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From the Publisher ... We regret to announce two recent deaths of well-known DX'ers: former NRC/IRCA member Don Erickson, Riverside, CA died March 1 in a fire at his house, which was notorious for being stuffed with magazines and DX publications he at one time sold via "Century Print Shop". Don also had served as publisher/editor of IRCAs *DX Monitor* and DDXA editor for the NRC. And shortwave DX'er Jim Conrad, Waterloo, IA, who had hosted the "Conrad Family Reunions", which were really DX GTG's, died March 6. Our sincerest condolences to their families.

Kulpsville '05 ... In this week's "Musings of the Members," NRC Convention host Dave Schmidt

announces that this year's convention will be held in Kulpsville, PA, over Labor Day weekend, with the registration price tentatively set at \$35 (\$20 without the banquet and room prices at \$75 per night at the Best Western at Kulpsville, the same place as the ANARC Winterfest. Dave promises more details to come in the next DXN.

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27	June 3	June 13			

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

[We have our first-ever correction for "DX Time Machine". In the February 28 DXN, we implied that Ernie Cooper visited RHC in Cuba when in fact Glenn Hauser (and Ron Scharz) made the visit. Thanks to Glenn for catching this goof, and bad editing, on our part.]

50 years ago ... from the March 12, 1955 DXN: In reviewing the results of the KBIG-740 DX broadcast on the morning of 2/1, Engineering Supervisor C. Harvey Haas wrote: "Of the 52 reports, only 2 failed to enclose postage. It shows good moral training on the part of your members, and I would personally like to commend all of them for this one good point."

25 years ago ... from the March 10, 1980 DXN: Ray Arruda published his last DDXD in this issue and turned over the column to Dave Schmidt.

10 years ago ... from the March 13, 1995 DXN: Hank Holbrook, Dundick, MD, reported logging code beacon CRJ Maraba Brazil, on 1700 January 31 at 0236.

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old Call

New Call

1240	KSQR	CA	Sacramento	KSAC [a former call returns]
1290	WWFS	IL	Peoria	WIRL [a former call returns, this time with C&W]
1300	WOGY	PA	West Hazleton	WKZN
1360	KAHZ	TX	Hurst	KMNY
1550	WXHL	MD	Elkton	WSRY
1580	KZRX	TX	Waco	KORL
1600	KMNY	CA	Pomona	KAHZ
1650	KBIV	TX	El Paso	KHRO

CPs ON THE AIR

620	KPOJ	OR	Portland - CP for their upgrade to U4 25000/10000 is on the air.
740	WNOP	KY	Newport - CP for U4 2500/30 is on the air.
850	WABA	PR	Aguadilla - CP for U1 5000/1000 and is on the air.
900	WURD	PA	Philadelphia - CP to increase their nighttime power to become U4 1000/105 is on the air.
990	WJEH	OH	Gallipolis - CP for U1 1000/16 CH 250 is on the air.
1260	KWEI	ID	Weiser - CP for U1 10000/60 is on the air.
1400	WWNZ	ME	Veazie - CP for U1 1000/810 and is on the air.
1460	WPON	MI	Walled Lake - CP granted to decrease power levels to become U4 670/175.
1470	KVLH	OK	Pauls Valley - Program Test Authority granted for U4 890/35.
1540	WBTC	OH	Urchsville - CP adding night service is on. WBTC is now U1 250/5.

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

585	KJAL	AS	Tafuna - CP granted to move to 630 kHz with U1 5000/5000.
860	KTRB	CA	Modesto - After an initial application and several amendments, KTRB has finally been granted a CP for U4 50000/50000 along with the city-of-license change to San Francisco. Their three-tower day site is located at N38-09-30 W122-24-44 and the four-tower night site is at N37-35-28 W121-46-29.
920	WMOK	IL	Metropolis - CP granted to build a new 4-tower night site at N38-08-37 W88-38-48 in order to increase their night power. The day site remains at the current site. When built, WMOK will become U2 1000/750.
1030	WNOW	NC	Mint Hill - Coordinate correction to N35-08-26 W80-36-01.
1270	WTJZ	VA	Newport News - CP granted to add one tower to their current three in order to increase their power levels to become U4 15000/1800.
1330	WMOR	KY	Morehead - CP granted to decrease power, becoming D1 570/0 from an existing, taller (340') tower at N38-10-56 W83-26-56. Since the electrical height of the proposed folded unipole antenna which is to be mounted on the structure is greater than their former tower, a power reduction is required to maintain the current radiation efficiency.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW FACILITIES

540	NEW	WY	Rine Bluffs - Application is for U4 900/700.
640	NEW	IN	Shelburn - Application is for U1 250/250. [Competing with applications below]
640	NEW	IN	North Terre Haute - Application is for U1 250/250. [Competing with applications above and below]
640	NEW	IN	Terre Haute - Application is for U1 250/250. [Competing with applications above]
730	NEW	NV	Las Vegas - Application is for U4 1000/930.
760	NEW	CO	Pueblo - Application is for U4 3000/760.
890	NEW	CO	Fountain - Application is for U4 5500/500.
1100	NEW	NV	Las Vegas - Application is for U4 20000/2000.

1230	NEW	IN	Shelburn - Application is for U1 1000/1000. [Competing with application below]
1230	NEW	IN	Shelburn - Application is for U1 1000/1000. [Competing with application above]
1230	NEW	TN	Harriman - Application is for U4 1000/1000.
1500	NEW	NV	Winchester - Application is for U2 1500/1500.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

610	WPLO	GA	Grayson - Application is to change city-of-license to Lawrenceville, Georgia, remaining U1 1500/225.
630	WMAL	DC	Washington - Applies to increase daytime power to become U4 10000/5000.
1060	WQMV	TN	Waverly - Applies to add night service as U1 1000/4 from a new (to them) 220' tower at N36-05-15 W87-51-18. They proposed to skirt an existing tower and install a ground system. According to their ex-CE (and NRCer) Steve Kennedy, this is the former tower of the local FM station which moved to a bigger site leaving this tower abandoned. According to Steve they are already broadcasting from this new location although they are still running non-stop C&W music with no spots. He's stopped several times at the "studio" location during regular business hours but the door was locked and nobody was there. This certainly is a violation of the Public File and Main Studio regulations. It is assumed that their STA, which was just extended through 8/25/05, might negate some of these requirements.
1600	WHIB	PA	Bedford - Applies to reduce day and night power levels to become U1 2700/18 and di-plex into the 278' tower of WBFD-1310 at N40-02-35 W78-30-13.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS SUBMITTED

950	WPEN	PA	Philadelphia - Another update. Licensed for U2 5000/5000, WPEN has a CP to relocate the nighttime transmitter site to that of WWDB-860 with two added towers and increase day and night power levels to become U4 50000/50000. Between that action and now, WPEN has amended the CP with different configurations. This latest amendment requests U4 5000/21000 using two transmitter sites.
1560	KILE	TX	Bellaire - Licensed for D1 800/0, KILE has a CP for D3 50000/0 from a new 6-tower site, and a later amendment adding 25 kW from nine towers at another site to the request. Since that initial amendment, they have submitted another reducing the nighttime power to 2500 Watts from 10 towers at yet another site. This amendment states another site for those ten nighttime towers. I know there is a lot of land in Texas, and these guys seem to have trekked upon much of it.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

600	NEW	AL	Babble - Original application was for U4 250/250, then they amended that to U4 500/300. This amendment now requests U4 720/300.
750	NEW	NY	Lansing - Original application was for U4 2500/720. This amendment requests U7 2500/720 CH 2500.
890	NEW	TX	Mabank - Original application was for U4 400/250, then amended to read U4 600/250. The latest is for U4 670/250. I'm still wondering what's up with this as the (reportedly on) new 890 in Franksston is only 40 miles over the horizon.
1040	NEW	CA	Clovis - Original application was for U1 550/1700. This amendment requests U1 550/1700 CH 550.
1050	KTCT	CA	San Mateo - Another station with a basket of amendments to the original application. The latest is for U4 50000/50000.
1090	WCAR	MI	Livonia - Another change in plans... the latest application is for U4 1000/800 Back at Livonia.
1120	WXJO	GA	Gordon - Licensed for D1 10000/0 CH 2500, WXJO had applied for D3 10000/0 from a new 6-tower site, plus a city-of-license change to Smyrna, Georgia. This amendment requests D3 10000/0 from another site, this one with 4 new towers. [Correction to them in issues 17 and 20. Thanks, Pete Taylor]
1340	NEW	MA	Westfield - Original application was for U1 250/250. This amendment re-

1440 NEW ME Orono - New station, not yet on the air had applied for U4 13276/664. This amendment requests a more traditional U4 22000/250.

1560 WTOD OH Toledo - Licensed for D3 5000. WTOD had applied to change city-of-license to Northwood, Ohio with D3 1500/0. This amendment requests D3 2000/0.

APPLICATIONS REINSTATED
 PR Lares - Application is for U1 1000/1000.

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR APPLICATIONS

1190 KMYL AZ Tolleason - Licensed for U4 5000/250. KMYL applied to increase their nighttime power to become U4 5000/400 but that was dismissed. They have resubmitted the application and asked for it to be placed back in 'pending' status. An item in Issue 19 stated their intent was to increase both day and night power levels was in error.

1430 KMRB CA San Gabriel - Licensed for U4 5000/5000. KMRB applied to add one tower to their current three in order to increase their power levels to become U4 50000/11000. The FCC dismissed the application saying the new facilities would cause excessive interference to co-channel KFIG, Fresno, California and XEOX, Ciudad Obregon, Sonora, as well as several adjacent channel stations. KMRB has re-submitted the application changing the requested facilities to U4 50000/9800, and changing some of the antenna parameters, and requests the application be reinstated.

1490 KRNS NM Los Alamos - Licensed for U1 1000/1000. KRNS applied to change the Col to Santa Fe, New Mexico with U1 1000/1000, which was initially dismissed by the FCC. They have asked for reinstatement.

1620 NEW NJ Toms River - Originally dismissed, applicant has asked for reinstatement of application for U1 10000/1000.

1690 NEW VI Charlotte Amalie - Originally dismissed, applicant has asked for reinstatement of application for U1 10000/1000.

APPLICATIONS DISMISSED

550 WASG AL Atmore - Application to change Col to Ensley, Florida is dismissed. This leaves them licensed for U1 3400/143 with an application for 10 kW days and another to change Col to Daphne, Alabama.

610 WTVN OH Columbus - CP for U4 50000/5000 has been dismissed. WTVN remains U2 5000/5000.

650 WMII MI Manistiquie - New station, not yet on the air has a CP for U7 30000/212 CH 20000. They asked to change that to U4 4000/170 from Traverse City, which has been dismissed.

690 KRCC OR Prineville - Application to increase nighttime power has been dismissed. KRCC remains U1 1000/77.

890 KVOZ TX Del Mar Hills - Application to reduce day power and go directional days is dismissed. KVOZ remains U2 10000/1000.

910 WGTO MI Cassopolis - Application to make changes in their directional patterns is dismissed.

950 WCTN MD Potomac-Cabin Hill - Application to change Col to Aspen Hill with an increase in nighttime power is dismissed. WCTN remains U3 2500/47.

1050 WIQB SC Conway - CP for U4 25000/1000 plus a change in Col to Charleston, South Carolina has been dismissed. WIQB remains U4 5000/473.

1190 KDAO IA Marshalltown - Application to increase night power is dismissed. KDAO remains U1 250/20.

1190 WNWV WI Sun Prairie - Licensed for D3 1000/0. WNWV has a CP for D3 4800/0 with an amendment for D3 4700/0. The amendment has been dismissed.

