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## HANK HANKS THANKS

"A big thanks to Hank Holbrook for the tremendous undertaking he made to try and notify members of a possible DX. The fact that the station did not show is not important; it's fellows like Hank who make this bug the greatest."

- Gene Cameron, W.5004 Hoffman Place, Spokane 22, Wash.

## N R C D X C A L E N D A R

Date	Calls	Kc/s	Location	Watts	E.S.T.	Stations' Time
Dec. 28	K W A K	1240	Stuttgart, Arkansas	250	2:45-3:00 a.m.	1:45-2:00 C
28	K*B*I*G	740	Avalon, California	10,000	4:00-4:30 a.m.	1:00-1:30 P
Jan. 6	W N B S	530	Uniontown, Penna.	1,000	12:15-4:00 a.m.	12:15-4:00 E
10	K*I*E*M	1410	Le Mars, Iowa	1,000	3:00-3:30 a.m.	2:00-2:30 C
10	W J L D	1400	Homewood, Alabama	250	3:00-4:00 a.m.	2:00-3:00 C
10	W M L V	1440	Millville, New Jersey	1,000	3:05-4:00 a.m.	3:05-4:00 E
10	C B-1 O 6	1060	Santiago, Chile	10,000	3:30-4:30 a.m.	4:30-5:30 A
10	W N O G	1270	Naples, Florida	500	4:00-4:30 a.m.	4:30-4:30 E
11	W F M O	860	Fairmont, North Carolina	250	4:30-5:00 a.m.	4:30-5:00 E
15	C K D A	1220	Victoria, British Col.	1,000	4:00-5:00 a.m.	1:00-2:00 E
16	W*S*I*G	790	Mount Jackson, Virginia	1,000	4:30-5:30 a.m.	4:30-5:30 E
16	K*Y*O*K	1590	Houston, Texas	5,000	5:30-6:00 a.m.	4:30-5:00 C
17	C*B*A*F	1300	Moncton, New Brunswick	5,000	4:00-5:00 a.m.	5:00-6:00 A
24	C F C N	1060	Calgary, Alberta	10,000	3:30-4:00 a.m.	1:30-2:00 M
30	K*Y*O*K	1590	Houston, Texas	5,000	2:45-3:15 a.m.	1:45-2:15 C
31	C K L N	1240	Nelson, British Columbia	250	3:15-4:15 a.m.	12:15-1:15 P
31	K W I L	790	Albany, Oregon	1,000	4:00-4:30 a.m.	1:00-1:30 P

\* Asterisks indicate new additions to the DX Calendar this week. We have no NWR tips to pass along - SURF.

## K B I G to test on December 28

Here is a daytime station, with 10,000 watts, which are directionalized generally eastward, which will conduct a special equipment test. This comes on a Tuesday which means that KCBS will not be on, and so we expect to find 740 kilocycles completely clear for KBIG. Avalon, as you are undoubtedly aware of, is located on famous Catalina Island. Send your reports to Mr. C. Harvey Haas, Engineering Supervisor. Unfortunately, Mr. Haas did not inform us what type of program material he will air at that time, so we can't pass that data along to you here. But be sure to tune for this last DX-Test of waning 1954. Arr: DON ROLLER

And don't forget Scooter Segraves on the KWAK frequency check, the same morning.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

A sort of tired and corny expression, but nevertheless it does express our thoughts at this time for each and every one of you and those who are dear to you. May 1955 bring you all you have longed for, and may it also be a good year for our good old National Radio Club, and all our fine members.

		V E R I E		S I G N E R S			
550	C H L N	Antoine Des Roches	G	1260	W V D A	Kenneth F. Smith, CE	B
	C F N B	G. D. Love, CE	G	1270	W N O G	R. H. Goodlette, SI	L
	W G G A	Wilbert Darracott, CE	O	1290	W M I L	Gino Menaco, CE	K
570	W M C A	J. J. McCafferty	H		W L Q N E	Ernest Robaugh, CE	L
	W W N C	W. H. Hamrick, CE	J		K I T O	Richard Klitzing, PD	J
610	C H N C	Viateur Bernard	G		W G B L	J. Pasteur	J
630	K M A C	Howard W. Davis, GM	K		K A L M	S. Seatty, CE	AB
640	W N A D	Mrs. Mima McCandless	L	1300	W J F D A	James D. Asher	B
680	W I N R	Robert H. Groh, XSA	L	1320	W H I E	James Watson, M	JP
	W M P S	E. M. Plumstead, PD	C		W E I M	Edwin F. Walters, E	J
720	Z Q I -	C. Richardson, MD	K	1330	W J P S	John Schuter, TE	K
730	K O P P	Richard Kingston, CE	J		W A S A	Gerald D. Johnson, CE	K
740	K B I G	C. Harvey Haas, ESA	L	1340	C K M R	R. J. Wallace, M	C
820	W B q A P	Joseph Wallace, IProm	H		X A P A	Harold J. Nugent, A	I
850	W E A T	Wayne Stump, CE	A		C I O X	Robert Watmaugh, CE	K
880	K O q A M	Alfred H. Kadlone, E	J	1360	W L C M	Larry Cole	D
900	W H O P	Lloyd H. Lutz, CE	P	1370	X E H F	Mario de la Fuente, M	F
908	B B C -	J. Siller	N		W T T S	Dale B. Blackwell, CE	K
920	W G S T	Ivan Miles, CE	J	1400	C J F P	Kene Viel	C
950	K X J K	Carrie Mae Rayer	L	1410	K I E M	R. H. Coddington, CE	B
	W B K H	Frank Halfield, M	H	1420	W K S R	John R. Stephan, M	M
960	K O q V O	L. R. Burton, CE	C		K P E P	Estel W. Evans, CE	F
	W F T C	Herman Civile, CE	G	1450	K T I P	Logan Edwards, CE	C
	W H A K	Harvey A. Klean, GM	L		W M R A	W. D. Tabler, CE	O
990	K E r C C	D. A. Steen, CE	J		W P A R	Sherran Grammin, PD	K
1050	K W S O	Norman Berg, CE	A		W N B Z	H. B. Williams, CE	K
	K G q A R	Earl E. Tipton, CE	J		K D M A	Richard L. Bookman, CE	J
1080	W K L O	D. C. Summerfield, GM	K	1480	W S A R	Lincoln W.N. Pratt, GM	I
1090	C F J B	Fenwick Job, MD	DE	1490	W A J F	C. H. Quick, M	F
1150	K A Y O	Tad Jones, CE	N		K L G R	Francois W. Peterson, CE	F
1151	B B C -	C. L. Frankland	N		W O H I	George T. Kelly, CE	N
1170	K C B Q	Ralph Menard, PD	A	1570	W F R B	Earl W. Daly	F
1230	K O R T	Hub Warner, M	J		W N C A	L. C. Bruce, M	F
	W H U C	Charles Wieler, CE	K	1530	K O W L	Robert H. Dye, CE	L
	W E S X	William Asher, M	O	1590	K U D U	R. E. Reynolds	BC
1240	W V O N	Gene Rousseau, M	O		K Y C K	Charles E. Hoge, CE	F
	W V O S	Robert S. Glezarev, CE	K	1600	W F E C	S. E. Sexton, CE	F
	K R N C	G. W. Brock, CE	J		W K N K	N. Kuris, O	
1250	K P A C	Marjorie R. Vickers, GM	H	*1590	K S J O	E. W. Meece, CE	

C R E D I T S

A - Len Krise                      E - Hank Holbrook                      I - Jim Critchett                      M - Kent Corson  
 B - Pat Peilley                      F - Erick Johnson                      J - Frank Nittler                      N - Charlie Conley  
 C - Hal Williams                      G - Steve Walbridge                      K - Ralph Sperry                      O - Ted Weiser  
 D - Ken Laylath                      H - Everett Johnson                      L - Don Rolier                      P - Lefty Cooper

Don't forget to include the code initials with the verie signers when you send them in. We've added a new one, so here again is the complete list:

c - Verification on typed or written post card.

fu- Verie as the result of a follow-up.

p - Verie on card prepared by the DXer, and signed by the station in question.

q - Printed or "QSL" card (printed by the station, not by the DXer)

r - Verie written or stamped on DXer's report and returned to him.

f - Verie is a printed, or carbon copy, or multi-titled or mimeographed letter.

s - Verie included a verification stamp.

n - Verie in native language of station, other than English, of course.

Again, please list them with the frequency, call letters, name, and position of verie signer, if specified. Make sure of the spelling of the verie signers' names for no one likes to see his name mis-spelled, and it also casts aspersions on your National Radio Club. We note a few who report nice choice veries but who never send us the signers. How about you lads doing this? Send them to Brooklyn!



