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It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of member Jim Critchett on June 25, 1981. Per a note from Clarence Freeman which arrived at HQ one day too late to be mentioned in last month's issue, Jim had been in the hospital in Red Bluff for some months following a major stroke. DXing was one of the interests that sustained him through the years of his retirement and was a lifelong interest. It provided the means of making friends and Jim enjoyed the conventions as long as his health permitted. He was one of the fine old-timers of DXing who retained high personal standards and was a fine representative of the DXing fellowship.

Also via Ted Fleischaker we learn of the sudden passing of Percy Kesteven, who was a noted DXer and member of several DX organizations.

To the memory of both these gentlemen we respectfully dedicate this issue. May they rest in peace.

STATIC FROM HQ **FLASH! FLASH!** See bottom of page 7 **Last minute CPC TEST**

Down to the business at hand, we have several items to bring to your attention. This issue will be a 24 pager for a change, on hold is another receiver review on the new SONY ICF-S5W from Paul Swearingen and also a possible solution for those of you who may have had difficulty with your TRF's after using the magnet antenna outlined several issues back. Robert Colegrove has written a fine article. So stay tuned for next issue.

Also it is appropriate to once again remind all that the next issue of DX News will be published ONE week earlier than originally announced earlier this year- with a masthead date of September 7th which means in most cases a column deadline of August 22. So contribute NOW for the Convention issue!. And speaking of Convention, if you have not yet sent your registration form to Russ for this year's event on Sept. 4, we have again included the info and registration form beginning on page 22.

From Skip Arey we receive word that he no longer will be handling the duties of NRC Sports Network Editor due to increasing professional duties placed upon him. Accordingly the column editor effective immediately will be none other than Dave Yocis. All network information and correspondence related to same should be sent to Dave from this date forward at: 85 Vesper St. Fairfield, CT 06430 until at least Sept. 15 or until Dave advises of his Fall address. Welcome aboard Dave- and our sincere gratitude to Skip for filling this position as long as possible.

Per a call from Brock Whaley, we learn that the FCC has authorized WIOD-610 Miami, FL to increase power to 10,000 watts to fight the increased interference from Cuba. This authorization was as of 6/15, more info inside.

From Rob Harrington we learn of a special DXpedition to the top of Loveland Pass on Sept. 19 & 20th. Anyone interested in participating or more info should contact: Colorado Assn. of DXers, P.O. Box 3434, Littleton, CO 80161.

Ed Ryan, President of Golden West DXers Assn. advises that as of June 12 GWDXA has moved its HQ out of Eugene, OR. The new address is: P.O. Box 2675, Boise, ID 83701. Ed is the new President and Jon Bry is Secretary

HCJB (Quito Ecuador) is looking for someone to record a 6 to 10 minute segment of BCB DXing for their DX Partyline Program. If anyone in NRC is interested in doing a twice monthly cassette on the subject of BCB DXing, he should contact: DX Party Line, HCJB, Roger Stubbe, P.O. Box 691, Quito, Ecuador, SOUTH AMERICA.

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CONVENTION INFORMATION IS ON PAGE 22 AND 23!!!!!!

AM SWITCH

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In response to public pressure, I'm going to reinstate (at least for this month) the category of "Licenses Granted". You may recall a year or so ago I tried this category only to find that my information was running about 2-3 months old. The FCC permits stations to go on the air under a "Program Test Authority" which is the same as a license, just about. Then, when things get caught up a little and they find no one is complaining, the FCC issues a license. So, I know the "license granted" data is old as far as station operations are concerned but it's the latest official word I can get from 1919 M Street in Washington (FCC hq).

STATION CHANGES NOW IN EFFECT:

Changes of Call Sign of Existing Stations:

600 - WAIV - Jacksonville, FL is now WKV	1300 - WSOL - Tampa, FL is now WTYM
860 - KOAM - Pittsburg, KS is now KKOW	1300 - WKLC - St. Albans, WV now WKGV
860 - WYJZ - Pittsburgh, PA now WAMO	1410 - WGRD - Gr. Rapids, MI now WXQT
990 - WTCB - Flomaton, AL now WPIK	1440 - WQHN - Herndon, VA is now WVBK
1060 - KKKQ - Tempe, AZ is now KUKQ	1480 - WONE - Panama City, FL is WKGC
1150 - WABH - Churchville, VA is WNLB	1490 - WSIB - Beaufort, SC is WVGB
1280 - KLCO - Poteau, OK is now KTEW	1560 - WSMO - La Plata, MD is WXTR
1290 - WBLE - Batesville, MS is WWUN	1570 - WYHI - Fernandina Bch, FL is WHOG

New Stations On The Air: (or, if you prefer, "licenses granted")

1190 - WBDY - Bluefield, VA	1590 - KDJS - Willmar, MN
1230 - WMPC - Lapeer, MI is now operating with 1000 Watts day and night.	

I also note that WIMG is now identifying as "WIMG, Ewing" at its 1300 spot in New Jersey and, on Sunday night 7/26, they went on evenings for the first time. (I also note that they signed off tonight, 7/27, at sunset. I'm assuming they will stay on into the night when they've hired the needed staff.)

STATIONS NOW AUTHORIZED BY THE FCC TO CHANGE THEIR FACILITIES:

610 - WIOD - Miami, FL given okay for 10,000/10,000 w. (to override a Cuban!) DA-2
870 - KIEV - Glendale, CA will go fulltime with 5000/1000 Watts DA-N
1140 - KSKS - Conroe, TX will stay a daytimer but increase to 1000 Watts, non-D
1400 - WDOT - Burlington, VT can move to 1390 with 1000/250w. (Hooray! Now I can hear the Yankees while on vacation 10 miles south of Burlington! If there were any Yankees.) Oh darn...DA-N! Probably due north!?
1410 - WTNB - Kingston, TN will go fulltime with 1000 Watts. DA-N.
1420 - KITI - Chehalis-Centralia, WA will go to 5000/5000 w. using DA-2.
1430 - WKEX - Blacksburg, VA will go fulltime with 5000/5000 w. using DA-2.

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS GRANTED BY FCC FOR NEW STATIONS:

940 - New - Woodstock, VA will have a 250 Watt daytimer, non-directional.
1190 - New - Sun Prairie, WI will build a 1000 Watt daytimer with DA.
1240 - New - Albuquerque, NM will have 1000/250 Watter, non-directional.
1370 - New - Elloree-Santee, SC will build a 5000 Watt daytimer with DA.
1410 - New - Somerville, TN will have a 500/500 Watter using DA-2.
1420 - New - California, MO will have a 500 Watt daytimer.
1430 - New - Monroe, NC will have a 2500/2500 Watter with DA-2 antenna.
1500 - New - Mount Pleasant, SC will have a 250 Watt daytimer.
1520 - New - Lawrenceburg, TN will have a 500 Watt daytimer.

CALL LETTERS ASSIGNED TO NEW STATIONS NOT YET ON THE AIR:

560 - WTBN - Brentwood, TN	1400 - WNFR - Alpharetta, GA
1000 - KHEE - Hayden, CO	1550 - KQPM - Glencoe, MN
1070 - KMOM - Monticello, MN	1560 - KTXZ - W. Lake Hills, TX
1330 - KENU - Enumac law, WA	1590 - WRZK - Algood, TN
1380 - WRUQ - Clintonville, WI	

THE FOLLOWING STATIONS HAVE APPLIED TO THE FCC TO CHANGE THEIR CALL SIGN:

KAIN - ID, WFTH - NC, WKTQ - PA, WQSN - SC, WLSN - TN, WHLW - NJ, WKSD - WV, WYAZ - MI, WSQO - NY, WPME - PA, WOMN - CT, WSFD - DE, WKRW - GA, WBGR - KY, WSSL - MI, KXKS - NM, WMSL - NC, KULE - WA, KESE - CA, WYOK - GA, KBER - TX

THE FCC HAS RECEIVED APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS IN THE FOLLOWING CITIES:

Chula Vista, CA (1040), San Jose, CA (890), Honolulu, HI (1310), Newburgh, IN (1180), Radcliff, KY (1200), Lebanon, TN (1200), Seattle, WA (1200), Frankfort, IL (1200), Madisonville, TX (880), Rainsville, AL (1160), Selah, WA (1020).

DOMESTIC DX DIGEST

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Looks like a real good day to type a column, severe thunderstorm warning so this may be a little late if the electric goes off! Anyway, when sending your items in, EMT, type of neatly write, one side of the paper, skip a line between items, etc. Here goes:

W H A V

SPECIAL:

- 580 WTCM MI TRAVERSE CITY - 7/12 2314 s/off, noted w/mention of 2500/500 watts. ID's as "AM 580, "The Great 58." S/on time noted as 0600. Ex-1400. (IH-MI)
- 640 WHLO OH AKRON - Has dropped news/talk/sports format, including Enterprise Network. Now has "Music of Your Life" format but still carries Larry King AN and CBS news. Also has frequent MM silent periods, as noted off 7/13 0000-0200. (LMP-OH) I liked 'em better when they were rock! (DS)
- 730 WVIC MI E. LANSING - 7/15 1630 no ID/call change yet but has switched to a soul format, WVIC-FM still has Top 40. (IH)
- 940 WIDG MI ST. IGNACE - 7/13 2130 w/s/off, "Radio 94", w/VAR type format. Returns to air from 12/79 SP, believe first day back was 5/1/81. (IH-MI)
- 990 WCFX MI CLARE - 7/12 1858 w/VAR music, RKO news, ex-WRNN. ID's as "Foxy 95, WSTM" often. This station was not on the air in the summer of '79/'80 while checking when driving thru Clare. (IH-MI)
- 1050 WTSJ OH CINCINNATI - 7/18 2059 noted on new calls, ex-WZIP, keeps same REL format. (RL-KY)
- 1220 WOMN CT HAMDEN - Station has been off the air since mid-June, expects to return w/new calls (WSCR) by the end of August. (MR-CT) Hey Musco....how cum u missed this 1?(DS)
- 1260 WBBG OH CLEVELAND - 7/15 2138 mentioned that they will be picking up the "Music of Your Life" format on 7/18. (IH)
- 1370 WVMR WV FROST - 7/2 0037-0050+ very strong on ET w/TT, OG, few ID's, well atop WSAY/WFEA/WSPD. V/1 mentions program tests started 7/9. Add.: Dunmore, WV 24934. (DS-DE)
- 1580 WLIM NY PATCHOQUE - 7/16 0112-0125+ loud on an ET w/Mor standards, oldies, frequent ID's, ex-WYFA. (DS-DE) 7/10 0535 on new calls, local news, ID, Tony Bennett record, weather, ex-WYFA. (BA-PA)
- 1590 WQIQ PA CHESTER - Station has been sold and expects to return to the air this fall. (DS-DE)

MIDDAY-MIDNITE:

- 550 KPYR ND BISMARCK - 7/13 2337 fair w/WKRC looped, logged both at home and away. (IH-MI)
- 570 WKYX KY PADUCAH - 7/3 2315 contest promo, "KYX" ID then mx. (NAP)
- 580 WOPR TN ROCKWOOD - 6/14 2050 rock music, male DJ w/mention of local vacation bible school, poor w/WCHS. (WHEELS-KY)
- WGAC GA AUGUSTA - 7/3 2305 end of CBS news, ID then Keny Rogers music. (NAP-AL) Yeah, its good for barking dogs! (DS)
- 610 WGIR NH MANCHESTER - 7/16 2013 w/rock music, ID, poor w/WVMT splash. (BC-VT)
- 630 WPRO RI PROVIDENCE - 7/15 2107 in w/very good signal, ID. (BC-VT)
- 640 CBN NF ST. JOHNS - 7/15 2110-2130 CBC program in progress w/rock music, likely they, fair w/fading. (BC-VT)
- 910 WAKO IL LAWRENCEVILLE - 6/27 2113 briefly w/a solid ID, mixing w/KLCN. (NAP-AL) Better a solid ID than a soft one! (DS)
- 930 WKCT KY BOWLING GREEN - 7/17 2320 o/WGNT w/little league baseball scores, then Andy Gibb mx. Rare here after sunset. (RL-KY)
- 950 WAGG TN FRANKLIN - 7/4 2005 tentative w/local annct, several mentions of Franklin, CW mx, poor/fair at times. (NAP-AL)
- 960 WELI CT NEW HAVEN - 7/7 2031 xlnt signal w/local weather forecast, then quickly gone at pattern switch. (WPT-DC)
- 970 WKLS GA ATLANTA - 7/4 2030 weather for "Hot-lanta", rock LP cuts, ID'ing as "96 Rock," which is their FM (96.1), weak but alone. (NAP-AL)
- WUPY MI ISHPEMING - 7/14 2146 w/s/off, CW music song "After the Love Is Gone" used during s/off, ID's as "Y-97", "Whoopie Radio", and WMQT-FM 107. (IH-MI)
- 980 WAFF MS MCCOMB - 6/27 2100 s/off noted w/ID, no SSB. (NAP-AL)