1230 KYPA CA Los Angeles - CP for U1 540/540 has been dismissed. KYPA remains U1 1000/1000.

1230 WYCB DC Washington - Application to decrease power is dismissed. WYCB remains U1 1000/1000.

1240 KBLI MT Helena - Application to change Col to East Helena is dismissed.

1440 WPRD FL Winter Park - Application to change Col to Fairview Shores is dismissed.

1510 KSTV TX Stephenville - Application to move to Granbury, Texas with D3 250/0 has been dismissed. KSTV remains D1 500/0.

1530 KSMM MN Shakopee - Application to change Col to Hopkins, Minnesota along with an increase in day and night power levels is dismissed. KSMM remains U4 8600/10.

1570 WBGX IL Harvey - Application was to add a fourth tower to their array in order to increase their daytime power to become U4 5000/500. WBGX remains U4 1000/500.

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

580 WBIL AL Tuskegee 900 WURD PA Philadelphia
 620 KPOJ OR Portland 940 KPSZ IA Des Moines
 640 WOI IA Ames 1070 KILR IA Easterville
 730 KYBE MO Warren 1240 WLAN MI Esping
 740 WYRB TN Harrogate 1320 WMDI MI Marquette
 740 WAMN WI Hudson 1350 KRNT IA Des Moines
 770 WCGW KY Nicholasville 1590 KPRT MO Kansas City

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

890 NEW VA Exmore - Application dates back to October of 2000. They originally asked for U1 220/220, but now have requested U1 220/220 CH 220. This may have been a tactic just to keep the application active, as it was dismissed for non-progress.

1190 WHIY AL Moulton (was a "Red Light Dismissal")

1600 WEUP AL Huntsville (was a "Red Light Dismissal")

1700 WEUV AL Huntsville (was a "Red Light Dismissal")

The following Auction 84 applications have been dismissed for failure to file a complete FCC Form 301 application and/or the associated application filing fee and FCC Form 159 by the deadline date of January 18, 2005; see DX News Volume 71 - Issue 24 for the complete Auction 84 list!

600 WSNL MI Flint - Application was for U4 450/380 with a change in city-of-license to Swartz Creek, Michigan. They have two later applications and one amendment still on file.

720 WRZN FL Hernando - Applied to change Col to Reddick, Florida with U2 8000/250.

740 NEW NV Pioche - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.

740 WGSN NY Huntington - Licensed for U4 25000/43. WGSN has a CP for U4 20000/50. This application was to change Col to Mount Olive, New Jersey with D3 50000/0 from a new 6-tower site.

790 WSVG VA Mount Jackson - Application was to change Col to Crotoes, Virginia with D3 2500/0.

800 NEW TX Mount Pleasant - Application was for U1 250/250.

830 NEW ME Bangor - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.

870 NEW CO Ault - Application was for U4 5000/246.

930 NEW OK Oklahoma City - Application was for U1 1000/1000.

1060 NEW VT Montpelier - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.

1060 NEW WA Raymond - Application was for U1 1000/500.

1070 KNTN TX Houston - Application was to change Col to Alvin, Texas.

1090 NEW AR Jonesboro - Application was for U1 250/250.

1100 NEW CA Lemon Grove - Application was for U1 250/250.

1110 KTEK TX Alvin - Application was to change Col to West University Place, Texas with U7 2500/500 CH 2500, adding night service from a new 3-tower site.

1120 NEW CA Shasta - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.

1150 NEW MT Bozeman - Application was for U1 1000/250.

1150 WSNW SC Seneca - Application was for D1 2500/0 with a change in frequency to 930 kHz.

1230 NEW ME Fort Fairfield - Application was for U1 250/250.

1240 WYNY FL Cross City - Applied to move to Hernando, FL with U1 700/600.

1250 NEW ID Salmon - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.

1260 NEW AZ Sacaton - Application was for U1 250/250.

1260 NEW MI Adrian - Application was for U2 500/250.

1260 NEW WA Aberdeen - Application was for U2 1000/1000.

1270 NEW WV Charleston - Application was for U1 250/250.

1280	NEW	TX	Longview - Application was for U1 250/250.
1320	WAMR	FL	Venice - Application was for U4 20000/3300 with a change in Col to Longboat Key, Florida.
1330	NEW	FL	Ocala - Application was for U4 2600/690.
1330	NEW	NV	Pioche - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.
1350	NEW	FL	Gainesville - Application was for U4 410/6800.
1360	NEW	ID	Sun Valley - Application was for U1 5000/250.
1360	NEW	NV	Fallon - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.
1370	NEW	WI	Sussex - Application was for U1 250/250.
1390	NEW	CA	Susanville - Application was for U1 250/250.
1400	NEW	FL	Holiday - Application was for U1 1000/1000.
1400	NEW	NM	Lordsburg - Application was for U1 250/250 as a non-commercial station.
1400	NEW	SD	Lead - Application was for U1 250/250.
1400	NEW	WV	Oak Hill - Application was for U1 1000/1000.
1400	NEW	WI	Saint Germain - Application was for U1 250/250.
1420	KPIR	TX	Granbury - Applied to change Col to Crowley, Texas with U4 1000/500 from a new 2-tower site.
1430	NEW	SC	Goose Creek - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.
1430	NEW	WY	Cheyenne - Application was for U1 1000/250.
1450	NEW	WI	Cumberland - Application was for U1 250/250.
1460	WBCU	SC	Union - Licensed for U2 1000/1000. WBCU has had an application for U2 1700/80 since January of 2000, plus an amendment upping the night power to 93 Watts, all on 820 KHz. These requests have been dismissed. Their Auction 84 application was for D1 1000/0 on 690 KHz is still in the 'pending' file. Panama City Beach - Application was to change Col to Southport, Florida with U1 5000/74.
1480	WKGC	FL	Panama City Beach - Application was to change Col to Southport, Florida with U1 5000/74.
1480	WJFC	TN	Jefferson City - Application was to move to 1230 with U1 1000/1000.
1540	WRTK	OH	Niles - Application was for D3 300/0 with a Col change to Lakewood, Ohio.
1550	NEW	MA	Nantucket - Application was for U1 1000/1000.
1550	WCTZ	TN	Clarksville - Here's another one which is just not satisfied. Licensed for U1 2500/10, WCTZ had applied for D1 1000/0 on 690 and D1 500/0 on 830, with a Col for both applications to Goodlettsville, Tennessee. The FCC has dismissed the former.
1570	NEW	FL	Pensacola - Application was for U1 1000/1000.
1590	NEW	PR	San Juan - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.

NORTH OF THE 49th
 □ The CRTC has authorized the CBC to delete CBGAV-1340 Sainte-Anne-des-Monts, Quebec three months after the new FM station there on 101.1 MHz with 49,800 Watts takes to the air. Programming will be simulcast during those initial months. Another GYer gone!

HEAR AND THAR
 □ Gone silent are WAAA-980 Winston-Salem, North Carolina and KHRO-1650 El Paso, Texas, but back on are WBDY-1190 Bluefield, Virginia with a sports format on the Fox Sports Network and IDing as "Fox Sports 1190" and WOLD-1330 Marion, Virginia with a religious format.
 □ Thanks to Roger Winsor for AM Log updates, and Shawn Axelrod, Perry Cabill, Bill Dvorak, Wayne Heinen, Deane McIntyre, and Jerry Starr for info shared here.

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE
 * indicates record held by DXer from North America (excluding Alaska)

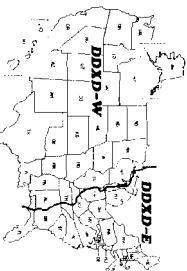
1230 KHz:	KHSN OR	Coos Bay	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	449
	KYJC OR	Medford	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	459
1240 KHz:	KROY CA	Sacramento	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	663
	WDDO GA	Macon	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	*686
	KMHI ID	Mountain Home	John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge, CO	597
	KEVA WY	Evanston	Bill Harms	Elkridge, MD	1803
	XELM Gro	Tuxtla Gutierrez	Sleve Ponder	Bossier City, LA	1089

1340 KHz:	KFBR AZ	Nogales	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	1178				
	KMAK CA	Fresno	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	766				
	KVRH CO	Salida	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	866				
	KBET NV	Reno	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	578				
	KMTI UT	Manit	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	645				
1400 KHz:	KXIV AZ	Phoenix	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	(Tie) *1026				
	KJIR MT	Whitefish	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	146				
	KNND OR	Cottage Grove	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	*388				
	WLSB TN	Copperhill	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	612				
	KTNT WA	Tacoma	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	241				
	XETO TA	Tampico	Sleve Ponder	Fort Worth, TX	723				
1450 KHz:	KOBO CA	Yuba City	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	*630				
	KFLS OR	Klamath Falls	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	*438				
	KBPS OR	Portland	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	296				
	WBVA VA	Bayside	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	232				
1490 KHz:	WGCH CT	Greenwich	Bill Harms	Elkridge, MD	(Tie) 207				
	WCDO NY	Sidney	Bill Harms	Elkridge, MD	228				
	KBRO WA	Bremerton	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	*251				
	KVAC WA	Forks	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	*331				
	KRTR WY	Thermopolis	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	520				
TOTALS:	Bill Harms	Spokane Valley, WA	1230	1240	1340	1400	1450	1490	TOTAL
	Bill Harms	Elkridge, MD	14	14	24	16	26	12	106
	Bill Harms	Elkridge, MD	4	14	6	4	8	22	58

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DDXD-West

From the Vast Westland!

- Spring has come to the Vast Westland! We should all congratulate ourselves for making it through another long winter.
- Late winter brought a blizzard of fine loggings to the DDXD-W desk. What is impressive about this set of loggings is the number of times the word "NEW" appears in them — new stations, new states, new formats heard. Jay Heyl reports a new personal distance record, while one of John Wilkins' loggings is of one of his closest unheards. David Jones tells me that he has received nine new QSL's already in 2005, a trend he hopes continues. "NEW" — the word that keeps a DXer going. Congratulations all, and thank you for your reports!
- You may not see the word "NEW" in Rick Turner's loggings, but every one of them is a new station from his new location. Rick continues his frequency-a-day "Bandscan from Bernidji," this time of 14 frequencies to match the 14 days since the last DXN. He has now covered every frequency through 1200 KHz. Rick tells me that he has now heard 141 stations from four countries: U.S. and Canada logs are from 26 states and five provinces.
- Here's an invitation: drop me a line, telling me what's "NEW" with you. 73 Bill

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DBJ-TN David B. Jones, Springfield. Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.
GH-KS Gary Houdek, Munden. GE Superadio.
JH-CA Jay Heyl, Orange. AR 7030+, Wellbrook ALA-1530, Quantum QX Pro, Quantum phaser.
JG-IL Jim Gilmisky, Peoria.
JJR-WI John J. Rieger, South Milwaukee. Icom IC-R75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner-preamp.
JW-KY John E. Vervoort, Madisonville. Grundig Yacht Boy 400PE.
JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge. Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
MS-MB Morris Sorensen, Winnipeg. Drake R8 with Quantum QX Pro loop, DX-392 with stock antenna, Grundig YB-400 with stock antenna.
PG-CO Patrick Griffith, Westminster. Drake R-8 and Kiwa loop
RT-MN Rick Turner, Bemidji. Radio Shack TRF 12-655, Select-A-Tenna 541.
WH-CO Wayne Heinen, Aurora amradio@logbook@aol.com. Drake R8B N/S flag and a E/W flag (Between the Honey Locust & Aspen trees) SuperPhaser II, a few random wires & QuickRecorder on the PC.
Ed.-WI Your editor, Madison. Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.