Musings of the MembersJim O'Brien - 324 Arlington Avenue - Brooklyn 8, New York

After a November 13th get-together with Lefty Cooper, Bernie Duffy and a "duet" from the Croton DX Club, the old DX bug bit me and I'm losing sleep regularly now. Reports out to WCIN WFVG KYW WADP WHP WHTL WHEM WMMW WSWA (as per tip in DX NEWS) WWJ WKNA WRC WBEN WSUI GBS WJLK WBNH OKW3 WOKY WJAR WRVA KSE and WGSW. Above were RS or ETs. The following DX programs bagged: KAJM WCON WILY KTKJ WJDA WJMA and WPTX. All well received and some already back verified. A little bit of an explanation of my DX activities. For many years I've only been verifying stations that I considered "good catches" etc. but since visiting Bernie, Lefty and the Convention I've become a little ashamed of my small log, so I've decided from here on I spend one whole week on a group of frequencies and thereby build up my log over the dial at various hours of the night and morning on different days of the week. This week I'm covering 1300 to 1390. This is only a temporary plan until my log builds up, hi. That's about all for now. Thought sure I had a French station on Sunday morning as I get 9's once in a while but much to my disappointment it was two "singing-hard-to-be-funny" disc jockeys from regular all-nighter.

Don Roller - Route #1 - Dupont Road - Fort Wayne 8, Indiana

Received a card from CPCman Hank Holbrook, advising me to contact other DXers in my area about the Panama DX programs. Sorry Hank, but it arrived here too late for me to contact anyone else. Neither was heard here. Conditions here continued to be outstanding, hampered only by a very provoking noise from around 1350-1420 kc/s., which sounds similar to Mike Ferguson's buzz. This buzz has been going on since early November, continuously around the clock without stopping. New loggings since last report: 11/26- WFRZ (830) s/off under WREF and WCBF at 5:15 p.m., very difficult. 11/27- WFLY (910) testing at 2:12 a.m. WSIG (790) on for NRC DX about 2:00 with Phil Potter at the mike. Nice letter back from Phil, verifying reception and including folders of the Luray and Shenandoah Caverns of Virginia - thanks loads, Phil! Had some Guatemalan on 930 but couldn't make out their call. This at 3:58 a.m. on K3. 11/28- WTAB rather weak under noise. Surprised me, as North Carolina stations usually boom in here with loud signals, unless badly QRM'd. Best evening DX in a long while! Added none other than CKMM (710) and WIEG (990) at 6:58 and 7:30 respectively, the former speaking entirely in French. 11/29- WDXN (540) RS at 5:15 p.m. 11/30- WFGA (660) - just had never bothered to log this before. In December, this is how I've fared to date: 12/1- WGGC (1270) Belmont, N.C., a brand new station on ET at 2:03. 12/2- KWGB (730) hard under BKAC at 6:30 s/off. 12/5- Finally hauled in the long-sought WJMS (630) on RS under much QRM at 5:35. 12/6- WCLF (1490) f/c at 2:13 $\frac{1}{2}$ . NRC DXes: WPTX (920) very good here; WFLA (1340) good in spots but bothered by QRM; CFCH (600) started out good but quickly faded. They faded out completely once or twice, sounding much like a TA, and at 4:25 they vanished under an unidentified carrier which suddenly went on at that time. Then I pulled the prize "good" of the year - in the excitement and confusion of trying to get a decent log on badly needed CFCH, WKSB and WHIE completely slipped my mind! Logged also that morning was WHAB (1260) a new station in Baxley, Ga. on ET at 3:36. 12/9- Netted WFLO (870) at 5 s/off. Verie in from KOWL stating that I did definitely hear them! Other recent veries: KTKJ KTJS WILY KEAD KARK WEOF WJAG KEAC and as mentioned, WSIG. DX NEWS is late here also, but the blame goes to the P.O. for inefficiency. Best of DX to all. 73s.

Bernie Duffy - 77 Livermore Avenue - Staten Island 2, New York

Much sleeping and little DXing here. None the less by means of the wonderful work of our CPC for 12/13 I added WFKN 1220, WPEF 830, WLAS 910 and possibly KOTE DXes that morning, plus these two more early Sunday s/ons: 12/12, WAGR 1480 @ 6 and WBCU 1-60 @ 6:55. That Sabbath I also reheard WCBF easily overriding WOSU at 4:40 p.m. In addition to the above named stations that DXed for NRC on the 13th, I also heard WJMS on for NRC at 3 that day as well as to find CJOB blocking the West Coast DXes on 1340. Needless to say WJMA's DX boomed in despite that Winnipeg station, though. WBCF 1600 was found starting its daily program at 4 very loud. A very weak signal of a mansinging @ 3:50 on 1150 might have been KOF's DX but then an unidentified 11er and sidebands from WNEW ruined it. New veries are letters from CJOB WKGB and WBCR as well as printed cards from WPTX and KWSC. FOR A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION WE SUGGEST A REGULAR REPORT TO "MUSINGS OF THE MEMBERS"

Everett Johnson - 504 16th Street - Mendota, Illinois

Better get this out or it won't make Lefty by Tuesday. It's Saturday evening and DX has been good here this past week. Some heard are: WGTC-1590 test at 1 - all of these are on 12/4- WKEI 1450 r/c as listed in old list, KWSC-1250 RS 1; KTLN-1280 RS at 1:50, WIRE-1430 s/off 2:30, WCGC-1270 ET at 2:40, WCBL-1290 ET 3; WNCA 1570 test at 3:30 under boisterous XERF, WBOF-1600 ET 3:25. 12/5- KWDM-1150 f/c as listed, WOKJ-1590 ET at 2:20; CKBI 900 T.B. Drive at 3; WTRB-1570 ETing all week 2:45-3:00 heard here. 12/6 brought me all the DXes but CFCH very weak. Hope for enough for a verie. WHAB Baxley, Ga. ET at 3:30-4 on 1260, KCKY-1150 f/c as listed. 12/8- KSWI-1560 test at 3:30. KREL-1360 off at 4. CJVI-900 off at 4. 12/10- WTRN Tyrone, Pa. 1580 ET saying Ronson Lighter for the farthest phone call and Penard Pencil for others. Was going to call but we are getting Dial System and everything is messed up. KASH-1600 off at 3. KBOA-830 RS at 5:30 p.m. 12/11 - WMAX 1480 Grand Rapids Mich. ET at 2:3633, also a prize for the farthest letter this time. CKPC-1380 test at 3:25. KIEM-1480 s/off at 3:05. KIMA 1460 s/off at 3:05. On the Contest, WYNH is OK for the contest as I find they were on earlier than regular s/ontime, but KWAK is definitely but for a special point as I am going by the rules of last year. It's the same contest. All for now and the best of DX to all. I extend to all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Veries in this past week are WERC-1600 WNAV-NNRC DX KTMS-1250 WBKH-950 WILY-dx KPAC-1250 WRAP-820 from August report, WTAB-dx WMCA WNCA KSJO. Cards from WGIV and CKNW. 73s.

Charlie Conley - 353 Market Street - Lemoyne, Pennsylvania

A Happy Holiday Season to all you NRCers and in '55 may you bring in all the stations you hear 5 by 5! Regret that I have practically nothing of interest to report this week, 12/12, inasmuch as a badly infected tooth ruined any desire to log the fine specials listed for the 6th and I haven't, except for news, even warmed up the receiver. Had the copper out the 6th, and the penicillin, etc. they dosed me with didn't help DXing! Apparently, like good reception, DXing ambitions run in cycles. That old Ink Slinger, my fellow Craftsman from Kittanning one R. Cooper who, as I understand it, learned his trade under B. Franklin, apparently has come to life this season, so I may have to let him carry the torch for the printing profession addicted to DXing. (Never have to worry about our Prince Emeritus, Patrick Swansky Reilly who apparently spends all of his time away from his linotype machine at the dials!) Only one new verie in this past week from WILY on NRC DX. A second fine letter in with WILY's on the 6th, from WBOF! Try to obtain veries and here is a station who veried twice within ten days on a report of 11/20! Two entirely different typed letters from Bob Koolage, Jr., AGM, one with brown ribbon and second in black! Am still waiting for veries from WAGI WINI KOEL KALM up to November 7 on NRC DXes. Best to y'all.

