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GOINT TO TOWN WITH N.R.C.

Enclosed is my dues check, long overdue, I'm afraid. Merely an oversight, as I wouldn't quit the N.R.C. if dues were \$10 per year! With another season about to begin, I'm all set to go to town on DXing this year. Wish you the best of luck.
- Phil Potter, Radio Station WINC, Winchester, Virginia.

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

Date	Call	Kc/s	Location	Watts	A.M. E.S.T.	Station Time
Nov.5	K M R C	1430	Morgan City, Louisiana	500	4:00 - 4:30	3:00-3:30 CST
6	K A M O	1390	Rogers, Arkansas	500	4:00 - 4:30	3:00-3:30 CST
14	C K L B	1350	Oshawa, Ontario	1,000	4:00 - 5:00	4:00-5:00 EST
21	C F J C	910	Kamloops, British Columbia	1,000	3:30 - 4:30	12:30-1:30 PST
26	C K L C	1380	Kingston, Ontario	1,000	4:30 - 5:30	4:30-5:30 EST
28	C F O B	800	Fort Frances, Ontario	1,000	3:00 - 5:00	2:00-4:00 CST
28	C J E M	570	Edmundston, New Brunswick	1,000	4:00 - 5:00	5:00-6:00 AST

On the "promised" list: WINC, 1400; WDLG-1490; KODL-1440; WMIK-560 and KCFH-1600, and also KAWL-1370 as we go to press.

ATTENTION * NO "DX NEWS" OCTOBER 15

The fact that so much of the country is now carrying Daylight Saving Time into the end of October has caused us to change our policy of issuing bulletins every week in October. The change (after this year) will be this: weekly issues from October 15 to April 15, rather than from October 1 to April 1. We would put that into effect this season, only that it has just been approved, and there was no time to notify you of the change. We already said there would be an October 1 issue, and this is it, and there will be an October 8 issue too, since time still does not permit our telling you in time to guide your sending in of reports. So we will not have an October 15th issue, but will make up for it with three issues in April, while the whole country is still on Standard Time. So, it's weekly from now on, with the exception of October 15.

VERIE SIGNERS

It has been decided to eliminate this section from "DX NEWS" from now on, so with next week's issue, it will end. A plan is afoot to issue a monthly pamphlet listing verie signers rather than see so many repetitions in the weekly list. So don't send your verie signers to Editor Cooper any longer. The name of the member to handle the list from now on will be given to you as soon as we know who it is.

No F.C.C. bulletins have been received in this past week. so there are no "Changes in Station Data" for this issue.

In this issue, we have so few DX reports that it seemed hardly worth putting out the issue at all. We hope this will ring a bell with all of you, and realize that if you haven't sent in a DX report for this issue, that you have nobody to blame but yourself! Now, come on, gang - let's have those reports so we have our usual high standard of bulletins! Some of you have never sent us a report - how about breaking down and doing just that for the next issue and make "DX NEWS" terrific again?

		<u>VERIE</u>		<u>SIGNERS</u>			
570	C J E M	Georges Guerrette, M	A	1230	K X O -	Riley R. Gibson, GM	B
740	K R M G	W.H. Bradley, CE	B	1240	K I Y I	George F. Potter, CE	B
910	C F J C	Walter Harwood	A	1350	C K L B	William Mardhand, TD	A
	K R I O	(Maurice Cofer, XE	B	1380	C K L C	Barry McR. Ogden, CE	A
		(George C. Breeding Jr)GB C	C	1390	K A M O	Paul Bateman, CE	E
920	K L M R	D. Peluso, CE	B	1400	K P T L	Jerry L. Kleinknight, CE	B
1090	C F J B	Ferwick Job, MD	A		K W I N	D. Caldwell, CE	B
1150	C K O C	William T. Cranston, VP	B	1430	K M R C	B. W. Walker, Jr., CE	D
	W GuE A	J. C. Williams, SM	C	1490	W A G R	Milton Newsome	C

A - Stone B - Critchett C - Reilley D - Rosenbaum E - Seagraves

Don't forget - no more "Verie Signers" are to be sent to your Editor in Brooklyn. This section has proven, apparently, very popular with you members, and we are really sorry it is to end with the next issue. However, replacing the weekly issue of this list will be a monthly one. Please, all of you who co-operated so beautifully in sending these names in to us, please also send them to the member who will take over this list, and whose name and address will be given you shortly. Thankyou all for the kind words you have expressed about this column, which was started by your Editor several years back, while he was looking through back "Musings", remembering a certain station, hard to verify, had been verified by another member and he had mentioned the v/s name in the report. It took a long while to find this info so we started this list and placed it on the same page every week. Thanks again, all who helped to make it such a success, and please co-operate with the new man.