Station News

1290 WFTS IL Peoria. Will revert to its old WIRL call letters as of Monday March 14, dropping Fox Sports (which put them dead last in the local ratings) and going "Classic Country" which they define as more Kenny Rogers than Hank Williams. Tentative plans call for locally originated programming, at least in the morning. (JG-IL)

1300 APP MN Bemidji. The following appeared in the March 2nd edition of the Bemidji Pioneer: "Legal Adversement Public Notice: On January 18, 2005, R. P. Broadcasting, Inc. tendered for filing with the Federal Communications Commission an application for construction permit for a new Class B AM broadcast station at Bemidji, Minnesota. It is proposed that the station will operate at 1300 khz with a power of 2.5 kW and antenna height of 55.6 meters from a transmitter located at 47-26-32 North Latitude, 94-51-57 West Longitude. The main studio address is to be determined. The officer, director and stockholder of the applicant is Roger Peskvan. A copy of the application and any related material is on file for public inspection during regular business hours at KKBJ Studios, 2115 Washington Ave. Bemidji." This is 3.75 miles away from me. Oh well, goodbye to 1280-1320. :) (RT-MN)

1310 KMBS LA West Monroe. 2/25 1958. Out of obscure Beatles song with legal ID "This is KMBS West Monroe, Louisiana, Monroe's best (unreadable) on 13-10 AM" and into Chuck Mangione song. A few minutes later heard "You're listening to the Music of Your Life on KMBS 13-10 AM." Fair to poor, mixing with KXTN and KEJN. Ex-SportsTalk and a new one here, LA #13 from a semi-rare state. (JW-CO)

1310 KMBS LA West Monroe. 2/28 0400. Call sign ID and return to nostalgia music, mention of Music of Your Life slogan. New logging for me, thanks to John Wilkins. Also a format change from sports. (WH-CO)

1350 KCOR TX San Antonio. 3/1 0100. "KCOR 1350 San Antonio" ID in SS and SS Music. No Longer "Amor 95.1" or // KCOR-FM-95.1 (WH-CO)

1470 KUTY CA Palmdale. 2/25 0955. This long-time SS station is now NewsTalk. Heard with local features, Antelope Valley traffic and weather, ads: one slogan saying "North L.A. County's radio home for Bill O'Reilly weekdays at 9 on NewsTalk 1470", PST time checks, legal ID at 0959:53 "KUTY Palmdale-Lancaster-Rosamond, a High Desert Broadcasting station" and into CNN news. Good on peaks this morning in null of KEZZ. (JW-CO)

DX Tests

920 WOKY+ WI Milwaukee. 2/20 0110. Oldies music, code ID, interference from CKNX. (DBJ-TN)
920 WOKY- WI Milwaukee. 2/20 0100-0200. DX test not heard. Too much CRRY! (MS-MB)
1130 WISN WI+ Milwaukee. 2/20 0106-0200. Heard several code IDs, some voice, through KFAAN's voice and code at end of test. Relog. (MS-MB)
1240 KEVA WY+ Evanston. 2/20 0200-0240. Same code IDs heard. NEW (MS-MB)
1490 WTTB- FL Vero Beach. 2/20 0000-0020. DX test not heard! (MS-MB)

1160 UNID Presumed Tentative, UNID
1170 KIOCI IA Davenport. 3/6 0100. CBS news, ad for Ace Auto and Radiator in Bettendorf, "The Jerry Doyle Show" followed by "The Tammy Ruse Show" at 0200. No ID given; however there is an Ace Auto and Radiator listed in the Bettendorf Yellow Pages. (RT-MN)
1530 UNID 2/16 0505. ID "ESPN 1530 and 1260", then ESPN sports. I do not know who this one is. (GH-KS) (KZNX Creedmoor TX would fit; it is // KWNX 1260 Taylor TX, and they carry ESPN. However, KZNX is a daytimer. Any other ideas anyone? Ed.-WI)
1690 UNID 2/15 2305. "Real Oldies 1690" ID, then song "Locomotion." Very good signal. No ID heard. (GH-KS) (Got to be WRLL Berwyn IL. Ed.-WI)

Regular DX Loggings (times in ET)

580 KIMJ LA Alexandria. 2/26 2300. Poor. Time check, legal ID, much QRM. EWTN religious programming. (JR-WI)
580 CKUA AB Edmonton. 2/28 0807. News just ending, with man saying "That's a look at news and weather from the CKUA (unreadable) newroom. I'm Scott Stevenson", followed by a couple of folksy vocals, one sounding like Irish folk music. Fair for a few minutes over KIDO. Not common here. (JW-CO)
590 KQNT WA Spokane. 2/21 0759. Fair with ad for a furnace and heating company and ID as "Eastern Washington's Newstalk leader, 590 KQNT" (MS-MB)
590 KID ID Idaho Falls. 3/4 0911. MST time check, then weather "...on NewsRadio 1240 KWIK and NewsRadio 590 KID", this was on the program "AMI Idaho" with usual drive-time fare. Fair signal mixing with KCSJ et al. (JW-CO)
600 KSJB ND Jamestown. 2/27 0425. "After Midnight Weekends" program with C&W and 800-722-NITE request line. "Classic Country, KSJB." (PG-CO)
600 KOGO CA San Diego. 2/27 0431. Sig-alert traffic advisory on the 805 South. "The Big One, NewsRadio 600 KOGO," into Coast to Coast AM program. (PG-CO)
610 WTVN OH Columbus. 2/18 1758. "5:58 at 6-10 WTVN", then a local talkshow host taking calls regarding Bugs Bunny, followed by ABC news. Signal abruptly lost to WRUS. NEW. (JW-KY)

650 CKOM SK Saskatoon. 2/27 0730. Poor; WSM null'd. Calls infomercials. (JR-WI)
660 KTNM AZ Window Rock. 2/28 0728. Fair and strong; Legal ID between songs. Never this strong! (JR-WI) (This station is sure making the rounds lately. Ed.-WI)
690 CBU BC Vancouver. 2/28 0837. CBC Radio One programming; PST time checks; weather for British Columbia. Fair at best. (JW-CO)
700 KALL UT North Salt Lake City. 3/2 0040. Got out of the house again, and got another one that would be impossible at home. Fair-to-Good, except for splatter from KSPN. Sports programming, full call ID and Salt Lake City mentions. New! (BL-CA)

730 KRSU ID Boise. 2/27 0000. Listened to their jazz for about 2 hours during my son's baseball practice. Very few breaks, but did manage to catch an ID at 70H, with Boise, Idaho, and 89.9 mentions. Faded enough to hear an unidentified XE in there too. Never would have heard this at home, with KSRN-710 around the block. New! (BL-CA)
770 WCGW KY Nicholasville. 3/5 0645. Poor; no WABC but over UNID C&W station. Vocal SSB. EEO information and detailed sign-on announcement. Southern gospel. NEW! (JR-WI)
790 WXXA KY Louisville. 2/21 0649. Poor. "Louisville's X-tra Sports 7.90." (JR-WI)
790 CFCW AB Camrose. 2/28 0841. Gal with call letter ID and Edmonton traffic. Fair, mixing with Billings. (JW-CO)
800 WSHO LA New Orleans. 2/24 0315. "Praise in the Night" program, spot for "Bible Challenge." Log says U4, 1 kw days 233 watts night, but blasting in. (DBJ-TN)
860 KKOW KS Pitsburg. 2/18 1821. "Still more to come, so stay with us on KKOW." Mixing with semi-local WSON. NEW. (JW-KY)
870 WMTL KY Leitchfield. 2/21 0731. Very poor with open carrier, then live sign-on quickly followed by WKAR sign-on. Trying for needed WINU. NEW! (JR-WI)
890 WKMV VA Fairlawn. 3/1 1750. Religious music, ID at 1815. "This is Fairlawn 890 concluding another broadcast day." (DBJ-TN)

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 900 CKBI SK Prince Albert. 3/5 0641. Poor over others. steady signal. ID "Country 900 CKBI." (JIR-WI)
 900 CKBI SK Prince Albert. 3/9 0032. C&W hit oldies and promo for Paul Harvey on Country 900 CKBI. "All day and all night, your favorite country on CKBI." Mostly under XEW. New. (PG-CO)
 920 CKNX ON Wingham. 2/20 0100. C&W music. ID as "920 CKNX." (DBJ-TN) (During WOKY DX test. Ed.-WI)
 920 WMPL MI Hancock. 2/28 1859. Good, light QRM from WBAA and WOKY. Sporting News Radio programming just ending, legal ID "Your Information Station, 920 AM WMPL Hancock, a Victor Broadcasting station", into SRN news. NEWI (Ed.-WI)
 960 KNEB NE Scottsbluff. 2/25 0100. Call sign ID to network news. Weak in the mess. (WH-CO)
 960 KOVO UT Provo. 2/25 0500. Call ID and mentions of "KZN The Zone." (WH-CO)
 970 KNUU NV Paradise. 2/23 0200. "AM 970 KNUU Paradise-Las Vegas, K-News" and ABC News. (WH-CO)
 980 WPRE WI Prairie du Chien. 2/27 0742. Very poor. "Crusin' 980" slogan. WCUR and WONE null'd. Rare. (JIR-WI) (Rare here too, John, and I am 70 miles closer than you are. Ed.-WI)
 980 KRITX TX Rosenberg-Richmond. 2/26 2202. Brief EE ID and SS Music. (WH-CO)
 1060 KKVV NV Las Vegas. 2/21 2040. Religious talk. Mention of phone number ending in 5588. (JH-CA)
 1070 WTSO WI Madison. 2/24 1900. "Wisconsin's Sports Leader, ESPN Ten-Seven-Oh, WTSO Madison" into sports news. Strong after dark, not heard during day. (RT-MN)
 1070 WINA VA Charlottesville. 3/5 0630. Poor over others with calls, local news. (JIR-WI)
 1080 WNWJ IL Oak Lawn. 2/25 0104. PSA spot advertising that "WNWI has a couple of hours available for programming" into ethnic music. ID's as "Chicago's ethnic station." (RT-MN)
 1080 KNDK ND Langdon. 2/25 1000. Cattle and livestock prices "here on the Red River Farm Network", "The Friday Morning Market Analysis" and call sign ID at TOH. (RT-MN)
 1080 KRLL TX Dallas. 2/25 2100. Discussion about cars and insurance. "The four most famous call letters in Texas radio history, KRLL, Dallas", into CBS and local news. (RT-MN)
 1090 WTNK TN Hartsville. 2/21 0718. Poor but alone. Weather calls, C&W. (JIR-WI)
 1090 KAAY AR Little Rock. 2/26 0100. "With the power and the glory, this is KAAY Little Rock" into news. (RT-MN)
 1090 WFCV IN Fort Wayne. 2/26 1800. "Fort Wayne's Christian Voice, AM 10-90 WFCV" into USA news. (RT-MN)
 1090 KVOP TX Plainview. 2/27 0007. CBS news, local weather, ad for Scoggin-Dickey GMC (it sounded like Scott and Dickie's). "KVOP, The Mighty 10-90" into talk show. Sounded much better than 250 watts. (RT-MN)
 1100 WTAM OH Cleveland. 2/27 0100. "Home of the Indians, the Cavaliers and the Browns, this is The Big One, News Radio 1100 WTAM Cleveland" into news. (RT-MN)
 1110 KFAB NE Omaha. 2/28 0100. "The best news and talk on the air... this is News Radio 1110 KFAB Omaha, Nebraska's Super Station" into ABC news. (RT-MN)
 1110 WSLV TN Ardmore. 2/28 1950. ID as "1110 WSLV Ardmore" into C&W music. (DBJ-TN)
 1120 KMOX MO Saint Louis. 3/1 0100. "Your trusted voice for news, this is NewsTalk 11-20 KMOX Saint Louis. It's 12 o'clock in middle America" into CBS news. (RT-MN)
 1130 WISN WI Milwaukee. 2/25 0500. Local news, weather, ads. (DBJ-TN)
 1130 WISN WI Milwaukee. 3/2 2300. News, weather and "NewsTalk 11-30 WISN" ID, mixing evenly with KFAN. Hard at times to differentiate between the two stations. (RT-MN)
 1130 KFAN MN Minneapolis. 3/2 0100. "This is the radio home for Vikings football. AM 11-30 KFAN Minneapolis. The Fan" into ESPN sports news. (RT-MN)
 1140 CHR8 AB High River. 2/27 0100. C&W music, spot for a religious program, ID as "Southern Alberta's family station, AM 1140." (DBJ-TN)