Jim Critchett - 1119 West Arbor Drive - San Diego 3, California

As I am too late to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, let me just say that I hope it was for all, and that the New Year will be Happy, Healthy, and full of new stations received and verified. Of the special DXes since last report 11/30 here are my notes. Dec. 2, 1190 KEX an all nighter here, already verified, so didn't listen. Dec. 6, 920 WPTX covered by KRAM's RS. 1340 WJMA had KIST on test for a while, but no WJMA heard here. 930 WKSB covered by VRH with NX in British accent fading by 4:08, but no WKSB heard. 600 CFCH not heard either. Only one ID heard from WHEE through CKNW so thank-you card sent. Dec. 9, 1340 KORK not tried, because 1340 is a mess here during the week. For Dec. 13, 950 WPET fair until 3:10, when JOKR used music and covered them. KEYY ruined 1450 and WMOH. 1220 WFKN was not heard. Doubt if KAVL was on, as KOKK was on RS and no other strong one heard: already verified. 1150 KOFE gladly heard behind KAYO, and better after they quit testing. KFIR was S-5 but verified last year, so thank-you card sent, Only. KPHO covered 910 and WLAS. Apparently CJOB was the one covering WJMA. Did not try for 930 WEOB this morning. Too much DX during Thanksgiving, so resting more. Nine more programs for next Monday will keep me busy again. Reports have been sent recently to 610 KCGM regular first Monday f/c, 950 WPET, 1150 KOFE, and 1340 KORY for f/c, 3:30 on, second Monday. Veries are from 790 ACA, 1090 KNWS, 1340 KAPA, 1350 WADC, QSL card, 1360 WELP same, 1370 WTAB, 1400 KEAB in Spanish, 1460 WBRN unsigned QSL card and 1600 WKNK who said that is their correct call, not WKMI. H. Schrock. Thanks for publicity in 12/11 DX NEWS. Heartily agree with Bernie to/

Gene Cameron - W. 5004 Hoffman Place - Spokane 22, Washington

The weeks are sure rolling along, as over the week-end I added the fine programs from WFKN WPET KOFE KFIR WLAS and WEOH. WLAS was the surprize of the week as the program was logged through strong KPHO. In addition, on 12/14, I added KAYO (1150-Seattle,) on ET ruinging my KOFE show; KYNO (1500-Fresno, Cal.) with s/off at 5:04 (regular?); KEEN (1370-San Jose, Ca.) on ET till 5:12; WKNA (950-Charleston, W.Va.) on RS by 5:19; WKRC (550-Cincinnati) on RS by 5:38; WSUN (620-St. Petersburg, Fla..) on RS by 5:45; KRNT (1350-Des Moines) on RS by 6:02; WWKO (1420-Ashland, Ky.) on RS by 6:10; WIBW (580-Topeka, Kans.) on RS by 6:20; and KXXX (790-Colby, Kans.) with s/on at 6:30. On 12/14, I added the new CKYL (630-Peace River, Alta.) with s/off at 3:15; KJR (950-Seattle) with s/off at 3:01 and KATL (1340-Miles City, Mont.) on f/c as per list. In the 45 days since Nov. 1, I have added 106 new stations to my log to make the total now 681. I wish I had so many veries that I couldn't even keep correct count like an Editor I know. You better have an audit of your books, Lefty. A total of nine veries were received in the last week to make that total now 532 as follows: KIDO WFEL KGEM WJMX WHIE ACB-20 ACA WDAY and 27L. A big thanks to Hank Holbrook for the fremendous undertaking he made to try and notify members of a possible DX. The fact that the station did not show is not important; it's fellows like Hank who make this club the greatest. There has been only one inch of snow here so far, and it just fell and melted right away. I see WROA is now answering; they never answered me WNBC report of 10/10. I wonder if Lefty has anyone lined up for third with Cox and Morgan both gone? A Happy and DX-ful New Year to everyone! (How about Jackie Robinson?)

Francis H. Nittler - 1335 Grant Street, Apt. 22 - Denver 3, Colorado

DXing has been sort of curtailed here but have logged some good ones here including two new states for me. DX on 12/11: WKBV (1490) s/on at 5:30, WSIG (790) on RS at 6:06, and WTOD (1560) RS at 6:25. On 12/12- WQBR (1480) s/on 7:00 and WLPO (1220) testing 7:3 -8. I didn't have much luck with the DX specials for 12/13, logging only KOFE and WFKN with WFKN not needed. However, I logged WJAM (1310) for my first New Jersey station and XTIM (1350) on f/c 3:15-3:30 so the morning wasn't a failure. On 12/25 KWSK (1570) was heard on RS 5:20-5:25 p.m. and on 12/16- CHOX (1490) logged on RS and WWRH (930) with s/on which gave me another new state. I am now missing five - Maryland, Vermont, Maine, Delaware and Rhode Island. Veries came in very good this week with the following received: KECC KCR (1230) KRNO KITO KOPP KLGR (1490) KGAR KOAM KEMA XEHF (1300) WKIN WAJF WWNC WCBL WGST and ACA, WSDA and WHEE for DX specials. 73s.

Carroll Seth - 2344 Baily Avenue - Buffalo 15, New York

Cost home so living with brother until new one OKed by FHA. Attic wire brought many foreign catches early as Nov. 8. ACB-20 verified in seven days. No time now to DX as am working all the time. Receive DX NEWS now and then but it doesn't matter with working so much. Do admire and sympathize with Croton boys living in a cruel world. Quite un-nerved by members' poetry. Murray Lamont - Buffalo has a Riverside.

Steve Walbridge - 195 Lakeview Avenue - Pointe Claire, Quebec

This probably won't make the DX NEWS you will be typing on the 14th but I'll take a chance. Two more Quebec station on the air Christmas morning - CHLN, 550 kc/s. Trois Rivieres, until 4:30 with music, stories, greetings. No English announcements. Reports to Antoine Des Roches. CJFP, 1400 kc/s., Riviere du Loup, until 3:00 with request selections, call letters in English. Reports to Rene Viel. Guess that'll be all the Quebec stations that I will definitely know about in time to make the last issue before Christmas. (This got here one day too late for the 12/19 issue, so info phoned to the Croton Boys so as to get it in -Ed.)

Lefty Cooper - 438 East 21 Street - Brooklyn 23, New York

The "Auditors" came in and counted my veries. It's now 2,492, with the addition of letters from WHIE KPEP and WJOP. DX this week was highlighted by the addition of my long most-sought-after station WNCC - hi, Fred V.V.! Also got new that AM, WMVO-1300 on DX. On 12/19, working backwards, I heard new WDRF-1590 (ex-WPWA) s/off at 1:02, then to bed and up for s/ons, and got WDIA-1070 5:55-6:10 and then WPON-1460, 6:15-6:30 about even with AVG. Back to 12/17, new KCMU-1580, Columbi Mo. heard weakly on ET/M behind WPGC, testing new 1,000 watt transmitter. Happy New Year to all you lads, and wouldn't that be a fine morning for a DX from WJOP? I hope to add to my French Canadian log on Christmas morning thanks to Steve.W.

Stan Morss - R.R. 3 - Bradford, Massachusetts

12/7- WVID 1340 with auction at 2:15. WTRB, Ripley, Tenn. 1570 2:30-3:30 s/off. Took one hour to get call and location. Music easy but XERF's voice is real gone. Also another on 1570, maybe CHUB. KUDU 1590 Ventura, Cal. copied for report 3:57-4:15 a.m. Thought they said 24 hours. WSVA not on. Evidently all-night trial short-lived. Verie, WILY DX test for NRC. 12/12- WBOF 1600 4:45 RS, evidently s/on at 4 or 4:30. WICK RS 5:24 a.m. 1400 a new one here. WGSV Guntersville on ET at 5:48, 1270 kc/s. WHIE s/on at 6 copied for a new one. WOBS 1360 now s/on at 6 a.m. Sundays, so no chance for KELD. A Spanish speaker under WOBS at 6:15. XFW at 6:30 a.m. Veries, WNSA WPGC WDWL. WPET 950 Greensboro, N.C. on early, copied at 2:30 a.m. on DX test. WISD 1260 heard during f/c at 2:50. WFKN 1220 DX test easy as was WIAS 910. WOW heard on all-night show. KOFE DX test 1150 very tough, but got a couple of selections and several announcements through tone and QRM. KPFR a blank here, the first special missed from an un-verified station this season. Veries, ACA and ACB-20 separate veries in same envelope. Where is WGBL? One bulletin says Benton, Ky. then next says Titusville, Pa. (Ib's Benton-Ed.) Veries WDIA WPKY. 12/15- KJCA topping WEDC with mail order show heard to 5 o'clock a.m., another all-nighter, I guess. 12/17- KSML 1250 Seminole, Tex. on ET 2:20 a.m. ZNW 900 and XAWA 540 to 3:30 with Pasada Festival music. Cuban on 670. WGBL? 1390 2:54 very weak. KEAR 620 tapt at 3:10. Veries very slow here at present, only five this week.

Don Roller - Route 1 - Dupont Road - Fort Wayne 8, Indiana

Well, the strange buzz disappeared as abruptly as it came, back in early November. I turned on the radio last night around 8:00 and it was gone! That means a real shot in the arm around here for the 1330-1520 kc/s. area. Latest DX here includes 12/12- WTRN (1530) new station in Tyrone, Pa. logged on ET around 2 a.m. 12/13- No trace of either KAVL or KPFR on 1340. That frequency was all CJOB here until WJMA came on. WFKN (1220) nice and strong here. WPET (950) strong most of time but subject to fading every now and then; WIAS (910) fair with QRM from unidentified station, possibly KXEO. KOFE (1150) was thought to be heard weakly, but no definite ID was ever heard from them (not needed here anyway). Also heard on 12/13 were CMOX (1490) on top at 3:22, and WJAX (1460) brand new one in Jackson, Tenn. 12/14-17, no DX during this period. Thought I'd better catch up on my sleep for a while, hi. 12/18- KSML (1250) strong on ET at 2:30; KASM (1150) on for 25th Anniversary celebration of the NNRC, and badly needed here; and WEOK (1390) on ET at 2:58. Recent veries include WPKY KBIG WHAK and WILY. TA reception is beginning to show up here. Hope all had a very Merry Christmas. 73s.