HEARD SINCE LAST ISSUE

600	K C L S	Ex-1360 kc/s.	NRC	1450	K D A Y	Ex-KROG	FCC
1110	X E R C N	Mexico, D.F.	NRC	1540	K P O L	Los Angeles, Calif.	NRC
1260	W O K W	Ex-1050 kc/s.	NRC	1590	K G A S	Carthagé, Texas	NRC
1310	K S U L	Sulphur, Texas	NRC	1570	W F B F	Fernandina Beach, Fla	NRC

WATCH FOR THESE:

950	W B V L	Barbourville, Kentucky	1570	W H O T	Campbell, Ohio
1290	W T I V	Titusville, Pennsylvania	1560	W Q X R	New 50,000 U-3 transmitter
1450	W K T Q	South Paris, Maine	1260	W O K W	Daily f/c 1:30-1:45 EST.

Musings of the Members

Lefty Cooper - 438 East 21 Street - Brooklyn 26, New York

Veries in from WTCR and a real surprise, one from KAWL after 53 weeks! They say they will have a DX for us in late October, but no definite info from anyone on the GPC here as yet. Who's arranging it?? Maurice Nittler?? As for DX, the set is back and feeling fine again, and the first DX session with it was held on 9/24, and I wasted about an hour identifying WCOP-1150 testing with band music and WKOA-1480 testing with pop music. Announcements were might scarce in both cases. One new addition - WESO-970, at 4:30 a.m. s/on. They beat WCHN on by about three seconds, and then it was dog eat dog from then on with WWSW way behind both of them. 9/25- One more new one added, on a tip from Bernie Duffy - XEHF-1570, to 2:15 s/off, and in the clear 2:00-2:15. KXLF has quit "Monitor" and I presume that means all the other KXL- stations have followed suit. There's a loud one on 1390, though, and I hope the coming DX from KAMO will make it through them. That twilight, I had a field day, with three new ones. I was surprised to hear, on 1470, WPDM-Potsdam, N.Y. topping WSAN. Then, remembering Erick Johnson's tip, I switched to 1250 and found WIPS, Ticonderoga, N.Y. doing the same thing there, so by furious tuning from 1250 to 1470 and vice versa, I got a log on both these needed Adirondack stations. WIPS is affiliated with WWSO, Glens Falls, and WENT, Gloversville, N.Y. 9/26- Up for the f/c of KYNT-1450, and got 'em with interference from WTIK and good old KPIK. That's the extent of this week here, and this issue looks kind of sick, doesn't it? Then how about coming across with some DX reports? We can't run a radio club without active members. It's up to you all. Don't forget, no issue the week of October 15, but weekly before and after through mid-April. 73.

Musings of the MembersHank Wilkinson Jr. - 6620 Beeman Avenue - North Hollywood, California

Norman Maguire was in Los Angeles on the 14th and 15th but couldn't get to my place. However, he phoned and we had quite a chat. Discussed the old timers in EGB DX, the NRC Convention, and DXing in general. He believes that Hank Tyndall is one of the finest DXers. That's quite a compliment from a fellow who has 2,335 veries which include 42 countries and 337 foreign veries. I heard the following in the past few AMs of DXing. KPOA, 630 kc/s. from 4:45 to 5:03 a.m. EST on 9/12. JOBB, 830 kc/s., 5:15 to 5:30 a.m. (when he IDed) on same date. JOQK, 850 kc/s., Niigata, heard from 5:33 to 6:22 a.m., same date. Variety of programs. Also, the mystery Asiatic again on 785 kc/s. at 6:25 to 6:40 a.m., same date. The only identity is the chimes played on the hour and half hour with woman announcer. VOA Okinawa, 1180 kc/s., read S-7 steady at 6:50 a.m., same date. Heard KFQD, 730 kc/s., from 4:28 to s/off at 5:02 a.m. on 9/13. Signal S-8 to 20 DB over 9. KIKI, 860 kc/s., from 5:07 to 5:27 a.m. on 9/13. IYZ, 800 kc/s., with a play from 4:25 to 4:35 a.m. on 9/15. The Japanese stations are starting to come in earlier than usual. KGIL, 1260 kc/s. San Fernando, Calif. is now silent from 4 to 7 a.m. EST on Friday AMs for those who are interested.

