From the Publisher ... With this rather undistinguished issue of DX News, one which I've whacked together in a couple of hours, I've reached a certain milestone ... but first, I need to congratulate my colleague, Fred Vobbe, for reaching a similar milestone, his 200th copy of the "DX Audio Service" program, on cassette tapes.

This issue of DXN is my 400th, coincidentally, but as they say in the awards programs, "I couldn't have done it without ..." a slew of fine folks over the years, since July of 1988, from the NRC Board of Directors through each contributing editor, some who have been contributing columns to DXN since before I joined the NRC in March, 1975, to each individual member who has sent in articles, Musings, loggings, and unpublished suggestions for improvements along the way. With the cooperation of many who realize that this magazine is not a one-man stand but a culmination of dozens of individual contributions, we've built DXN into one of the most effective DX magazines in the world. Thank you, all.

It used to be that DXN had to be produced by a crew who had to assemble it while hoping that it would all fit and that they wouldn't pass out from breathing too many fumes from the spirit duplicator that it was run off on.

Then, the change to offset printing allowed the crew to assemble DXN from items printed on paper, including some photos and cartoons (remember Captain Gloss?), but still breathing fumes from rubber cement.

I still have a half-quart of rubber cement left somewhere in the back of a closet from my days of pasting down masters, but as computer technology advanced and became inexpensive enough for almost anyone to use computers as desktop publishing machines, the CRT took the place of all that paper, rubber cement, spirit masters, glue sticks, and itty-bitty pieces of paper used for corrections, page numbers, and the like. E-mail took the place of snail mail, and suddenly someone's DX catch could see print within 10 days or even less. And layout time could be reduced from most of a day to just a few hours, plus a few hours more for label printing and mailout prep.

New columns appeared in DXN to keep pace with the need for information: Target DX, Confirmed DX'er, DX'er's Notebook, and others ... and we're still working on more new columns.

Over the past 13+ years that I've served as publisher, I've seen the NRC enter an age of unprecedented stability, too, while other clubs faltered and disappeared. Like every other DX club, our membership level has dropped somewhat - from a high of 820 five years ago to its present level, which has run for several years now at between 685 and 705, but it's never dropped to a point which we'd consider as "dangerously low", even when we had to raise membership dues this year (for the first time in about 14 years). We survived a leadership crisis in the early '90's which could have devastated the club had not our formerly-moribund Board of Directors taken swift action. And in spite of regular predictions that AM DXing is "almost" dead in the face of computers, electronic gaming machines, other leisure-time hobbies, and now the real threat of terrorism inside our borders, our hobby, and our club, continue to endure and flourish.

Another 400? Sure - I'm having fun here! - pl.

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DX Time Machine
From the pages of DX News:
50 years ago ... from the November 17, 1951 DXN: The members were challenged with DX programs on November 25 from CENB-F30, Din Flon, Man., and K9AB-660, Fairbanks, AK, along with KWW-1540 and WBNL-1540 on the same date.
25 years ago ... from the November 22, 1976 DXN: Two loop articles, one from Mike Maloney, the other from James V. Hagan, dominated this issue.
10 years ago ... from the November 18, 1991 DXN: Jerry Starr noted that the freeze on acceptance by the FCC for new AM stations, or for major changes in existing AM stations, was expected to be ended in January, with 361 AM stations already having filed letters expressing an interest in moving to the proposed expanded band of 1605-1705 kHz.
CALL LETTER CHANGES

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

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DDXD-West

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- A splendid turnout, as mild temperatures cover the lower 2/3rds of North America. Yet the chilly nights prove to be welcome for DXING.
- Mostly truths from the gang: “Got #2000 & 2001 today. I set #2000 as a goal for 2001. When I got it, I felt like ‘huh, it’s over.’” I’ll continue now that the goal was met. Some years I haven’t been this lucky!” - JJK-WL: “Interesting conditions with the aurora this week... didn’t have much time to DX seriously but did log a few new Mexicans in addition to the new ones...” - BW-OK:

Deadlines remain Thursdays. CUN7.

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Ed-TX
Editor North Richland Hills

STATION NEWS & NOTES

860 KTRB CA Modesto - 10/29 - Now on their 50,000 Watt rig. I can really notice the difference, as used to barely hear them, but now they are real strong.

1560 WGLB WI Elm Grove - 11/5 - Good, with calls and urban gospel. [Ed-TX]

1570 WKBB WI Holmen - 11/2 - Now // sister WFBZ 105 3 & WLEA with sports format. Listen for the slogan "ESPN Radio 1-0-5-5. ([Upper Midwest Broadcasting]

1620 WHLY IN South Bend - Now IDing as ESPN Radio 16-20, WDND following by legal ID. Watch for a CL change here soon. ([?) The ND goes along with Notre Dame University being located there. [Ed-TX]

UNIDS and UNID HELP

960 UNID ?? - 10/30 0403 - Fair-to-good, with satellite NOS. KRS 960 AM or very close. Clear, no fading. Nothing jibes: KRLS 92.1 is in Iowa; weird NOT to have news on the hour on a NOS station. No WBET. ([JJK-WI]

1470 UNID ?? - 10/13 0312 - Spanish-language format, with Radio Univ ID noted. Is this KUTY? (DKK-CA)

1448.83 UNID ?? - 01/14 0821 and daily - Think it was a SPT program than I heard, looping
from northwestern Kansas, particularly in such auroral conditions. (BW
OK) (Could be enhanced groundwave reception - pls.)