C. B. Conley - 353 Market Street - Lemoyne, Pennsylvania

Week of 12/13 rather a banner one DX-wise for me, bringing in three new countries including my first TA verie! BBC Belfast 1150 heard 11/29; ACA and WJDA on NRC DXes received 12/13. 12/16 brought verie from BBC London and 12/17 form letter with longhand note on bottom "KAYO in bidirectional! I was running 5 kw. however instead of our usual nighttime power of 1 kw. Shaking down some new audio tubes. Tad Jones CE of KAYO. Back in four days on 12/13 report, both ways via airmail. No sign of KAVL or KPFR 1340 on 12/13 DXes. WEMP testing auxiliary transmitter with CJOB and KORK adding to hash. Took a bit of dial twisting to log WFKN and WPET on DXes, the former coming in here with beautifully clear signal until 3:08 when he faded a bit and WPET also with strong signal but a bit fuzzier modulation to 3:43 when I tried for KPFR and KOFE. After 3:30 WPET was borken by QRM. Tuned to 1150 at 3:50 to find it crowded including a tone. Finally obtained an OD of KOFE at 3:53 and a fairly good log until a YL s/off for them at 4:14. In the meantime I caught breaks from KAYO at 3:58 and 4:08g which were veried as mentioned above. At 4:15 I finally got to 910 to hear Tom Cooper doing a fine job of MCing. WIAS really boomed in here until 4:53g when a carrier cut their volume. Apparently KLCN, who s/on at 5. Need him but was too sleepy to take a log. Save him for another morning. Caught one ID of WPAT through the 1400 hash 12/18 on NNRC DX. Will report what I heard. To me, one of the intriguing and at the same time irritating things about DXing is the fact that I have obtained quite a few veries from poor reports while a number of what I considered complete reports were never answered. The gripe only applies to those stations who ask for reports and those who have put on DXes for NRC. I have in mind WCHO from two years ago and WJMB YSDF WAAB KFGH from last year who never replied to f/ups. (con'd on P. 7)

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(C. B. Conley, con'd. from p. 6) Well, that's the way the ball bounces and have a Happy New Year! Better days are coming - don't know about the nights.

Harold S. Williams - 50 Third Avenue - Seymour, Connecticut

By the time this is read, Christmas will be over and I hope each and every one had a Merry Day and to all of you a very Happy New Year. DX loggings: 12/13- We returned from Collingswood, N.J. and Green Lane, Pa. in time for me to get in some Monday AM DXing. First, WPET (950) 2:55-3:10; WFKN (1220) heard 3:10-3:20, frequency very noisy. WMOH (1450) was heard briefly on NNRC DX but not needed, so tried for KAWL (1340) at 3:20. Some one on in back of a tone tester but could not copy. Four stations DXing in half an hour too tough to copy enough for a real report. Back to WPET at 3:28. They were still going strong at 3:40; WOFB (1150) heard at 3:45 readable but hashed by T2 but good enough for a fair report. Three good station breaks but ~~only~~ only one musical selection positively identified. I tried 1340 at 4:00. Some one was on but I could not identify KFTIR so at 4:15 tuned WIAS (910). A swell DX program. I heard Tom Cooper ask Lefty to give him a phone call, so I called them and talked with Tom as I have met his father. I got quite a kick out of it. Six out of eight DXes logged and four of them new here. 12/14- WHAW (1450) Weston, W. Va. heard on for NNRC but very tough after their 2 a.m. s/on. WIBM, Jackson, Mich. heard but not good enough for a report. Are they on 24 hours now? WECL (930) on DX 3:15-3:45. I heard them mention NNRC but no NRC. How come? WKUR 1320 Lancaster, O. not heard for NNRC and 1320 was open here until 4:54 when WKIN s/on. 12/16 - Great Day in the Morning! I logged KULE 250 watts on 730 kc/s. at Ephrata, Wash. M-f/c 4:18-4:30 only S-1 and about two or three minutes S-2 but I got two swell station breaks. Not I have to miss a lot of listed CPC DX for both clubs as I work till 6 a.m. 12/16 to 12/22 inclusive. I hope I'll be able to sneak a few minutes to log one or two. Veries again scarce this week but nearly 100 Christmas cards from DXers were received. 12/11 DX NEWS and two new veries, CHN 310 letter and a small but nice QSL card from WPET 920, also a duplicate from WJDA 1300. 12/16- WHEE 1320 letter, NRC DX. Veries now total 1,391. I should hit 1400 by the end of the year if a very small percentage of the stations reply. I forgot to mail my 12/11 report when in Brooklyn so mailed it 7 p.m. Saturday night in Collingswood, N.J. Hope it reached you in time, Lefty. Now for some shut eye for a couple of hours before work....

Ted Weiser - 19 Fairview Avenue - Schuylkill Haven, Pennsylvania

About time I check in with a report of DX doings. I had a long summer away from the dials. Didn't DX until the hurricanes awoke me in September and I logged ten new ones and all verified promptly except WERI. 9/9- WGGG 550 kc/s. heard on EL, nice letter back also. Attached clipping of newspaper which my name was listed as hearing them that AM. 9/11 WACE 730 kc/s. on with weather watch. Glad to log this one. Also heard were WERI and WESX both on 1350 kc/s., The latter sent very nice letter and surprised I heard them. Did notice that no one reported them logged in DX NEWS. Sent out 16 reports in October with nine back to date. Two received on f/ups were KTRP and WMRA both on 1450 kc/s. Two favorite catches were WFNS 1150 kc/s. on RS 5:40 to 5:45 p.m. on 10/17, and WMUS 1090 kc/s. through WBA during test 2:37-2:44 a.m. on 10/20. No luck on verie yet. Now really back in business with 32 reports sent out in November. ACA heard here on 11/22 but nothing on ACE-20. Letter back and a few words from W. H. Habblett, the Officer in Charge, who hails from Tanawana, Pa. Has relation here in town. He said to give them a ring. I did and also went to their house but they are away for a few days, so expect to see them Sunday. WQOK 1480 kc/s. logged on test 11/30 and 12/1. My letter returned by post office at Charlotte, N.C. with "Insufficient Address." Also WCRL 1570 kc/s. kicked in with prepared card on f/up. 12/8- KMDO 1600 kc/s. on ET off at 2:40 a.m.; KBIG 740 kc/s. very strong on test over KCBS. WTRB 1570 kc/s. through WERF on ET. Much better next day, 12/9. Some veries in are WACE WESX WADK WGGG WEBY WGOA WERI WINI KTRP WMRA WCRL KBIM WCBY WACH WDXL WWKO WMBN WLIK WHGR WAJF WBTO WJMB KAMI KLER ACA WPLY KTRY KIKJ WPIN WILD WCEE WTAB WTON WEIC and WBA. Still using the Zenith six tube table model with built-in antenna and DXing in the kitchen.

WE'RE SORT OF SNOWED UNDER HERE WITH LATE MAILS, SO WE ARE HOLDING OVER THREE REPORTS WHICH DID NOT COMPLY WITH YOUR EDITOR'S PLEA FOR SINGLE SPACING AND WEIRD ABBREVIATIONS. THEY WILL APPEAR "UP FRONT" IN THE JANUARY 1 ISSUE. WE AGAIN BEG YOU PLEASE TO CUT OUT THOSE UNKNOWN ABBREVIATIONS AND DOUBLE SPACE.



Joe Brauner - 5026 Sheridan Drive - Buffalo 21, New York

DX continues in fine shape, thanks to the CPC and the many new stations coming on. Since last report the log increased by several more. On 12/9 WIOK was logged through heavy WCUE/CHSJ QRM on their 5 a.m. weekday s/on. All three come on 1150 at that hour. 12/9 added XEHF, 1370 with a f/c from 3:10 to 3:30, tone and voice only. WMLV, 1440, heard with test to 1:40 on 12/10. WPON 1460 heard s/on RS at 5:30 a.m. on 12/11, very good until WBNS came on at 6. 12/12 brought KEXX, 1250 with their all-Spanish show at 6:30 a.m., thanks to Len Kruse's tip in DX NEWS. Monday morning, 12/13 was the highlight, with five new calls. WPKN, 1220, and WPET, 950 DXes like locals here. Then we stumbled onto an ET from the new 1460 station in Jackson, Tenn., call WJAK. Tom Cooper and his pals at WLAS came in perfectly for another fine NRC DX, and lastly, a lucky break, WRBL, 1420 was a bit tardy that morning, and as a result I was able to copy five minutes of WSTN's opening at 5:50 before WRBL blocked them out completely at 5:35. WSTN evidently signs on weekdays at 5:30. WJMA came in perfectly also with a fine program of tunes dedicated to members, and on 12/14 WEOL, 930, came in rather weakly, but clear, with a test for the club as listed. Some recent veries are WLIK WTAB WPLI WLEA WBOF WCGC WDXN and WBLR. 73s.