1140 CHR8 AB High River. 3/3 0105. C&W music. "Serving your community in southern Alberta, AM 11-40." Very bad flutter. (RT-MN)
 1140 KSOO SD Sioux Falls. 3/3 0106. ABC news, local weather. "You're listening to the talk of Sioux Falls, AM 11-40 KSOO." (RT-MN)
 1150 KSAL KS Salina. 3/4 0100. "NewsRadio 11-50 KSAL Salina. Salina's favorite station, the news authority, NewsRadio 11-50, KSAL, Salina" into ABC news. (RT-MN)
 1150 CKOC ON Hamilton. 3/4 0103. Oldies music. "Southern Ontario's only 24 hour oldies station, AM 11-50 CKOC." (RT-MN)
 1150 WHBY WI Kimberley. 3/4 0855. Local basketball scores. "More basketball coming up tonight here on WHBY." Faded into jumble. (RT-MN)
 1150 KSEN MT Shelby. 3/4 0908. ABC and local news. ad for Western Furniture in Shelby, time check. "The KSEN news time is 7:08." New state (#25). (RT-MN)
 1150 KASM MN Albany. 3/4 1205. Agritalk (farm news and discussion), ad for Central Minnesota Federal Credit Union, mentioned that it was 38 degrees "here in Albany." Slogan ID ("Farm Radio"). No call sign ID at TOH. (RT-MN)
 1160 WAMB TN Donelson. 2/27 0704. Fair and strong with calls. Religious programming. No WYLL. (JIR-WI)
 1160 KSL UT Salt Lake City. 3/5 0100. "You're listening to Utah's news, weather and traffic station, NewsRadio 11-60 KSL Salt Lake City" into CBS news. First heard about 35 years ago when I lived in MA. New state. (RT-MN)
 1160 WYLL IL Chicago. 3/5 1805. "Stay tuned for 'Beyond The News', a weekly news journal of the Salem Network, coming up here on AM 11-60 WYLL Chicago." (RT-MN)
 1170 KOWZ MN Waseca. 3/6 1000. Local church service broadcast. "We now return you to the studios of KOWZ AM 11-70" into ABC news. (RT-MN)
 1180 WIDS IL Jacksonvile. 2-27 0718. Poor, weather, calls into AC music. Live, not on bird. (JIR-WI)
 1180 WHAM NY Rochester. 3/8 2300. "The Sports Leader, WHAM 11-80 Rochester" into CBS news. (RT-MN)
 1190 WOWO IN Fort Wayne. 3/8 0100. "The station northeastern Indiana turns to for breaking news, weather and traffic. WOWO Fort Wayne" into ABC news. (RT-MN)
 1200 WOAI TX San Antonio. 2/23 0334. Came up only briefly but got a clear ID. A new personal distance record. (JH-CA) (Approximately 1185 miles—congratulations, Jay! Ed.-WI)
 1200 WOAI TX San Antonio. 3/9 0200. "Your news, weather and traffic station, NewsRadio 1200 WOAI" into ABC news and weather for the San Antonio area. (RT-MN)
 1200 WRTO IL Chicago. 3/9 0104. SS talk by male and female, caught a call sign and COL ID in EE. Some QRM. (RT-MN)
 1200 KFNW ND West Fargo. 3/9 0853. "It's 7:53 and you're listening to family friendly, listener supported Life 1200 KFNW" into PSAs. (RT-MN)
 1200 WCHB MI Taylor. 3/9 2300. "Detroit's number one station for inspirational music, AM 1200 WCHB" into UC format. (RT-MN)
 1230 KTLAV NV Las Vegas. 2/23 0342. Caught ID just above clutter. (JH-CA)
 1240 KSMVA CA Santa Maria. 2/22 0333. ID coming out of break. Faded back into clutter night after. (JH-CA)
 1250 KIKZ TX Seminole. 2/25 1921. SS tunes; ad after each song for the same furniture store in Hobbs; several minutes of dedications at 1932. Also heard next evening in SS, with legal ID at TOH, so is at least partly, if not fulltime, in SS now. (JW-CO)
 1270 WLJK TN Newport. 2/25 2133. "Playing your favorite songs from the '50s, '60s and '70s, AM 1270 WLJK", followed by "Nowhere to Hide." Fair signal, but mainly alone on frequency. NEW. (JY-KY)
 1280 WNAM WI Neenah. 2/21 0636. Poor to fade out. Calls and "Storm Team 2" weather. Not common despite closeness. (JIR-WI)
 1280 KXTK CA Arroyo Grande. 2/24 0359. "ESPN in Arroyo Grande." (JH-CA)
 1290 KWFS TX Wichita Falls. 3/4 2158. Local ads, then "NewsTalk twelve ninety KWFS AM Wichita Falls." into ABC news. Still being heard at 2400. Supposed to be on 73 watt ND and I am 547 miles away! (PG-CO)
 1290 KUMA OR Pendleton. 3/4 2204. During fade of KWFS heard "Those are your news headlines, I'm Gordon Thurman, NewsTalk twelve ninety KUMA." Promos for

- "You're Fired" and "The Real Deal" on weekday mornings then into Michael Savage. (FG-CO)
- 1310 KXTN TX **San Antonio, 2/25 2003.** Tejano tunes, male announcer with frequent "KXTN Tejano 107.5" ID's. Announcements, ads, and announcer were all in EE, the music in SS. Generally fair in KEKA null. Report sent. (JW-CO)
- 1310 KXTN TX **San Antonio, 2/27 2301.** "KXTN AM and FM" ID and Tejano Music. Dominant in KEKA null. (WH-CO)
- 1310 KOKX IA **Keokuk, 2/28 0505.** "Tri State News five time a Day on AM 1310 KOKX Keokuk" and promo for Big Band Show. First time here for me. (WH-CO)
- 1310 KLIJ ID **Twin Falls, 2/28 0800.** Complete TOH ID "AM 1310 your Mountain Valley station for News, Weather and Rush Limbaugh, Newsradio 1310 KLIJ Twin Falls." (WH-CO)
- 1320 KCTC CA **Sacramento, 2/26 0455.** "13-20 KCTC Sacramento." (JH-CA)
- 1340 KEWE CA **Oroville, 3/1 0200.** Heard on overnight recording, with ESPN radio TOH ID's. Oroville mention. Heard full call-sign and CDL in later recording, too. Over unID SS station. Fair-poor. New! (BL-CA)
- 1350 KCOR TX **San Antonio, 2/26 2008.** Latino music leading up to Spurs pre-game coverage at 2020. Frequent ads, occasional call letter ID, all in SS, of course. Fair with no significant ORM. Report sent. (JW-CO)
- 1350 KCAR TX **Clarksville, 3/1 0605.** "... from the KCAR Weather Center..." and C&W Music. Took over from KCOR. (WH-CO)
- 1350 KBRX NE **O'Neill, 3/1 0705.** Promo for the O'Neill Shopper on KBRX. First time heard here in years. (WH-CO)
- 1370 KJCE TX **Rollingwood, 2/27 0500.** Legal ID at 0500:03 "KJCE Rollingwood-Ansthn, NewsTalk Radio 13-70 AM, Ansthn's conservative voice, where your news starts now" and into CBS news. Fair at best; needed here for a call change, ex-KKMJ. (JW-CO)
- 1420 WRGC GA **Columbus, 2/25 2157.** "Neal Boortz, weekdays at (unreadable) on AM 14-20 WRGC." Fair to poor signal. (JW-KY)
- 1420 WRMR OH **Cleveland, 2/26 0622.** Poor over others. "WHK" ID, Bill Bennett show. (JRW-WI)
- 1430 WFOB OH **Fostoria, 2/26 2123.** Fair; station promo, calls on top of frequency. C&W. (JRW-WI)
- 1440 WPRS IL **Paris, 2/26 0705.** Poor in fade-up over WNFL and WROK. Calls, oldies. Rare! (JRW-WI)
- 1450/07 KSQP SD **Pierre 3/1 0948.** Dot-Com and 1-800 ads, then a spot for an area casino; soon faded. This station is never in for more than a minute or two at a time, so have not been able to get enough details for a good report yet. (JW-CO)
- 1540 KMPC CA **Los Angeles, 3/2 0959.** Couple of ads, then Legal ID at 1002 "1540 The Ticket is KMPC Los Angeles, home to the back-to-back national champion USC Trojans and the NCAA (unreadable)." More Fox Sports followed. Fair, mixing with KXEL, which always hangs in well after sunrise. Got good details for a reception report. (JW-CO)
- 1550 WIRV KY **Irvine, 2/21 0153.** Poor alone, ID "Tri Cities Oldies Network." (JRW-WI)
- 1550 WCVL IN **Crawfordsville, 2/21 0656.** Poor to fade-out with very detailed EEO information. (JRW-WI)
- 1550 KXTO NV **Reno, 3/4 0904.** Total Recorder does it again! Heard on overnight recording, full TOH ID in Spanish-accented English. Heard on earlier recordings, but couldn't make it out until I caught it again later. Had to detune to avoid splatter from KMPC. Fair-to-poor. New! (BL-CA)
- 1550 KKAD WA **Vancouver, 3/4 1000.** I had to listen to this clip a few times, but I was able to hear "You're listening to the Music of your Life. This is KKAD Vancouver-Portland", into TOH news. Fair-to-poor. New! (BL-CA)
- 1550 KICS NE **Hastings, 3/2 1101.** Weather forecast; then man says "That's an update on weather at ESPN 1550 KICS", an ad followed, then faded. New here. Nebraska #49. This was one of my Closest Unheard Stations, somehow eluding me for 23 years. (JW-CO) (Congratulations, John! Ed.-WJ)
- 1550 WJIL IL **Jacksonville, 2/9 0159.** Out of a Big Band type tune and into ID at 0159:55 "You're listening to the Music of Your Life on AM 1550 WJIL Jacksonville". ABC news followed at 0200. Briefly fair, mixing with KSFT, and sounding pretty good for 10 wats. A new one here. IL #33. (JW-CO)

- 1580 WYOK AL **Oxford, 2/21 0146.** Poor in clear, with calls, oldies. New! (JRW-WI)
- 1590 WAJK IL **Galesburg, 2/18 2305.** Song "Shrimp Boats", then ID "WALK Galesburg, all your favorites are here 24 hours." First time I have heard this station. Good signal. (GH-KS)
- 1650 KCNZ IA **Cedar Falls, 2/18 2245.** Weather forecast, station ID "KCNZ 1650", then the Jim Bohannon Show. (GH-KS)

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REPORTERS

- MKB-ON **Mike Brooker, Toronto - Grundig YB-400PE, Panasonic RF-2200.**
- ILB-NY **Jerry Bond, Rochester - Hammarlund HQ-140 XA and 3 foot loop antenna.**
- SC-ON **Saul Chernos, Burnt River - Sangean AT9509, RadioShack loop, three 1000-foot longwires.**
- MGC-NJ **Mike Clancy, Jersey City - DX-396**
- JE-ON **Jeff Falconer, Clinton - AOR AR2703+4, 130 east EWE / 130 west EWE-1026 phaser, etc.**
- MH-NC **Mike Hardester, Jacksonville - ICOM R-70, 75 foot random wire.**
- WJH-MD **Bill Harris, Elkridge - R8B, Homebrew K9AY, Quantum Phaser.**
- RJ-NC **Russ Johnson, Lexington - Sony 2010, Icom R75, Palstar R30C, longwires.**
- CK-OH **Chuck Kaufman, Lebanon - AT5 909, Sony ICF SW77 and CC Radioplus.**
- JR-NY **Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville - Sangean AT5 909.**
- PEW-SC **Jim Renfrew, Byron - Drake R8B, Beverages, Quantum Phaser.**
- ILW-NY **Powell E. Way, West Columbia - in the 1996 Ranger.**
- Leslie Wood, East Meadow - Sony ICF 2010 and RS Loop.**