CFRB 1010
ONTARIO'S FAMILY STATION

WKNU
CBS

John

1050 WADC WV PARKERSBURG - 7/18 2045 w/WHGI at s/off. (RL-KY)
 WHGI GA AUGUSTA - 7/18 2045 o/WADC at s/off w/mention of xmtr
 sight, GOS music. (RL-KY)
 WDZ IL DECATUR - 7/18 2110 o/KMIS w/car ad, MYL stuff. (RL-KY)
 KMIS MO PORTAGEVILLE - 7/18 2108 u/WDZ w/local spot, CW mx. (RL)
 WPAG MI ANN ARBOR - 7/18 2116 way u/WDZ w/s/off, no SSB. (RL-KY)
 WJSB FL CRESTVIEW - 7/4 2045 s/off w/ID, advised listeners to
 tune to WAAZ-FM. (NAP-AL) What? No fireworks tonite?
 CHUMP ON TORONTO - 6/13 2200 good (none of CHUMP's Chumps were
 around) w/ID, time check, contest info, then Who mx.
 (WHEELS-KY) Who? Who writes your jokes? Diok Truax?
 1070 WANM FL TALLAHASSEE - 6/21 2035 o/u WAPI w/ID then talk. (NAP)
 1110 WJML MI PETOSKEY - 7/9 2120-2139 w/"JML" ID, 2nd time heard. (IH)
 1230 WJBB AL HALEYVILLE - 6/29 2000 ID after CW mx, WBHP nulled. (NAP)
 1250 WHNY MS MCCOMB - 7/8 2200 ID then pop music, mixing w/UNID w/CBS
 news. (Station in Hempstead, NY should have this call!)
 (NAP-AL) Have you been walkin' the worm lately? (DS)
 1270 WVOM MS IUKA - 7/3 2115 noted w/s/off w/ID. (NAP-AL)
 WCBC MD CUMBERLAND - 7/9 2154 w/phone # o/WXYZ! (IH-MI)
 1280 WIBB GA MACON - 6/20 2045 heard w/ID in mix w/WGTX (also ID'ed).
 (NAP-AL) Or has the worm been walkin' you lately? (DS)
 1290 WCBL KY BENTON - 6/19 2100 local weather, ID then CW mx. (NAP-AL)
 CJBK ON LONDON - 6/13 2209 fair w/ID, talk on new Frampton LP
 and music from it. (WHEELS-KY)
 1320 KWHN AR FT. SMITH - 7/16 2202 good w/KXYZ/WVOJ w/jingle/ID, CW
 music, weather, "KWHN Super Country" ID. (RL-KY)
 KADI MO CLAYTON - 7/16 2120 fair w/annct of Harry Chapin accident,
 then record. (RL-KY)
 WKTQ PA PITTSBURGH - 7/8 2235 tentative w/annct for comments on
 the MYL format, address w/zip noted, KWHN nulled. Feels
 good to get a PA in the log at this time of the year.
 (NAP-AL) Iced tea is better, but not in the log! (DS)
 WOIC SC COLUMBIA - 6/29 2155 tentative w/brief fade-in w/temp.
 for downtown Columbia then B/SOL, No ID. (NAP-AL)
 1330 WTRO TN DYERSBURG - 6/21 2050 tentative w/temp. checks, mention
 of Dyersburg, in mix w/WKEA, no ID heard. (NAP-AL)
 1350 WSMB LA NEW ORLEANS - 6/29 2020 looped 45 minutes prior to my
 sunset w/WGAD nulled, MoR w/female ID. (NAP-AL)
 1380 WIZO TN FRANKLIN - 6/19 2045 a clear ID noted in mix w/WRAB
 then down into the din. (NAP-AL) Doesn't sound nice! (DS)
 1410 WLBK KY BOWLING GREEN - 6/23 2250 caught ID in mix w/tent. WUNI. (NAP)
 1420 WBSM MA NEW BEDFORD - 6/29 2110 fair w/ID, weather. (WPT-DC)
 1440 WCDL PA CARBONDALE - 6/28 2030 ID noted w/mention of N'ern PA,
 then network news, fair signal. (WPT-DC) Whoa...s/off
 should be 2030 for this guy...you using EST? (DS)
 WRRO OH WARREN - 7/4 2100 fair w/ID, ex-WHHH. (WPT-DC) 7/19
 2110 "AM 1440, WRRO", fair w/sports, pop music. (BA-PA)
 KITA AR LITTLE ROCK - 7/8 2130 several ID's in s/off, no SSB. (NAP)
 1470 WMBD IL PEORIA - 6/13 2115 good w/UNID w/Top 40 music, female DJ,
 ID then weather. (WHEELS-KY)
 1480 WMQM TN MEMPHIS - 6/25 2115 REL talk then ID and s/off. (NAP-AL)
 1500 WTOP DC WASHINGTON - 6/28 2120 yeah....I know....50 kw but 1st
 time here w/ID after sports talk, DC political news, then
 quickly faded. (NAP-AL) Doesn't favor your area so
 worth a mention. (DS)
 1520 KMPL MO SIKESTON - 7/12 2105 real nice brief fade-in w/very clear
 ID and mention of being #1. (Who Isn't?) (NAP-AL)
 One better....who gives a flying fudge! (DS)
 1530 WTTI GA DALTON - 6/28 2058 w/s/off, ID, by female, recitation by
 male then off. (NAP-AL) Of what? DX WORMS? (DS)
 1550 WOKJ MS JACKSON - 7/7 2130 promo for upcoming live show sponsored
 by WOKJ and WJMI-FM, disco music, couple of ID's. (NAP-AL)
 1580 WSQR IL SYCAMORE - 6/22 1200 fair signal, equal w/WRIN w/rock music,
 signal varies alot and audio seems to be on a voice grade
 phone line as noted when in Sycamore. (EH-IL) This
 station hit the air 0700 6/11, adult contemporary format,
 runs some syndicated stuff on weekends. (RN-IL)
 WTOD OH TOLEDO - 7/7, 7/8 2110 nice fade in both nites, well o/
 WPAD, female DJ w/GW mx, several ID's and gone at 2115. (NAP)
 KDDA AR DUMAS - 7/8 2113 in clearly w/2 closing ID's in mix w/
 WTOD/WPAD. (NAP-AL)
 WGLB WI PORT WASHINGTON - 6/1 2155-2235 caught this one when they
 forgot to shut down the AM transmitter, ID's indicated
 they were on FM. Called station and was shut down shortly
 afterwards. (RN-IL)
 1570 WSSA GA MORROW - 6/26 2045 brief s/off w/ID, no SSB. (NAP-AL)
 WTLK NC TAYLORSVILLE - 7/19 2045 weak w/s/off, mention of 500
 watts. (BA-PA)

1580 UNID 7/3 2100 closing s/off and a couple of ID's that sounded
 similar to WORG but my SSS maps show this location should
 s/off at 2045. Whozzis? (NAP-AL) This is when a tape
 recorder comes in handy.....que pasa? (DS)
 1590 KRRK MN E. GRAND FORKS - 6/10 2225 way atop/blasting in w/"Double
 R Country" and "K Double R K" ID's, CW mx, ex-KRAD. (EH)
 WALG GA ALBANY - 6/20 2115 brief fade-in after KDEX s/off w/contest
 promo, ID. (NAP-AL)
 WLFA GA LAFAYETTE - 7/3 2053 rather poor in brief fade-in ID,
 mention of NW GA, B/SOL stuff, additional ID in what may
 have been s/off at 2058, then gone. (NAP-AL) Beans..(DS)
 WACD AL ALEXANDER CITY - 7/3 2050 ID in vacation trip promo. (NAP)

MIDNITE-MIDDAY:

540 CBK SK WATROUS - 7/13 0059-0105 end of CFL game, CBC news, then
 "This is CBC in SK" ID, faded. SK #1 here. (RL-KY)
 710 CKVM PQ VILLE-MARIE - 7/9 0016 tentative w/FF talk, music, only
 FF here I'm aware of. (IH-MI) Likely they....(DS)
 730 CJNR ON BLIND RIVER - 7/6 0018 w/CKNR ID, no sign of CHYR. (IH)
 740 WKIS FL ORLANDO - 6/28 0216 looped, talk by male, "you are listening
 to WKIS, the thinking persons station." Well, that sure
 made me feel better! KRMG then ID'ed for ET at 0230.
 (NAP-AL) Where you looped or the station? (DS)
 770 WABC NY NEW YORK - 7/13 0130 noted w/TT/OC/etc. (RL-KY)
 800 WTPR NJ CAMDEN - 7/6 0028 noted running OC w/no ID's noted til
 pass out at 0045. (DS-DE)
 900 CKTS PQ SHERBROOKE - 7/20 0410 weak in CHML null w/rock music. (BA)
 980 WONE OH DAYTON - 7/20 0420 ad for "Country Kitchen" restaurant on
 I-75, "98 Country, WONE" ID then CW mx. (BA-PA)
 1110 CKJD ON SARNIA - 7/16 0055 very strong o/nulled WBT w/rock music,
 evidently on day pattern/power....again. (DS-DE)
 1170 WVVA WV WHEELING - 7/1 0025 noted off on this Wednesday AM. (DS-DE)
 1180 WHAM NY ROCHESTER - 7/13 0135 noted off leaving a weak Cubna....
 let's try Cuban! (RL-KY) Most Cubans are pretty strong,
 especially after a day in the field! (DS)
 1190 WOWO IN PORT WAYNE - 7/13 0136 noted off, leaving nothing else on
 frequency. (RL-KY) And nothing else-PM! (DS)
 1240 WJNT NY JAMESTOWN - 6/26 0500 w/news, verified! (IH-MI)
 1260 WNDE IN INDIANAPOLIS - 7/20 0235 "Windy 12-60", contest promo,
 "Sportstalk" program, good signal w/no WWDC. (BA-PA)
 1300 WFBR MD BALTIMORE - 7/26 0213 noted on w/OC this AM. (DS-DE)
 WSYD NC MT. AIRY - 7/20 0500 weak w/s/on, mixing w/WFBR. (BA-PA)
 WPNH NH PLYMOUTH - 7/13 0900 in fair w/NBC news and mention of
 Plymouth, I thought they changed calls? (BC-VT) Hadn't
 seen anything....(DS)
 1330 WHOT OH CAMPBELL - 7/10 0608 w/ID "WHOT-101", first time here.(IH)
 1390 WCSC SC CHARLESTON - 7/20 0510 weather, station promo, then
 rock music. (BA-PA)
 1400 WNEK GA MACON - 7/5 0115 local news and weather w/WMSL nulled.
 Sorta late for me....I was looking for DX WORMS! (NAP-AL)
 Somebody's nuts here and it aint you....(DS)
 WDNY NY DANVILLE - 7/8 0008 quickie s/off after religious thing,
 returns at 0600, no SSB. Fair signal atop din. (DS-DE)
 1430 WWVQ FL PANAMA CITY - 6/28 0101 male w/s/off, ID. (NAP-AL)
 1460 CJOY ON GUELPH - 7/11 0014 w/news, o/u CKRB. (IH-MI)
 1470 WRGA GA ROME - 7/5 0055 surfaced briefly in mix w/WVOL, ID noted,
 w/another CW station. (NAP-AL)
 1480 WSAR MA FALL RIVER - 7/20 0300 ID, CBS news. (BA-PA)
 1520 WKBW NY BUFFALO - 7/2 0101 noted off leaving a strong KOMA. (DS-DE)
 1560 KKAA SD ABERDEEN - 7/13 0221-0228 loud and clear w/ID for ET then
 TT, no sign of WQXR tonite. (BA-PA)
 WPAD KY PADUCAH - 7/13 0240 weak w/ID, weather, CW music. (BA-PA)
 1570 WOKZ IL ALTON - 7/20 0538 good signal w/ID and mention of f/c then
 TT. (BA-PA) 3rd MM check? (DS)

FIND OUT WHAT A DX WORM IS!
 Come to the NRC NJ Convention and bid on the official NRC DX WORM caught
 by Neal Perdue! Get to meet the DDXD editor! Who knows....they may
 auction me off, too!