Roy H. Millar - Route 2 - Box 6704 - Issaquah, Washington

"DXing by Dateline" Dec. 10- On 850 trying for WHDH with no luck; s/on at 5:25 a.m., probably WJW, but failed to make out announcement; WRUF, Gainesville, Fla. s/on at 5:20 a.m. and reported. Dec. 11, On 950 this AM, "Empire BC" s/on at 6:29. Do you know who this is, Lefty? (No -Ed.) Another s/on at 6:29½ a.m. that I failed to ID. KWAT, Watertown, S.D. s/on 6:58 a.m.; KXJK, Forrest City, Ark. heard at 7:10 a.m.; KLIK Jefferson City, Mo. heard at 7:30 a.m. Reports to these three that I ID'd. At 7:30 p.m. I heard the new KRTV-1360 Hillsboro, Ore. s/off under KMO in nearby Tacoma. Dec. 12 - On 600 with CJOR silent after 6 a.m. Heard WMT Cedar Rapids, Iowa s/on at 7:30 a.m.; KROD El Paso, Tex. and KSJB, Jamestown, N.D. s/on about even at 8 a.m. Dec. 13 - "From Alaska to Virginia" on 1340 this AM! Yep, real good. On 1340, as follows: KIBH, Seward, Alaska on top at 3:15 ID and holding their own until 3:30 a.m. A very weak tentative to KAVL for their DX - don't know if on or not. KOPK Las Vegas, Nev/ f/c 3:31-3:45 a.m. with KISS Santa Barbara, Cal. also f/c at the same time but under KORK. KFIR, North Bend, Ore. s/on at 3:45 a.m. and dominated the channel during their f/c and DX program until 4:15 a.m.; KRUL Corvallis, Ore. on top with f/c 4:30-4:45; WJMA, Orange, Va. positively identified during the 4:45-5 a.m. period on their DX, a most welcome catch, my first Virginia graveyarder. KPRK, Livingston, Mont. and KJAM, Vernal, Utah f/c 5-5:15 a.m. with former on top and reported to along with KIBH KAVL (tentative) and thank-you, KORK KFIR and WJMA. Dec. 14 - WEOL-930 DX logged through an unusual motor-like noise, apparently an NNRC DX. Local KNBX-1050, Kirkland, Wash. (ex-KFKL) noted at 6:15 p.m. with this new call. Dec. 15- On 830 just in case LR4-dx might be on and brack through, but only JOBB and occasional WCCO testing were heard. Dec. 16 - On 730 this AM on possibility of CB-73 DXing. If had been on, I'm sure I couldn't have heard, as KFQD Anchorage, Alaska was of near local quality! Not surprised, as KFQD had broken through XEX the previous evening at 11:55 p.m. ID. One lone verie in since my last report, but how welcome, from ACA's DX program on 790 kc/s. for Canal Zone and a new country verified. Guess it's time to wish all the NRC gang, officers, DXers, those I've personally met and the many known through "DX NEWS" - A very happy '55! A real big "thank you" to the CPC, to the CDXC, Fred, Lefty, Pop, and all and its members.

## CHANGES IN STATION DATA - F.C.C.

NEW STATIONS

910 El Cajon, California	1,000 U-4	1280 Newton, Iowa	500 D-3
		1600 Trenton, Missouri	600 D-1

CALL CHANGES

1050 K N B X (new) KRKL (old)	Kirkland Wash.		
1380 K J E T	KJIM Beaumont, Texas	1490 K O Z Y	KPZY Grand Rapids, Minn.
1400 W F P R	WIHL Hammond, La.	1590 W D R F	WFWA Chester, Penna.

FACILITIES

630 C H Q	Habana, Cuba, to 50,000 U-4	930 C M G F	Matanzas, Cuba from 1240.
1430 K O S I	Aurora, Colorado, to 5,000 D-1,	from 1,000 D-1.	250 U1



## INTERNATIONAL DX DIGEST

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## FOREIGN CONTEST

Manager: Roger Anderson, 5700 8th Road North, Arlington 5, Virginia.  
Eastern League

1. John Alexander, New York: Adds 4VGM, YVKS, Tangier-683, FGU, KILA-----	23
2. Henry Holbrook, Maryland: Adds CMJK, 2DU, YVOB, BBC-Scotland-----	21
3. C. M. Stanbury, Ontario: Adds WNEL, MI3T-----	8
4. Roger Anderson, Virginia: Adds YVOB-----	5
5. Carl Parson, Pennsylvania: Adds CMHQ-----	4
6. Steve Johnson, Maryland: No entries-----	0
Kermit Geary, Pennsylvania: No entries-----	0
Joseph Lippincott, New Jersey; No entries-----	0
Fred VanVoorhees, Pennsylvania: No entries-----	0
Charlie Conley, Pennsylvania: No entries-----	0
Peter Hansen, New York: No entries-----	0
Frank Wheeler, Pennsylvania: No entries-----	0
Central League	
1. Harold Schrock, Illinois: No entries-----	0
Jack Hathaway, Illinois: No entries-----	0
Maurice Nittler, Nebraska: No entries-----	0
Kent Corson, Iowa: No entries-----	0
West Coast League	
1. Norman Maguire, New Mexico. No entries-----	0
Roy Millar, Washington: No entries-----	0
Gene Cameron, Washington: No entries-----	0

This is the list of entries. Sorry to see some of our former contestants not represented, and glad to welcome some newcomers. We would have liked more competition in the Leagues away from the East, but we are looking forward to some good foreign DXing this season. Now let's see what there is to report in the world of DX.

## NORTH AMERICA

Cuba---Following is the material from the latest FCC release:  
 CMCA, Havana, has changed from 730 to 1150 Kcs., apparently already.  
 CMBK, Havana, is a new station now on 730 Kcs. with 250 watts; this one was originally assigned to 890 Kcs., but will be on 730 Kcs.  
 CMCC, Havana, moves from 1150 Kcs. to 890 Kcs. immediately.  
 CMGF, Matanzas, moves from 1240 Kcs. to 930 Kcs. immediately, same power. (FCC)

Mexico---More changes from the FCC as follows:

XEBFB, Monterrey, 630 Kcs., increases power to 10 Kw.  
 XEJX, Queretaro, moves from 1520 Kcs. to 640 Kcs.  
 XEZM, Zamora, 650 Kcs., increases day power to 5 Kw. fulltime.  
 New station for Los Mochis, Sinaloa, 250 watts, 650 Kcs. DAYTIME.  
 XLBZ, Mexico City, increases power to 50 Kw. on 660 Kcs.  
 XEX, Leon, Guanajuato, new location, and power at 500 Kw. DA.  
 XEAN, Ocotlan, increases power to 1000 watts DAYTIME on 800 Kcs.  
 XETQ, Orizaba, moves from 1200 Kcs. to 870 Kcs., 1 Kw. Unlimited.  
 XERN, Nueva Rosita, 980 Kcs. changes call letters to XENR.  
 XEQR, Mexico City, increases daytime power to 10 Kw. on 1030 Kcs.  
 XERON, Mexico City, increases power to 50 Kw. on 1110 Kcs.  
 XEXZ, Zacatecas, changes from 1450 Kcs. to 1150 Kcs., 200(1) power.  
 XEJF, Nueva Rosita, changes call letters to XEYJ, on 1400 Kcs.  
 XEIN, San Andres Tuxtla, 1510 Kcs., assignment deleted.  
 XEHD "Radio Roma", Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Tams., 1430 Kcs., VS  
 Guillermo Ramirez A., Manager, operates 2 Kw day, 150 watts night.  
 Verified for 11/23 report on test programs using only 150 watts. Nic  
 English verie stating my name on list for Christmas Box. (KM)

HONDURAS--\*--Beacon N (1600) La Lima, seems to be transmitting A's instead of N's now. They can be heard nearly every morning here from 0300 until WJEL signs on. As soon as I have complete info will pass it on. (CMS)

CANAL ZONE--\*--Both ACA and ACB20 were heard on their special program. ACA was strong while ACB20 was weak. They seemed to be synchronized at all times. (CMS) Verics received, one by CC verifies only ACA which was all reported by him. One received by FV verified both ACA and ACB20, and both were quite positive and very welcome at both places. First Canal Zone for CC and third for FV.