1540 KGBC TX Galveston - 11/6 2000 - On top, with quick KGBC Galveston into ESPN sports news, no KXEL in auroral conditions. KXOJ-1500 splattered phase out. Log at 250 watts. (BW-OK)

1550 KLFJ MO Springfield - 11/4 0600 - Fair, with KLFJ Springfield and KTOZ-AM 1060.com on the worldwide web. (JF-JR)

1550 KLFJ MO Springfield - 11/5 1854-1857 - Branson-oriented ad cluster. Poor signal at 620 miles. Reception reported. (BM-SD)

1580 KWYD CO Colorado Springs - 10/20 2000 - Fair with IDs for all stations on Radio Colorado Network and mention of A Radio Colorado Station into ABC News. NEW! (MS-MB)

1620 WTAW TX College Station - 11/6 1842 - Good, with local TIS nullled. Local news and weather forecast. (CR-IL)

1630 KCIJ IA Iowa City - 11/1 1928-1935 - Ad cluster of eight messages, VID and morning program promo, recorded music. Best night signal heard from them. 485 miles with 1000 watts. All DXers are asked to report reception to Tom Suder, General Manager. E-mail address: kcijam@aol.com. Tom verified my reception via reply e-mail. Or phone 319-354-1242. (BM-SD)

1650 KWPN AR Ft. Smith - 11/6 1835 - Good and alone on frequency (semi pest KCZN missing), with NewsTalk 16-50 slogan and mentions of Ft. Smith. (CR-IL)

1660 KYEA LA Monroe - 11/6 1834 - Good, with the Michigan pest missing. Gospel music. (CR-IL)

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

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DDXD-East

Many thanks this column to our "snail mail" contributors, William McGuire and Herb Newberry, who have been extremely busy! Although my hands are tired from typing, I'm happy to read so many loggings, and I hope you will, too.

One note for all DDXD-East contributors - please make sure you're submitting things in the proper format, particularly now as we come into prime DX season. Whether I'm copying and pasting your email or directly typing your loggings, log format makes a huge difference. Also, please try to organize your reports in the same order as things are listed in the column. Thank you!!!

STATION NEWS

900 WURD PA Philadelphia - Now running full-time, but still in a test-like mode of segued rock oldies and pop with hourly voice-over ID's at 300. (RJE-PA)

UNID, UNID HELP, PRESUMED AND CORRECTIONS

970 WKBnp OH Youngstown - 11/4 0930 - 2-man polka show. Welcome message to the "McDonald boys" the "state" champs. Ad for CD of sports tournament. (FM-MI)

670 WSCRp IL Chicago - 11/2 1853 - WSCR in background, almost completely covered up by CMQ "La Habana" (Cuba). CMQ usually strong on both N/S and E/W wires. 10 over 59 at its peak. (HN-GA)


830 KOTCP MO Kennett - 10/30 1815 - C & W music; "Cotton Country". (WM-MD)

730 WWFPn MI East Lansing - 11/4 0940 - ESPN sport radio. Ad for FIT Tech Institute, Sears. (Church service under them, could not ID. Looped E/W). (PV-MI)

770 UNID - - 11/4 0940 - Spanish under WJR slop, unknown direction but WJR was looped out and they were to the south. (PV-MI)

920 KARNp AR Little Rock - 11/2 1945 - in 920 slop heard Michael Reagan going to a break "the Michael Reagan show." Also a promo for Rush. NRC Log lists KARN as the only TLR format station with both shows. Slow fades, 59 at best, then quickly back into slop. Equal on both wires. (HN-GA)

1030 UNID - - 11/6 0531 - Huge unmodulated carrier, taking out WBZ. Listened from 5:31 to 5:40 and heard no modulation. Approx 5 Hz off WBZ. (PV-OH)

1210 UNID - - 10/31 1750 - Bluegrass music; "your home for American music". (WM-MD)

1120 WYLLp IL Chicago - 10/25 0618 - REL talk, local antics, Chicago area wx. (RJE-PA)

1250 WWMkp OH Cleveland - 11/4 0106 - Radio Disney program. (FM-MI)

1280 WYVLp VA Wytheville - 10/30 1840 - C & W music; political ad mentioning Virginia. (WM-MD)

1300 WFYBp MI Alma - 11/4 1017 - Sports programs (in WYVL slop). (FM-MI)

1290 WREPp OH Cleveland - 11/4 1021 - Polka type music. Ad for "Issue 1 in Cuyahoga County", into Slavic speaking female voice. (PV-MI)

1480 UNID - - 11/5 1815 - Oldies station with music of Chicago, and other. Was being hammered by contempt & W station. No WHBC (Canton OH). (PV-OH)

1510 UNID - - 11/5 1835-Tremendous het on top of KXEL. Probably Bahamas based on music, but no spoken word. (PV-OH)

1640 WKSHp WI Sussex - 11/2 2114 - Religious music program (Saleem), choral in nature. Only religious format East of Mississippi and not Catholic (EWTN), so it's not KDIA or KTBC. Good 20 over 59 signal on E/W wire. Steady, good. (HN-GA)

1690 WPTx MD Lexington Park - 11/2 2214 - Sporting News Network talk show, host is a big Red Sox fan, wonders why anyone would consider getting married on a home game day. 10 over 59, steady on E/W wire. Some slop from adjacent WTJR 1680. (HN-GA)

1700 KQXp TX Brownsville - 11/2 2221 - Song "Last Date" by Floyed Cramer. Only format listed in NRC Log to fit is KQXX with an OLD format. Signals in background of at least two other stations. 57 to 59 at its peak, on best on N/S wire. Heard best using SSB filter. (HN-GA)

1700 WAFnp FL Miami Springs - 11/2 2225 - in background, heard SS music, ended with "hallelujah, hallelujah" so suspect SS-REL and WAFN. 2230 male speaking in auditorium in SS, sounds like preaching. 59 at best with KTIBK. (HN-GA)

STATION LOGGINGS

540 WFLF FL Pine Hills - 11/2 1800 - Local news headlines, then "Newsradio 540 WFLF", into CBS news at TOH. No sign of WDAK. Signal 5-7 to 5-8, very slight flutter. Best on N/S wire. (HN-GA)

550 WAYR FL Orange Park - 11/2 1834 - Religious music selections by choir. Better on N/S wire. On E/W wire, battle with WDUN simulcasting WB-55 Ta- rainy day. 6 PM newscast. (HN-GA)

580 WGR NY Buffalo - 11/4 0927 - Promo by Jim Cutler "Sports Talk 55, WGR". Into sport talk show from the "Tinderbox". (FM-MI)

709 KLIF TX Dallas - 11/2 0234 - Week: ID, "?..? weekday evenings 3-7 on the new talkradio 570 KLIF." (SC-IN)

760 WAXX SD Yankton - 11/2 0532 - Trucker show with fair signal. ID. "You're listening to the Midtown Cowboy on 570 WAXX AM and WAXX 104.1 FM." (SC-IN)