DX TESTS

- 920 WOKY WI **Milwaukee - 2/20 0018 - Morse code ID was fair copy through WYMB. (RJ-NC)**
- + 2/20 0100 - Did try, but not too long. Local WSRP-910 now zaps the range from 900-920 with spill over to roughly 895 and 925. A total waste of space. (MH-NC)
- + 2/20 0108 - Code IDs in between musical selections. The music was mostly soft rock from the late 60s and early 70s. The signal was fair and steady with CKNX nullled and with WYMB in ESPN. (WJH-MD)
- 1130 WISN WI **Milwaukee - 2/20 0007 - Milwaukee weather. WISN voice ID. Then WISN Morse code ID during Coast-To-Coast introduction music. Very good signal over WBBR. (RJ-NC)**
- + 2/20 0100 - News, voice ID at approximately 0103, and Code ID at 0106. Coast to Coast AM followed. Fairly good signal, mostly besting a phased nullled WBBR. (WJH-MD)
- + 2/20 0155 - WBBR dominated the frequency and I was headed to bed, but gave it a final shot and came up with both a voice ID and code IDs. This gives me 49/48 states heard/OSL. Report with tape sent. (MH-NC)
- 1240 KEVA WY **Evanston - 2/20 0210 - Perhaps my best catch in almost 40 years of DXing. Heard bits and pieces of code at 0210, and then two or three clear strings of code at 0212. Very faint, but audible. I had other DXers in #mwdx listen to the audio clip to confirm what I heard. (WJH-MD)**
- 1490 WTTB FL **Vero Beach - 2/20 0006 - Bits and pieces of tone and possible code at times, but nothing specific to ID the station. At 0017:45 had a series of what I originally thought sounded like 5 time pips: ----- . For those knowing code, and I m stretching it here, it may have been ----- . Fun trying. (MH-NC)**

PRESUMED/UNID

- 660 WXCp OH **Waverly - 2/13 0746 - Presumed with a spot for a gospel program. Green Acres TV show theme and a spot for Welcome Wagon, mixing with a phased WFAN, gospel music station, and a station with a loud preacher. (WJH-MD)**
- 760 KTKRp TX **San Antonio - 2/18 2335 - thanks to various tips on the NRC list I heard the station with Rampage v. Grizzlies hockey. ID as "The Ticket". New. (JR-NY)**
- + 2/19 2305 - Noted mostly under WJR with basketball game between Texas Longhorns and Baylor Bears. (ILB-NY)
- 880 WBKZp GA **Jefferson - 2/24 1900 - noted on car radio with "Z-88" slogan. (JR-NY)**
- 1480 WGUsp GA **Augusta - 2/21 2227 - thanks to a tip from Saul Chernos, noted with South-**

ern Gospel music. New. (R-NY)
1530 WYBFP MA Middleboro Center-2/22 1713 - Presumed with Massachusetts Reading Service programming with news about the West Nile Virus. It disappeared abruptly at 1715. (ILB-NY)
1560 WAGLP SC Lancaster-3/1 1736 - Heard saying they were "bringing back memories with the music of your life." (ILB-NY)
1620 UNID NC Lexington-2/27 0910 - "Welcome to our home at 6 Oak Avenue." Description of 3 bedroom home selling for \$94.5. Just 5 minutes from golf course. "Call Realtor Kent Davis at 978-7846." (R)-NC)
 STATION LOGGINGS
580 KJMI LA Alexandria-2/27 0000 - Financial Planning program and then Gospel music. TOH ID. Decent signal that faded from time-to-time. "It's eleven o'clock. You're listening to Radio Maria on AM 580, KJMI, Alexandria, Louisiana." (IEN-GA)
590 WROW NY Albany-2/20 1776 - Talk program and "news/talk 590 WROW" ID. CBS news on the hour. (LW-NY)
620 WKHB PA Greensburg-3/4 1802 - creaming WHEN groundwave with news on President Bush's planned visit to Pittsburgh, "and now your KHB Pittsburgh forecast" into local weather, "62 WKHB" jingle. QSLed as WHJB in 1977. (MKB-ON)
630 WPRO RI Providence-2/11 1630 - Sports, traffic report, weather and ID as "WPRO News Time is 4:32". Mixing with nullled WMAL. First official catch with Quantum Phaser. (WJH-MD)
640 KFI CA Los Angeles-2/26 0655-0710 - LA news, KFI traffic center. "KFI news time 4:02," then weather for LA (High to be around 60). First time I've caught this from Lebanon, OH, since the late 1970s. Thanks for the heads-up about non-directional signal from the Jan. 17 DX News. (CK-OH)
660 KTTNN AZ Window Rock-2/26 0627 - Several distinct "KTTNN" call-letter IDs between C&W music but talk was not EE, SS or FE. I was floored when looking in the log book to match calls and found AZ. The signal held until WXIC-Ohio carrier came on. (CK-OH)
WDLT AL Fairhope-2/27 0650 - Announcer boasts of "Mobile's new home for the blues," between R&B, over SS. (CK-OH)
WBHR MN Sauk Rapids-2/28 1828 - Steady in WFAN's null with several IDs as "Minnesota's only 24-hour all-sports station" during ESPN ad break. (CK-OH)
 + 3/4 1836 - alone on west wire with Timberwolves pregame show. ID "You're listening to Minnesota Score Radio on AM 660, WBHR, The Bear." (JF-ON)
680 WPTF NC Raleigh-3/1 1758 - Weather and traffic report on the 8s. Mention of morning news with Kevin Miller on "Talk 680 WPTF, a Curtis Media Group station." (LW-NY)
WCBM MD Baltimore-3/1 1758 - Sean Hannity show, break for local traffic report and brief mention of sports scores. Good, in and out with WPTF. (LW-NY)
690 WZAP VA Bristol-2/15 1816 - Religious music followed by sign-off message: "WZAP, Bristol, Virginia, is required by the FCC to reduce power at this time..." Signal fair. Rare. (MC-NJ)
WELD WV Fisher-2/19 1833 - Good signal with ID and spots for Pendleton County Bank. (ILB-NY)
730 WPTT PA Pittsburgh-2/13 0828 - Program called "Community Concerns" about a Charter School in Pittsburgh, it was an interview of the president of Pittsburgh Urban League of Pittsburgh. ID by male as "73 WPTT Pittsburgh." Ad for the Three Step Plan. Over nullled WKDL. (WJH-MD)
WMTG KY Vandevle-2/15 1809 - "...if you are listening in ? county, we invite you to listen to WMTG-FM... this is WMTG." First time visitor showed up while I was changing stations. (MC-NJ)
WNAK PA Nanticoke-2/15 0610 - Popped in with ID by male announcer as "7-30 WNAK" in between musical selections. WKDL phase-nullled. (WJH-MD)
760 KTKR TX San Antonio-2/19 0512 & 2215 - Sports talk overnight and live basketball evening. Weak but solid under WJR. Matched to web site (roughly a 30-second delay noted). New. (SC-ON)

790 WSGW MI Saginaw-2/28 1805 - Heard briefly with weather and ID. (ILB-NY)
WAWY WI Eau Claire-3/4 1906 - over the usual weather; (CJGM, WAEB) with "news-talk 790 WAWY" ID at end of local weather, into ABC News special report on Martha Stewart's release from prison. (MKB-ON)
810 WPIN VA Dublin-2/13 0715 - Sign on announcement by female announcer "Fox Sports Radio AM 8-10 WPIN Dublin and the New River Valley on the Sports Addict Radio Network now begins its broadcast day." Then joined the network feed in progress. Over all. (WJH-MD)
820 WGGM VA Chester-2/13 0730 - Spot for a Christian Music Countdown Magazine Program on "your station for Christian Classics WGGM." Over phased WXTK. (WJH-MD)
850 WEEI MA Boston-3/1 1712 - "Sports radio WEEI" repeated several times. (ILB-NY)
KOIA CO Denver-3/1 2359 - "This is the 50,000 watt voice of the West - \$50 KOIA, Denver, Colorado. It's 10 o'clock." News next which included story about a plane crash in Del Grande. Fair. Clear signal that faded slowly. (MC-NJ)
860 WLBG SC Laurens-2/25 0820 - Fair with mentions of "The Morning Crew." (PEW-SC)
880 WMDB TN Nashville-2/20 1812 - nice signal obliterating WCBS for a few moments, new with these calls. (JR-NY)
KRVN NE Lexington-2/28 1904 - putting up a good fight with WCBS, with ABC news, ad for Advil Liqui-Gels, ID as "It's 6:04 central time and you're with KRVN Lexington... we'll have the weather in a moment". (MKB-ON)
910 WLTP OH Marietta-2/21 1800 - Booming in with TOH ID as "This is the station for the hottest talk in the Valley. This is Talk Radio 9-10 WLTP Marietta-Parkenburg." Into network news and then was promptly gone in assumed pattern change. (WJH-MD)
920 CKNX ON Wingham-2/15 0455 - "News and Information and Country Gold AM 920 CKNX" Dominant, on top of frequency. (LW-NY)
WOKY WI Milwaukee-2/20 0116 - Morse Code under very strong CKNX, 0151 mention of downtown West Bend, WOKY calls, 1053 "America's Best Music." (SC-BR)
930 WRVC WV Huntington-2/21 0732 - Local Ads, ID by man as "9-30 WRVC" into talk about the Daytona 500. Blasting through the mess with WFMD phase nullled. (WJH-MD)
WLLL VA Lynchburg-2/21 0734 - Poked through WRVC, WFMD, and the rest with a singing ID as "... Gospel Music (AM) 9-30 WLLL." Heard gospel music after the ID which could have been from them. (WJH-MD)
940 WINE CT Brookfield-2/21 0700 - ID as "The Music of Your Life 9-40 WINE Brookfield, 15-10 WPUT Brewster." Into AP Network News. Fair over phased nullled CINW. (WJH-MD)
950 WTBX NY Utica-2/7 1730 - "WTBX 950" news time announced, into CNN News. (LW-NY)
WPEN PA Philadelphia-2/21 1719 - Elvis tune, then "Oldies 950 WPEN" ID. (SC-ON)
980 WCAP MA Lowell-2/15 1523 - Spot for Bob Carroll in the morning and Cameron Thomas in the afternoon, ID by male as "TalkRadio 9-80 WCAP", followed by a MOYL selection. Over nullled WTEM. (WJH-MD)
1070 WAPI AL Birmingham-2/25 0831 - fair mixing with WFLI "WAPI newstime 8:31" (PEW-SC)
WFLI TN Lookout Mountain-2/25 0833 - fair, swapping with WAPI. "... serving 65 counties... this is WFLI Lookout Mountain Chattanooga." (PEW-SC)
WINA VA Charlottesville-3/6 0800 - over nullled WIBC/CHOK with top of hour ID: "We are first with local news. Period. This is 1070 WINA Charlottesville." into local news "from the WINA News Center". (MKB-ON)
1130 WISN WI Milwaukee-2/20 0106 - Art Bell theme music and show. WDFN Detroit appeared to be off. Heard again at 2/20 1750 on sunset skip with "Newstalk 1130 WISN" ID, and again the following morning. WDFN eventually returned to the air, and dominating the channel as it usually does with WBBR in NYC. (SC-BR)
KDFN MN Minneapolis-2/20 1844 - Promo for Minnesota event. No sign of WDFN Detroit. (SC-ON)
1140 KSOO SD Sioux Falls-2/28 0859 - Alone but weak with full ID, even the name of the

