

Dazed employees met in the parking lot of the station Friday to get together one last time, have a barbecue and thank the community for supporting them.

Doc Reiss, one of the on-air disc jockeys, said staff members were told about six hours before the station signed off that they were out of jobs.

Doc Reiss
disc jockey

Reiss said McCormick told the staff they had lost too much money and were shutting down the operation.

"They didn't say it was for sale," Reiss said. "They didn't say they were filing for bankruptcy. They said the locks were changed for security reasons. Then they packed up everything and left."

Mike Davidson, the communications director, said the owners were breaking the lease of the new building they rented on First Street, and had to remove everything or it would not be returned.

Phone calls to the building owner were not returned. Neither McCormick or Stephens were available for comment.

Jim Leingang, morning disk jockey, said most of the employees hope someone purchases the station.

"All of us did more than one job, but that was OK," Leingang said. "Maybe someone from the community will be interested."

The staff said they received no money from



Peninsula Daily News
-via Bart Cronin

A furniture mover takes a box of equipment from the studios of defunct radio station KKNW, which ceased operations Friday.

McCormick and Stephens. Clients who purchased air time in a package deal have received no reimbursement. All the equipment was moved out Friday morning.

Betty White, a listener who joined the staff at the barbecue, said she was upset with the treatment of the employees, and shutting down the station.

"I listened, and enjoyed the station," White said. "I was so disgusted that I turned off my radio and am listening to my own CDs now."

The owners left no address or telephone number to contact them. In the meantime, many of the staff said they would be signing up for unemployment benefits this week, and begin looking for other jobs.

"When I moved here, I fell in love with the Peninsula," Reiss said. "I hate the idea of having to leave."

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Your successes in obtaining QSL's and other station items

Here we go again. There has been a good turn-out this time around. Some have asked if I prefer a long list that you accumulate or should you send them in as you get them. It doesn't really matter, but it is probably better to send them in frequently rather than to wait several months until you build a list. If you have been holding back on sending in your reports, do it now! I'll be looking for your mail.

CANADA

ALBERTA, CHRB, 1140, High River, frequency only letter in 15 days after f/up. V/s Keith Leask, Ops. Mgr. (Wilkins--CO)
MANITOBA, CFAM, 950 Altona, verie letter in 27 days for mint stamp. V/s Sandy Hildebrand, Technician (Brooker-ON)
ONTARIO, CHUC, 1450, Coburg, letter. V/s Bill Dulmage. (Wyllie--MA)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, CHTN, 720, Charlottetown, letter, sticker and vacation guide in 22 days. V/s Muriel Murtagh. (Pote--IN)