580 WDBO FL Orlando - 11/2 1817 - Out of sports talk into local news update, traffic report "problems on I-4". ID "AM 580, WDBO" into weather, then back to sports talk at 1820, 10 over 5-9 on both wires. (HN-GA)

600 WSJS NC Winston-Salem - 11/2 1824 - HS football show discussing records of various teams in the area so far this season, and interviews with coaches and players. At 1825, faded into background of WBWL (female with "Jacksonville"), then back strong at 1826. (HN-GA)

620 WTMJ WI Milwaukee - 10/21 2202 - ID heard in mess. (WM-MD)

660 WDLT AL Fairhope - 11/1 1900 - Good; now with CNN Headline News. ID: "AM 660 WDLT Fairhope/Mobile/Pensacola; there's a new source of news when it appears around the world 24 hours a day." (SC-IN)

740 CHWO ON Toronto - 11/2 1916 - New one for me, mixing in with KTRH, my usualSystems. Mention of a housing subdivision in Milton, just west of Toronto. KTRH with sports talk, CHWO providing "background music." AC/NOS format. Also a third station with Clark Howard, suspect KRMG. Tulsa, OK.
WLWL NC Rockingham - 11/2 1750 - “Rhythm and Beach Music Countdown” show with a “different” mix of music, from oldies re-makes to country rock to shag. Signal S7 at best on top of WABC at times, then down into WABC background. Better on N/S wire. Slogan is “Big Wave 77.” (HN-GA)

KGHL MT Billings - 10/16 0612 - Very poor signal out of country song into ID, “Great Country Classics AM 790 KGHL.” Don’t need but usually a positive indicator when this one starts rolling in. (SC-IN)

KXXX KS Colby - 10/16 0654 - Weak, out of commercial into weather report. “K-Triple-X; Tri-state radar weather; frost advisory around 3 o’clock this morning.” (SC-IN)

WQSV TN Ashland City - 10/17 0555 - Weak with sign-on, “Good morning, this is radio station WQSV, 790 on your AM dial in Ashland City, Tennessee beginning our broadcast day.” No SSB. (SC-IN)

WMC TN Memphis - 10/17 0706 - Very weak; ID only, “Sports Call 790 WMC, Memphis, new sports leader”. (SC-IN)

WSGW MI Saginaw - 11/4 0950 - Ad for Debbie Reynolds, law firm of Nicola-Nicola. WSGL and into “Outdoor Magazine”. (FV-MI)

WTNY NY Watertown - 11/03 0726 - Fair in CIGM null with ID “WTNY news time is 7:26”, local weather, into talk about avoiding deer-car accidents during deer hunting season. (MKR-ON)

800 CKLW ON Windsor - 11/2 1926 - Several mentions of Ontario and very distinct ID “AM 800 CKLW”, 10 over S9 on both wires. Community calendar of events in the Windsor area. Back to hockey pre-game show at 1928. (HN-GA)

860 WDMG GA Douglas - 10/24 0634 - religious/country music, then rural-sounding DJ w/ wx & ID. (RJE-PA)

WLBG SC Laurens - 11/2 1722+ - w/OLD, ad for Greenville Furniture, mention of “Friday night before football” then wx. ID. (RJE-PA)

WAMO PA Mill Vale - 11/2 1755 - Soul Oldies (Motown and on) and garbled ID. (RJE-PA)

CJBC ON Toronto - 11/2 1934 - Heard rarely in the past, but now good nightly visitor. 10 over S9 on E/W wire. Group of speakers, male and female in FF, with occasional mention of Toronto. Signal has very slight flutter. (HN-GA)

890 WKNV VA Fairfax - 11/2 1728 - Caught sign-off; “tune in for tomorrow’s southern gospel music.” (WM-MD)

900 CHML ON Hamilton - 11/4 0959 - promo “hometown radio 900, CHML”, ad for Professional Dog Trainers, MS Society of Canada, into “Michelle” by the Beatles. (FV-MI)

910 WLAT CT New Britain - 11/3 1740 - SS hot hits and slogan “La mega, nueva diez”. Good signal but disappeared suddenly at 1745, likely due to nighttime pattern change. (MKR-ON)

910 KVIS OK Miami - 11/8 0640 - Southern gosp MX, into liner “24 hours, 7 days a week, 9-10 KVIS.” (EV-OH)

920 KYFR IA Shenandoah - 11/3 0529 - Under soft jazz music on WBAI with ID. “KYFR Shenandoah.” (IC-SC)

940 WMAC GA Macon - 11/2 1742 - Weather forecast; “Newstalk 940”; ID. (WM-MD)

950 WGOV GA Valdosta - 11/2 1954 - Up and down from slope with quick fades. HS football from Lowndes County (Valdosta). Ad for restaurant “just off Exit 5, 1-75” (which runs through Valdosta. Back to game for introduction of line-ups. Audio had a “coffee can” quality. 10 over S9 at peaks. NRC shows 5000/63 UI, suspect running daytime power for football (common practice, I think, hi). (HN-GA)

970 WESO MA Southbridge - 11/6 0100 - Good; “Working for Auburn, Oxford, and Worce...

990 WVOX TN Knoxville - 11/2 0808 - Local sports show “Scoreboard” with his football highlights and scores. Ad for deli chain for food platters for “whenever the Vols (U-Tenn team) are on the road.” Up and down in the slop, 10 over S9 at peaks with flutter. Better on E/W wire. (HN-GA)

1060 WIXC FL Titusville - 11/2 2021 - End of NOS selection, mention of “the new WIXC-C, WIXX and mention of the “space coast” (i.e., Titusville). Good for 5000 might power. KYW in background. Slightly better on N/S wire (strange, as Florida is south – should be better on E/W wire!). 10 over S9 level, (HN-GA)

1070 WFLI TN Lookout Mountain - 10/27 1830 - Southern gospel music; ID; promo for gospel program. (WM-MD)

1080 CHOK ON Samilia - 11/3 1918 - After 5th Dimension song; “Information Radio”; ID. (WM-MD)

1100 KLRL TX Dallas - 11/8 0625 - Interview with politician, promo, and time check of “5:31 at KLRL.” (FV-OH)

1150 CKOC ON Hamilton - 11/4 1004 - “Lady Madonna” by Beatles; more music, less talk on your oldies station CHML”, into “Hitchin’ a Ride”. (FV-MI)