THE STUFF FROM THE STAFF:

BC-VT Bob Curtis, Colchester, VT BA-PA Brian Alexander, Mechanics'b,g,PA
 RL-KY Rich Levin, Louisville, KY EH-IL Earl Higgins, Riverside, IL
 NAP-AL Neal Perdue, Falkville, AL IH-MI Ian Harris, Milan, MI
 MR-CT Mike Roth, Milford, CT LMP-OH Louis Poda, Akron, OH
 WPT-DC William P. Townsend, Wash.,DC RN-IL Ray Nemec, Naperville, IL
 WHEELS-KY Wheeler Conover, Manchester, KY.....and DS-DE is !

FREQUENCY CHECK CHANGES- UPDATER
Joe Pala

1st Monday

0200-0220 KXIV-1400 (from 1st Tuesday)
KIKO-1340 - Delete

1st TUESDAY

KRRR-1360 and KINO-1230 to 1st Wednesday.
KXIV-1400 to 1st Monday.

1st WEDNESDAY

0215-0230 KRRR-1360 (note new time)
0200-0215 KINO-1230

1st SATURDAY

Delete both KSUN-1230 and KPGE-1340, apparently both now done either on RS or by someone other than reporting monitor.

(Typist: Helen Highwater)

UPDATER--UNREPORTED STATIONS

by Don Kaskey

Reference: Volume 48 #s 15-19-23-26

This chart lists the total number of stations in the USA and Canada and the volume they were last reported as being heard: (thru Vol. 48 #27 7/6/81)...

VOLUME #	48	47	46	45	44	43	42	Prior	Total
CANADA	270	54	10	14	5	6	2	42	403
U.S.A.	2999	628	238	158	83	79	32	361	4578
TOTAL	3269	682	248	172	88	85	34	403	4981

Additions & deletions to 'Unreported Stations' list that appeared in DKN V48 #15-19-23-25 are as follows: (additions are new stations recently taking the air--deletions were reported V48 #26-27).

AL---7 Delete: WOPP-1290 (Marshall-TN)
AR---10 Delete: KBOT-1350 (Perdue-AL)
IL---3 Delete: WYER-1360 (Lovett-OH) & WSQR-1560* (Kramer-IL)
MS---22 Delete: WJMB-1340 (Perdue-AL)
NC---11 Delete: WUIV-1580 (Forth-IL)
OH---2 Delete: WCTM-1130* (Lovett-OH)
PA---0 Delete: WADJ-1330* (Barno-PA)
SD---5 Delete: KVAA-910* (Brady-SD)
TN---8 Delete: WZZI-1250, WNTP-1250, WJPC-1480 (Connatser-TN) & WMRL-1270* (Perdue-AL)
TX---51 Delete: KODA-1010 (Durocher-TX) & KACT-1360 (Marshall-TN)
BC---16 Add: CKAG-1350*Nanaimo & CKOO-1*1490-Oliver

*==new stations recently taking the air

65.7% of the domestic stations have been reported this volume. All of the stations in DC(7), DE(10), RI(15), NJ(38-WBIO being silent), & CT(39) have been reported this volume. Also all 26 in HI. Only 6 of the 184 PA stn's have not been reported yet this volume. On the other hand only 21 of the 66 AZ stations have graced the pages of V48. States/Provinces with the most unreported stations since V42 are: TX-51, MS-22, GA-20, FL-17 & BC-16... Looking forward to vacation reports this summer. Best Regards--dkk.....

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Times are GMT. For ELT subtract 4 hours. Deadlines are usually Monday.

So what happened to the support this time? Granted there are an awful lot of better things to do during the summer but even so...

- 550 VENEZUELA Caracas YVKE noted w/Mundial ID, upbeat SS vocal mx in dogfight w/CFNB and Cuba, 0419 7/12. (Connelly)
550 CUBA CMEA Wajay good w/man and woman in EE w/propaganda o/u YVKE; CFNB phased 0419 7/12. (Connelly)
580 PUERTO RICO San Juan WKAQ atop WTAG w/"W-K-A-Q Radio Reloj" jingle 0411 7/12. (Connelly)
600 VENEZUELA Cumana YVQB fair o/growl; Rumbos doorbells and SS nx 77670 0335 7/12. (Connelly)
670 VENEZUELA YVLL Caracas fair w/Rumbos nx and doorbells in heavy WRKO/WNBC slop 0340 7/12. (Connelly)
710 VENEZUELA Caracas YVKY good w/R. Capital ID, disco o/u WOR 0351 7/12. (Connelly)
725 SURINAM Paramaribo SRS blasting in w/US soul mx 0352 7/12. (Connelly)
730 VENEZUELA Barquisimeto YVMT fighting CKAC; Venezuelan NA at s/off 0357 7/12. A Venezuelan pipeline was in operation w/many YV's coming in but relatively few Colombians. (Con)
760 COLOMBIA Barranquilla HJAJ loud (over WJR/CMBD); reverberated SS shouting, RCN mention 0448 7/12. (Connelly)
825 ST. KITTS Basseterre at local level w/"Wings of Healing" pgm ending, R. Paradise ID, TC as 12:01, s/off 0401 7/12.
830 VENEZUELA San Antonio de los Altos YVLT loud and totally dominant w/R. Sensacion ID 0402 7/12. (Connelly, last 2)
840 CUBA atop w/anthem at s/off (o/WHAS and 2 SS LA's), 0500 7/12. (Connelly)
1020 VENEZUELA La Ascuncion YVRS totally o/KDKA: spirited LA mx, Mundial Margarita ID in at monster level 0252 7/12.
1100 ANTIGUA St. John's ZDK good/dominant w/calypso mx and Caribbean EE vocals 0248 7/12. (Connelly, last two)
1110 VENEZUELA YVQT Carupano good w/R. Carupano ID o/CBD 0247 7/12. (Connelly)
1422 WEST GERMANY Saarbrucken poor w/pop mx 0217 7/1. (Connelly)
1580 ANTIGUA VOA 5/20 0100 talk by man and woman, VOA SID then nx. Fair-good. (Townshend) Poor to fair w/dictation speed EE nx u/CBJ 0313 7/12. (Connelly)
1593 WEST GERMANY Langenberg good w/US disco hit "Street Life" then Muzak 0212 7/1. Fair w/instrumental mx 0315 7/12. (Connelly)
1610 Anguilla Caribbean Beacon 7/4 0110 mention of vacation spots and low summer rates by man. Fair-good w/slight WINX slop. (Townshend) Very good w/c&w religious mx, Caribbean Beacon ID 0323 7/12. (Connelly)

Not enough room to start Richard Clark's list of Haitian stations so I'll hold it for next time. I hope there are some reports to add to it...

Mark Connelly-W. Yarmouth, Ma. R390A, 2 37 m. phased wires
Bill Townshend-Washington DC TRF

Per a last minute, and I do mean last minute, call from Greg Hardison comes word that KNSE-1510 in Ontario, CA will be conducting a test on ~~MM~~ August 31st from 3-5 am ELT. Test will consist mostly of tones with ID's every 10 to 15 minutes. Most of the test will be on the 10,000 watt daytime pattern which beams to the East. Greg has already arranged for KGA to be silent at this time. Greg will be working with the Chief Engineer John Artal on this test. Reports can be sent to: Greg Hardison c/o Radio Station KNSE P.O. Box 5000, Ontario, CA 91761

DOMESTIC DX ACHIEVEMENTS

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YR NAME AND GENERAL AREA STD	*HEARD*			TAPED			VERIFIED		
	TDH	SH	PH	TDH	ST	PT	TDV	SV	PV
32 ERNEST R. COOPER, Cape Cod, MA							3601	48+	10
24 STEVE BEZILLA, c PA	3000E	48	8				50E	45E	4
30 FRANK WHEELER, nw PA	2694	50+	9	212	33+	3	1636	50+	9
70 ROBERT KRAMER, Chicago, IL	2682	50+	10	1804	48+	9	1892	49+	10
50 ED KREJNY, vic Cleveland, OH	2456	49+	10	-	-	-	2141	49+	10
66 GARY SIEGEL, Toledo, OH	2250	49+	10	35	15.	6	4	3	0
58 BILL COLEMAN, Rocky Mount, NC	2105	46	12	-	-	-	456	46	12
58 ERNIE J. WESOLOWSKI, Omaha, NE	2050	49+	9	-	-	-	1950	49+	9
54 JERRY SPARR, Youngstown, OH	2027	50+	10	923	50+	10	1468	50+	10
70 STEVE FRANCIS, e TN	1942	46+	7	-	-	-	36	35+	0
39 DENNIS PIMPER, ne NE & Brigham City, UT	1914	47	7	651	40	5	400	45	6
46 HANK HOLBROOK, metro Wash., DC	-	-	-	0	0	0	1877	50+	10
61 JOSEPH PELA, c NJ	1861	49+	10	400E	40E	7E	1045E	48+	9
45 KEN CHATTERTON, n NY	1845	50+	10	0	0	0	1101	50+	10
31 PETER CLARIUS, nr Elizabeth, NJ	1819	48	10	-	-	-	1441	48	10
70 KARL FORTH, vic Chicago, IL	1771	49+	10	1077	48+	10	1088	48+	10
47 PETER TAYLOR, San Francisco, CA	1700+	50+	10	-	-	-	946	50+	10
62 R. J. EDMUNDS, nc NJ	1545	47+	9	806	41+	8	263	42+	6
73 WAYNE MURPHY, Louisville, KY	1417	47+	7	740	45+	6	7	7	0
68 DENNIS PIMPER, Brigham City, UT	1375	45	7	651	40	5	400	45	6
62 GARY ATKINS, Louisville, KY	1360	49+	7	102	36	1	260	41+	4
60 ANDY HUGG, Montreal, Quebec	1338	47+	10	41	17	3	1315	47+	10
64 ELLIOT STRAUS, vic N.Y.C., NY	1278	44+	9	-	-	-	734	40+	8
63 RAY ARRUDA, nr Boston, MA	1266	47+	9	0	0	0	807	47+	9
76 JOHN KROMKA, vic N.Y.C., NY	1256	44	9	-	-	-	84	37	3
67 RICH EDDLE, St. Louis, MO	1253	49+	6	0	0	0	1008	49+	5
65 DAVE SCHMIDT, se PA/n DE	1250E	48	8	400E	40E	4E	1006	48	8
64 BRUCE FORTZGER, Seattle, WA	1233	44	7	256	41	7	471	40	7
69 KARL JETER, Atlanta, GA	1231	40+	5	-	-	-	830	40+	5
74 RICK CARR, Austin, TX	1169	43	6	0	0	0	1108	43	5
62 RON MUSCO, vic Hartford, CT	1138	46+	9+	95	28	3	1010	46+	9
61 NEIL G. ZANK, Lincoln, NE	1100	46	9	-	-	-	535	45	9
77 JOHN HOOGERHEIDE, Louisville, KY	1083	42	4	0	0	0	671	42	4
62 MARC DELORENZO, Cape Cod, MA	1033	46	9	0	0	0	378	46	9
64 WAYNE HEINEN, Colo. Spgs, CO	1025	49	9	-	-	-	866	49	9
38 ROGER A. ANDERSON, Arlington, VA	-	48+	9	-	-	-	1017	48+	9
52 ROBERT FOXWORTH, vic N.Y.C., NY	1000E	49+	10	400E	44+	9	270E	48+	7
69 ROB KEENEY, nr Kansas City, MO	990	49	8	-	-	-	419	49	8
78 RICH KENNEALLY, Cincinnati, OH	958	43+	6	958	43+	6	6	6	0
70 HARRY J. HAYES, ne PA	950	41+	6	275E	35E	4	60E	23	2
63 CHUCK HUTTON, Atlanta, GA	949	46	6	-	-	-	0	0	0
72 DICK TRUAX, Louisville, KY	935	46+	6	120	35+	5	20	17	3
64 KELLY ANDREWS, NC & Richmond, VA	925E	45+	7	-	-	-	692	44+	7
54 JOHN SAMPSON, Omaha, NE	-	-	-	-	-	-	912	45+	6
64 GREG HARDISON, Atlanta, GA	900E	36	6	0	0	0	42	19	5
74 SHARON WATERMAN, w MA	879	40+	8	134	36+	5	202	40+	8
MIKE HEPPE, Houston, MS	850	48	6	-	-	-	45	-	-
57 ART PRIGEALU, Northford, CT	803	45+	11	0	0	0	214	41+	7
69 BILL WHITTAKER, Lansing, MI	800	49	7	500E	49	6	250	49	7
69 JIM WALLACE, Columbus, OH	795	41+	7	-	-	-	137	36+	3
62 JERRY BOND, Rochester, NY	785	43+	8	50E	10E	2	0	0	0
75 THOMAS H. BULL, Washington, DC	764	43+	6	460	43+	6	39	23	0
60 GEORGE C. GREENE, Akron, OH	743	45+	7	0	0	0	119	29	3
66 KEN ONYSCHUK, ne IL	743	43+	5	15E	12E	0	16	13	0
74 ROGER MORBY, Albany, NY	716	38+	8	320E	32+	8	21	14	1
31 FRANK S. JOHNSON, Belfast, ME	714	48	10	0	0	0	129	28	9
60 BILL HARDY, coastal WA	687	38	5	-	-	-	3	3	0
73 BRETT HANAVAN, vic San Diego, CA	663	39	5	221	29	4	99	33	2
62 DONALD ERICKSON, Riverside, CA	660	42	8	-	-	-	400E	40E	7E
75 PAUL SWARINGEN, se KS	657	41+	6	367	39+	5	-	-	-