## SOUTH AMERICA

COLOMBIA--\*--Practically nothing from South America this week. RA sends along a clipping from the September READERS DIGEST which describes the radio station called "Radio Sutatenza" operated as a cultural station. The article states that a power of 25 Kw. is used, although the Colombian government list shows only 1 Kw. This is WJKI on 1580 Kcs., operated by Joaquin Salcedo. If anyone would like to read the clipping, I'll be glad to forward it to them, but it is a little too long to reproduce here. (RA)

## EUROPE

ANDORRA--\*--A printed reply card signed and rubber-stamped by "Radio Andorra" for reception of 11/9/53, was received after report and two follow-ups. Spanish stamps used with no address, but will count as country #69. Signature is not readable. (RA) CMS reports logging "Radio Andorra" on 12/2 at 1730, but very hard to copy because of WCFL. (CMS)

NORTH IRELAND--\*--Verification received from North Ireland Regional (1151) quite positive. Was mailed from Belfast office, address is BBC, Broadcasting House, Ormeau Avenue, Belfast. Signor was C. L. Frankland, for Publicity Officer. (CC) who is very proud of this, his first from overseas this season.

AUSTRIA--\*--Graz Dobl (1025) logged on 11/17 at 2330. (CMS) Radio Wien, Argentinierstrabe 30a, Wien, with 2 Kw. on 1475 Kcs. verified for report of 8/14. This may have been the station heard in the US on this frequency at about this time. (KM)

ALBANIA--\*--Tirana (1358) tentatively logged on 11/17 at 2330. (CMS)

ITALY--\*--Group on 1115 logged on 11/18 at 1730. (CMS)

SPAIN--\*--LAJ28 (1133) Bilbao, logged on 11/18 at 1750. An RNE transmitter on 593 Kcs. was heard at 1800 on 11.26 and many evenings since. RNE Madrid is no longer being heard on 584 Kcs., so this could be a new frequency for them. (CMS)

EIRE--\*--Athlone (566) logged at 0300 on 11/29. (CMS)

FRANCE--\*--Synchronized network II (1349) logged at 0315 on 11/29. (CMS)

Czechoslovakia---English programs are broadcast over 1286 Kcs. at 1700-1730 and over 1097 Kcs. from 1810-1840. (SW)

## AFRICA

ALGERIA--\*--Veric card in for Radio Algerie on 1142 Kcs. (CMS)

## ASIA

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS--\*--VOA (1140) San Fernando, logged at 0400 on 11/29. (CMS) DXCC "Cagayan de Oro Calling", 1000 watts on 1560 Kcs. with studios at Del Mar Street, City of Cagayan de Oro. Signor is Ruben R. Canoy, Acting Manager. Schedule is to sign-off at 0200 New Zealand time, or 0900 EST. Lists slogan as "Radio Mindanao" also. Above from information on veric. (KM)

## OCEANIA

FIJI ISLANDS--\*--VRH (930) Suva, tentatively logged at 0430 on 11/29. (CMS)

GILBERT ISLANDS--\*--VTW, Tarawa, has been testing irregularly on 844 Kcs. Two tests were broadcast in October, starting at 7 PM,



local time. (KR)

HAWAII.\*-A printed card verio is in via airmail from KGU (740) signor is Sakao Timata, transmitter engineer. Address is the Advertiser Building. From RA, his 10th Hawaiian.

#### MYSTERY

NM reports two stations which he would like information on. One on 1390 Kcs. an unknown station heard regularly with Oriental language. FEN replied that they have no station on this frequency, and that there is no Japanese on there either. Might be Chinese. Also from NM an unknown station on 1460 Kcs. regularly with Oriental language, which is unknown to him. Not Japanese or Chinese. Strong signal, so doubt it is AFKN station listed with 250 watts. No English has ever been heard.

From JH, and these are mostly answers to questions. He has reported a BBC station on about 880 Kcs., and inquires as to who it is. This is the Welsh Home Service of BBC, transmitters at Penmon, 30 Kw., Washford Cross, 150 Kw., and Wrexham, 5 Kw., all in Wales. Correct frequency is 881 Kcs.

Also for JH, the French station on 1204 Kcs. is Bordeaux I, and reports to Radiodifusion Francaise, 2, Cours de Tournon, Bordeaux. On 944 Kcs. is Toulouse I, reports to Radiodiffusion Francaise, 28, Allee Jean-Jaures, Toulouse. And the one on 1378 Kcs. is at Lille (1376 actually) with reports to Radiodiffusion Francaise, 36, Bld. de la Liberte, Lille. (This one usually doesn't answer)

Last for JH, the all night Spaniard on 1080 Kcs. was found to be HJAT, Barranquilla, Colombia, reported last week. The one on 1100 is actually on about 1097 Kcs. and is HJCN in Bogota, Colombia. I have heard the one on 1200 Kcs. too, but I haven't identified him as yet. May be PRE9 or PRB6, not sure.

#### REPORTERS

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 NM-Norman Maguire, 1420 Columbia Drive, NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico.  
 RA-Roger Anderson, 5700 Eighth Road North, Arlington 5, Virginia.  
 SMS-C. M. Stanbury II, Box 218, Crystal Beach, Ontario.  
 CC-C. B. Conley, 358 Market Street, Lemoyne, Pennsylvania.  
 SW-Sweden Calling DXers, Bulletin of Radio Sweden, Stockholm, Sweden.  
 FCC-Bulletins of Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C.  
 MI-Ken Mackey, Dunedin, New Zealand. (Forwarded by Dick Cooper)  
 ER-Koith Robinson, Kapuka #7 Rural Delivery, Invercargill, New Zealand.  
 FP-Fred Pilkington, "Graiselound", 65a Ely Road, Littleport, England. (Latter letter written from Trieste, Italy)

#### FROM OUR OVERSEAS MEMBERS

Ken Mackey, Dunedin, New Zealand---Ken reports that he managed to get a poor report on the ACB20 DX with an open carrier and a Japanese station partially blocking the channel. Other reports are KPBP, and WBBA on EQ Monday 29th Nov. WCON DX, KAYE, HJDP, JOIF, JOMC, JOSR, WKMI, XEHD, WAOK, KIUL. Verifications are back from WAOK, DXCC, XEHD, XEWA, JOIR (Beauty), Wein, II, VUE, 2WL, KWIZ, and 2 unsigned prepared cards from KXLL. Doesn't look to me as if they have anyone that can read. I have my annual vacation over the Christmas period, and hope to get in amongst them a bit. Missed badly on the 1300 special same night as the ACB20 one. I sat on the wrong one at 0330 PST and when I got around to the 1300 Freq. it had gone. Such is DX. Wishing all members a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. To Hal Wagner, money order sent last month.

Also have nice letter and report from Koith Robinson, at Invercargill, New Zealand, and another nice long letter from Fred Pilkington at Trieste which will have to go over to next week. Fred would like to join the NRC, but lacking dollars, would like anyone interested in a subscription to an English magazine to contact him for exchange



NIGHT-BLOOMING HOBBY, by Gilbert Love.

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"At 3:30 Monday morning a man was sitting in a boat in the St. Johns River, Fla. fishing for bass and listening to a portable radio. Fiddling with the dial, he got Station WILY, a fairly new and a fairly small station in Pittsburgh, as clear as though its program was coming from nearby Jacksonville.

"At the same time a man in Toronto, Canada, was listening to his radio and occasionally looking outside at a thermometer, which was dropping toward a 25-degree low for the fall season. He, too, heard the Pittsburgh station clearly.

"This was no ordinary broadcast, and these were no ordinary listeners.

"Among the thousands of unusual hobbies enjoyed by Americans is the 'collecting' of distant radio broadcasts. It is done by sitting beside regular radio sets late at night, when the radio waves do strange things, and recording in a log book the distant stations that are picked up.

#### DX - FOR DISTANCE

"The sleepless fans call themselves DX-ers - DX being a telegraphic code for distance. Some of them are elderly persons who can't sleep at night. Others are workers who are employed at odd hours. Still others have no excuse for staying up. They have a national organization, with headquarters in Buffalo, and they have publications. The organization is constantly trying to get radio stations to make special broadcasts during the wee small hours of the morning for the amusements of its members.

"One of those requests came to Ralph Ketterer, chief engineer of WILY. He heads an amateur radio transmitter group here, and is interested in all phases of radio activity. So he agreed to put the station on the air from 3:30 to 4 a.m. Monday.

"That was duly announced in the DX publications, and the stay-uppers were all set when Mr. Letterer sleepily started his broadcast. During the half hour he played records and announced the station.

#### 50 LETTERS RECEIVED

"So far the station has received about 50 letters from DX-ers who heard the broadcast. Part of the deal is that the hearers send in descriptions of what they have heard. When this tallies with the actual broadcast, the station stamps the paper and sends it back to the DX-er, for his record book.

"A listener in Vallejo, Cal. proved that he had heard WILY when he reported that a needle got stuck on a record at 12:32, his time.