Dick Northup - 507¹/₂ Kimball Road - Iowa City, Iowa

Just two weeks since the great NRC Convention in Cedar Rapids. Believe me it was a real pleasure to have attended and to meet so many of you. A good time was had by all, and Clara, Bob and Len did a bangup job all the way. Much credit is due them for the success of the meetings, eats and all. I sincerely hope we can meet in the middle west again some year and in the meantime, I will try to get east if I can. Not too much DX yet, but I have logged a few new ones since the Convnetion. After returning on Sunday night from Cedar Rapids Monday Sept. 5 that is, logged the new WAPG, Arcadia, Fla. on 1480 with ET from 2:00-2:30 a.m. followed by CFRA on 560 at 3 a.m. for a new catch. This is AN but I had never logged them before. 9/12 netted me WKMC on 1370 on their 4:30 a.m. s/on. Iowa's newest station KCOB in Newton on 1280 is now on the air and can be heard here fairly well in the daytime with some QRM from WPRE and WMRO. This evening I was surprised to get KTTN on 1600 back of KCRG from 7:00-7:20 p.m. Will send them a report. Reports out to CFRA KCOB and WKMC. Veries in from WOPA KRAY and WAPG. Nice cards from Walt Goldy, Peter Bretz and Marv Robbins. Thanks a lot fellows. Good DX to all.

Eric Bristow - 419 West Court Street - Paris, Illinois

Soory I failed to see you at the Convention this year. Had a good time while there. No sign of the tall corn in that state as I saw some as good or better in this state. Several years ago when I was on a vacation and working in the Chicago Post Office I did see some tall corn then. I have a new scheme. I get up on several different mornings and park on a certain frequency so was on 1360 for about a week. This AM, Sunday, the 18th, I pulled through good and loud like a local KXOL Fort Worth Texas about 4:30 a.m. etc. At 5 a.m. Green Bay was like a local and one day I pulled in Binghamton, N.Y. WKOP for about 20 minutes for two mornings and then Sunday heard some more in Arkansas and other states mentioned but not enough for ID. I sent Wagner a check for dues, another year. I also got a nice letter back from WMIK Middlesboro, Ky. Would have called up but my mother sleeps near the phone and is 88 years old so I did not want to wake her up. Will get "DX Down the Dai" next time.

Duane McMurray - 501 South Main Street - Menomonie, Iowa

Hi gang. Jist a note to the bulletin after attending my first NRC Convention. Think a lot of praise is due Bob, Len and Mrs. Vachtel for the way they had everything set up. Things really worked out swell for the gang. Missed meeting most of the Easterners who, on account of the floods and various reasons couldn't get west. Enjoyed meeting those who could make it and hope to meet some of the rest of the members at some of the future gatherings. All in all, those who couldn't make it missed a good time. Nothing much DX-wise except that the Mexican five-letter call XERCN on 1100 kc/s. has been rolling through KFAB and everything else for night after night lately. Anyone short the station might give them a try. (Welcome back to these columns! -Ed.)

Mort Meehan - P.O. Box 207 - Hawthorne, California (new address)

I am now in the same office with Karl Raymond and living in same town. Might get a little DX out of us this coming winter. (Lots of luck, Mort and we hope so too -Ed.)

October 1, 1955

Pat Reilley - 226 Crossman Street - Jamestown, New York

Veries are WGEA WBSC WAGR and 47 new reports still out. Wonder when they will verify for us DXers? 8/29- WMIK-dx heard and note sent to Jack. WTCR, 1420, test, new/call of WWKO in Ashland for new one. 8/30- WKLE, 1370, ET. KPOL, 1540, 2:58, for two new ones. WSMI, 1540, 2:56 on ET and off at 2:58. Unknown on 900 at 3:18, changing night and day patterns and still on at 3:45 with no ID at all. 8/31- WKLE at 1:39, 1370, on and off test all AM. During one pause, caught KAST for a new one after all these years. KBIG, 740, test at 2:18. CKNW, 1320, best I've ever heard them on air. 9/8- KGBC, 1540, off at 3:00. WCKY not heard at all on 1530. 9/9- WOTR, 1370, f/c at 1:36. WPRC, 1370, test at 2:21. Several Canadians with the Lake Swim on AN. KRAY, 1360, ET at 3:30. CJSP, 710, in afternoon, copied for second new one today. 9/10- CKLW, 800, signs off at 2 a.m. now. WKMC, 1370, AN, hope for to-day only. WCAO 600, test at 2:30. WCHF, 1150, ET, 2:58. Hope they verify this report as none from their DX last season. 9/12- WVNJ, 620, test at 2:23. KELP, 920, off at 3:05. KR0P, 1300, f/c 3 to 3:15. KLGR, 1490, f/c at 3:16, hope they verify this third report. 9/13- WIRJ, 740, f/c at 2:35. KGPH, 690, had nice signal at 3:36. 9/14- WMCR, 930, test at 1:28. Very noisy and dozens of TT with no voice used. 9/15- WAPG, 1480, ET for new one. KBIG, 740, test at 2:36. KSCB, 1270, f/c at 3:03. 9/16- WOKW, 1260, f/c atop mess at 2:35 to 1:45 s/off. WAMS, 1380, test at 2:30. 9/17- Too noisy to DX and in bed before 2:30. I'd like to take this space to thank our Convention hosts, Mrs. Wachtel, Bob and Len for wonderful time at Cedar Rapids and to tell you DXers who missed this year's rag-chew, "You missed the best time of your life."