USA

ALABAMA, WHEP, 1310, Foley, letter in 269 days after f/up. V/s Jim Steward. (Ponder--TX)
CALIFORNIA, KFBK, 1530, Sacramento, letter and key chain in 184 days after 2 f/ups. V/s Paul Waegele, CE. (Pote--IN)
CALIFORNIA, KSTN, 1420, Stockton, letter and sticker in 65 days. V/s Paul Shinn, CE. (Pote--IN)
COLORADO, KKFN, 950, Denver, ppd / card in 3 days. V/s Tim Spence, PD. (Wilkins--CO)
COLORADO, KMXA, 1090, Aurora, ppd / card in 6 days. V/s M.P. Murphy, GM. (Wilkins--CO)
COLORADO, KRRE, 1280, Denver, ppd / card in 3 days. V/s Bill Harris, CE. (Wilkins--CO)
CONNECTICUT, WPOP, 1410, Newington, letter in 11 days. V/s John Ramsey, Asst. Engineer. (Artman--PA)
FLORIDA, WBZT, 1090, West Palm Beach, letter, sticker, license plate, refrigerator magnet, T-shirt in 31 days. [Gee, they didn't send you too much, did they??? --Ken]. V/s Bob Hanset, Eng. (Trelford--JA)
FLORIDA, WFAV, 1400, Ft. Walton Beach, letter in 50 days. V/s Dean Crumly, Operating partner. (Trelford--JA)
FLORIDA, WSRF, 1580, Ft. Lauderdale, WINZ QSL card with WSRF written in in 2 weeks. V/s George Butch. (Wyllie--MA)
FLORIDA, WXXU, 1300, Cocoa, letter and map in 58 days. V/s Michelle Wills, Sales Ex. (Trelford--JA)
GEORGIA, WSAF, 1180, Summerville, letter, map, sticker, station profile and list of DXers who heard text in 33 days. V/s Terry R. Adams. (Pote--IN)
GEORGIA, WSAF, 1180, Summerville, letter, sticker, local road map, program schedule, list of DXers who heard their test, in 46 days for report sent via e-mail to wsaf@wavegate.com. V/s Terry Adams (Brooker-ON)
ILLINOIS, WKZI, 800, Casey, letter, stickers and schedule in 9 days. V/s Paul Dean Ford, Pres. (Pote--IN)
ILLINOIS, WMAQ, 670, Chicago, letter in 232 days. V/s Gregory Scott Davis, Eng. (Artman--PA)
ILLINOIS, WTIM, 1410, Taylorville, letter, map, promo material in 30 days. V/s Randall J. Miller, Pres-GM. (Trelford--JA)
INDIANA, WBOW, 640, Terre Haute, letter and certificate in 11 days. V/s Kevin Berien, ACE. (Pote--IN)
KENTUCKY, WCGW, 770, Versailles, letter, sticker and personal note in 9 days. V/s Tom Mulvaney. (Pote--IN)
LOUISIANA, KEZM, 1310, Sulphur, letter in 23 days. V/s Bruce L. Merchant. (Trelford--JA)
LOUISIANA, KROF, 960, Abbeville, p/d letter, stickers in 18 days. V/s Mike Calamair, OD. (Helis--LA)
MAINE, WEGP, Presque Isle, 1390, handwritten verie on coverage map/rate card in 20 days. V/s Allen Weiner, CE. (Brooker--ON)
MAINE, WRKD, 1450, Rockland, letter, news items, sticker. (Wyllie--MA)

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MARYLAND, WBAL, 1090, Baltimore, letter, profile of celebrities and can opener in 149 days after f/up. V/s Edward C. Kiernan, VP and GM. (Pote--IN)

MASSACHUSETTS, WNRB, 1510, Woburn, letter, info sheet, map and program guide in 185 days. V/s Rose Miller. (Artman--PA)

MINNESOTA, WIMN, 1220, Stillwater, f/d letter in 9 days after f/up. Station is now WEZU. V/s Daniel Smith. (Wilkins--CO)

MISSISSIPPI, WAPF, 980, McComb, letter and map in 18 days. V/s Richard Watts, CE. (Pote--IN)

MISSISSIPPI, WAPF, 980, McComb, verie letter & "guide to spotting hurricanes" pamphlet in 16 days for mint stamp (used) and report on DX test. V/s Richard Watts, CE (Brooker--ON)

MISSOURI, KATZ, 1600, St. Louis, letter in 44 days. V/s Daryl McQuinn, Eng. (Pote--IN)

MISSOURI, KHMO, 1070, Hannibal, letter and map in 16 days. V/s Greg Blanchard, CE. (Pote--IN)

MONTANA, KDWC, 970, Billings, f/d letter, sticker in 8 days. V/s Randall Rocks, Tech. Dir. (Wilkins--CO)

NEVADA, KUSA, 1660, Las Vegas, f/d card, info packet, ppd/card in 7 days after 5th f/up. V/s Jeff Andrews, Project Manager. (Wilkins--CO)

NEW JERSEY, WJDM, 1660, Elizabeth, letter, map in 49 days. V/s Don Neumuller, CE. (Artman--PA)

NEW JERSEY, WOBN, 1160, Toms River, letter, pin, maps, stickers in 7 days. V/s Philip Galasso, CE. (Artman--PA)