"A DX-er in Spokane, Wash. said he heard 'a female vocalist' and thought he had WILY.

"A man in Denver said the 'signal' was fairly strong, although there was some interference from a station in Los Angeles. At Elizabeth City, N.C., a Cuban station was interfering.

"Some of the letters were quite chatty. A man calling himself the 'Hillbilly DX-er' said the broadcast came 'booming into Tennessee' and went on to describe the glories of his place of residence.

"Fellow named Gustav Magnuson, of Providence, R.I. said he came through Pittsburgh on a bus last summer and stopped off for a day. He rode an 'incline' and visited the Cathedral of Learning and Schenley Park. He added that he is '74 years young'.

"A Chicago DX-er said his aerial was 50 feet of copper wire rolled up on a window sill. The man from Jacksonville invited Mr. Ketterer to come down to Florida for some bass fishing.

"'They live in a world apart', commented Ernie Tannen, manager of WILY, as he looked through the letters. And he added that the things people get interested in seem endless.

"They sure do."

The above was sent your Editor by Mr. Ketterer, and we thank him for it. He suggested we convey it to all of you, and we're sure a lot of you will find it very interesting. He apologized for the fact that the name of our club was not mentioned. A copy of this is being sent Mr. Ketterer, and we hope that if any folks who read Mr. Love's fine article write in to inquire about the organization mentioned, that he will forward their names to: NATIONAL RADIO CLUB - POST OFFICE BOX 42 - HARMON-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK, and a sample "DX NEWS" will be sent, free.

Send all items in Eastern Standard Time to:  
Alex MacKenzie, 46 Morningside Drive, Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y.

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- 580 Ketchikan, Alaska heard s/3 on regular 2 Monday f/c from 4-4:15 (Jim Critchett, Cal.) (K BI)
- 680 WMPS Memphis, Tenn. 24 hrs. daily. Silent period 0100-0600 Monday per verie. (Hal Williams, Conn.)
- 640 WOAD Norman, Okla. Dec. s/off 1815.
- 660 KNUJ New Ulm, Minn. s/off daily at 1745. (Ev. Johnson, Ill.)  
WIVK Knoxville, Tenn. has f/c 15th of month 0500-0515. Has band music. Monitor is Claude Gray, Birmingham. (Hal)  
WDMG Douglas, Georgia has m/c 3rd Wed. 0500-0515. (Hal)
- 910 KPFO Phoenix, Ariz. is 24 hours. (Joe Brauner, N.Y.)
- 940 WMAZ Macon, Georgia seems to sign on Sun. at 7:00. Pretty much in the clear. (CDXC)
- 1030 KWBU Corpus Christi Tex. regular schedule is 0700-1830 (Ev.)
- 1080 CHED Edmonton, Alta. will DX for the NRC in late January. The exact date will be announced later. (Sid, W. Va.)
- 1070 WDLA Memphis, Tenn. s/on 5 A.M. in the clear with KHX off Tue. Neither WAPI and WIBC not heard, so probably not on, prior to WDLA s/on. (Roy Hillar, Wash.) Note: Peter Bretz tells us that WAPI is definitely no longer all night. WIBC is not either, to the best of our knowledge. (Ed.)
- 1150 WCUE Akron, Ohio s/on 5 A.M. weekdays. (Ev.)
- 1250 KSNL Seminole, Texas heard on ET 12/17 3:30 on. (Ev.)
- 1260 SHAB Baxley, Ga. ET heard 12/6, 3:00. (M. Nittler, Neb.)  
KFWR San Angelo, Tex. s/on weekdays at 6:30. and 8:00 Sundays, per verie from LPEP in the same city. (Lefty)
- 1290 WCBL Benton, Ky. (not Titusville Pa.) believe sked is CST and 6 A.M. Sun. (R. Johannes, N.Y.)  
KALM Thayer, Mo. sked is daily 6 A.M.-4:45 P.M. also possibly CST. They received 56 reports on DX. (Johannes)
- 1350 WLNH Laconia, N.H. will DX for the NRC and NNRC on January 24, 1955. The time is set for 3 to 4 A.M. EST. This is a 5 kw. non-directional station. (Howard Kemp, N.H.)
- 1380 WNRI Woonsocket, R.I. s/on weekdays at 6:30, and off at 4:15 in December, per announcement. (Lefty)
- 1420 KPEP San Angelo, Texas s/on weekdays at 6:30, and 8:00 Sundays, per verie. F/c is third Sunday, 6:15-6:30 currently, but they are trying to change it to some weekday. (Lefty)  
WSTW St. Augustine, Fla. s/on weekdays 5:30. (J. Brauner)
- 1440 WPRS Paris, Ill. has f/c first Sunday 01350-140. (Bristow, Ill)
- 1450 KXLQ Bozeman, Mont. had m/c 12/13 0430--445. (Johannes)
- 1460 WPON Pontiac, Mich. regular weekday s/on is 5:30. (J. Brauner)
- 1470 KRBC Abilene, Tex. s/on 7 weekdays. (Ev.)
- 1480 WMAX Grand Rapids, Mich. on ET, very weak and undermodulated on 12/11. 2:45-3:15 and later. (Lefty)
- 1570 WNCA Siler city, N.C. test 3:15-4:00 and later 12/4. (Ev.)  
WTRB Ripley, Tenn. began RS 12/11 per verie. (Ev.)
- 1590 WDRP Chester Pa. ex-WPWA, s/off Sundays at 1:02 A.M. (Lefty)

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#### A NOTE FROM OUR DOMESTIC CONTEST MANAGER

In order to make it easier for me would all those who do not put your entries as the rules call for please do so, as it will help me tremendously. Thanks. Also, put number of points by each station whether it be a 1 pointer, or 3, 5 etc. We have a winner. The no. 7 prize goes to Francis Nittler, Denver, Colo. for getting 35 points in 35 areas. Congratulations Frank. \$1.00 Evetett Johnson, Mendota, Ill.



Report on DX Shows:

Roy Millar, Wash. State: KFIR and WJMA on 1340 heard OK. WEOL (930) heard, but was on for the NNRC. KUTI(900) a local here.

Gene Cameron, Wash. State: WLPH(1230) Not heard, too much QRM. KUTI (900) Heard, as only 100 miles away. WHAR (1340) Not heard, too much QRM from KIST, KATY, and CJOB. Gene thinks he heard WJMA (1340) in the last 1/2 hr., but they were not on on Dec. 20th, Gene. WIV0(1300) heard topping KYNO, for Gene's best catch. KWIL(790) KABC testing first 10 minutes, then good thereafter. WNCC(950) Heard with some fading, but always readable. (Nice going Gene)

Joe Brauner, New York State: WPKN(1220), WFET(950), WLAS(910), WJMA (1340), all heard very well for Joe. WJMA on the 13th, KFIR(1340), KAVL(1340) not heard. KOPE(1150) QRM from KAYO Eting. WEOL clear.

Ralph Johanns, New York State: Heard: WPKN(1220), WLAS(910) WJMA(1340) on the 13th.

Eric Bristow, Illinois: Heard:KUTI(900), WIV0(1300), WNCC(950), KOPE (1150), WEOL(930) for NNRC. WBAT(1400) not heard.

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HEARD SINCE LAST ISSUE

CALL LETTERS	LOCATION	STATUS
1230	CMGF Matanzas, Cuba	from 1240. PGC
1050	KNBX Kirkland, Wash.	ex-KRKL. NRC
1250	KSML Seminole, Texas.	NRC
1580	KCMU Columbia, Missouri.	NRC
1590	WDRF Chester, Pa.	ex-WPVA. NRC

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Season's greetings once again from all of us to all of you. DXing has been alright here. 12/18: KALM(1150) fair signal on NNRC-DX. Info taken on the Costa Rican on 915 kes., heard with a fair signal. 12/19: WDIA(1070) s/on 0500, with fair signal. KNAK(1280) logged at 0530 on its 24 hr. a day sked, signal peaking at fairly poor. WAGR (1480) s/on 0558. WDIX(1450) s/on strongly at 0600. WFON(1460) rolling on its regular sked at 0700. 12/20: KOAT(260) Even with KONO at 0105. KSML(1250) on ET at 0145, signal fair at best. CJOR(600) s/off 0300. KUTI-DX putting in an amazing signal for a West Coast 250 watter, always easily readable. A real DX thrill of the season, KNEW(790) loud on M/f/c at 0340. CKOM\*DX for NNRC doing fairly well. KTRB(860) logged slightly under KONO at 0400 s.off/ for a valuable and long awaited logging. The DXes of WIV0 and WNCC both in like locals. One or two IDs of the KWIL-DX, barely squeezed thru WBBM carrier. WDXN(540) s/off with a fair signal at 5:45 P.M. 12/21 XEDF(960) good on its r/c. WRIC(540) putting in a nice signal between 5:00-5:15 P.M. 12/22 WFMD-DX for NNRC doing nicely with someone faint underneath. WSLM (1220) Announced as NNRC-DX, although not scheduled for that time. Doing very well against WGR's carrier. KAYO and KRKD battling it out on 1150, between 0400-0430, with unreadable poor signals. KAYO new. 12/23: WBAA-DX in like a local for the NNRC. CJBI(900) s/off 0405, to return at 0900 for a prized and long desired logging. It looks as if this one is no longer 24 hrs. a day. WTBO, WHAR and WJMA were not heard here, and probably were not on.