- 1150 **WCRC TN** **TN** **Morristown** - 2/19 2152 - "Yesterday", "I'll Never be the Same Again", and "Summer Breeze", followed by ID: "The heartbeat of ? county, WCRC, Morristown." Occasional visitor showed up three nights in a row. Also heard state tournament basketball game. Signal fair and fluttery with fading. (MC-NJ)
- 1200 **WCHB MI** **Taylor** - 2/15 0459 - Black gospel music. TOH ID by male announcer. Over the mix. (WJH-MD)
- 1220 **WKMT NC** **King's Mountain** - 2/27 0027 - Southern gospel competing with urban gospel from WJH in Cleveland, Ohio, up to sign off. Decent signal with fading: "...join us again tomorrow on WKMT, King's Mountain". (IEN-GA)
- 1230 **WVNT WV** **Parkersburg** - 2/13 0700 - "The newest and freshest talk show voices in the valley on WVNT Parkersburg AM 1230, the Valley's news talk leader" (RJ-NC)
- 1240 **WWWC NC** **Wilkesboro** - 2/21 2140 - Popped in with ID and mention of Wilkesboro. Not much else heard in the mess. (WJH-MD)
- 1250 **WSSP WI** **Milwaukee** - 2/22 1747 - Noted on top of everyone saying "sports radio WSSP-Milwaukee's fulltime sports station." (JLB-NY)
- 1260 **WMMI MA** **Boston** - 2/21 1659 - Finally IDed this Disney station in WWRK's null. Ad for Children's Expo and ID as "AM 12-60 WMMI Boston." On top. (WJH-MD)
- 1290 **WJNO FL** **West Palm Beach** - 2/15 1720 - Popped in with ID by male announcer as "...Newradio 12-90 WJNO." mixing in the mess. Slop from WJFK 1300 phase null. (WJH-MD)
- 1300 **WKCY VA** **Harrisonburg** - 2/15 1000 - TOH ID by male announcer as "1300 WKCY Harrisonburg, 9-70 WKCI Waynesboro, Clear Channel World-wide." Into AP Network news. Over WJFK which was phase null. WJFK is about 9 miles from here. (WJH-MD)
- 1310 **WTLR FL** **Coconut Beach** - 2/15 1825 - Good over phased-null WJFK for at least a few moments with IDs and travel info. (WJH-MD)
- 1340 **WCCW MI** **Traverse City** - 3/1 1800 - Legal ID in null of semi-local WRSB in Canandaigua, NY. (JLB-NY)
- 1360 **WLEW MI** **Bad Axe** - 2/21 0841 - "Keep your radio tuned to WLEW for the best country hits and classics." New. (SC-ON)
- WTAQ WI** **Green Bay** - 3/6 0842 - pretty much alone on frequency with polka show (presumably a weekly Sunday morning program, not their full-time format), ID as "we'll have more great polkas right here on WTAQ", ad for Don's Quality Market. OSLED as WGEE in 1978. (MKB-ON)
- WWOW OH** **Conneaut** - 3/7 0659 - over nothing in particular with Ohio Lottery ad, local

- 1370 **WCCN WI** **Neillsville** - 2/27 0759 - over WXXI groundwave with *Black is Black* by Los Bravos, top of hour ID by woman: "1370 AM WCCN Neillsville" into ABC news. (MKB-ON)
- 1380 **WDLW OH** **Lorain** - 2/19 1657 - Promo for high-school game and university wrestling. Mentions of WLYC (Channel 3 in Cleveland) and Elyria (Cleveland suburb). New. (SC-ON)
- 1390 **WNIO OH** **Youngstown** - 2/23 1755 - NOS music, station ID, in 1390 mess. Mixing with WFBL and WEOK. New. (LW-NY)
- 1400 **WLTN NH** **Littleton** - 3/1 1618 - This one made it through the mess proclaiming "oldies are better than ever and they're on WLTN-Littleton." (JLB-NY)
- 1410 **WTQR AL** **Prattville** - 2/12 1900 - faded up over CKSL/WING. mess with ID at end of SNR program, "The Cat (or Catch?) 1410 WTQR." New! (JF-ON)
- 1420 **WLIS CT** **Old Saybrook** - 2/15 1730 - Spot for a local charity event and an ID as "14-20 11-50 WLIS WMRD". Over the mess. (WJH-MD)
- 1430 **WENE NY** **Endicott** - 2/21 1058 - Surprising midday reception. Ad for local car dealer, PSA for volunteering, and PSA for ARRL. IDs as "This is... for... Sports Radio 14-30 The Team... WENE Endicott. The... for Fox Sports Radio. Sports Radio 14-30 The Team, a service of Clear Channel Radio." Over WSNW with WNAV phase null. (WJH-MD)
- 1450 **WQIM NC** **Myrtle Beach** - 2/21 0458 - ads for MyrtleBeachHelpWanted.com. (RI-NC)
- 1470 **WJDY MD** **Salisbury** - 2/21 0859 - Only heard a faint ID by a woman as "WJDY Salisbury 14-70." WJTR phased null. (WJH-MD)
- 1490 **WVGB SC** **Beaufort** - 2/8 2200 - TOH ID by male. I heard network news, but I am not sure it was them. (WJH-MD)
- 1510 **WNBT PA** **Wellsboro** - 2/23 1700 - Adult standards, then legal ID into news. (JLB-NY)
- 1520 **WARR NC** **Warrenton** - 2/8 1800 - Gospel music. Full sign off with a station identification by a man as "This is radio WARR Warrenton, North Carolina coming to the end of another broadcast day." Trying to break through WKKB. (WJH-MD)
- 1540 **WREJ VA** **Richmond** - 2/13 0822 - "Richmond's home for gospel..." (RI-NC)
- 1550 **WUTQ NY** **Utica** - 2/23 1707 - Strong signal announcing "this is the sports stars network broadcast from high atop the Mayville Building in downtown Utica." They also mentioned network stations on 1230 and 1480. (JLB-NY)
- 1580 **WVOK AL** **Oxford** - 2/21 0358 - Song "Sugar Sugar" by the Archies, TOH ID as "CNN News... top of the hour... WVOK 15-80 AM Oxford, Addison, and Jackson." Fair but on top of the mix. Thanks to Barry on #mwx for the tip off. (WJH-MD)
- 1600 **WTCL FL** **Chattahoochee** - 2/21 2028 - ID and religion. Very strong signal. (SC-ON)
- KATZ MO** **St. Louis** - 2/22 1832 - Local traffic report on "KATZ-AM". (JLB-NY) **WHNP MA** **East Longmeadow** - 2/28 1635 - In well with ID, weather and the AI Franken Show. (JLB-NY)

weather, top of hour ID: "the morning news is next on 1360 WWOW Conneaut, Ohio." (MKB-ON)

- TIS/HAR
1640 WPXX639 NC Benson - 2/27 0923 - "This is station WPXX639 broadcasting on frequency 1640 AM for the N.C. Dept. of Transportation." Then NOAA weather advisory. (RJ-NC)
- 1680 WPNY994 NC Mebane - 2/27 0026 - "Station WPNY994, N.C. Dept. of Transportation." References to various mile markers along I-40. (RI-NC)
- WPPD925 NC Fayetteville - 2/27 0027 - "Welcome to the Fayetteville Area." Fayetteville Visitors Bureau mention of Cape Fear Botanical Gardens. (RI-NC)
- 1700 TIS NC Ft. Bragg - 2/20 1705 - "This is Ft. Bragg emergency advisory radio broadcasting on 1700 Kiloherz AM." Describing forms of ID required to enter base, safe driving tips, etc. This TIS is not listed in FCC database. (RI-NC)

International

DX Digest

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

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March madness is back! Transatlantic DXers are in panic mode; too many signals, too little time. For those interested in the latest information about off-frequency radio stations like 782.97 Syria, 1169 Iran, and maybe Connelly's 1170.7 unID, Mauno Ritola has created a new Yahoo Group called "MW-offsets" for discussion about radio stations operating off from their nominal frequency on medium waves. The URL is <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/mwoffsets/>.

Transatlantic DX

- 153 ALGERIA *Rfd Sonore*, Bechar MAR 4 2335 - Presumed; woman in French took phone call!
Light jazz music. Fair, heard only a hint of audio at 2320. [Prodge-MI]
- 162 FRANCE *R. France*, Allouis MAR 4 2321 - Fair in LSB. Man and woman, talk in French, as usual, then for the 1st time on 162, I heard bits of music. Interference: Turkey? [Prodge-MI]
- 183 GERMANY *Europe 1*, Felsberg MAR 4 2325 - Presumed; man and woman talking in French. Poor, too much beacon het. [Prodge-MI]
- 224 LUXEMBOURG Junglinster FEB 28 0402 - Best of the LW bunch with a woman in French. [Dangierfeld-PA]
- 531 SWITZERLAND DRS1 / *Musikwelle*, Beromunster FEB 28 0412 - Old-fashioned instrumental Alpine waltz music, then a polka; good, about equal level to 530 RVC and easily spittable from it. [Connelly-MA]
- 549 ALGERIA *Alger Chaine 1*, Les Trembles FEB 27 0221 - Arabic vocal and violins; loud, + MAR 8 0421 - Large-orchestra Middle Eastern music, then a cappella male vocal chanting; very good. [Connelly-MA]
- 549 GERMANY *Deutschlandfunk* synchros FEB 26 0420 - Blues vocal parallel 756, mostly under an unID Middle Eastern music station. [Cont-NH] FEB 26 0431 - Fair with man in German parallel to 756 kHz and mixing with a second TA. Thanks to Bruce Conti for tip on *frnwdx* chat. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 549 IRELAND *Irish Christian Broadcasters*, Monaghan FEB 26 0133 - English language religious program with folk music; atop others. [Connelly-MA]
- 558 SPAIN *RNE5* synchros MAR 8 0419 - Parallel 621 with Spanish talk by woman; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 567 IRELAND *RTÉ Radio1*, Tuilmaru FEB 26 0435 - Excellent! Rock music parallel 252 kHz. [Cont-NH] FEB 26 0436-0450 - Good; male DJ, R&B music, pop tunes including 1967 hit "Tell It Like It Is" by Aaron Neville. [DeLorenzo-MA] FEB 26 0412 - I had to start partying when *RTÉ* played "Roadrunner" by Jonathan Richman & the Modern Lovers: a '70s tune glorifying the great days of rock 'n' roll AM radio in Massachusetts. Super signal at the time, so I could really crank it up like 'RKO and MEX of yesteryear. + FEB 27 0216 - Talk about the IRA; to good peak. + MAR 1 0202 - Fiddle music, *RTÉ* R.I.D. + MAR 2 0332 - "O'Connor Awards" promo, mention of *RTÉ* web and postal addresses; very good. [Connelly-MA] MAR 3 0224 - Good with woman and man in English conversing. [Dangierfeld-PA]
- 603 FRANCE *France Info*, Lyon-Tarayes FEB 27 0215 - Parallel 1206 with French female vocal of "Summer Samba" tune from '66; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN *RNE1* synchros, Santa Cruz de Tenerife et al. MAR 8 0417 - Fast-talk news in Spanish by man and woman; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 639 SPAIN *RNE1* La Coruña et al. MAR 1 0007 - Spanish news by woman; good, some 640 CBN slip. [Connelly-MA]