YR NAME AND GENERAL AREA STD	*HEARD*			TAPED			VERIFIED		
	TDH	SH	PH	TDH	ST	PT	TDV	SV	PV
73 LYNN BURKE, tidewater VA	650	36+	6	0	0	0	18	7	1
69 NANCY HARDY, coastal WA	626	39	5	-	-	-	2	2	0
78 MIKE DEITZ, tidewater VA	615	38+	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
70 LOU BUEHLER, nr St. Louis, MO	600	40+	5	487	38+	5	102	33	1
77 JOHN BUEHLER, Toledo, OH	591	43+	6	360	41+	5	1	1	0
70 WELDON CHILDERS, nw AL	587	32+	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
72 MARK STRICKERT, Chicago, IL	554	39+	6	90E	20E	4	55	23	2
78 GEORGE WALTON, Easton, PA	542	36+	8	264	36+	6	16	11	2
73 PHILIP BOERSMA, w MI	520	41	6	-	-	-	50	24	3
73 PAUL MOUNT, ne NJ	488	36+	7	198	26+	5	224	33+	6
58 JOHN SAMPSON, Winston-Salem, NC	-	-	-	-	-	-	450	30+	1
57 CARL MANN, Cedar Rapids, IA	450E	45	7	410E	45	7	-	-	-
DAVE YOCIS, Bridgeport, CT	428	38+	8	22	6	0	5	5	0
ERIC LOY, Mahomet, IL	424	37+	4	2	1	1	53	22	2
75 STEPHEN POWDER, Fort Worth, TX	396	35	4	10E	4E	4E	386	35	4
78 PAUL MOUNT, se OH	390	36+	3	60	25	1	3	3	0
59 LINDA BRODSKY, New York City, NY	374	35+	7	108	26+	6	43+	26+	3
66 MIKE KNITTER, Cambridge, WI	369	40	5	369	40	5	8	4	0
78 BOB JINKERSON, JR., DeSoto, MO	366	33	2	0	0	0	9	8	1
70 KONSTANTINE RYCHALSKI, c CT	363E	33+	6	0	0	0	279	32+	6
69 RICHARD ALLEN, nc OK	350	38	7	3	2	1	41	13	7
60 JOHN SAMPSON, Hutchinson, MN	-	-	-	-	-	-	336	42	6
75 JOHN CLEMMER, Peoria, IL	334	36	2	1	1	0	3	3	0
75 MICHAEL GOOD, Boston, MA	334	33+	8	6	3	1	8	5	0
63 ED GERRINGER, W. Lafayette, IN	300E	36	7	30E	10E	5E	1	1	0
75 GARY BOUDEK, nc KS	294	34	3	0	0	0	31	21	1
66 JOHN SAMPSON, vic San Jose, CA	-	-	-	-	-	-	258	17	3
69 BOB KARCHEVSKI, nr San Francisco	249	36	5	197	35	5	198	36	5
58 WILLIAM WURTZEL, New York City, NY	236	30+	5	0	0	0	126	22+	4
78 STEVEN D. MILLER, Boston, MA	229	28	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
70 GEORGE KRSTEVEN, Calgary, Alberta	212	33	6	4	2	2	151	30	6
79 CHARLES McHARG, vic Seattle, WA	199	24	4	0	0	0	4	3	0
74 JACK WOODS, w OR	194	26	4	-	-	-	25	18	0
62 IRA GREEN, Cincinnati, OH	193	34+	4	0	0	0	2	2	0
65 JOHN SAMPSON, New Providence, NJ	-	-	-	-	-	-	181	33+	6
75 WALT SHARP, wc NJ nr Philadelphia	174	32+	3	35	19+	1	37	26	2
77 DONALD WOODS, w Los Angeles, CA	139	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
78 ROBERT E. SCHWEITZER, c NJ ***	28	26+	4	129	22+	3	0	0	0
72 WARREN GREENBERG, vic Boston, MA	125E	27+	6	0	0	0	99	26+	6
55 G. HARLEY DELEURERE, Hendricks, WV	48+	10	0	0	0	0	48+	10	

*** Robert stated his heard totals as fewer than taped; do not understand why.

YR - Year Started TDH - Total Domestic Heard SH - States Heard PH - Provinces Heard TDT/ST/PT (... Taped) TDV/SV/PV (... Verified) + in the States columns indicate the addition of District of Columbia to whatever number of the 50 states is listed. vic/nr/metro = vicinity, near, metropolitan; all are used somewhat interchangeably. n/e/w/s = northern, eastern, western, southern. ne/nw/se/sw = north-eastern, northwestern, etc. nc = north central. If your membership lapsed even temporarily and you have not sent updated totals, you were dropped; it'll be a pleasure to re-include your totals—just drop a note; the complete forms are still on file. Deceased members have been dropped. -, 0, and a blank all mean pretty much the same thing depending on circumstances; if you have tapes or veries but do not count them, - is suggested. If you have none, 0 or blanks is preferred. To indicate a rough estimate, E should be used for estimated quantity. Next column will be dated (typed) approx. October 1 if there is sufficient interest. DDXA form available or just jot your totals on a Postal card. Next column will spotlight and be arranged in the order of taped totals. It is hoped there will be a lot of you at the North Jersey NRC Convention over the Labor Day weekend; this will be my very first visit to JFK airport and the Big Apple. Phone calls ALWAYS welcome day or night; I'm now home 24 hours a day so feel free to call anytime.

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The following members have recently renewed membership in the best MW DX Club going!

David Wurl, Virgil Monroe, Jerry Robertson, James Rollins, John Rieger, Dennis Pimper, Dan Myers, Herman Flew, Rod O'Connor, Robert Eddy, Jack Staff, W.A. Jeffrey, Ron Thomason, Gerry Thomas, Robert Kulow, John Walters, Dave Yocis, Wheeler Conover, Albert Lehr, Mike Collins, Cary Simpson, Fred Langeneckert, David Margritz, Gary Atkins (we know him), B.B. McClurkan, Mike DeRoo, Watson Wendt, Bruce Conti and Vernon Shearer.

Thanks gents- for continuing to make the NRC a truly GREAT organization!!

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DX'er	Yr.	Location	Countries	T.V.	North America -- Best Verie
**Ernest R. Cooper, 33		Massachusetts	79	4142	528 HP5B - 730 Panama 100 w.
**Ray Crawford, 59		New Zealand	161 VAC	1474	357 YSCF - 1155 El Salv. 1 kw.
*Gene Allen, 40		California	65 VAC	2916	337 WVMs - 1560 Ohio 5 kw.
Hank Holbrook, 46		Maryland	101 VAC	2453	267 KFAR - 660 Alaska 10 kw.
Sid Steele, 31		Illinois	34	2967	256 YSO
Roger Anderson, 38		Virginia	105 VAC	1448	227 AHD, Puerto Rico
*Rick Carr, 75		Texas	37	1245	184 Anguilla, 1505
Hank Wilkinson, 30		California	79 VAC	510	79 St. Pierre, 1375 lkw.
Wayne Heinen		Colorado	18	882	109 ZEM-1 1 kw.
Ben Dangerfield, 58		Pennsylvania	118 VAC	422	84 R. Antigua, 644
Andy Rugg, 60		Quebec	60	1494	76 WKPE - 1550 P. R. 250 w.
John Callarman		Illinois	50 VAC	740	72 St. Pierre, 1375
Hilding Gustafson, 34		Florida	108 VAC	856	68 WXLs - 850 1 kw.
Frank Wheeler, 31		Pennsylvania	23	1725	67 KFAR - 660 Alaska 10 kw.
Eric Loy, 75		Illinois	3	65	65 R. Belize - 834 20 kw.
Paul Swearingen, 75		Kansas	21	464	57 R. Jumbo - 545 Dominica
Konstantine Rychalsky, 70		Connecticut	12	289	46 R. Belize - 834
Mike Knitter, 74		Wisconsin	10	711	17 ZDK - 1100 Antigua 10 kw.
*Niel Wolfish, 77		Ontario	11	239	10 TGN - 730
Earl Higgins, 79		Illinois	7	60	4 4VRD - 1080 Haiti
Ron Musco, 62		Connecticut	26	1045	? ZEM-2 - 1340
Don Lynch, 60		Maryland	9	?	? Montserrat, 865

VAC = Verified All Continents; Yr. = year began keeping veries. ** Ernie and Ray, shoot me an update! It's been over 15 months since you sent one. * Gene, Rick, and Niel, you'll be listed once more before your card is sent to the inactive file. Well, the column didn't double in size, as I had hoped it would by this time, but it isn't dead, either, by any means. Ben Dangerfield added 1610 to his veries for a new country, but his is the only update I've received for some time now. I still intend to publish an updated country list soon, but I haven't found one! I need access to something like the latest ARRL list to which I can add the emerging countries, so if you can send me a copy or information as to where I can write to get one, I would appreciate it. (Send an update or a new listing with it!) I'd like to encourage the NRC'ers who have fewer than 100 veries or 25 countries to send me their totals to join IDXA. You don't have to own an expensive rx, a fat album of verie letters, and a half-mile beverage antenna to be listed in this column. All you need is an envelope, 18¢ stamp, and an accurate count of your achievements, either verified by letter or taped. Tapes must include two of three: call letters or slogan, frequency, location, in any language. Include the following information: VERIES OR TAPES ONLY; no "heards"; total veries (include domestics -- continental U. S. and Canada -- in your total count), total countries (incl. domestics), total foreign veries, North American veries (no domestics), South American veries, European veries, Oceanian veries, African veries, Asian veries, plus your best veried catch (or heard) from each category. Include the year you started keeping veries, and if you wish you may indicate whether you keep paper or taped veries, although any station may be counted only once. Each column will feature a different continent. Next IDXA: Asia, with total veries as tiebreaker. Deadline: September 5.

Paul Swearingen

THEY JOINED

Welcome to the following new members. Muse soon and introduce yourselves!
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WE RESPECTFULLY DEDICATE THIS MUSINGS SECTION TO THE MEMORY OF JIM CRITCHETT.

MOTHBALL MEMORIES, PART II

PETE TAYLOR - 2614 Jackson Street - San Francisco, CA - 94115
 ----- The Motorola 67L11 went with me to prep school in Chattanooga in 1949. Somewhere along the way, I acquired a phono oscillator (a 117L7) and began transmitting. Early in my senior year, a classmate added a few other components to the oscillator and the next thing, WOTC was on the air with 10 watts on 1200 days, 1160 nights, running straight into the radiator pipes and tuned using a fluorescent bulb. In January 1952, I wrote some stations in Idaho, Montana & Wyoming inquiring as to any forthcoming tests (I hadn't heard these states yet) and KTFI-1270 wrote back and gave me the name and address of the NRC, of which I have been a member since. I was now sending out legitimate reports, and was pleased to confirm KOOK & KGEZ as well as KULA-690 & KPOA-630. Next, on to Duke University. I tried out for the campus carrier current station, WDBS-560, but was rejected, so hooked up the 10w XR from House J, the freshman dorm, again using 1200 days, 1160 at night. Response was immediate. The rooftop spire-to-spire wire was effective, and after hearing it in Norfolk, the FCC visited the campus. The Duke Chronicle headline read, "WDUK, the one-watt wonder of J, is leaving the air today." Between Duke and prep school, 229 reports went out in 1952. On Jan. 19, 1953, my second most exhilarating morning of DX took place. Using the WDUK antenna and another student's NC-183, I logged PRE8-980, 1Y2-800 & 4YA-780 (all QSLed). WNAO-350 came on in here somewhere, & had a poor signal in Durham at night. After graduation in the Summer of '56, I worked four months as the all-night jock on the "new" WQAM, which had just been bought by Todd Storz. I had MM's off and KGEM-1140 was among my better ones from Miami. Next, the USCG sent me to Hawaii in 1957. Honolulu was riddled with stations and images, but I DXed on the CGC Winnebago between Honolulu and Yokosuka during the first weather patrol. After that, the 391kHz beacon was moved aft to the auxiliary radio room, and that was that. KPOI-1380 was the big rocker. Aku (J. Akuhead Pupule) was on KHVH when I was there as a parttimer ('58-'60) and as PD ('60-'61). I moved to San Francisco in 1961 and DXed heavily (231 reports in 1961) and went to work for KPEN, and then KFOG as PD/MxD/Ops (and then WJIB & KFOG as GM). I did hear Senegal-764 in 11/64 or so but didn't tape it ("I'll get it tomorrow night.") So much for my San Francisco African DX!