1160 WBGB KY Florence - 10/29 2145 - Good; ad string, “It’s Mike, Monday morning at six on ESPN 1160 Bob” in WMV1 null, first time heard. (BC-NH)

1200 WRKK PA Hughesville - 10/30 1730 - ID heard in mix. (WM-MD)

1240 WCHB MI Taylor - 10/1 1835 - Gospel music; ID. (WM-MD)

1260 WMGL NC Graham - 11/2 1755 - Talk and ID. “WSJS 600 & 1200” ID. (RJE-PA)

1280 WHK OH Cleveland - 10/29 2200 - Fair; “1290 WHK Cleveland, 1440 WHKO Warren, Youngstown,” and SRN news, through CJUL and UNID stations. (BC-NH)

1290 WSDK NY Ashville - 11/3 1845 - spoken ID by male. (WM-MD)

1280 WFBS PA Berwick - 10/23 1828 - Doo-Wop Oldies, jingle, ID. (RJE-PA)

1300 WEIM MA Fitchburg - 10/31 0405 - Good; sign on with national anthem by Whitney Houston, “Good morning and welcome to our broadcast day. WEIM Fitchburg, Leominster, 762 Water Street, Fitchburg 01420”, into network talk in progress. (BC-NH)

1390 WKNE NH Keene - 11/6 0055 - Good; “The biggest hits of the 80s, 90s, and now, WKNE-FM Keene, Brattleboro, Fairmont... New England’s big hit station KNE-FM 102.7,” as aurora produced daytime-like conditions, almost never heard at night. (BC-NH)

1320 WARL MAattleboro - 11/6 0130 - Good; “WARL 1320 AM is looking for qualified account executives... 401-521-5945,” and an eclectic mix of oldies and blues music. (BC-NH)

1330 WTRX MI Flint - 11/4 1025 - Sports programming into ID “Sports Extra 1330 Flint”. (FV-MI)

1350 WDTO OH Akron - 11/4 1025 - remote with Brian Derse at the Chapel Hill Mall, ad for Dave Cowell Cadillac, into Fox Sports update. (FV-MI)

1370 WHEE VA Martinsville - 10/30 1755 – Local obituaries; PSA; ID; country gospel music. (WM-MD)

1940 WSPD OH Toledo - 11/4 1058 - end of the Tabernacle Hour from a church in Toledo. ID “13-70 WSPD.” (FV-MI)

1990 WJKV NC Asheville - 11/2 1705 - Religious promo; ID into local news. (WM-MD)

1990 WKDR VT Burlington - 11/3 0715 – Good with ID “News talk radio 1390 WKDR” into sports. Fairly consistently heard here on sunrise/sunset skip; may be best bet for Vermont in southern Ontario or western New York. (MKR-ON)

1400 WABY NY Albany – 11/1 1750 - News report; ID. (WM-MD)

1410 WRCC MI Battle Creek – 11/1 2000 – Nostalgia music; ID; ABC News. (WM-MD)

1430 WSAM MI Saginaw – 11/4 1100 - out of ABC news into ID jingle, then “Ain’t That a Shame” (in null of WQBH-Detroit). (FV-OH)

1450 WSTC CT Stamford – 11/6 0455 - Good; these are my first loggings on this channel which is usually a bunch of music. Talk format with local ads giving telephone area code as 203 and ID’d as // WLNK 1305. (DH-NH)

1480 WEST PA Easton – 11/6 0455 - good. Oldies/nostalgia format; played Bobby Darin. Ads for local businesses, a shoe store and appliance store, on Main St in Phillipsburg, ID’d as “WEST, Easton-Phillipsburg” at 10:45 am. (DH-NH)

1480 CKSL ON London – 11/4 1106 – “Oldies 14-10” ID, into “Ain’t Seen Nothing Yet” by BTO, then promo with jingle “CKSL, Oldies 14.10”. (FV-MI)

1520 WEMB TN Erwin – 10/30 1745 – Country music promo; ID. (WM-MD)

1540 WBCB PA Lewistown – 11/6 0033 - excellent; this is my first logging on this channel as it’s usually a chaotic jumble. Oldies format; played “Return to Sender.” ID’d with call letters and “Bucks County’s Best.” (DH-NH)

1550 WBRN IN Indianapolis – 11/2 1729 - surprisingly over WTOP with tail-end of gospel program, giving 317 area code phone number (317 is area code for Indiana...
A visible aurora was reported by DXers north, south, east and west on Monday night, NOV 5. It was great how the clouds broke so I could see it.

One goes out early each week, as I have a lot of work to get ready for the weekend. The next column will be in two weeks.
Oddly unusual openings occurred on the LW stations below 200 KHz. I have lengthened my long wire by adding another 200 m of #12 Home Depot copper wall separating my farmer neighbor’s fields. This seems to have made an improvement (when the missed some good stuff. From what I heard, a lot of frequencies were just nulls, many of the rest had was extremely auroral. Unfortunately, I didn’t get to my radio until late in the evening, so probably LAs, which turned out to be Bogota, Colombia, and Venezuelans seemed to be everywhere. I wish I had and most of the big stations to the north, west and northeast were blanks. There was also an increasing buzz sound. Bahamas on 810 and 1540 were big, I found a never-before-heard SS on 1520 which turned out to be Bogotá, Colombia, and Venezuelans seemed to be everywhere. I wish I had more time to tune. Let’s hope that you who are going to Newfoundland will have at least one or two nights with similar conditions.