I guess that about does it from here for another week. No stencils from Fred this week, so will use last week's. Hope you all had a nice Xmas. CU all next year!

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A VERY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB



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FCC INFO

Construction Permits:

- Ch. 2 Klamath Falls, Oregon
- Ch. 9 Iufkin, Texas
- Ch. 10 Waco, Texas

Suspended:

- KCLB Ch. 23 Tulsa, Oklahoma

On The Air:

- KVOO-TV Ch. 2 Tulsa, Oklahoma
- GJIC-TV Ch. 2 Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.
- GJBR-TV Ch. 3 Rimouski, Quebec
- WIRI Ch. 5 Plattsburg, New York
- KTRK Ch. 13 Houston, Texas
- WFMZ-TV Ch. 67 Allentown, Penna.

Deleted:

- KPIC Ch. 16 El Centro, California
- KNAL-TV Ch. 19 Victoria, Texas
- WGOV-TV Ch. 57 Valdosta, Georgia
- WHRM Ch. 40 Dover, Delaware
- KTKA Ch. 42 Topeka, Kansas

Call Letters Assigned or Changed:

- KENS-TV Ch. 5 San Antonio, Texas.  
(from KGBS-TV)
- KPKR Ch. 19 Pasco, Washington
- WBID Ch. 62 Detroit, Mich. ( )  
(from WCIO-TV)

New ABC Affiliates:

- KVEC-TV 6 WMBV-TV 11 WLEX-TV 18.

MRC TV DX SPECIAL

WFMZ-TV Channel 67 and/or WFMZ-FM 100.7 Megacycles-Channel 265 (or both) will tape record a SPECIAL DX PROGRAM dedicated to the M.R.C. during tests or other equipment adjustments but dates and times at this writing are unknown. According to FCC Info above WFMZ-TV is on the air. Art Collins is in touch with the station and when dates are known for any such programs from either station, notification will appear in TV DXer if time permits, otherwise it will be channeled through "DX Down The Dial." Address is MacArthur Boulevard, Allentown, Pennsylvania. Carl C. Egolf, CE.  
ARR BY: ART COLLINS.

SEEN AND HEARD

Bill Moser, 217 Connellsville Street, Uniontown, Pennsylvania:

As predicted, WDTV and WSTV-TV have been sold: WDTV to Westinghouse, WSTV-TV to CBS. Both are subject to FCC approval. WDTV will become KDKA-TV and WSTV-TV's calls will also probably be changed. Nothing special seen here at all and no veries received either. 73's.

Frank Wheeler, Box 176 R.D. 5, Erie, Pennsylvania:

I was pleasantly surprised to receive a verie from KRCA, Los Angeles Ch. 4, which I had received Aug. 14, 1954 from 1:30 AM EDST to 1:42 AM EDST 35% perfect. This is 2117 miles from Erie, Pa. This is my best catch. This now makes me 34 received and 32 veries for 10 States and Ontario. No new ones since Sept. 6, '54. I got quite a thrill out of that verie from KRCA. KRCA uses 47,000 watts, 6218 feet above sea level. 73's.

Wingdon P. Schafer, 360 Zimmerman Boulevard, Kenmore 17, New York:

New stations recently logged by me are as follows: 10-4 WENS Ch. 16 Pittsburgh, Pa. 10-5 WABO TV Ch. 7 New York City. 10-19 WQNY-TV Carthage, N. Y. 10-23 WTOP-TV Ch. 9 Washington, D. C. 10-30 WNBC Ch. 5 Chicago, Ill. WRC-TV Ch. 4 Washington, D. C. 11-16 WIM-T Ch. 15 Waterloo, Ind. 11-18 CLEWS Ch. 11 Kingston, Ont. 11-20 WPTV Ch. 4 Bloomington, Ind. 11-27 WTVU Ch. 4 Miami, Fla. The above stations added to my log bring my total to 89. I now have 70 stations verified and three reports pending. I understand that Dumont's WDTV in Pittsburgh was sold to the Westinghouse Broadcasting Co. who wish to change the station's call letters to KDKA-TV if the FCC permits. I don't think I'll have any trouble getting the new call verified as the station puts out a powerful signal.

DON'T FORGET! EACH YEAR AT THIS TIME A SURGE OF SKIP RECEPTION HAS BEEN NOTED WITH THE TV DXERS COMING UP WITH SOME DANDY CATCHES. LET US KNOW YOUR SCORE IN JANUARY!

Bob Seybold, Bennett Road-R D #2, Dunkirk, New York:

DX here is really down but new stations and a nce in awhile "catch" is keeping DX moving along here. There was a good opening back in November during the week of 8th to 15th as such stations as WLWD-2 WTVT-5 WAVE-3 WKZO-3 WTBM-6 WISH-8 WCFO-9 WKRC-12 WHAS-11 and many others were seen. Also two new UHF stations in WENS-16 and WKST-TV-45 at 105 and 155 air miles respectively on evening of 11-12-54. Best day of all was 11-13-54 with 46 seen. Very recent loggings include WCBS-TV WTVT-4 WRC-4 KQWS-11 WJNC-4 WLWD-2; plus a few mysterys. E-skip seen on 11-14-54 with KFEL-2 KOSJ-5 and WOV-6 seen, also WDBC-6 on 11-9-54. Will be looking for the new WIRI 5 Bloomingdale, N. Y. station, which is now on and testing, if they make it this far, 350 miles plus. Hi. Veries few with recent ones being WKST-45 WKBN-27 WONY-7 WRC-6 WBBM-2 WWOR-14 WJNC-8. Look for that E-skip around Christmas time, fellas. DX & 73's and "Happy Holidays."

Art Collins, 68 Amber Street, Buffalo 20, New York:

The new WIRI Ch. 5 - 20,000 watts in Flattsburg, N. Y. will be on air with tests Dec. 2-3 or 4 and on. . . then will start regular programs very soon after. Annette Devan, Secretary is vorie signer. I picked up the new WRC-TV-4 last week and WTVJ-2 Miami on skip and today 12-5-54 picked up WRC-TV-4 at 7:09 AM EST. Other two heard early AM's. 110 Verifications in now.

Donald Voegele, 5572 Broadway, Lancaster, New York:

No DX on account of no antenna. Local on Ch. 17 is folding up, so fellas get out and get it. WBUF is definitely going off Ch. 17, folding or going to VHF, possibly Ch. 8. Current loss is 32,000 dollars a month. 73's.

Hank Ward, 404 North 14th, Ponca City, Oklahoma:

KAKE-TV 10 Wichita, Kansas received and verified last month. KVOO-TV 2 not seen here yet. With a rotor (which I do not have. Hi), every channel 2 to 13 except 11 and 13 now have something on them. 11 and 13 will be filled next year. KTVQ, Ch. 25 virtually on rocks and now operating day by day with staff of 6 or 8. ABC would not discuss contract renewals pending outcome of their financial peril. Proposed sale fell through at last minute.

#### CHANNEL CHATTER

This new feature and addition to TV DXer suggested by Art Collins. If you like it and have anything to add each month, send it along apart from reports and indicate for "Channel Chatter." The idea behind it is a sort of clearing house for tips or other info on stations.

Ch. 2 - WDTV May be KDKA-TV Pittsburgh later. Westinghouse to buy out Dunont.  
Ch. 4 - WJ-TV On full power now.  
Ch. 5 - WIRI New station in Flattsburg, N.Y. to TEST 1st or 2nd week in Dec. 1954 - or shortly after.  
Ch. 6 - WATE-TV Sign on DAILY 1000.  
Ch. 6 - WCTV Has made no test pattern as yet.  
Ch. 6 - WFIL-TV Philadelphia, Pa. Uses NO test pattern. On any Sunday.  
Ch. 11 - CKWS-TV Will operate daily 1330-2400.  
Ch. 13 - WTTW More power and much higher and new antenna Jan. 1st.  
Ch. 17 - WBUF Buffalo, N. Y. Trying to get Ch. 8-UHF.

Above items from Art Collins. Would suggest sending items in by Ch., Call, Location and then information, Hank.

#### THE CHAMP SPEAKS

"As winner of the first annual TV DX contest, I wish to congratulate all the other contestants on their fine showing in contest and in particular, Bill Moser for staging such a fine contest. Will be looking forward to next season's contest. 73's." ---Bob Seybold.

DEADLINE FOR JANUARY TV DXER WILL BE SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 1956 IN PONCA CITY!