- UNITED KINGDOM *BBC R.5 Live*, Droithwich et al. FEB 26 0136 - Sports-related talk; poor in 680 WRKO slip. [Connelly-MA]
- 747 NETHERLANDS 747AM FlevoLand FEB 25 0105-0130 - Good in peaks with male DJ in Dutch and eclectic mix of music including jazz, new age, Bob Dylan and Buffalo Springfield. [DeLorenzo-MA] FEB 25 2340 - Fair; instrumental music, two men in presumed Dutch, no sign of RNE Canary Islands / Spain. [Cont-NH] FEB 28 0117 - Dutch talk by man; good, over 750 CBG / WSB slip. + FEB 28 0359 - Light pop vocal, then man in Dutch mentioned the Oscar ceremonies in progress at the time. Excellent signal, + FEB 28 0421 - Dramatic, '60s-style "spy movie" instrumentation (like that on "The Saint" TV show and in James Bond films). [Connelly-MA]
- 756 GERMANY *Deutschlandfunk* synchros FEB 26 0403-0421 - Loud and clear with news by man in German until 0406, then into eclectic mix of music including Spanish guitar and Delta Blues. One of the loudest TA signals I've ever heard! [DeLorenzo-MA] FEB 26 0413 - Excellent; blues vocal parallel 549 and 6190 kHz. [Cont-NH] MAR 2 0234 - Fair; semi-classical music and announcements in German by a man. This station seemed alone with no sign of Spain. [Dangierfeld-PA] MAR 4 2216 - German telephone interview; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 765 SWITZERLAND *RSR* Sothens FEB 25 2350 - Fair; soft rock vocal. [Cont-NH] FEB 27 0201 - French news by woman; loud, + FEB 28 0358 - French song in style of '60s Peter, Paul, & Mary. Jazz followed. [Connelly-MA] FEB 28 2339 - Fair; slow pop songs and a female vocalist. [Dangierfeld-PA]
- 774 EGYPT *Middle East R.*, Tanta FEB 27 0224 - Female Arabic vocal; over Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 774 SPAIN *RNE* synchros FEB 26 0008 - Good; woman in Spanish parallel 684 kHz, over unID Middle Eastern music likely from Egypt. At 0450 an excellent signal with significant synchro echo. [Cont-NH] FEB 28 0357 - Spanish talk followed by romantic duet vocal; excellent. [Connelly-MA]
- 783 MAURITANIA *R Mauritania*, Nouakchott FEB 26 0105 - Fair; female Arabic vocal parallel 4845 kHz, + MAR 10 2355 - Fair; discussion in Arabic parallel 4845 kHz, otherwise not much TA activity to speak of this evening. [Cont-NH]
- 783 SYRIA *ORTAS* Tartus FEB 26 0245 - Tentative; good signal with Middle Eastern music, 4845 Mauritania off. This will be difficult to ID without a parallel. No het or growl characteristic of a slightly off-frequency signal. [Cont-NH]
- 792 FRANCE *France Info*, Limoges FEB 25 2355 - Fair; man and woman in French with news parallel 1206 kHz. [Cont-NH]
- 819 FRANCE Toulouse FEB 26 0025 - Tentative; faded up briefly; discussion between a man and woman in what sounded like French. [Cont-NH]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN *COPE* synchros FEB 26 0505 - Good; man and woman with news; synchro echo. [Cont-NH]
- 837 FRANCE *France Info*, Nancy FEB 26 0140 - Fair; Mediterranean-influenced vocal parallel 1206, at 0200 woman in French with UTC+1 time check and news, no sign of *COPE* Canary Islands / Spain. [Cont-NH] MAR 1 2224 - Fair; woman in French. Alone on the frequency. Back in 1964 I had this station with a huge signal and logged Lebanon under it very clearly, same time of day. [Dangierfeld-PA]
- 864 EGYPT *Holy Koran Pgm.*, Santah FEB 28 0122 - Arabic male vocal; over France. + MAR 1 0238 - Koranic vocal; now huge; way over France. [Connelly-MA] FEB 28 2320 - Good; man and Koran soon to fade and be replaced by France but to come back a little later. Mark Connelly also noticed this game of tag around the same time that night. [Dangierfeld-PA]
- 864 FRANCE *France Bleu*, Paris FEB 26 0540 - Good with adjacent 860 CBG null'd; nostalgic French vocal. [Cont-NH] FEB 28 0356 - French vocal and piano; good, + FEB 28 2222 - Tele-talk with man and woman; good, + MAR 1 0226 - French male folk vocal and guitar; good. [Connelly-MA] FEB 28 2335 - Good with pop song, female vocal, woman announcer in French. Shortly before this I had Egypt with the Koran on this frequency and that station returned a while later. [Dangierfeld-PA]
- 882 UNITED KINGDOM *BBC R. Wales*, Washford / synchros MAR 2 0335 - Woman in English; fair. [Connelly-MA] MAR 2-3 2350-0020 - Noted with barely discernible music at 2350, then *BBC World Service* news after 0000 parallel 5975 kHz. A new TA here. *WRTH* says *BBC Wales* has its own programs up to 0000. The *BBC Wales* web page provided WS audio stream that was the same as what I was hearing at 0015. Washford is 500 kW, the other two sites at 1 and 10 kW. However Washford is not actually located in Wales, so I cannot claim a new "radio country". [Retfrew-NY]
- 909 UNITED KINGDOM *BBC R.5 Live* synchros FEB 28 2225 - Talk about the House of Lords and political matters including the European Union policy on human rights; good to excellent, better than adjacent 910 WAAB at times. + MAR 4 2248 - Sports-related talk with mentions of rugby; fair. [Connelly-MA]

- 945 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Toulouse MAR 1 0412 - Light music; then French talk by man; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 963 **FINLAND** *YLE R. Finland*, Pori MAR 4 2212 - Tentative, probably this during good Scandinavian conditions: classical music; fair in CHNS slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 972 **GERMANY** *NDR Info*, Hamburg MAR 4 0438 - Tentative, likely this with nostalgia music including '40s version of "My Blue Heaven" (later done by Fats Domino) momentarily good, faded before any talk was noted. [Connelly-MA]
- 981 **ALGERIA** *RTVA Chaine 2*, Algiers MAR 8 0255 - Arabic male vocal; to fair peak with WCAP off the air for a few minutes. [Connelly-MA]
- 999 **MOROCCO** *RTM A*, Tanger FEB 26 0043 - Most likely this with Arabic talk; then music; generally over Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 999 **SPAIN** *COPE Madrid* FEB 21 2343 - Good; studio interview of man by man in Spanish. Very steady signal and no problem from anything on 1000 KHz. [DeLorenzo-MA] FEB 28 0353 - Possibly sports-related Spanish talk by man and woman who read a list of names and numbers; much stronger than the 1000 jumble (WMVP/Venezuela/Columbia/Brazil). + MAR 8 2302 - Spanish telephone news interview; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1017 **GERMANY** *SWR Cont. R*, Wolsheim FEB 26 0143 - Woman in German; fair to good. [Connelly-MA] MAR 5 0130 - Good; *MDR Info* news/talk in German. [Cont-NH]
- 1044 **SPAIN** *SEF* synchros FEB 28 0455 - Spanish news; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1053 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros MAR 4 2246 - Teletalk about a previous broadcast; fair. [Connelly-MA] MAR 5 0110 - Good; talk parallel 1089 KHz. [Cont-NH]
- 1062 **DENMARK** *Danmarks Radio*, Kalundborg FEB 26 0650 - Fair; pop/rock music; strong bet against KYW. [Cont-NH] MAR 4 2245 - Scandinavian-language dance club vocal; over WBIX slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros FEB 26 0655 - Good; telephone talk parallel a weaker 1053 KHz signal. [Cont-NH] MAR 3 0003 - Huge signal with men on sports. [Dangerfield-PA]
- 1098 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros MAR 1 0012 - Parallel 1107 with Spanish teletalk; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1107 **SERBIA & MONTENEGRO** *RTS Radio 1*, Novi Sad MAR 5 0210 - Fair; piano instrumental, classical music, over/under Spain. [Cont-NH]
- 1107 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros, MAR 1 0012 - Parallel 1098 with echoey Spanish teletalk; over Arabic sounding station that was probably Egypt + MAR 8 2301 - Spanish news; fair. [Connelly-MA] *Rai R.Uho* synchros MAR 7 0455 - Parallel 1575 with test tone alternating with water-dripping sound. To fair peak, over Spain at the time. [Connelly-MA]
- 1116 **ITALY** *Rai R.Uho* synchros MAR 7 0455 - Parallel 1575 with test tone alternating with water-dripping sound. To fair peak, over Spain at the time. [Connelly-MA]
- 1116 **SPAIN** *SEF* synchros MAR 5 0030 - Fair to good; telephone talk into bumper music. [Cont-NH] MAR 7 0455 - Man and woman in Spanish; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1125 **CROATIA** *Glas Hrvatske*, Dzanovo MAR 5 0040 - Good; a variety of music parallel a local-like 1134 signal and 7285 KHz. [Cont-NH]
- 1134 **CROATIA** *Glas Hrvatske*, Zadar FEB 26 0144 - Croatian talk by woman; loud + FEB 28 2231 - Emotional Slavic male vocal; local-like + MAR 4 2203 - Croatian news by man; excellent; better than 1130 WBBR. [Connelly-MA] MAR 3 0037 - Armchair signal with Croat "folk" music and some of the vocals by a group of women. Announcements by a man in Croat. Has been best TA all season. Incidentally, we will be in Croatia come next September as well as Slovenia and Montenegro. [Dangerfield-PA] MAR 5 0050 - Excellent! Vocals parallel 7285 KHz. [Cont-NH]
- 1143 **UNITED FEB 28 0435** - Strong blank carrier overriding Spain. Faded before 0500 UTC. [Connelly-MA]
- 1169 **IRAN** *IRIB Samsary*, Semnan FEB 28 0103 - A cappella male chanting in a large echoey room; huge signal; better than 1170 WWVA. [Connelly-MA] MAR 5 0150 - Good; Koranic recitations, and a man in echoey Farsi; parallel delayed *Samsary* live Internet broadcast at www.irib.com/radio. [Cont-NH]
- 1170.7 **UNITED MAR 7 0437** - Het on high side of WWVA; seemingly too late for anything from Persian Gulf area (UAE, Iran). [Connelly-MA]
- 1179 **SWEDEN** *R.Sveiden International*, Solvåberg FEB 28 2233 - English language news about Sweden, detailed weather reports for Stockholm and other cities; loud, better than 1180 WHAM. [Connelly-MA] MAR 1 2218 - Good; man in Swedish. Often good at this time but was in well again on MAR 3 at 0440, again with man in Swedish. [Dangerfield-PA] MAR 4 2202 - News by man in Swedish; good + MAR 4 2243 - English talk about industrial development in northern Europe. [Connelly-MA]
- 1179 **UNITED MAR 4 2243** - Music with a Balkan, Greek, or Middle Eastern sound; under Sweden. [Connelly-MA]