PAN-AMERICAN DX

GRENADA, NOV 2 0043 - Woman in EE but very weak signal, so it seems as if this station is still on 535 but with reduced power. Still a question here. [Dangerfield-PA]

BAHAMAS ZNS3 Freeport, NOV 6 0018 - Good, and over others on this frequency with man and woman in EE giving hurricane news, and // to 1540. [Dangerfield-PA]

CUBA R.Reloj. Sancti Spiritus NOV 6 0250 - Minute markers and code IDs through unID stations. [Conti-NH]

VENEZUELA Ritmo 909, Maracaibo NOV 6 0250 - Fair; horoscopes, “hora Venezuela” time check, over an unID gospel music station. [Conti-NH]

VENEZUELA RQ-910 Caracas NOV 6 0256 - Good; “La hora en tu AM Center, diez veinte seis minutos” and music by Los Melodicos. [Conti-NH]

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIUP La Vega, AUG 5 0223-0330 – sounded like a live concert, very lively AL music, sign off at 0330, a few mentions of LA music, [Frodge-MI]

MEXICO XEID, Radio Carbon, Alamo, Ver. NOV 7 0258-0402 - Signals from at least three and maybe four XEs were weaving in and out, and the only one on which I could get even a slogan was the Radio Can—on I’d first noticed last spring. At 0258, I noted what appeared to be closing announcements for a telephone talk show, hosted by a woman, with mention of “Monterrey,” pointing to ZET, whose signal virtually disappears here at pattern change. It may have been one of the three music stations after 0300. For the next hour, the frequency was like a Mexican graveyard channel, but—defying the usual laws of DX—one station came atop at 0358 and stayed there. Production ID included laser beam shooting sounds, call letters mentioned twice, and telephone numbers given with double-ring phone sound bit. At first I thought the call was XET but the second call sounded like it had five letters. Monitoring the tape, it turned out to be XEID instead—again, the second time saying “XEID es Radio Carbon.” One of the phone numbers I transcribed -4906 - is shown as a phone number for XEID in the CIRT list which now shows XEID on 990 with 10 kW. The SCT list and Fred Cantu still show this one on 1070. Very short announcement by different man followed the production ID, then a very old marching band version of the Mexican national anthem, after which the carrier was cut. Last spring, I had thought the call was XRHE or XEY. Now I know! [Callarman-TX]

RCN Cartagena NOV 6 0125 - Good; “Nuestra RCN, la ultima en noticias”, futbol promo, “RCN la radio de Colombia” jingle. [Conti-NH]

VENEZUELA R.Caribena, Moron NOV 6 0403 – “Radio Caribena, la señal del Caribe” and classic salsa fading in and out of RCN Colombia. [Conti-NH]

MEXICO XEQDC, Radio Pirata, Cancun, QR, NOV 7 0136-0150 – Usually impenetrable XEQDC—usually has one or two program announcements on this one. Frequent canned announcements by deep-voiced man mentioning “Radio Pirata;” chatty woman with lots of live patter between songs; did not discern call letters or location (though I have some tape to monitor more closely) but did near mention of “novienta punto siete,” which lists as Radio Pirata’s FM affiliate. New state for me. [Callarman-TX]

COLOMBIA Emisora Atlantico, Barranquilla NOV 6 0446 - Emisora Atlantico jingle. “Once cuarenta seis, once cuarenta seis minutos” check and salsa music mostly under Mundial Zulia-Venezuela. [Conti-NH]

VENEZUELA Mundial Zulia, Maracaibo NOV 6 0445 - Fair; jingles, Mundial and Zulia mentions, tropical music, in a battle with unID stations. [Conti-NH]

unID NOV 6 0445 – “Onda dos equis” jingle heard over Latin American jumble. [Conti-NH]

MEXICO XETQF Villahermosa, NOV 6 0445 - Fair; “Invitation radio noticias” news over an unID Latin American station, no sign of CKKW or WSBAL. [Conti-NH]

MEXICO XETVH Villahermosa, TAB Nov 6 0417. Heard “En Tabasco, Estadero Mexicana, La Tropical Ranchera”, then ranchera tunes, with variations of the same slogan after each song. Auroral conditions, KMOX not a factor. Heard later at 0507 UTC with this ID: “XETVH en el mil descuentos treinta [1230] desde Villahermosa, Tabasco, Mexico”, with no mention of 1120. The FLA boys logged this a couple of years ago, with the same situation. I guess the possibilities are twofold: (1) that XETVH is simulcasting on 2 frequencies, or (2) XETQE is relaying XETVH on 1120. IRCA Mexican Log lists XETQE in Tenosique, Tabasco, but not XETVH. Vice versa with WRTH. At any rate, this is my first logging from Tabasco, and my furthest XE logging ever! [Wilkins-CO] (a very saucy report! – Jim)

MEXICO XETYQ, Tenosique, TAB, NOV 7 0122-0135 - off and on as I tune around; music appeared to be queued by two; woman would give time checks; man would give production announcements. At 0512, man slowly, clearly, strongly enunciated call letters XETYQ on the tape I pulled “Tabasco” out of the material that followed. KMOX signal partially null but I was not able to pull as much from the standard announcement as John Wiklins did on Nov 2, but I suspect, since both stations are owned by the government of the state of Tabasco and Villahermosa is the capital, XETVH is relayed by XETYQ. SCT list shows XETVH on 1230 with 20,000 watts day, 1000 watts night, and XETYQ on 1120 with 5000 watts day, 500 watts night. CIRT list, which I think is more up-to-date than SCT (but does not list non-member, non-commercial stations) shows neither. [Callarman-TX]

MEXICO XESOS, Radio Uno, Aguac Prieta, SON, NOV 3 0056-0448 - tried for good, clear tape of this one radio; but could only pull out bits and pieces. When I’ve heard the call letters, it sounds more like XEOF: “Radio Uno slogan heard often. At 0426 mentioned “novienta punto nueve” which corresponds, according to CIRT list, to XESOS’s FM affiliate, shown in the SCT list as licensed to Nacozari, thought listed in CIRT as Aguac Prieta. [Callarman-TX]

CUBA Radio Rebelde, 25/26 2352-2404+ - Impassioned speech by man (not Fidel) to 2357 then alternating man and woman. No ID at top of hour, commentary continued. All in SS. Fair over/under WHAM / 9255. [Frodge-MI]

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIAH Santiago, AUG 10 0400-0500 – LA pop music, “Dominica” mentioned, fair. [Trelford-JAM]

EL SALVADOR YSMM San Salvador, AUG 3 0142-0209 – LA pop music, ID as “Fiesta de Musica”, fair over WOAI. [Trelford-JAM]

MEXICO XEWP Cuauhnava, AUG 18 0400-0523 – talk, LA pop music, ID as “Radio Mexicoana”, poor. [Trelford-JAM]

NICARAGUA YNRM Managua, JUL 23 0144-0205 – call-in talk show, ID as “Radio Maranatha”, fair, interference from KITA. [Trelford-JAM]