Nora Maguire - 1420 Columbia Drive N.E. - Albuquerque, New Mexico

Managed to work the Cedar Rapids Convention into a business trip to the Midwest and sure enjoyed meeting many DXers that I had met at other gatherings and to meet so many of the gang that I knew only through the columns of "DX NEWS." The Hosts and Hostess did a wonderful job on all details, but one. They sure fouled up on having some TALL CORN to show Pat Reilley. Bob Gersuch did an especially fine job, even with the handicap of the new addition to his family arriving that very week. Last week while on business in Los Angeles, managed to get in a phone call to Hank Wilkinson. Sure sorry that I did not have time for a longer conversation or to meet him. DX is practically nil due to daily thunderstorms. Logged WCOJ, Coatesville, Pa. (1420) on early morning schedule and KNCO, Garden City, Kans. (1050) on RS. No veries except duplicate from KOTS.

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

I have so many unreported veries that I need the room, so here is the list, since last report. 560 WMIK-dx, 570 WKRN (QSL), unsigned, 740 KPMG and KTRH, 860 KONO, 900 KLAD (ETs), 910 KRIO, 920 KLMR, 930 WREN (unsigned QSL), 1150 CKOC, 1230 KXO, 1240 KIYI, 1330 WTSP, 1390 WFBL, 1400 KPFL, KWLN, and 1430 KBRK. Signers at end of letter. Who can top this? A \$21.95 Westinghouse toaster prize for the farthest phone call to Hayes Sammons hardware, Mission, Texas, for an AN broadcast over KRII on August 25th. Good start for the season? Unanswered reports out to 1010 WJVB's DX; 1380 KRKC; 1450 KOPO; 1490 KICO; 1450 KPAL (is R. Biss home yet?); 1430 KOSI (F. Nittler?); 1440 KODL, 1230 CBX and CBXA, 690 KGPH, 600 KCLS (ET), 1290 KOIL and 1370 KXLF for Monitor program. Hope the latter verifies this second report. To answer some questions in "DX NEWS", Marv Robbins: 1420 Voice of (Chester County) is WCOJ. Lefty: Your California station with ball scores for Sacramento and Oakland might have been KAFP; probably not KRLA (not KWIK). Larry Jones: McClatbby Co. owns Sacramento, Modesto and Fresno BEE newspapers, and KFBK, KOH, KMJ and KERN, with stations in a network called the "Beeline." Quite an industrious organization. Thanks, Stan, for taking over the "DX Down the Dial." Hope you get many DX tips. Have been working overtime since Labor Day, so no DX, and little letter writing. Best wishes to all in the new DX season.

Buddy Giles - 2844 Guilford Lane - Oklahoma City 16, Oklahoma

Read your query in last "DX NEWS" about 1050 with Jackie Gleason records. If I remember correctly KLOH, Pipestone, Minn. used almost exclusive Jackie Gleason music when I caught them sometime ago. Good chance it was they. Have been listening to 1050 almost nightly until 3 hoping for KLEN but 1050 testers are rare here. Heard WABI here recently and KOYN Billings tested on their frequency. Also KSUL has had almost nightly tests with WRR on. WADL also ETed. Hank Ware has had KLAD on ETs.

DX DOWN THE DIAL

Send all items to; C.M.Stanbury II, Box 218, Crystal Beach, Ontario, Canada

All times are EST.