- 1206 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Bordeaux FEB 26 0145 - Elton John song; good + FEB 27 0207 - Good with smooth jazz + FEB 28 0436 - French teletalk; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1214.9 **ALBANIA** *CRI* relay, Filakë MAR 3 2216 - Bits of Slavic talk (Serbian listed) and growl against the 1215.0 stations. Virgin R. synchros FEB 28 2355 - "Hey Jude" by the Beatles; to good peak + MAR 4 2201 - "Imagine" by John Lennon; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Virgin R.* synchros FEB 28 2355 - "Hey Jude" by the Beatles; to good peak + MAR 4 2201 - "Imagine" by John Lennon; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1242 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Marseille MAR 7 0439 - Bits of French talk and music; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1314 **NORWAY** *NRK Kvitsev* FEB 26 0148 - Blues guitar; good + MAR 4 0433 - Norwegian talk by man, then a woman spoke over a lush instrumental music background; good + MAR 4 2240 - Norwegian country/folk male vocal with guitar and accordion; excellent. [Connelly-MA]
- 1359 **SPAIN** *RVE* Arganda del Rey MAR 7 0322 - Spanish teletalk; loud, S9+30 peaks. [Connelly-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Lille MAR 5 0020 - Good; French pop vocal parallel 1557 KHz. [Cont-NH]
- 1422 **ALGERIA** *Algiers* FEB 26 0053 - Arabic music; over Germany. [Connelly-MA]
- 1422 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Heusweiler MAR 7 0336 - Classical music; very good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1431 **DJIBOUTI** *R.Sawa*, Arta FEB 28 2239 - Arabic female rock vocal; to good peak despite WXXS slop + MAR 8 2256 - *Sawa* ID, then rhythmic music; to fair peak over WXXS slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1467 **FRANCE** *TWR* Roumoules FEB 28 2245 - Man in Arabic; excellent + MAR 7 0442 - Musical-box interval signal started up at 0442 UTC, then into German talk and hymn-singing at 0445. Local-like signal, swamping 1470 WAZN/WLAW. + MAR 8 2309 - Arabic-sounding talk by man; to good peaks. [Connelly-MA]
- 1503 **IRAN** *IRIB Samsary*, Bushehr MAR 4 2325 - Good; woman in presumed Farsi; Middle Eastern music; and talk parallel delayed *Samsary* live Internet feed at www.irib.com/radio. [Cont-NH]
- 1512 **BELGIUM** *RNW* Wolvenhem FEB 26 0615 - Good; discussion in Dutch parallel 6165 KHz. [Cont-NH] FEB 28 2250 - English talk about business; noted during breaks in the audio on local WWZN. [Connelly-MA]
- 1512 **UNITED MAR 7 0330** - Maybe Belgium here with religious-sounding music; through severe WWZN slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSK5A* Duba FEB 28 2242 - Parallel 9555 KHz with Arabic talk; over second Middle East station. + MAR 7 0335 - Female Arabic vocal; very good + MAR 8 2248 - Arabic talk by woman; good, best TA at local sunset. [Connelly-MA]
- 1521 **IRAN** *IRIB I*, Kishahr FEB 28 2242 - Tentative; likely this with Middle Eastern music, behind stronger Saudi Arabia which had talk. [Connelly-MA]
- 1530 **VATICAN** *R.Vaticana*, Vatican City MAR 7 0450 - Slavic-sounding talk by woman; under WCKY. [Connelly-MA]
- 1548 **KUWAIT** *R.Sawa*, Kabd-Kuwait City FEB 27 0002 - Good; The Weathergirls "It's Raining Men," a man in Arabic, then an Arabic pop vocal. [Cont-NH] FEB 28 2233 - Arabic dance music vocal with Atropop influences; good. [Connelly-MA] MAR 5 0010 - Good; pop R&B vocal. [Cont-NH]
- 1557 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Nice MAR 4 2310 - Good; man and woman in French with news. [Cont-NH] MAR 7 0333 - French talk by woman; excellent. [Connelly-MA]
- 1575 **ITALY** *Rai R.Uho* synchros, MAR 7 0453 - Characteristic start-up sequence of test tones alternating with a dripping water (or clinking glass) type of sound; through CFAV slop + MAR 7 0503 - Italian news by man and woman; fair, over Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 1575 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** *R.Farda* FEB 27 0030 - Fair; *R.Farda* ID into news; parallel 9585 KHz. [Cont-NH]

Ben's best of times: Things must be improving as this is my second week in a row to report in. Actually, TA reception seems to be following the pattern of the last several years which is good reception in Sept. and Oct. but so-so in the mid-winter months and picking up again in Feb. and March. I think that when we reach the sun spot minimum period TA reception will be good right through. During the past four days I have counted between 40 and 60 TA signals each night with activity prior to sunset and keeping up all evening. Scandinavian stations and UK stations have been strong, a good sign, but the Middle East is still coming in. The LW band has been better although I still have to contend with severe noise in the early part of the evening. But L-A stations are not especially good though at least the Cubans aren't quite so pesky. The low end and middle of the MW band have been much better than the upper end with the exception of some Middle East stations.

Marc wants more time: TA conditions have been great. It is especially nice to hear some low-band high-latitude signals! The bad news is that, as usual, I've had very little time at the dials. *Jim says time out:* While there have been many reports of better TA signals at the end of February through the beginning of March on the NRC list, not much more than he's here on 774, 909, 1089, and 1575 kHz.

Par-American DX

- 530 **TURKS & CAICOS** R. *Vision Cristiana*, South Caicos MAR 5 0503 - Religious announcements in Spanish, at least eight RVC IDs in three minutes. "La Emisora de Dios!" Very good, well over interference. + MAR 6 1044 - Spanish religious program. Good on top. [Frodge-MJ]
- 570 **CUBA** R. *Reloj*, Santa Clara MAR 6 1049-1100+ - Only heard "RR" under WKBN. [Frodge-MJ]
- 620 **CUBA** R. *Rebelde*, multiple sites MAR 5 0451 - Up briefly with Spanish game call parallel 5025 kHz. [Frodge-MJ]
- 620 **MEXICO** XESS Tijuana FEB 14 0508 - Tentative: "Charlots of Fire" theme, into "Bridge Over Troubled Water" before fading under an unID talk station. Very poor. [Park-H1*]
- 620 **MEXICO** unID MAR 5 0443-0502, 0532-38 - Baladas, peppy tunes and typical ads/promos. Heard two "La Voz de México" spots, but that doesn't match any list I have. Fair peaks mixing with WTMJ, WRJZ and R. *Rebelde*. [Frodge-MJ]
- 640 **CUBA** R. *Progreso*, Guanabacoa and Las Tunas MAR 6 1039 - Man in Spanish with radioprogreso.cu spot and took phone call. Good over jumble. [Frodge-MJ] MAR 11 0230 - Good; promo for R. *Reloj*, ballads, receiving both stations on the frequency with "synchro echo". [Cont-NH]
- 690 **ANGUILLA** *Caribbean Beacon*, The Valley MAR 11 0030 - Good; Dr. Gene Scott parallel 6090 kHz, over an unID domestic sign-off and WELD in CINF null. Dr. Gene Scott reported to have passed away recently. [Cont-NH]
- 760 **COLOMBIA** RCN Barranquilla MAR 11 0020 - Good; man and woman with news, "la radio de Colombia" jingle. R. *Reloj* Cuba hasn't been received on this frequency in months; off the air? [Cont-NH]
- 770 **CUBA** R. *Rebelde*, unknown location MAR 6 0203 - Man in Spanish with game wrap-up and mention of R. *Sancit Spiritus*, R. *Rebelde* ID at 0204, parallel 5025 kHz. Under WABC. [Frodge-MJ]
- 870 **CUBA** R. *Reloj*, Sancti Spiritus FEB 18 0030 - Radio *Reloj* pips and ticks. Spanish news. Spotty overnight and FEB 19 as well, under WWL. No apparent sign of wobbler. At Burnt River site. New. [Chermos-ON]
- 950 **CUBA** R. *Reloj*, Havana FEB 22 0128 - Radio *Reloj* pips and ticks. Spanish news. Heard in car just outside Toronto city limits during auroral conditions. New. [Chermos-ON]
- 1500 **VENEZUELA** YVRZ R. *Das Mil*, Cumana FEB 26 0300 - Fair in WTOP null over presumed WLOV; salsa music, "Radio Dos Mil" jingle II, parallel DX Tuners.com receiver located in Caracas, Venezuela. [Cont-NH]
- 1620 **US VIRGIN ISLANDS** WIDHP Frederiksted MAR 5 0327-43 - Man in English with calypso tunes, "AM 1620 stereo, the Powerhouse of the Caribbean" Good peaks, fading to zilch leaving WHLY and an unID hockey game. [Frodge-MJ]

Transpacific DX

- 612 **AUSTRALIA** 4QR Brisbane, QLD FEB 27 1624 - Tentative; woman giving out call-in phone number 800-800-Triples-3 into O'Jays' "Backstabbers", three seconds ahead of presumed 630 4QN. Very poor. [Park-H1]
- 702 **AUSTRALIA** 2BL Sydney, NSW FEB 28 1208 - Tentative; woman talking to male guest about something in Aussie accents. Very poor and fractured reception, some 690 KORL interference. [Park-H1]

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International News

DJIBOUTI: The 1116 kHz MW transmitter has been installed and is operational at full power; we now have two MW transmitters operational at the Dorale site. Work on refurbishing the SW antenna was scheduled to begin on March 3. (IBB Engineering) This refers to the RTD facility, 1116 kHz listed as 40 kW in WRTH 2005; and SW maybe will be back on 4790 kHz. [Glen Hauser, DX Listening Digest]

VENEZUELA: Venezuela is following Canada's lead in terms of mandating local content on the radio. According to an article in the *New York Times*, a new law requires that "At least 50 percent of a radio station's programming must be Venezuelan music and at least 85 percent of its commercials must be Venezuelan-made. The law allows the government to impose fines and permits regulators to close stations that break the rules." [Don Moore, ARC LA Info Desk]

VENEZUELA: 760 YVOQ La Macro Estacion de Puerto La Cruz, ex-R. Puerto La Cruz. [José Elias Diaz Gomez via B.Malm, ARC LA Info Desk]

73 and Good DX!

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Here is the NRC column that asks the question, why are Punxsutawney Phil's weather predictions always right? When sending your items along, please keep them radio and DX related, of interest to the membership. And here we go:

Rick Turner—2800 Bemidji Avenue N.—Bemidji, MN 56601-2347 <rtuner@paulbunyan.net>
 Greetings everyone. The strategy of picking a frequency a day and just sitting on it to see what happens continues to work well here in Bemidji. The month of February saw the addition of 69 new stations logged. 1 new country (Cuba), 8 new states and 2 new provinces. This brings the two month totals here at 122 stations logged from 4 countries, 24 states and 5 provinces, all logged on my TRF with a Select-A-Tenna. My goal this year is to log 250 stations, so I am almost half-way there. For the month of March, I plan to concentrate on 1120 kHz to 1420 kHz. Another area that I plan to concentrate on later on this year is graveyard DXing, which can be a challenge as all of you know. May the DX gods smile upon all of you. 73s (it's what known as "Camping" Rick, worked well for me years ago, too. Good luck and keep us posted on your results-DWS)

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Something that hasn't been mentioned was the 2005 NRC Convention. When I was at Batavia, when they asked for a convention host of the 2005 Convention, someone forced my arm up in the air and I agreed to do it (my 3rd one as host). I figured, "hmmmm, Scranton area might be interesting, and it was an adventure to say the least as to why it has ended up where it is now. The convention will be in Lansdale, PA., and the Best Western at Kulpsville, the same place where ANARC has their annual Winterfest in March! Keep your eye on the front pages of *DX News* as more info will be forth coming as I have it available. Kulpsville is more centrally located and there is a lot to do within a hour drive of the area. One thing that will be a little different, I've had to schedule the business meeting and auction for Saturday night and the banquet for Sunday night, but that may be better than having one real long night as in the past. The next *DX News* will have in to for making reservations directly with the hotel. It has been most enjoyable to listen to WWKB-1520 since WCKY-1530 has apparently turned off their IBOC system. Even though WWKB is being run on a computer, it's nice to see that someone is giving a big effort to show everyone AM radio is still a very viable source. It brings back some good memories just tuning in 1520! And my hat is off to their CE, Dennis Kavanaugh, for making the station technically sound good (in AM Stereo even!).

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Expiring? Time to renew? Not sure when? Need to call or e-mail someone or join the listserv? Check the back page - it's all right there!