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIAH San Domingo, JUL 20 0229-0250 – LA pop music, clear ID as “HIAH Radio Ven”, fair. [Trelford-JAM]

MEXICO XEKEJ Mexico City, AUG 13 0208-0249 – LA pop music, ranchera type, over/under WTOP, ID as “Radio Vida”, fair. [Trelford-JAM]

PUERTO RICO WMNT Manati, AUG 6 0400-0410 – LA old pop music, partial ID as “en Manti, Puerto Rico”, fair. [Trelford-JAM]

COLOMBIA Ecos de Palmar Bogota, NOV 6 0400 - All alone on frequency with man in SS and ID. Not heard News. Not heard previously. No sign of WKKW. [Dangerfield-PA]

COLOMBIA HILO Barranquilla, AUG 6 0124-0208 – LA pop music, ID as “Radio Minuto”, fair. [Trelford-JAM]

BAHAMAS ZNS Nassau, NOV 6 0400 - Big signal and alone on frequency. Man and woman in developments on Hurricane Michelle, // to 810. [Dangerfield-PA] NOV 6 0150 - Fair with telephone talk about hurricane; a woman called to report water up to the hood of her car, the highway the airports were underwater, then the airport director was on the phone with info about when Bahama Air was expected to be back in operation. [Conti-NH] NOV 6 0540-0602 - fair to good. Alone on channel; no trace of WPTF or KXLI, which are usual here. Signal strength was good, but atmospheric noise and fading made this tough copy at times. Hurricane information, including weather and reports of 8-ft seas; advice on boiling drinking water; at

1070
It may not be perfect ... but the NRC AM Log is, simply, the best there is because of your contributions. Why not make the next ...
isolates your feedline, so it is as if you moved your receiver out to where your antenna connects. For experiments he has taken the receiver out and connected the antennas directly to it, bypassing the 75 feet of coax, with no difference from what is heard in the house in terms of either directivity or the S/N or the 5-Meter readings during daytime. The loss at 1 MHz for even inexpensive coax RG 58/79 is so small, under 1 dB, that you can't tell any difference.

Q - As you make an antenna longer, when does it go from being an electrically long 1/4 wave to an electronically short 1/2 wave? Just wondering, as I've got a longer wire.

A - Basically at 3/8s wavelength. The formula for 3/8s wave is 356 divided by frequency. A 3/8s wave has a theoretical end feedpoint impedance of 300 ohms, so a 4:1 impedance transformer would work well.

Q - What is the advantage to connecting the coaxial cable from the antenna to the 50 ohm input as opposed to the 500 ohm input?

A - Coaxial cable is 50-75 ohms, so using the 50 input on the receiver allows for maximum signal transfer from antenna to receiver.

Q - Re the coaxial choke balun, any particular value associated with it, and, how is it connected relative to the transformer?

A - I don't know the exact amount of inductance needed in the choke balun for the broadcast band, but 30-33 turns of RG-8X does the trick, wound on a PVC form with a 3 inch diameter and 8 inch length. You don't want to just coil up some coax like you see on beam antennas, that doesn't work correctly. Place the coax choke after the impedance transformer on the receiver side.

Q - Which is better to hear distant stations under local stations - a phasing unit using 2 loops, or using a loop and a sloper, or 2 slopers facing opposite directions?

A - A phasing unit with two opposite facing slopers. This antenna has best front to back with and without a phasing unit and captures more low angle distant stations, as they are outside.

Q - I have one further question based on the prior answer. Where would 2 slopers at right angles to one another fit in in terms of performance (realizing that configuration is sometimes dictated by where the DX'er is relative to where the stations are - a domestic DX'er located in Florida would be best served by 2 at right angles roughly north and west, whereas a TA-only DX'er might want NE & SE, etc.)

A - I'd say that two slopers at right angles would be down some in performance, as the receive beamwidths would overlap. However you should still see useful performance when using a phasing device like the MFJ-1026. Really, the bottom line is how many other antennas that you have up in the near vicinity, because they will all interact with one another in unpredictable ways.

The editor would like to thank the following members for their comments, answers and discussion on the NRC/ DXAS Email list which were used in the preparation of this column: Thomas Giella; Mark Durenberger; Patrick Martin.

Please remember to keep sending me your questions or your suggestions for future topic-oriented columns to me either via the NRCDXAS listserv, by off-line email or by regular mail!

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**DX'er's Notebook**

**Shared tips, topics, and Internet info**

We'll start this time with another installment of the best bet to hear certain areas, this time working on the Maritime provinces of Canada. We'll also have some more on the Xband stations, and begin a discussion of the current status of QSLing. Any comments you have on these subjects? Send them to me, they'll get fit in somewhere down the line.

**PROVINCES**

**Rick Kenneally** <woodlandview@yahoo.com>: Which NF station have Eastern DXers heard most?

I've yet to hear any NF station from any DX location. And, based on the note below, I'd like to hear one before they're gone.

**Bob Kleiniger** <Rklinger78@col.com>: Rick: In regards to your question, I am in the same boat as you.

**Bob Galerstein** <bgwbv2bvgd@mac.net>: Rick, Best bet is 740 Marystown, especially at sunset. I've heard it through the former CBL at times.

**Bruce Conti** <BACON1t@aol.com>: The following are received here most nights:

- 640 CBM St John's - CBC Radio One
- 740 CHCM Marystown - relaying VOCM
- 750 CBGJ Bonavista Bay - CBC Radio One
- 540 CBT Grand Falls is rare, as CBEG and CBGA1 dominate the frequency.
- 600 CBNA St. Anthony is extremely rare.
- Mike Brooker <caum10@dirект.com>: In 25 years of DXing from Toronto, I have logged only two Newfoundlanders:
  - CBT-540 (1979)
  - CBM-740 (1984), at that time they were// CBM-640, not relaying VOCM.

**Benjamin Dangerfield** <ben-dangerfield@world.net>. No one has yet mentioned the station on 1210. Last summer, when I was DXing at Rockport with Bruce and Mark, this one was nicely picked up with WPHT phased. I would think that WPHT could be phased clear of the Philly metropolitan area.

**Brent Taylor, VE1BH** <btaylor@nbnet.nb.ca>: Here in NB the best bet has historically been 740, Marystown. It was audible in the daytime from the Northern Shore of Prince Edward Island.