FORMATS ARE DROPPING OFF FASTER THAN FLORIDA T-STORMS

ED MITKUS - 8001 Landmark Circle - Tampa, FL - 33615 813-884-1854 evenings.
 ----- More format changes here, as the rainy season has wiped out AM DX! W5OL-1300, is now WTVM. Format is vocals from 1950's to present. WAZE-860, Clearwater, soon to be fulltime, dropped T-40 to go to SS, hours, still sunrise to sunset. Big change - WDAE-1250, the Bucs' flagship has dropped ACR to 1040s -50's oldies, #1's! The station is transferring the old 78's to tape! All talk shows, except for Sportsline (Mon-Fri only) have been dropped. The ever popular "Desperate and Dateless" is history! Change in the works: WLCY-1380 will drop ACR and go all-NX, the first station to do so on a 24-hour basis here! Whew! I'd like to personally welcome Miss TAMARA TAYLOR to the Club. We really do need more women members! I hope to hear her catches and Muses soon in the bulletins! 73s to all, Cheery Summer to one and all.

AN HQ-180 & AN HQ-180AX FOR SALE!

DICK TRUAX - 3003 Gleason Lane - Louisville, KY - 40299
 ----- Greetings once again from the Bluegrass after a long absence, reason being a long absence from the dials. First of all the DX, meager as it is: 4/18- KYST-920 TX s/off @ 7:46pm. 4/20- WTBP-1550 TN S/OFF @ 7:31pm, also KGAS -1590 TX s/off @ 7:41 w/2500w. 5/6- WANB-1580 PA w/Pirates BB & ID as FM-103 @ 9:02pm, so they must've forgotten to throw the AM rig off the air!! 5/11- WMSK-1550 KY w/ID & ERC mx @ 8:47pm. Lastly new WSLK-1600 KY s/off @ 9pm on 6/1 while looking for another newbie, WLPQ-KY without luck. So now it's easy to see why I've been absent for so long. Going back to April, Gary & I made it to the Dayton Hamvention - wow, what a super flea market!! Gary found a virtually mint lata model HQ-180A & now has for sale a virtually mint HQ-180 which he previously used, for \$275. Also, I found a local ham who has a mint HQ-180AX for sale for \$325. If interested in either unit, write me as I currently have Gary's as well. In the otherness department, a recent article in the local press stated that local WDGS-1290 has been sold & will be activated soon. WDGS has been silent for over 18 months. More as it happens. I hope to see many of you in NJ over Labor Day. I can bring either or both receivers to NJ if anyone wants them. Also available is a CV-591 sideband adapter for R-390A or any 455 khz. IF receiver and a mint FRG-7 with mechanical filter and digital readout. Later!

CHICAGO, THAT WONDERFUL TOWN

GENE MARTIN - 3303 East Evans Avenue - Denver, CO - 80210
 ----- As of 1925-26, WCBD, Zion, IL, was a 5kw station which divided time with WLS in Chicago. I do not recall its frequency then, but I believe it was in the area of 850. WCBD was listed as owned by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, one of the head honchos in the House of David, a religious cult in which the men wore long beards and were reputed to believe the world was flat. (Isn't it??? -ERC) There was a connection of some sort with the House of David group across Lake Michigan in St. Joseph, MI. The December 1930 Radex lists WCBD on 1080, a daytimer, sharing time with WBBI, the Moody Bible Institute station in Chicago. Both stations had to clear the frequency at night for 1080 belonged to WBT in Charlotte. As late as February 1932, the 1080 situation remained the same and WCBD was listed under the Voliva name. I don't know when it became extinct. I remember WHT, Chicago, very well in the 1925-26 period, and enjoyed listening to Pat Barnes playing the organ late at night on the station, WHT was on 750 at that time and was surely not confined to operating on Sunday-only as mentioned by David F. Thomas as he is quoted in the J.E. LEWIS Musing in the July 6 DX NEWS. If WHT was connected with some religious institution in 1925-26, it was not apparent in their programming for they sounded more or less like any other Chicago station of that day & could be heard any night except Monday - Monday night was silent night in Chicago, all stations off the air. By December 1930, WHT is not listed in Radex, & I do not know when it became extinct. But I do remember it quite well as the only station I ever heard of which operated for a time on two frequencies each day, 750 & 1260. This was about the period of 1926-27, during the time when Federal radio law had broken down and all stations were able to pick any frequency they liked. So WHT operated part of the time each day on 750 and the rest of its time on 1260, a practice which continued until Congress set up the Federal Radio Commission and the FCC assigned WHT to one frequency in the first general re-allocation ending the period of chaos in the Broadcast Band.

MORE CHICAGO, CHICAGO

J. E. LEWIS - 1934 East 51 Street #16 - Tulsa, OK - 74105
 ----- Thanks to another friendly NRC'er, GENE MARTIN at Denver, CO for info on WCBD & WHT. Anyone recall when the WCBD XR burned? Re: Recent DX trip -- Richmond MO, about 40 miles ESE of Kansas City, proved to be the most fruitful for pattern changes at sunset. WBB, KCMO, & KMBC could all be heard with significant DB drops for the first two. KMBC really wasn't too great anywhere but comes in pretty well here on PM skip. Old friend KIOA-IA did really great everywhere; CE reports they will try to go to 50kw days but they probably won't be heard in Tulsa PM's due to Mexico & New Orleans. I believe I missed any 100w catches this trip; only possibility of 570-WI was blanked out by some biggies when I was in Hayward, WI. I do recall when home was Highland Park, IL, hearing WCRW-IL & also WSBC & WEDC sharing time. WCRW could only be heard clearly for less than FOUR miles winter during their evening times. Starling, IL had another 100-watter then (1249 kHz??) as did Kewanee and Princeton, although Princeton may have been 500w or 1kw. (WSDR was & still is on 1240 -ERC) WEDC was MOR and easy, and WSBC was various foreign and ethnic. Both WSBC and surely WAAP IL used to broadcast the most terrific jazz Sundays in Chitown in the 50's and early 60's, although all three on that channel were not readable in Highland Park except Summer doldrums. Anyone know if WJJD is on nights yet? (Yes - No! -ERC) KAKC is still on 500w D, 1kw N, DA-N as far as I know. I leave for D.C. 7/18 until 7/23; I don't expect great skywave but will be able to hear some new EC stations. *73's.

SIDNEY ADDS SOME MORE GRAVEYARDERS

SIDNEY E. MARSHALL - 7224 Pam drive - Millington, TN - 38053 July 12, 1981
 ----- With a heavy work sked for the rest of this month I figured, while I have the time, I'd better get a Muse in! It was good to see a Muse in the last DX NEWS from Tennessee's newest member, Ms. TAMARA TAYLOR! My hat is off to my Alabama friend NEAL PERDUE for his statement in the last issue retracting his WTSA-1450, VT, logging. I'm sure, at one time or the other, many of us have been guilty of "creative DXing" but few will admit it! Now to DX since my last Muse...in spite of Summer static & limited time at the dials I did manage to log five new ones as follows: On evening of 6/14 @ 10:17pm WJJM-1490, TN, was in/out for several minutes with area WX, ID, promo for Marshall County, &mx. Then on morning of 6/21 @ 7:01am WHOD-1230, AL, boomed in w/s on announcement & into NX before dropping out. Then SSS on evening of 6/29 reaped me a pair: At 8:56pm KFTW-1450, MO, was in for three minutes with part of spot heard with mention of Fredericktown, mx, & ID. Then at 9pm WDXR-1450, KY, surfaced with top-of-hour legal ID & into NX. Nothing else new until evening of 7/8 when much-wanted WBRY-1540, TN, was in weak but very clear, u/WLIC, @ 8:42pm w/mx & ID heard. With these newies my station total now stands at 939 heard. Also with these newies being four GYers out of the five, it boosted my GY total to 77. Guess I had better s/off for now, so good DXing to all, and if my work sked permits I'll see you in these pages next month.

PLEASE NOTE:

THE NEXT PUBLICATION DATE'S BEEN ADVANCED ONE WEEK! MUSINGS DEADLINE: AUGUST 24

MOTHBALL MEMORIES IN THE MOUNTAINS

G. A. NITSHE Jr., M.D. - Providence Farm - 1783 - Monroeville, NJ - 08343 7/6/81
 ----- Some thoughts have been coming to mind about early radio, especially when I was at West Virginia University in Morgantown. I arrived on campus the first week of September, 1932, & after some shifting around, I rented a room at Mrs. Hamilton's, 2129 University Ave. for \$2.50 a week - including laundry & garage, for the Model A. I got my meals at Mrs. Hardman's "Hash House", just up the street for \$4 a week - all 20 of them! My room was heated by an open fireplace burning soft coal. In all five men (boys) lived there & at Christmas we decided to chip in 50¢ each & have a ton of coal delivered in the bin. Yes, \$2.50 for a ton of soft coal, in the bin! Two dollars if it was dumped in the gutter out front! Now to my theme. I used to listen to the radio at the Hash House as much as I could and soon learned that the main station for the area was WMMN, Fairmont, owned by A.M. (Shad) Rowe, Inc. So, as quickly as I could I got out and hopped a ride over to Fairmont to look the place up. Interestingly, WMMN was named for Sen. Matthew M. Neely who was a lovable local character known for his wild oratory. Supposedly he once told the US Senate that they were blubbering fools in making such long and complicated laws when the Almighty God used only 256 words to frame the Ten Commandments which were sufficient to govern the entire universe! I got into Fairmont and was directed to the Hotel Fairmont and from there to one of the upper floors, where the XR was located in two guest rooms, the tower or towers being on the top of the Hotel. A genial engineer was present and we had a bit of a feast. The place was hot, & the windows were open, and the radiators were removed. The engineer told me that in winter he would shut the windows & the tubes etc. kept things quite toasty. It seemed a rather crude rig, but 500 watts was good power then and the people loved that station. Across the street over a theater was the "studio", a wire-strung across Adams Avenue connected things together. I approached the entrance and walked in and---in front of me was a man with a big microphone on a huge stand which came up through a sawed-out section of a mahogany desk, sitting reading the paper and giving the "news" over the air. Two girls were standing there against record racks that lined the walls. I believe they were to present a musical program when he finished. I waited around a bit and then left. When I got to Morgantown I mentioned my experiences to some of the school-mates and found out that one of the engineers of that station, when he worked evenings until he closed it down, would wait for things to cool off & then remove whatever tubes he wanted and take them home for his ham rig. About 1970 I was in the Hotel Morgan in Morgantown & bumped into the son of the aforementioned ham. The son introduced me to his father, Calvin E. Wilson, who at that time was administrator of the Kanawha Airport in Charleston, WV. Mr. Wilson verified the story I had heard about his borrowing tubes for his ham rig. He is now retired but quite active, & lives at 4203 Kanawha Afe., Charleston WV. WMMN is still active on 920k w/5,000w. Its XR & studio location, of course, have been moved to a better location. (They were one of the first all-nighters, Sunday AMs only, and this evoked several complaints from the DXers of the day! -ERC)

THE RF-2800 VS. THE RF-2900

WHEELS CONOVER - RR #8 - Box 344B - Manchester, KY - 40962 July 8, 1981
 ----- Hi everybody! I think I need to stuff ERC's mailbox, as it's been a while, so we're back. Not a whole lot going on in the way of Summer-time DX, mainly because we're just lazy, hi. No, I am doing a whole lot of FM DXing, & I would be doing a lot of AM DXing if I still wasn't trying to figure out how to fix my RF-2800 up so I can hook the Space Maggot to it - the external antenna terminals won't accept it, & I haven't added any accessories or anything to the SM-2 lead, so I've made do by coupling it to the whip. I should get some advice soon from ace DXer NEAL PERDUE, since I sent a letter, so I'll finally be straightened out soon. While we're on the RF-2800, I want to add my observations. The 2800 is the earlier model of the 2900, and they are identical with the exception of digital readout on SW only, while the 2900 has all-band readout. SW is the pits, but that can be resolved with the use of a pre-selector to eliminate images. It is pretty stable on SW after warm-up! Neil may have just picked up on one of the early model 2900s which didn't have stability. FM suffers from cross-modulation from the SW bands, but it does pretty well. You can pick up WIMZ-103.5 between WWEL-103.9 & WWXL-103.1. AM does a good job, as I don't have any spurs or images on it. (Then again, I live a ways off from town), and the selectivity is all right (but you can't cut WNOX splatter, even with the SM-2, to fairly acceptable levels, for 980 & 1000). I recommend it to RICK KENNEALLY as a good portable machine, and also advised a Collins Mechanical Filter for "serious" foreign DX (I don't DX foreign stations, so selectivity is OK). The set has excellent sound, and it's a whole lot better than on the RF-2200. If anyone wants it, then it's a good buy, but if you are heavier into SW, get a pre-selector from Gilfer or Radio West. Before I go, I'll try to check in on the 12-656A and see what kind of "rig" I get, and WKL-1290 is due on here soon w/o/w. If Wheels can get a job up there, I may try to arrange some kind of TEST (and may anyway), but if I get the job I'm hoping for, don't count on it until Christmas vacation time. I'll keep you posted. As for WKL's CP, DON KASKEY, it should be 2,500w and not 5,000 per the list. WJSC-1390 is still T-40 per my sister in Charleston, so that should settle it. I'm gone till later then, so 73's de Wheels.