- 560 Radio Jamaica, Mandeville, Jamaica sched 0600-2300 (BS)
- 620 WSUN St.Petersburg, Fla is AN (NNRC)
- 680 KNDC San Francisco, Cal. no longer AN now S/off 0305 (KMM (CMS)
CHXLO St.Thomas, Ont. now probably only ANer on channel (CMS)
- 720 Radio Jamaica, KX Cross Roads, Jamaica sched 0600-2300 (BS)
- 1100 WTAM Cleveland, Ohio no longer AN(CMS)
- 1180 Radio Jamaica, Montego Bay, Jamaica sched 0600-2300 (BS)
- 1220 WJUN Mexico, Pa shed 0545-1815 (JB)
- 1090 CFJB Brampton, Ont. Sched: ~~XXXXXX~~ Oct.0630-1730, Nov.& Feb.0715-1700,
Dec.& Jan.0745-1645, Mar.0630-1815 (BS)
- 1320 WKIN Kingsport, Tenn S/on 0455 (BS)
WWHG Hornell, N.Y. S/on 0457 (BS)
WJAS Pittsburgh, Pa. S/on 0500
- 1430 KBRK Brookings, S.D. hrd FC 0145-0150 on 9/19 (3rd Mon.) (JB)
- 1480 WCBR Memphis, Tenn. hrd ending FC at 0215 on 9/22 (JB)
- 1490 WFBC Fremont, Mich. FC 4th Sat. 0300-0500 with tone, wants reports (RES)
- 1280 KTLN Denver, Colorado probably AN (CMS)
- 1530 KGBC Galveston, Tex. S/off 0300 (CMS)

QUESTION BOX

1600 who is on here after 0300 on MONDAY AM? KASH? (CMS)

REPORTERS

BS Bill Stone, JB Joe Brauner, RES ROn B.Schiller

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DAYLIGHT TIME

The only areas ~~KX~~ now on DST are New England, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. They will remain on DST until October 30. This will mean that during the next month stations in these areas will be signing on an hour earlier than usual providing an excellent chance to log them.

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C.M.Stanbury II: 9/28 KTLN (1280) Denver, Colorado at 0430 under WTCN. 73s.Stan.

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CHGB in La Malbaie

Most of you are familiar with CHGB in St.Anne de la Pocatiere, Quebec. They put on DX program for us two years ago. La Malbaie, a town of about 2000, is located across the St.Laurence river and approximately 20 miles from Ste.Anne. In it one Monsieur Tremble has purchased time from CHGB. During this time he makes up a program from La Malbaie sponsored by the local merchants. In order to get the program from La Malbaie to the main transmitter at Ste.Anne, he operates a transmitter at La Malbaie on 2236 Kc/s. This station ALSO uses the call CHGB. His studio and transmitter is housed in one room on the upper story of a duplex. For a antenna, Monsieur Tremble uses a single wire. His present schedule is 1200-1215 and 1900-1915.

That frequency again is 2230. Yes, a little above the Broadcast Band but we think it would be a pretty good catch for any ~~WXXX~~ DXer .

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It gives us great pleasure to welcome back to the NRC a veteran DXer and a man we like to consider a good friend, Herb Campbell.

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We anticipate that each week we will have between a half and two thirds of a page of DX DOWN THE DIAL. We will do our best to see that it contains good tips. FCs, ANers, clear channels, DX programs (which are not on the front page) S/ons and S/off's which ~~KXX~~ there are good chances of someone else hearing. An effort will be made not to repeat information.

We want to fill the page with items of interest. One such item we have planned is a list of magazines for DXers. If you know of any such magazine, please send us it's and give us some details. Thanks. (That's send us ~~KX~~ it's name)

September



EDITORIAL

In October 1952, the FIRST TV DXER column appeared in DX News. Now at the end of its THIRD year, the TV DXER is being retired. Leaving behind a trail of memories of newsy reports from NRC TV fans. Memories of many friends made through the editorship of the column. And a feeling of filling a need when there was a chance to provide a service to the members of the NRC! When the TV DXER made its debut, TV DX was in its infancy. Now three years later, TV DX has arrived as a separate and rugged individual in the field of DX and stands on its own merits as a challenge to the DXer who would invade its domain. And with it today is a splendid organization devoted to TV DX. I am, of course, referring to the A.I.P.A. (The American Ionospheric Propagation Association), ably headed up by Bob Cooper of Fresno, California and assisted by Hank Holbrook and Bob Seybold.

Meeting with the NRC Board of Directors in Cedar Rapids over Labor Day, I recommended that the TV DXer be discontinued with the September issue and that the NRC give its moral support to the blossoming A.I.P.A. This recommendation met the approval of the Board and was so decreed.

The TV DXer can point with pride to the new members it attracted to the NRC. Many were exclusively TV DXers. We sincerely hope that as a result of being associated with the NRC that an interest in BCB DX has also been aroused in them. That as a result of this new interest in BCB DX they will continue with us as well as give their wholehearted support to the A.I.P.A. Those NRCers of long standing who became interested in TV DX, either before the advent of the TV DXer or after, we trust they too, will find a multiple outlet for their interests by continuing their association with the NRC as well as the A.I.P.A. Both are terrific organizations, with a fine roll of members in each, and each tops in their respective coverage of BCB DX and TV DX.