**Phil Greenspan** <tkgreen19@tandt.com>: One advantage of being on the coast is Canadian DX. From Marshfield, MA we've heard:

- 540 CBT
- 590 VOCM
- 680 CKXG
- 740 CHCM
- 930 CQV
- 1210 VOAR

by far 740 CHCM is the most prevalent.

**Bruce Conti** <BACON1t@aol.com>: 1210 is easy on the shore, but once inland it's extremely rare. I'll typically hear Venezuela with WPHT nullled. 640, 740, and 750 are definitely easier catches.

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**VERIFICATIONS**

Eric C. Loy <obvious@prairienet.org>: Well, in getting back into the hobby these past two years, I’ve pretty much stopped sending out reports. For the 1999-2000 season, my return rate was well short of 50%, with a ZERO return rate from Canada. That’s especially sad for me, as some of my most treasured ones of the past are Canadian: CJQY, CHLO, CHAB, CFOR and my all time favorite Canadian, CHYR on CHYR’s stationery. For this last season, I hit 100% for one. KBID-910 for a new state was too much to resist.

I see a lot of folks are now collecting e-mail veries...maybe I should give it a try...but there was just SOMETHING about a trip to the post office that made it special. Of course many of my last few replies were of the “note on the report” variety, but still.

Working at a graveyarder, we get very few reports. Even when we DXed a while back, I practically had to search the internet for reports. We did get a verifiable tape report from Finland, though.

All time report story: Our GM was running around the station holding a report from a Swedish DXer, hooting about how long the signal traveled, and how he was going to mention it on his Morning Show...until I noticed the scrawl on the bottom of the report: “Heard while on Amtrak.” The Amtrak track runs north and south about 30 yards away from the station.

Patrick Martin <mwxdexr@webtv.net>: QSLing is tougher than it once was. I have pretty good luck with US & Canadian stations (90-95%), but to get that I have to resort to e-mails, ppc’s, and phone calls to stations to “pry” a QSL out of them. I get this “We have hundreds of reports to reply to and don’t have the time. Could you send me something to sign?” That works too. I remember wanting a QSL out of KENI-685-Anchorage AK a few years back. I sent follow ups to the station with ppc’s, etc. for a couple of years. No luck. I tried calling the station. The CE is the only one that will reply to reports and he is never in. Finally I found out his home address and sent my report direct to his house. It worked. I got a QSL form back. So anything goes in this day. I don’t care for e mail QSLs, but I will use them if I can. The same goes for ppc’s. At least it is one form of a QSL.

Canadian stations are much like the US ones many times now as the Eng, is the Eng, for several stations in a network and has less time, so you have to try again. It will work out in time. But it takes time...

Paul Swearingen <pilesCBDXER@aol.com>: I must say I feel somewhat sorry for those of you who started taking only paper veries and try to hang on and continue ... and probably annoy poorly-paid station personnel to the point of not wanting to deal with DXers ever again. Sure, the collection is great and is a lot of fun to take to conventions and let attendees paw over ... but at what price, in terms of postage, time, and the patience of station personnel?

I’m just glad that I started taping IDs when I did, even though it was only 26 years ago. The nostaligia factor is immeasurable when I listen to those tapes; it took only seconds for me to make them and had the tapes. I don’t count that station. If you send the tape to the station and they confirm it was there, you have a damn good idea you heard the station, but there is no ID.

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Patrick Martin <mwxdexr@webtv.net>: I don’t find phoning a station to find out about a reception report that was sent is bothering the station. A DXers needs to be polite. You have to remember that the station is there to serve its listeners (at least that was the original idea), and dropping a note to a DXer is not a lot of work. Many stations have now gotten so lazy. That phone call to the station might do more good than you think. Several times the report never reached them, or maybe they did not understand what you wanted. There are lots of reasons you can phone a station.

On the subject of taped veries, I could count all my taped veries, as I always have a tape back up, especially if I need to send a follow up, but I don’t care to count them as QSLs. What about the “tentative” report you send to the station. You have a darn good idea you heard the station, but there is no ID. With a tape, you could not count that station. If you send the tape to the station and they confirm it was there, you have a damn good idea you heard the station. That has been done by New Zealand & Australia DXers for years, and it pays off. 90% of more of the DUX’s QSLs.

For the stations that do not QSL, they have DXers like John Wright that have taken on the QSLing. I have thought that would be a great idea in the US. A few of us are doing that now.

I still like what Ernie Cooper once said about collecting QSLs. He has been at it for 70 years.
to look through QSLs on a rainy day. Each one brings back memories of how that station was received and QSL'd.

David Gleason <david@davidgleason.com>:

I take considerable exception to your opinion, Patrick. Radio stations today have far fewer staffers than they did 20 years ago. Most of us never, ever write a "real" letter, even in administrative positions. I, for one, would not know where to find letterhead! Add that to the fact that DXing is not understood or appreciated by most younger staffers, and that engineering is almost always done by an outside contractor at all but the biggest stations and you have why its tantamount to an imposition on station time and productivity.

Answering a letter form a listener outside the station service area is not serving the listener... it is just serving the DXer.

As someone who ad over 2200 paper veries at one time, I feel I have enough knowledge of both sides of the issue to say that writing for verifications today is not a good idea. Some stations may be fascinated by reception letters, but others are not. Most don't have the time. Most don't see any reason to answer.

For getting a moment about consolidation, we have to realize that most markets have triple or quadruple the number of competitive stations when compared to the late 50's or early 60's (the time when 80% of stations verified on the first try). FM is competitive, "real" letter, even in administrative positions. I, for one, would not know where to find letterhead!

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fascinated by reception letters, but others are not. Most don't have the time. Most don't see any reason not saying all people. To give you an example. I have had to agree with you on longer hours and less staffers. However, there are those that just don't want to spend even more time that is not needed to help out the DXer. All I am talking about is getting fewer resources for verifying answering.

Add the fact that half the letters coming in nowadays are from some guy in Italy who says, "I heard you while I was at Disneyland. Please QSL." Plus, with many stations on the net in some form or another, even in administrative positions. I, for one, would not know where to find letterhead!

many just aren't interested, and don't want to bother. As far as letterhead goes, to me it is nice, but not important. Some stations still go "the extra mile" and they print up QSL cards to send out. Those stations spend even more time that is not needed to help out the DXer. All I am talking about is getting fewer resources for verifying answering.