WELCOME, MIKE, TO MUSINGS!

MIKE ROTH - 41 Cedar Spring Road - Milford, CT - 06460 July 10, 1981
 ----- I finally found time to Muse after being a member for over a year. Every time I read this section I felt I should be contributing. I suppose an intro is in order. I am a junior in high school, I've been into BCB DX for four years. I use a 12-655 TRF & a new Superadio hooked up to a 210' LW running E-W. My total recorded from here till today is 199. I DX once a month or so & I try to snag MM stations every few months. On 6/11 I got the 1610 kHz station on Anguilla with no problems. I am partial to FM since acquiring the Superadio which I think does just as well on both bands. MR. KOSINSKI: WNVN does, on occasion, put a weak and distorted signal into Milford. WAWZ usually wipes you out though, I'm sorry to say. Are those your towers on Route 63 by the dam? A quick check on the TRF & LW shows 14-NVR in there but weak @ 6pm. Superadio with battery & no antenna has it in much better. QRM here is really not that bad 'cept fish tank heaters which strike without warning & always while I'm recording. I have a loop but it doesn't work as well as I want it to so it sits in the corner. A while ago I heard "WPOE in Greenfield, Mass. conducting an experimental transmission". Does anyone know their power? 73. (10,000 watts, Mike! -ERC)

WELCOME TO ANOTHER LAD WHO WORKS IN RADIO!

FRANK L. COX - 419 Polk Street - New Orleans, LA - 70124
 ----- (forwarded to Editor by Louisville Publishing Duo) Just a few lines to the Club to let you know I do enjoy this Club and the magazine. I do enjoy the AM Switch very much. I would like to contribute to the Log. I received KKOW-860 Pittsburg KS @ 12:30-12:45 CDT while WWL-870 New Orleans was off the air for a PoP. They came back on @ 12:45. I would like to inform Club members that if any QSL requests are sent to WKQT-1010 Garyville LA, P.O. Drawer B, I would be more than glad to QSL them. WKQT operates from 6am CDT to 8pm during June & July, at 500 watts. WKQT AM Garyville simulcasts with WCKW-FM, La Place, Mon-Sat. all day from s/on to s/off. From 6am to 5pm it's MoR. From 5pm to s/off it is o/w. On Sunday the stations are split, then re-join at 6:30 pm CDT. I work on the stations from 5pm to midnight. The logo is River Parish Radio. My air name is Robert Sanders. I will gladly QSL all requests that match up to my log. (How about an early-AM TEST, Frank, er, Robert? Please send further Musings to our Provincetown address, double-spaced??? -ERC)

AND WELCOME ALSO TO THIS NEW NUTMEGGER!

GARY MITCHELL - Box 1003 - Fairfield, CT - 06430 July 8, 1981
 ----- (also forwarded by Louisville Publishing Duo) I just joined the NRC. Most disappointment is the hardship in obtaining confirmations from stations logged. Fifteen years ago I was a 160 meter DXer on amateur radio (NP2AI, ex-WA1GXE). For me it seems worthless to spend countless time & aggravation without receiving a QSL. Anyway from what I hear if you "bug" stations they eventually reply - usually. I have also noted that many listeners do not send for QSL & in turn many small stations literally never receive any requests and are confused. Believe it? I am using a Kenwood R-300 RX here - sensitivity is good but otherwise I cannot expect much for this inexpensive radio. I am on disability payments here so this is some reason for not doing much amateur radio. I'm not up to keeping my MILES of ground radials up to par for transmitting. Anyway I have logged and received QSL from the following this last month: WDEV-550 Waterbury, VT; WGNB-550 RI, WGR-550 Buffalo. On 620, WHEN Syracuse, WLBZ Bangor, WVMT VT. 650-WHLO, Akron. 730, WJTO Bath, ME. WHEB-750 Portsmouth NH. 800-CJAD Montreal. 930-WWNH Rochester, NH. 1000-WLMB, Leominster. I forgot WQIR-610 NH. WYKR-1490, Wella River, VT, WCFR-1480 Springfield, VT, 1320-WCVR, Randolph, VT. WSKI-1240 Montpelier, WSNB-1450 Barre, VT, WDEA-1370 Ellsworth, ME; codes of stations to South and near West. I need a loop here but am confused if they really help with skywave interference but only null out groundwave. I thought I was crazy until I read a similar report in last issue. I was going to put out a message but thought I might be "blacklisted" for unethical practices (I'm new to BCB) but I have severe interest in swapping duplicate verifications, etc. for purposes of merely adding to a collection of "beautiful" verifications and "wallpaper" etc of rare and unique stations I would obviously never receive here. Is this bad practice? People travel and log things? Who knows? Anybody know what station on 620 IDs by calling itself the "Z" station? I've been getting WLBZ Bangor but could swear another station's in there. I've got WVNJ WHEN WVMT WLBZ competing at the same time. (Bangor is now WACZ, Gary! (Please double space and send your reports to ERC in Provincetown! -ERC) -ERC)

BILL'S A RADIO MAN NOW, TOO! ON FM, THAT IS

BILL BERGADANO - 39 Marble Street - Staten Island, NY - 10314 212-698-4735
 ----- Hi all. Not much DX lately (TV yes, MW, no). I turned 23 the day after logging KARK-TV-Little Rock, what a birthday present! WKNY July 6 @ 1am, WGH, Newport News July 13 @ 1:07am w/AT-40. Also, I heard previously heard WIBU-1240, Poynette, WI @ 1am on f/o. Total, 653 heard, about 220 varied. Otherness: Please tune in WVRM-FM-89.3, or the Linden repeater on 88.9. You'll find a guy named Bill James on Thursdays 5:45-6pm ELT. Yeah, that's me; only 15 minute shows to begin, until sponsors are numerous for me to get more \$\$\$\$. I'm soliciting reports - our address is: Box 378, Airport Plaza, Hazlet, NJ 07730.

(Bill Bergadano, Con'd.) Return postage please. As for the repeater, it seems the FCC now allows them, anywhere the station wishes. I was mainly curious, as WSIA, our supposed FM station here which has been licensed since 1/79, is STILL not on, & is allocated 88.9 will scream "foul" and try to have the repeater moved. WSIA, in our local paper was "going to be on by June 1". Nope, not yet. Actually, back to WVRM - as to reports, I now see why some stations never reply - budgets. At least that explains small stations - but four reports to WWWE - and no reply! Before I go, the Staten Island Amateur Radio Association "SIARA News" is available to those who wish to subscribe, \$3 for 12 issues. I am editor of the "Listening Post", which deals with the BCB. There's a stamp column and more. A sample issue is 25¢. Anyone wishing a copy, write to Box 495, S.I. NY, 10314. Support GYDXA! C U N New Jersey! 73's be Bill.

KARL'S STILL CATCHING 'EM!

KARL V. JETER - 3590-C Clubhouse Circle East - Decatur, GA - 30032 7/12/81
 ----- Hello once again. That "Mid Season Form" of my last Muse has been quickly destroyed by the Summer doldrums. Some DX has been attempted, with minimal results: Back on 6/11, SRS DX brought WKED-1130 w/6:15am s/on, good signal at first, before QRM took over. Newie same AM, WJTP-1130 poor in mess 6:20am, not enough for a report. Logs taken on a few LA's 6/15; dependable XERH-1500 for another try 12:56-1:03am; R. Cordillera-1190 in well in WOWO SP 1:19-1:28am; and over on 1100, w/WWWE off, R. Reloj in Bogota nice 1:30-1:43am. I've noticed on 1440 lately that WZYX, Cowan, TN has become almost a semi-local w/a potent signal audible even in daylight at times w/closer WWCC. Up to 7/2, on 1530 w/WCKY partially nulled that eve, WJPJ heard 9:05-9:12pm s/off. 7/3, on 1490, 9:14pm, someone mentioned in an ad "...around Salisbury" so maybe WSTP, but that's tentative. Only three veries since last check-in: V1's from WKED-1130 and WQSN-1450 (two f/ups) and a v/FP/c from long-NNV, WSMT-1050. A number of f/ups are out, but no answers yet. Otherness: It looks like we'll be heading West when everyone else is going East for the NRC Shindig...we'll be going to San Antonio for a visit with my sister for a couple of weeks. The three conventions I attended and/or hosted were enjoyable (Louisville '76, Lincoln-'77, and Atlanta-'78) & I hope to get to another one some day. Looks like my former employer during college, WLBB-1100 (in '71-'72) is still in hot water with the FCC and will have to be sold to remain on the air. Two groups are trying to buy it from the current owners, who got in trouble. I've sent a clipping that hopefully gets printed, space permitting. Well, enough rambling for now - I hope to have more DX to report next time! 73's.

NEIL FEARS APATHY IN C.P.C. ACTIVITY

NEIL G. ZANK - 623 Lyncrest Drive - Lincoln, NE - 68510 July 8, 1981
 ----- I received DX NEWS in my mail today, and that reminded me of the NRC. So I believe that I will mumble off a Muse before the next deadline. The DX hobby has been very slow around here this Summer, with little activity of this sort. I have not even written a 1980/1981 CPC report to send to Louisville, but then it seems to me only about a half dozen Club members are interested in the committee anyway. One verie received in my mail recently, KKQJ-1190. Two last verie received for my first new log & report of the past season with no f/up. Address is KKQJ, Box 29, Jackson, MN, 56143. Only other new verie was one received in June from CKSO-790, v/q for reception of 11/3/80. No MW DXing has been done here in the past two months or more, so when September comes I should be well ready to hit the dials again. I will not be attending the NJ NRC Convention. If I make up my mind quickly, I may attend the WTFDA convention in Oklahoma City end of this month. I have had a quick look at a new GE model in their silver series at the catalog showroom where fellow member BOB MCCOY works. It is basically a Super Radio circuit, but includes a built-in cassette recorder too. It has Super Radio dual cone speaker and very good sound. Perhaps Bob will tell the Club more about this model. So far we have seen no other members mention this unit in DX NEWS. I have a deep-down urge to make a visit to Colorado Springs & keep member WAYNE HEINEN up all night talking the hobby. Perhaps I will hit him up one of these days. Until next time...

HE LOVES TO DX IN LOVELAND!

ROB HARRINGTON - 3181 South York Street - Englewood, CO - 80110:9pm-Mdt ELT
 ----- (Copy to all clubs). Hello everyone, I 303-781-1185 just got back from a DX-Ped in Colorado. Chris Knight & I had a mini-DX-pedition on July 3-4, 1981. We set up a 1,000' antenna on Loveland Pass, we pulled in an English transmission on 657 kHz; it must have been New Zealand or Australia, that's my first split that I have heard from the South Pacific, & what a thrill! We will have an SW and BCB DX-pedition at the same location in September, see notice in this issue or in the next issue. I also was pleased to log Las Vegas at noon local time. (Time on 657 was 1130 GMT). It will be very interesting this Winter on top of Loveland Pass. Chris & I will be going up there monthly starting as of September thru March. We will freeze but we will be able to listen to Europe & South Pacific and Asia on top of the pass in that cold snow. 73s.
 LAST CALL TO NEW JERSEY! LET'S MAKE THIS THE GREATEST N.R.C. CONVENTION OF ALL TIME! YOU WILL ENJOY YOURSELF, SO MAKE THOSE PLANS AND RESERVATIONS NOW!