If you wish to continue with the NRC for its coverage of BCB DX, we'll be happy to have you. If this is the case, and you are not now a member of the A.I.P.A. but wish to join or have information from that organization, contact ROBERT SEYBOLD, RFD #2, BENNETT ROAD, DUNKIRK, NEW YORK. Bob is Secretary of the A.I.P.A. and will be most happy to see that you get full information about the A.I.P.A. If you desire to transfer your membership from the NRC to the A.I.P.A., contact HAL WAGNER, R. D. #1, LAKE CITY, PENNSYLVANIA, and Hal will transfer the balance of your membership dues in the NRC over to the A.I.P.A.

Whatever your decision, and we hope you've come to like us as much as we've come to like you, we wish you good loggings and many verifications in TV DX!

Speaking as your editor, I would like to thank every contributor who ever helped to make this column interesting to all. I am proud of the non-TV DXers who in the past wrote saying they enjoyed the TV DXer even though they themselves were not TV DXers. They made the task much more pleasant. I would especially like to thank such TV DXers as Bob Seybold, Don Roller, Frank Wheeler, Art Collins, Bill Moser, Bob Cooper, King Schaefer, Tom Carberry, and many, many others who contributed so much to the success of the column. And to Carl Fondergrass, who while not a TV DXer, gave cheerfully of his time to supply me with the latest FCC data. Thanks fellas, thanks a million!

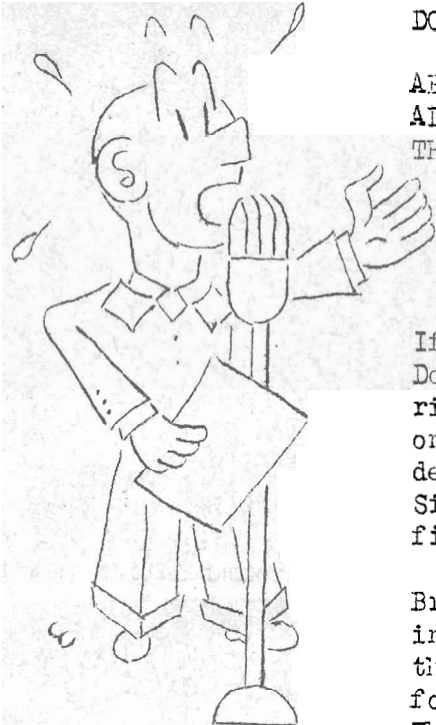
Well, that's about the size of it. It's been a pleasant "chore" meeting you all each month, and I hope as your Contest Manager in the forthcoming Domestic DX Contest, I'll be hearing from you all again each month. S'long. .and 73's!

September 22, 1955.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hank".

404 North 14th
Ponca City, Oklahoma

Hank Ward
TV DX Editor, NRC



HERE ARE THE DETAILS ABOUT YOUR 1955-1956 DOMESTIC DX CONTEST! IT'S NEW! IT'S DIFFERENT! THE INFORMATION AND QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ARE ANSWERED IN THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS. READ ALL ABOUT YOUR NEW N.R.C. DX CONTEST AND RUSH IN THAT ENTRY FEE AND JOIN IN THE FUN!



If you know your A B C's, you'll find this year's Domestic DX Contest RIGHT DOWN YOUR ALLEY. That's right. . .this year's contest is an alphabetical one. Not consecutive call letters. . .no trick devices. . .just DX DOWN THE ALPHABET. That's it! Simple? You bet! And YOU pick your location to fit the alphabetical by-play of this DX Contest.

Briefly, this is how it works. . .hundreds of cities in the U. S. and Canada have radio stations. . .set those cities up alphabetically and knock 'em over for points. For instance, you log KADA Ada, Oklahoma. That's 1 point. Then you log WAKR Akron, Ohio. That's good for three points. You're through with the "A's", next comes "B" "C" "D," etc. Of course, you have to have the verie back before it can count for you. And those DX SPECIALS count too! See details below!

RULES FOR THE 1955-1956 DOMESTIC DX CONTEST OF THE NRC

1. CONTEST MANAGER

The Contest Manager is Hank Ward, 404 North 14th, Ponca City, Oklahoma. All entry fees and lists of veries submitted by contestants must be sent directly to Hank. To assist the Contest Manager in his part of the work, contestants lists of eligible veries should be submitted in the following order:

Call--Location--Frequency--Power--Date Logged--Date Verified.