NEW YORK, WFLR, 1570, Dundee, ppd/card. V/s Davis. (Wyllie--MA)

NEW YORK, WINS, 1010, New York City, card in 76 days. (Trelford--JA)

NEW YORK, WLUX, 540, Islip/Farmingdale, card in 287 days. V/s John Bennett, CE. (Artman--PA)

NEW YORK, WOR, 710, New York City, QSL card, letter, station history, map in 128 days after f/up. V/s Jim Huste, DE and Paul Steward, CE. (Pote--IN)

OREGON, KXL, 750, Portland, schedule, history, map in just under 6 YEARS!!!. V/s Coleen M. Bonaduce. [This just goes to prove the value of follow-ups and patience. I just received a QSL card from Cameron (shortwave) after a 5-year wait! --Ken]. (Reiser--IL)

TENNESSEE, WCRB, 640, Memphis, letter, sticker, map, schedule and business card in 83 days. V/s Sunny Caldwell, GM. (Pote--IN)

TENNESSEE, WMEN, 760, Knoxville, letter and map in 146 days after 2 f/ups. V/s David Berry, CE. (Pote--IN)

TENNESSEE, WTJS, 1390, Jackson, ppd/card plus stickers. (Wyllie--MA)

TEXAS, KRLD, 1080, Dallas, letter in 21 days. V/s Erik Disen, DE. (Helis--LA)

TEXAS, KTNZ, 1010, Amarillo, f/d letter in 13 days. V/s Daylon Martin, Asst. PD. (Wilkins--CO)

VERMONT, WSKI, 1240, Montpelier, confirmation on letter. V/s Greg Hooker. (Wyllie--MA)

VIRGINIA, WYTI, 1570, Rocky Mount, letter and map in 6 days. V/s Earl H. Shelton, Jr. OM. (Pote--IN)

VIRGINIA, WYTI, 1570, Rocky Mount, letter, map, rate sheet in 27 days. V/s Earl H. Sheldon, Jr., Op. Manager. (Trelford--JA)

OUTSIDE OF NORTH AMERICA

AZORES RDP 693 kHz Partial data letter in PP. They are also forwarding my report to Lisbon, from where the QSL cards are sent. In one month for Spanish report. (I know they speak Portuguese in the Azores, but I can write a chatty letter in Spanish and figured they would be able to understand it.) (McVicar--ME)

COSTA RICA, TIHB, 730, San Jose, card in 65 days. V/s Francisco Barabona. [This station is more commonly known as Radio Reloj. Rich McVicar and I visited their transmitter site one afternoon in 1990. Their sw and mw xmtrs are located together at the same spot. --Ken] (Trelford--JA)

CUBA, CMJQ, Radio Revolution, 1200, Palma Soriano, ppd/card in 2 months after f/up for 1983 report! V/s Alden Gonzalez Diaz. (Wilkins--CO)

DENMARK, Danmarks Radio, 1062, 3 QSL cards for reports sent via e-mail and shortwave schedule. V/s Erik Koie. (McVicar--ME)

DENMARK, Tele Danmark, 1062. f/d QSL direct from Kalundborg xmtr site after Krik Koie at Danmarks Radio forwarded my report there, also pamphlet on site. V/s Niels Forgen, Senior Technician. (McVicar--ME)

HOLLAND, Radio 10 Gold, 670, f/d veri letter, schedule, info sheet and stickers in 16 days. (McVicar--ME)

IRELAND, RTE, 567, f/d scenery card in 5 weeks. (McVicar--ME)

NORWAY, NRK, 1314, Oslo, QSL card, stickers. V/s Eva Fordell. (Wyllie--MA)

MEXICO, XEOY, Radio Mil, 1000, Mexico, DF. ppd/card, f/d letter, stickers in 105 days after 5th f/up for 1984 report! V/s Edilberto Huesca Perrotin, Director General Asociado. (Wilkins--CO)