HE'S ON HIS WAY TO THUNDER BAY

BILL TOWNSEND - 4500 Connecticut Avenue N.W. #901 - Washington, DC - 20008
 ----- Ever since WDC-1260 202-966-8046 7/12/81
 took on the nickname DC-101 (FM outlet on 101.1) - dropped T-40 (album rock), the sloopover has become worse. I have mixed emotions about this station like I have about death, hi. I like many of the songs played, particularly "Fire Lake" & "Horizontal Hop" by Bob Steger & "Life of Illusion" by Joe Walsh & "She's So Cold" by the Rolling Stones (there is a swear phrase in the lyrics). But when it comes to DXing from 1230-1290, no way except when the Diplomats (soccer team) are on. Then the NSP pest behaves itself. Even with heavy splash, enough of a null can be put on so as to permit DXing on 1250 & 1270. That would be downtown near the White House where the terrain screens out some of the signals. (That's how I heard R. Paradise when it was on 1265 & it was before the splatter increased.) But up here in the Chevy Chase section of DC, the splash is milder, hi. A vivid quadruple rainbow is seen when the sun shines, hi. The rain comes down 5" per minute (it's a cloudburst), hi. Let's build an ark like Noah did, hi. My favorite DJ on that station (or its FM) is Tim Scott (ex-WLMD, another rain-maker) & folo by Rick Anderson. Both are in their mid-20's. Tim works the FM side on weekends (Saturday noon to 6pm, Sunday 8am to 2pm) & Thursday morning Midnight to 6am. He sometimes works the deluge-making AM. Rich works FM & AM (AM on Saturday 8pm-mtdt). On occasion I've pumped him for requests although I pump Tim for more requests because of the hours. On WLMD-900 my favorite DJs are Rich Hodge (he plays oldies each afternoon 1-3:30; I sked my lunch accordingly when I pump him for requests, I am an oldies freak), Pat O'Leary, Melinda Johnson, & Kathy O'Brien, all in their mid-20's. My favorites on the other rocker WINX-1600 (it doesn't splash as much) are Andrea Fields and the 27-year-old Jim Spencer. My favorite personality on WAYE-860, Ken Jackson, survived the major format change (BBD to GOS) on Easter Sunday (I hear his NX program at 8am each day en route to work). It's like surviving the end of the world (not the hillbilly) (that word starts a fight, hi), hi. (Then why use it? -ERG) I'm leaving town Wed. 7/15 for Minneapolis & the Radisson Hotel, the site of the '79 ANARC Convention, for a day of sightseeing including Catamaran and Bikini chasing (with my eyes) on Lake Calhoun and/or Lake Harriet (eat your heads out, especially DU with the winter WX beneath the Southern Cross, hi.) The next day I'll take a Greyhound to Thunder Bay where I'll be welcomed to the ANARC convention by a partial lunar eclipse (Dan Robinson & GREG MONTI will be there too from the DC area). Then to Sault Ste. Marie & Nickeltown (Sudbury) & Toronto....

RON'S GETTING READY FOR THE CONVENTION

RON MUSCO - Box 118 - Poquonock, CT - 06084 July 20th
 ----- Time for my annual Muse just before the Convention. The only time I go to NJ is for a Convention, hi. RUSS EDMUNDS was here for a visit last month while spending some time in Hartford. At this point I want to thank personally RAY ARRUDA for his many early MM phone tips which have enabled me to log & verify many new ones this past season. My totals now stand at 1,195 heard with 1,053 verified. Two veries in this month from WPCN-960 Mt. Pocono heard at sunset with WYXL/WBAV/WELI QRM & WCNL-1010 Newport, NH, also heard one hour before s/off on a Sunday playing old rock oldies with WINS offering stiff competition. WCNL was heard five years ago but never verified until now. Locally, WOMN-1220 is silent with new calls applied for & I guess new format in the works. This past season SS was noted on 1490 early MM & I noted the other night around 9pm that WNUS, West Springfield, MA had the same programming so I guess 'tis them in the early AM also. It sounds like programming from South America so my guess is they are serving the Puerto Rican population in Springfield. Recently my HQ-180A was acting up so a check of its tubes resulted in a few newies installed. I must align my HQ-150 and put it into service as the upper broadcast band is 10 kHz off. I don't have much time to put into CFC work any more but I do hope that others do & will provide us with some interesting TESTS this up-coming season. I still need NV & ID (the TESTS I arranged from the old KLUC-1140 were never heard here in New England). See You in Northern NJ.

TAMARA'S GOT A BUNCH OF NEWIES

TAMARA TAYLOR - 1719 West End Building - Suite 619 - Nashville, TN - 37203
 ----- (via Special Delivery) I'd like to thank SIDNEY MARSHALL, THOMAS CONNATSER, GENE NIX, KEN CHATTERTON, & G. PAUL CROWDER for all their help. I have contacted HENRY FATN & G. PAUL CROWDER, two NRC members living here in Music City. It was a pleasure to talk to them. I have finally acquired an RF-2600. For those who DX FM, WBYQ-92.1 "92-Q" has become WMAK-FM. Because of the baseball strike many radio stations aired the minor league games. What do you think about having a station list for minor league as well as major league games? On to DX: DX was good this month with 23 newies. 6/25- WJJD-1160. 6/26- CMHK-1307 & WOKK-910 @ 9:04pm. 6/28- KLVI-560 @ 11:50pm. The night of 6/29 brought WSGN-610 @ 12:10, WRJZ-620 @ 12:19, WGNT-930, & my first Canadian CBL-740 @ 1:04am. 6/30- KVOC-1170 @ 1:29am, KGBX-1260 @ 1:53, & WGBF-1280 @ 2:19am. Only WVKO-690 was logged on 7/1 @ 4:50pm. WVJS was logged on 7/2 @ 12:58pm. 7/4- WTHI-1480 @ 11:59. WBBS-1270 @ 11:07, & WCFL surfaced on 7/5. No DX till 7/9 w/WMX @ 9:51. 7/14- Brought KXOK @ 11:20, WLAP @ 11:30, & WMAL @ 1:04. Last DX is 7/18 w/WKCT @ 12:02, WHYY @ 12:35, & WBZ @ 12:45. Summer hasn't affected my DXing at all. 73.

RAY'S HAD AN ACCIDENT

RAY ARRUDA - 47 Burt Street - Acushnet, MA - 02743

----- Some very interesting comments in recent Musings, most notably, KERMIT GEARY's on prepared cards and NEAL PERDUE's on Creative DXing. As a footnote to Neal's... I find that a tape recorder for DX in question is essential in helping to remove any doubts as to actually what we've heard on a crowded or weak frequency. It is quite easy to convince yourself that something was heard that wasn't when it passed by your ears only once. With a tape recorder, you can replay the signal over and over and usually determine whether or not a "valid catch" has been made. I've done this myself a number of times, but the purchase of the tape recorder has helped me to become a much better DXer the last five years. Looks like the Convention is out for me this year even though it's only 4 1/2 hours away. I have a torn cartilage and liza-ment damage to my left knee suffered in an accident at work and will undergo surgery on August 1. The neighbors have been calling me "Limp"! The Thanks-giving GTG will be held here in "The Lower Deck" this year... details to follow. I hope the rest of you enjoy Labor Day in NJ as I'm sure RUSS & BOB will put on a first class time. Veries are back from WGGM-1410, WLQV-1500 & WNTS-1590. PP/c's are used here as a last resort. Some f/ups have been sent out since mid-July but the receiver hasn't been on since April. 73.

TONY'S BEEN A VISITIN'

TONY FITZHERBERT - 116 Devon Road - Chalfont, PA - 18914 7/22/81
 ----- Hi. Up to Boston via car last week - noted en route: WNYM "New York's only Christian Station" (What is WPOW?), WBIO-1310 still silent, WMMW-1470 no longer BFL but ROK, WERA-1590, pure VAR, WMAAS-MYL, WGGP-940 IDs as "Great Lakes Radio", in Boston, WNTN-1550 now VAR w/TLK, OLD, BBD, ETH. WSNY-1150 is now "Sunny" but with good mx - a fine addition to Boston AM. WGTR-1060 seems to be improving their all-NX w/ABC features. In Boston, one must null WBZ & WILD to hear them - must be directional into a lake - weak for 50k W D, 1,000 W N. The family's back from Pocono camping trip - here's Pocono RX - a big two AM stations! First, WVPO-840, 250W D-1, w/XR on a hill overlooking I-80 W of Stroudsburg, and studio in town. Station is audible in Chalfont, but the weak voice of the Poconos does not cover the region - barely audible in Mountain Home. Format is MoR, GBG, BBD, ETH, w/FM simulcast which keeps them on after LSS. WVPO carries APR NX on the hour, folo by thorough local & state NX & all kinds of Public Service and High School SX. Other AM is WPCN, Mount Pocono - overworks ID as "Pocono 96", sometimes three times in a paragraph - great for DX, but redundant. Odd four tower array on a hill at junction of I-80 & I-380 - two sets of two towers with 2-300 yards separating the sets. Their very directional signal does cover the Poconos, and protects WELI & WHYL. Studio is somewhere out near the XR in the brush. Format is MoR/T-40, w/AM called "The Breakfast Club" and midday is "The Music Room", NX @ :50 & :20. Station must make money - loads of commercials, and promos for "Miss Pocono 96" and "Baby Pocono 96" - lots of SX & WX - and AM man has tendency to use terms like "Blow your mind" (yecch!) The music is good and the midday man is excellent. Signal is lost about 15 miles S of the XR. DX is poor, but v/l back from WRRO-1440, WHCU-870 w/CM & v/f. Nice v/l from my favorite WDJZ-1530, who finally got to Chalfont although D-3 East, v/l from WABK-1280, also much wanted, and WPGM-1570. Good DX, all! (Tony, who's your v/s for WABK?? -ERG)

KEN SENDS A HELLO TO ALL HIS FRIENDS - HE'LL SOON REJOIN

KEN ONYSCHUK - 239 Fir - Park Forest, IL - 60460 7/20
 ----- Thanks to HQ for sending the July issue, I hope to get back in NRC soon, but it's gonna have to wait a little longer. But I felt I owed you a Muse anyway, so here it is. The July issue was good, we all appreciate the regular support. I must say I really like MIKE COLLINS' Muses, very good. Anyway, after four months of frustration, I took a kitchen job at Flossmoor Country Club. Good things about it, only four miles from home, get fed lunch & dinner. Bad things: The weird hours: 11am to 2pm, & 5-10pm. I work Tues-Sun. But it's a temporary job until something better comes along in August or Sept. The baseball strike hasn't made life any easier for me, so I've taped some minor league games & play them back occasionally. Thanks to WABC for the Columbus Clippers' games, WJWB for the Charleston Charlies, KMOX for a few Springfield Redbirds games, WLW for the Indianapolis Indians, WJR for the Evansville Tripletts. WGN carried three Iowa Oak games, they got whipped three times, so no more Oak games! I will not listen to old World Series games - either live action or forget it. Also thanks to KOA for the Denver Bears, who recently drew 59,561 fans, a record crowd for minor league BB, on 7/2, folo by a huge fireworks display. KOA is dominant here nights, then WKBZ-MI occasionally skywaves in during ballgames, when I'm taping. I also encourage NRC/IRCA members who are Pro-wrestling fans to write. I never did get a reply from WTFDA's George Rowers of GA. I enjoy wrestling as much as radio. Please write. New stuff: 5/22, most surprised to hear Cards BB @ 9:18pm past LSS. Announcer finally said the game would be continued on FM. This is WGEN, Geneseo, IL, IL #105. 5/25- I got a tip that WGLB-1560 WI was still on past LSS. I got programming & ID on tape c/u WDXR, before I called a most surprised DJ to tell him I was enjoying the AM signal. It went off real quick. 7/15 while listening to post-midnight NX/SX on WMBD, c/w drifted in w/Lehigh Valley promo - WSN. I was at ROB KRAMER'S GTG.