After all, I used to feel that stations return my calls on-their time locally in the car commuting or whatever, but they don't have time to write verified on your report and mail it back. "Something is wrong with this picture." It does not take any time to QSL a ppc or to write verified on a report. I used to feel that stations got tons of reports. That is not the case anymore, as few people QSL. I know of many stations that readily QSL correct reports, from secretaries to CEs. Some of the CEs engineer many stations and they work alone. Why do these CEs have the time to do it? I still feel that many just aren't interested, and don't want to bother. As far as letterhead goes, to me it is nice, but not important. Some stations still go "the extra mile" and they print up QSL cards to send out. Those stations spend even more time that is not needed to help out the DXer. All I am talking about is getting fewer resources for verifying answering.

As far as the station being on the internet, that is why I generally send a cassette tape with my reports. I do know that some guys in Italy who send bogus reports. Hey, I even got one for KAVT. But I would think a tape of the signal would be enough to get the station to believe you. 1 don't think the station owes you a QSL, don't get me wrong. I suppose I have a tape of the signal would be enough to get the station to believe you. 1 don't think the station owes you a QSL, don't get me wrong.

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550 WASG  
Atmore AL, n/d e-mail in 8 days for e-mail report. V/s Mike Glinter, President. (Myers—FL)

610 WVIT  
Pensacola FL, f/d prepared QSL sheet in 7 days. V/s Michael Glinter, President (Myers—FL)

635 CNR  
CHINA, QSL card in 30 days for tape and $1.00. No v/s. (Martin—OR)

860 KBEE  
Salt Lake City UT, prepared card in 7 days for follow-up. V/s Ritchie Bauer, CE. (Wilkins—CO)

870 KRLA  
Glendale CA, QSL card in 155 days. V/s Bill Sheets, CE. (Martin—OR)

940 KJOO  
Conroe TX, prepared card in 14 days after a follow-up. V/s Sandy Phall(?). CE. (Martin—CO)

945 KUFO  
Portland OR, verie form in 7 days. V/s Dennis Kavanaugh, Engr. Mgr. (Jones—TN)

1100 KQDS  
Palms Springs CA, QSL form, KCMJ-1140 mug, KXPS cups, KNXW key chains, fridgel magnets in 27 days after 3rd follow-up. V/s Jay White, CE. (Martin—CO)

1150 KCE  
Tucson AZ, prepared card in 9 days after a follow-up. V/s Francis Abril, Asst. Engr. (Wilkins—CO)

1200 KNWZ  
Palm Springs CA, same as above after 2nd follow-up. (Martin—OR)

1200 KXPS  
Palm Springs CA, same as above. (Martin—OR)

1300 KRC  
Hamilton ON, n/d letter, poser and "Jukebox Car Sign" in 9 months for $1.00. V/s Nevin Grant, Program/Mx Dir. (Jones—TN)

1360 KWHI  
Donelson TN, QSL letter in 48 days for taped report. V/s W.C. Baird, Jr., VP. QSL# 2769. (Martin—OR)

1380 WJHT  
Pearl MS, f/d form letter, sticker in 2 weeks for DX Test. V/s Stan Carter, CE. (Myers—FL)

1400 KSRK  
Soquel CA, e-mail reply in 3 days for e-mail report. V/s Catherine Wise. KSRK@redshift.com. (Martin—OR)

1500 KCO  
St. Paul AB, prepared card, sticker in 15 days after a follow-up. V/s Illegible. (Wilkins—CO)

1540 WROR  
Daytona Beach FL, n/d e-mail in 1 day after an e-mail follow-up. V/s Bill Matthews. (Myers—FL)

1800 KAVA  
Pueblo CO, prepared card in 8 days after a follow-up. V/s Illegible. (Wilkins—CO)

1860 KMCI  
Tempe AZ, p/d letter in 7 days. V/s David Recher, GM. (Myers—FL)

2200 WTEL  
Augusta GA, QSL letter in 370 days after 2 follow-ups. V/s Harley Drew, Oper. Dir. (Martin—OR) I received one as well, but unsealed as they had already veered as WAVX and I didn't even report them as WTEL GM.

2370 KAZT  
Redding CA, f/d "ESPN" card, prepared card, stickers in 11 days after a follow-up. V/s Jim Bremer, CE. (Wilkins—CO)

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I just received the October 1, 2001 issue of DX News, very good as always. I am sorry I have not been collaborating as I used to do some time ago, but that book I undertook to write with my friend Teo Veras about the Radiodiffusion in the Dominican Republic is a very heavy task, most of my time is dedicated to research for the book. I am very grateful I have been receiving help from DX'ers from abroad who has been sending me copies of QSLs from a long time ago; that helps. Yes, thanks to all of you. Because of that I could not be at the Pittsburgh Convention, as my nephews living at Albany, N.Y. were willing to pay me a ticket to New York, but I was too much occupied on that work. I saw the information sent by Mark Connelly from MA, who said that he heard R. Monte Cristi on 580, on August 28, and precisely, the founder of that station, Rafael Octavio Moscoso Cordero (aka Don Fellito) died on September 19. The station started operation at the beginning of the '60's on the frequency of 630 with 1000 watts as HIAF. Now it is on 580 kc. To Trelford in Jamaica: The station you heard on 3078 that you mentioned as “Radio Scinella" is “Radio Vision Cristiana," even though they have a transmitter on 530 from Turks & Caicos Islands, they also have another transmitter located in Santo Domingo, but it is not a relay, they have another program; I also saw an information sent by Pentti Lintujärvi, from Finland, that said that “An official list of AM and FM stations in the Dominican Republic has finally been made accessible at the INDOTEL website." Yes, that is true, but I do not trust that list as they usually publish a list they have on paper but not on the air; the lists I publish are taken from the air, as many of the stations are not really on the air, as they are only projected, or some other (those heard on the air) are illegal and they are not on that list. I always make my own lists visiting as many towns I possibly can in order to prepare a good list, or an on-their list, not a list on paper. Well, I think I went too long with this Musings, so I have to stop here. My heartiest greetings to you all.

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