2. DURATION OF CONTEST

Verifications eligible for this contest must be for reports of reception not earlier than 12:01 a.m. October 15, 1955 and not later than 11:59 p.m. March 15, 1956. The above times will apply to the time zone in which the contestant resides.

3. LISTING OF STANDINGS

The standings will be listed once each month for the contest, ie, the first issue of each month starting with the December 1955 issue. Final standings will be listed in the June, 1956 DX News. For inclusion in the monthly standings published in DX News, lists of eligible verifications should reach the Contest Manager on or before the 4th Saturday of each month. Lists arriving too late for inclusion in a monthly listing will be held over until the following month.

4. DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF VERIFICATIONS ELIGIBLE FOR CONTEST

The final entry containing your list of verifications eligible must be sent to the Contest Manager bearing a postmark of no later than 11:59 p.m. May 1, 1956. Any list of entries bearing a later postmark will not be accepted.

5. ENTRY FEE

There will be an entry fee of fifty cents (50¢) and must be paid at the time of entering the contest to the Contest Manager.

6. PRIZES

All money received from the entry fee into this contest will be returned in the form of prize money, payable to the winners after final tabulation of points and no later than June 1, 1956 from Ponca City, Oklahoma. The prize list follows:

- 1--First place in Contest: \$3.00
- 2--Second place in Contest: \$2.00
- 3--Third place in Contest: \$1.00
- 4--First place by a resident of the MST or PST zones: \$3.00. (If this contestant takes either first, second or third place in the entire contest, he is eligible for that prize also.)
- 5--For highest score in "Specials" portion of contest: \$2.00
- 6--For second highest score in "Specials" portion of contest: \$1.00
- 7--For first person scoring 25 points in Alphabetical portion of contest: \$1.00
- 8--For first person scoring 25 points in second portion of Alphabetical contest: \$3.00
- 9--To contestant in first place on New Year's Day, January 1, 1956: \$1.00
- 10--To first contestant identifying MYSTERY station known only to Contest Manager: \$1.00

The Contest Manager and the National Radio Club by letter from the Contest Manager reserves the right to add to and/or amend the above prize list pending tabulation of entries received by the deadline. In other words, the contest will be entirely self-sufficient and no funds will be removed from the National Radio Club to bolster this prize fund. If sufficient entries are not received then the prize list will be amended until entry fees balance the prize fund. However, it is expected that additional prizes will be added to the above if the enthusiasm displayed towards this contest when it was brought to the attention of the NRC members at the Cedar Rapids Convention is any criterion. Contestants will be advised via DX News of any change in prize list, up or down.

7. TIME FOR ENTERING CONTEST

Anyone being an NRC member in good standing may enter the contest, but must do so no later than November 1, 1955. Any new members may enter the contest providing they do so within thirty (30) days from the date of becoming an NRC member.

8. CONTEST MANAGER'S AUTHORITY

The Contest Manager shall have full jurisdiction of this contest. He may request contestants to submit any verification or verifications deemed necessary to remove any doubt in cases of dispute. Failure of a contestant to abide by the Contest Manager's decision may be dropped from the contest by the Contest Manager. However, should this occur, the Contest Manager will submit the facts in full to the Board of Directors of the NRC for final decision.

9. STATIONS ELIGIBLE

Every station in the U. S., Dominion of Canada and the D. of C. are eligible in this contest insofar as they qualify for the alphabetical listing by city. First city verified beginning with "A" (like Akron, Ada, Ashtabula, etc.) count one (1) point. Second station verified from a city beginning with the letter "A" gets three (3) points. And so on through the alphabet with the exception of the letter "X"! The cities do not have to be verified in alphabetical order. Special DXes dedicated to the National Radio Club may be used as an area (city) station and may be counted as needed for an area (city) station as well as for bonus points as a Special DXing station. Such a station must be located within continental U. S. or in Canada. When a contestant verifies their first twenty-five cities in their alphabetical order, the twenty-five points shall increase in value to seventy-five points. When a contestant completes his second time down the alphabet, the twenty-five points shall again increase in value to seventy-five. The total possible points in this phase of the contest are one hundred fifty (150) points!

10. SPECIAL DX PROGRAMS ELIGIBLE

Bonus points for DX Specials dedicated to the National Radio Club will be five (5) points. Neither the distance of the station from the contestant nor the station's power makes any difference in this. Special DXes eligible as first or second area stations will be allowed. Special NRC DXes may be used as area stations and also be entitled to area and special points, if used as an area station. If contestant has entered the maximum number of stations in one area (2) and verifies one or more additional special DXes in the same category, each shall receive all points to which a special DX is entitled (5). Only one (1) special DX will count from a station dedicating more than one special DX program to the NRC during the contest.