SPAIN, RNE 1, 855, Murcia. QSL card. (Wyllie--MA)

ST. LUCIA, Radio Caribbean International, 840, St. Casties, large reception certificate. (Wyllie--MA)

SWITZERLAND, Radio Eviva, 1566, f/d WSL and sticker, poster and club offer in two weeks. Address is: Radio Eviva, Kreuzstrasse 26, Postfach, 8032, Zurich. (McVicar--ME)

SWITZERLAND, Radio Suisse Romande 765 kHz Full data QSL card, letter, RSR schedule, shortwave schedule, technical details for MW and SW, three RSR stickers. In one month for report and tape. (McVicar--ME)

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, Caribbean Christian Radio, 1025, Grand Turk, WSL card. (Wyllie--MA)

Contributors this month include Brandon Artman, West Chester, Pennsylvania [glad you are listening to the DX Party Line, Brandon--Ken], Mike Brooker, Toronto, Ontario, Jonathan Helis, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Rich McVicar, East Corinth, Maine [Those 6 months on the coast brought Rich some good trans-Atlantic DX. Now that he has moved to central New York state it will be interesting to see if the reception is nearly as good. --Ken], Stephen Ponder, Houston, Texas, Thomas Reiser, Chicago, Illinois, Don Trelford, St. Anns Bay, Jamaica. William Wyllie, Franklin, Massachusetts and John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado.

Musings of the Members

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Hope everyone had a good time at the convention. Boston's WNFT-1150 (ex-WROR, WMEX/WHUE/WSNY/WCOP/etc.) has done it again, 6th format in about a year. Now running Red Sox Baseball along with WEEI-850, giving a quick legal ID on the hour. After doing 6 weeks of repeating WAAF-FM, 2 months of repeating WKLR-FM, at least 6 months of Kids Programs and 2 months as rock as WROR and ethnic as WMEX, all calls verified except WNFT, a report to each format change but no reply as yet. A mystery on 1620, the past couple of months in Spanish, day and night but seems heavy on religion and no apparent ID. HQ180A doing well, have a Drake R8A, didn't do well with Space Magnet, will run out about 1000 feet of wire this fall, when farming lets up, or more if the 1000 feet seems to work well. A letter back from WBBR, a surprise! Now to work on WNFT & WRPT. Fall should be interesting if CBF & CBM go to FM, should make for a couple of new logs.

Jerry Elya - 2947 Windon Drive - Cincinnati, OH 45251

After 4+ years, its time to MUSE again. Substitute teaching in Fairfield and summer work at King's Island gives me some time for DXing and electronics, so I'd like to post a few questions. If anyone can help me out, I'd greatly appreciate it. I have been intrigued with DXing Pan-AM stations. The 3rd graders I student taught on the Navajo Reservation some years ago are graduating, and I'm toying with the idea of going via Mobile and I-10 so I can DX with my car radio and Superadio II. Pointers will be greatly appreciated. Secondly, a friend has a postwar Zenith floor radio, model 9H079R with AM, the original lowband FM and a 'Zenith Cobra' phonograph. When working, it could pick up 2 to 5 stations in each frequency and I'm trying to interest a friend in DXing. Does anyone have a schematic or know of where I can get one? Also, do Electro-Voice (model 642) shotgun mikes require a phantom power supply? I have several and they just scratch and pop. (No-DWS) Does anyone know anything about WDHH, the low power station out of MI Tech University? Supposedly, they lost their license because engineering students boosted the power illegally. The story has grown to the point where it was messing up big stations in the south (doubtful); can anyone shed any truth to this tale? Finally, and this is a very odd request. I need SIX general class or better ham call signs for a juvenile story I'm trying to publish. Does the FCC have 'dead' calls similar to the telco's "555" number? The Danny Dunn series used 2 (now there's a great trivia question there) but a check with the publisher revealed that both authors were deceased and no details about the call signs exist.

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