EDITOR'S NOTE

This sheet with the contest rules may be detached from DX News and kept for future reference by all who enter the contest. Remember, November 1, 1955 is the DEADLINE for entering this year's DOMESTIC DX CONTEST, other than DXers joining the NRC after that date. So, c'mon DXers, let's make this the biggest contest yet. How about YOU and YOU and YOU entering now! Send in that entry fee now!

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A card in from Fred says not enough material for the International Section this week so there will be no column this week.

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In view of the above and noting the size of this bulletin I think you will agree the Board acted wisely in agreeing to Editor's Cooper's suggestion that the Club issue but 3 issues in October and add an issue in April.

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However, we do want to remind you that this is your Club. If the Board does something which you do not agree with, or if you do agree with them emphatically, please send a card to the Board Chairman, Robert Gorsuch, 2509 "D" Ave., N.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa and tell him your views. I am thinking now of the verie signer list, the consensus at the meeting was that due to many repetitions in the weekly list, such a list was a needless waste of space in the bulletin and also a chore for Editor Cooper in typing that sheet. It was hoped that someone in the Club would volunteer to undertake the compiling of the list and once each month have the list printed in the news. This would cut out the repeats and we feel still give the members the necessary information. Do we have any volunteers????

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I expect to have for you in the next issue or so the Minutes of the Annual Board Meeting. Condensation is necessary as the present writeup takes up 3 full pages.

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Wanted:: An old Scott 23 tube Imperial All-Wave, in working conditon or not. Mine has given up and some of the special parts are impossible to obtain. So I'm wondering if any of you have an old set stored away. Perhaps I can make one work out of the two of them. Please let me know condition and your price. Harold Wagner, R D 1, Lake City, Penna.

OCTOBER 15TH
Don't forget-No Bulletin

MEMBERS MEMORABLE ANA CONVENTION

BOB SEIFERT's 'True Ones'

Sid Rosenbaum would have made it to Cedar Rapids had Bob Gorsuch told him about "Hawkeye Downs."

The hotel management had a terrible time keeping the TV set in the lobby tuned to local stations. N.R.C. members were always trying to DX with it.

After seeing the sign on the hotel "Children under 14 years free" the Croton DX Boys got in for nothing.

But Bob Seifert and Everett Johnson didn't get away with it, even though they walked on their knees for a day.

About two in the morning a woman let out a scream from one of the top floors when Norm Maguire's long wire antenna got caught in her washing.

One of the biggest laughs during the quiz Bob Gorsuch and Len Kruse had was when they asked the Chief Engineer from KPIG what station was his closest competition. His answer, "I didn't know we had any!" He should listen to his frequency at night!

The Convention was avoided by members in the South when they found the Roosevelt was named after Republican Teddy and not Democrat Franklin D.

Rumor was that Pop Edge's foot injury was brought on by one of his Lionel Trains jumping the tracks.

DUANE McMURRAY's 'Cedar Rapids Ravings.'

We understand that Pat Reilley couldn't get a clear circuit on K-PIG to report the Convention goes on so he was to send in the highlights of the affair by cable (K-BULL).

After watching Scooter for a while we decided that Arkansas rice could pass for vitamins in anybody's state.

Norm Maguire had to rent a room on the tenth floor of the Roosevelt so that the rest of us on the lower floors could use his room as an upper hangar for the official Convention aerial.

Everyone thought the Croton Kids retired quite early after the meeting at Amana, but then decided they wanted to check the prizes they won a bit closer.

Pat Reilley almost got Bob Gorsuch and Collins in trouble but at the KCRG transmitter. Upon checking the schematic diagram on the wall he counted 22 tubes in the rack but upon check the actual panels was able to locate only 21. As we left, the engineer on duty was still trying to find that twenty-second tube.

Mrs. Wachtel and Duane McMurray missed a quick and easy chance to break into television when they broke the KCRG-TV photographer's camera.

When Bob told the KPIG engineer at the Amana party that there were some hundred-odd stations on his frequency, I think he made him realize what made the PIG squeal. After being accused by several NRCers of not verifying that night we were surprised upon visiting the studios the next day to find he had a couple of letters on his desk to verify! Maybe those good eats out Amana way made him see the verie-light.

Pat Reilley said he never did see any of that so-called tall corn. However, he did make a nice harvest on "soy beans" out at the KCRG transmitter site.