GREG HAD A GOOD DX TRIP

GREG LEDBETTER - Box 374 - Purvis, MS - 39475 7/22
 ----- It's about that time again. I've been back from Las Vegas for four weeks. DXing has been very slow. The trip itself was disappointing, but I did get my chances at the radio. Every time that bus stopped I got ready. I received 92 AM and 45 FM stations that were new to me: KEZY-690, KFRO-1370, KIKR-900, KSKS-1140, KULP-1390, KDRY-1110, KHEY-690, KR0D-600, KELP-920, KSET-1340, KTSM-1380, for some of the reception in Texas. Others: KOY-AZ, KLAC-CA, KMJ-CA, KSUB-UT, KBOI-ID, KDOWN-NV, KOE-NM, KABC-CA, plus many others that space wouldn't allow for right now. I did not achieve any of the goals I spoke of in my first Muse (not too many of them anyway) but it was an experience. It seems as though my dad was right when he said WWL-870 could be received all over the country. Reception was fair from Vegas. It is amazing of all that can be received from locations such as mine at night, and then get to Vegas and get just two of the regulars (WWL & WBAP). I was shooting for the Chicago area (WGN was definitely out of the question) and Omaha, Dallas-Ft. Worth, and New Orleans were as far East as I could get. All this activity brings my total of stations heard to 465 and I am itching to reach that 500 mark soon. Convention time would have probably made that possible. But due to lack of funds this year, I'll have to wait till next year. But in the meantime, I'm waiting for Fall when activity will start up again.

WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE NORTH-EAST BROADCAST FIELD

MICHAEL COLLINS - 178 Sylvan Knoll Road - Stamford, CT - 06902
 ----- Re the new VOA station on 1580, it operates with 50kw on non-directional now, but when it begins RS, it will go directional, meaning it will no longer be audible in the U.S., according to a VOA spokesman I spoke with on the phone, while doing an AP story on it. The spokesman said the VOA found most people in the Caribbean don't have short wave, so they decided to begin broadcasting in EE on AM. When I asked, he wouldn't say whether the new station is in response to Cuba's new EE programming on 600. Meanwhile VOA continues its SS program on 1180 from Key Marathon 6-9am & in the evening. That stations is also 50kw DA, he said. WGSN began broadcasting w/25kw DA E/SE in the Spring. The signal is not much different here in CT (to the N). Also new owners have taken over WLM-1580 (ex-WYFA) Patchogue, LI, & that station is now standards, BBD & show tunes. The changeover came in mid-July. WOMN-1220 Hamden CT went off in early July. Along the coast here in Fairfield country, WRIB-1220 Providence comes in weakly, w/WGNY Newburgh under. When WOMN returns, rumors are it will be c/w, possibly getting its music off one of the satellite services. WFIP is now affiliated with and carrying ABC/C NX; they're at 1500 in Milford, CT. WQXQ-1490 W. Springfield MA is now SS, w/other languages on weekends. (Is still nr in the wee AMs!-ERC) Correction: WAWZ-1380 NJ is on 6:30-9am & 6-7:30pm, not 7-8:30am as I'd said. WVNJ-620 Newark which used to be all BFL has been getting away from that format. 10am-3pm it has now the Danny Stiles Show, who plays old tunes from the 20s, 30s, 40s. Stiles used to be on WEVD (now WNYM)-1330, & for a time in the late 1960s owned WQQW-1590, Waterbury, CT. Speaking of old-time DM, Symphony Sid, formerly of WEVD & most recently at WINF-1230 CT is now doing an early Sunday afternoon show on WRCQ-910 CT. Art Johnson, for years AN on WTIC-1080 most recently has been at WINF; I've read (I can't hear WINF here). Hy Lit, formerly of Philadelphia, has been at WKXW-101.5 Trenton, but I hear he recently left there. Bob Dayton, formerly of WABC (who got fired for playing "16 Candles" & saying Happy Birthday Hiroshima on the anniversary of the H-bomb drop, is now doing afternoon drive at WGBB-1240 LI. Dick Alexander, a big name on WICC-600 CT as the AN DJ in the 50s, is now doing Sunday afternoons at WDJZ-1530 CT. Cousin Bruce Morrow, formerly of ZBM-1235 & WABC-770, now owns WRAN-1510, Dover NJ 1510, & is doing afternoon drive there. (A station we'll visit at this year's NRC Convention! -ERC) WVNJ-620, by the way, is also broadcasting the Merv Griffin Show 7pm nightly, & SX play-by-play (including Nets KKB) evenings. This is certainly not a criticism of the NRC Pattern Book, which is fascinating & excellent, but I do not believe ZNS1-1540 is non-DA. My understanding is it is DA-1 w/20,000w. ZNS used to be much stronger here when it was 5,000 non-DA. When it upped to 20kw & went DA, it went from being regular to almost never here if WPTR or KXEL are on. ZNS is of course 1-A so they don't have to be DA, but they apparently want to be for better coverage. 73s.

DAN WILL BE AT THE CONVENTION

DANIEL BARTEK - 4 Hanford Way - Fairport, NY - 1-716-223-4288 (no collects!)
 ----- (Forwarded to ERC by RON MUSCO!) Not much new here (DXwise). Tentative DX: WJAC-850, CFWC-790 (C-7). Is there a new '80-'81 NRC Domestic Log available? (Soon! -ERC) Thanks much to CRAIG HEALY for setting up the WKBC-1220 TEST this March. My granddad died earlier this year & our family went back of course to do what we could, & help out. I don't seek your pity! Death is like taxes, eventually it touches everyone. I was saddened by the death of MORT MEEHAN. At the LA Convention Mort said they were going to Mass. I asked him if there was a Catholic Church nearby. He said he knew of one. When we were done with Church, we stopped in and saw friends of Mort's. I had asked him what he wanted for gas money - "Nothing". I called ERNIE COOPER on 7/12 & found that JIM CRITCHETT had died. I had met Jim at the LA Convention, a real quiet guy. We had a lot of conversations at the airport. I have send an order to STEVE BO-

(Dan Bartek, con'd) HAC for a 4' loop ERC AAZ. Letter stating "final payment received (April 22, 1981), one of five loop antennas, barring any unforeseen trouble - done in a few weeks." I figure by first week of August '81. I do plan to be at the '81 NRC Convention unless something happens. I cleaned up some more cassettes (they sure pile up fast, 12 @ 90 minutes each to edit). Thanks to BILL HALE for his "Graveyard Frequency" maps & lists, & RON SCHATZ for his annual updated Cuban Station Lists. These items seem to be an annual feature, just one more reason why I renewed. Best to all for a safe Summer.73s.

HELLO, COLUMBUS

PAUL MOUNT - 471 Emerson Avenue - Teaneck, NJ - 07666 7/25/81
 ----- (Written at ERC's!) I need to get some AM & FM stations in Columbus, OH on cassette tape - can anyone in that area help me out? I will supply the cassette & return postage. This Muse was written in Provincetown where I visited our Musings Editor over the weekend. I enjoyed bandscanning while on the beach and have a small list and nasty sunburn to show for it. Radio notes, made as I drove: WLNA-1420, NY is BFL, not on at night yet. WGRG-1300, directional mostly NW, W, WSW, taken into Westchester county before weakening; the old WKQW/WRRC died within Rockland county. They were the second station in the country to go MYL, per the owner. When I visited in June they told me they're planning to file for night operation; present daytime restriction is to avoid interference not to WAVZ or WFBR, but to WOOD-MI per the FCC. I also visited former NRCer BILL ANDRES at QLD formatted WNYG-1440 in June. I had a great time at the GWDXA convention in Chicago and returned via the old homeland of SE Ohio, seeing all my friends there, then home via Weirton WV. Back to this trip: WLMG-1600 got loud towards the E side of Westchester country NY & stayed that way up to the CT Turnpike, aksi WRIV-1390 noted. WNLK-1350 CT Ad. cont. format, NX 00 (6); WICC-600 CT 00(5); 30(3) drive time. WFLF-1500 country. WDJZ-1530 30(5) BBD. WNHC-1340 seemed DIS. WWC0-1240 will carry N.E. Patriots FB this Fall. WMYD-1370 RI seemed MoR. WNBH-1340 MA 00(6). WADK-1540 RI T-40 (also WNBH), these heard 6-8pm Friday night. From Chicago trip, WMBT-1530 PA T-40, promo says "Hire a WMBT Jock today" for DJing parties, etc. WCPA AM/FM runs different mx on each but same ABC/E. 6/24- WBBW-1240 w/their own audio, equal rights talk show, 5:52pm, loud near I-79. WPTH-790 once a good long playlist T-40 is now "790 Country". I headed towards Brooklyn, CT to see former member Brian Lee who may rejoin when he gets to college in St. Cloud MN this Fall. 73 & Thanks, ERC.

CALL CHANGES ARE KEEPING HANK IN BUSINESS

HANK HOLBROOK - 7211 Chestnut Street - Chevy Chase, MD - 20815 July25, 1981
 ----- DX-wise it's been a slow Summer. Like Major League Baseball I struck out in June but I did manage to rebound with a rousing five in July. Logged and reported in July (underlined already verified)- WVBK-1440 VA (Ex-WOHN) from 11:21 to 11:53am 7/3. Puts in a pretty good signal in here during the day. Verie says in part, "Yours is, in fact, the first such report received here since we have changed our call sign and programming format. Thank you!" As they said on the air the call stands for "We're Virginia's Best Country" - spelled a bit different, but we are different Country." On the evening of 7/3 another call change on 1440! WRR0-OH from 9:53 to 10:45pm with little to heavy QRM. Of course, ex-WHEH. Fireworks here on the 4th with WBTC-1540 OH for very brief report at s/on 5:59am barely ahead of the others & then being clobbered! Ten days later on the 14th I was at the cottage on vacation in Fair Haven and noted a re-created allstar game over WITS-1510 Mass, 9:06-10:07pm with a lot of CJRS QRM. I remember back in the 40s & 50s the old WMEC used to really roll in but no more! Last one from Chevy Chase was on the 22nd with WLM-1580 NY from 5:49 to 6am with nice signal & then covered by WPGC. This of course is ex-WYFA. Looks like the only thing keeping me in the hobby is chasing call changes, hi! I have noted discussions on the use of prepared cards in Musings. For years I have been mainly a Utility DXer with over 3,000 ships and over 700 aircraft QSL-ed, many fixed and maritime stations and here you find a PP/c a must. Though some do answer on their stationary. So my policy on ECB is to send only ONE f/up & that includes a PP/c. If no answer that's my misfortune. If it's a rare station then several f/ups if need be are sent. In June I sent out a mass df followups & the following returned my PP/c: (Just over 50% by the way)- WJK-1580 NC, WEMB-1420 TN, WHPY-1590 NC, WSBY-960 MD, WLKR-1510 OH, WSKT-1580 TN, WBIC-1380 NC, WKIE-1540 VA, WPMP-1580 MS, WLOP-1370 GA. F/ups also produced a very nice verie letter from WKCM-1140 KY, a fine letter from WLBJ-1410 KY, & a v/q from WCLE-1570 TN. Stations not answering my f/ups are CFIX & CKO (but this may be due to the strike), plus WQCC, WMBT, WUNI, WWSW, WYZD, WYNX & WBEZQ. One station I have been trying to get for 13 years now is WTRI, Brunswick, MD on 1520. I have sent them many reception reports, f/ups, PP/c's, too much postage. I'm convinced they don't have a Public Relations Dep't. I guess I'll have to keep "TRI-ling". Veries on all bands now at 11,265 with 2,483 in 101 countries on ECB. Main interest during the warm months is FM but I will also keep a watch on the ECB. See you in the Fall! (And at the NJ Convention, maybe?-ERC)

ALL ABOARD! THE N.R.C. EXPRESS IS ABOUT TO LEAVE FROM ALL POINTS FOR ITS MAIDEN VOYAGE TO ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY! HAVE YOUR TICKETS READY - ALL ABOARD!

RAINDROPS KEEP FALLING ON HIS HEAD

WALT BREVILLE - 9127 Coral Drive - St. Louis, MO - 63123

On Baby Oh! May, June, & July were the rainiest three months in memory here, with about 8" of rain per month, about twice normal, along with several severe storms, causing some wind and flood damage in places. As of 7/22 our total for '81 is 27.5" compared to 27" for all of last year to 12/31. The AM band has been very staticky almost every time I've tried it, so no DX to report this time. After much travelling in past years, including to Louauvill, Vegas & L.A. last year, this year I'm going noplacae at all except to Kansas City next week, & maybe to the TV-FM shindig in Oklahoma City, but that trip looks less than 50-50 chance. So my theme song for '81 is "Don't Get Around Much Any More." Speaking of old songs, I get a kick out of the BBD format some stations now have, but so far I have NEVER heard any station with "Music of Your Life." It doesn't seem to exist on any groundwaves or skywaves in this part of the country. Local WRTH-590 has a format much like what I've read about Music of Your Life, as does KSL-1160, but I've never heard the MYL phrase. One good thing about this Summer's AM band, it's nice to hear more music and less baseball, I for one LIKE the baseball strike! Rabid BB fans are suffering, but it's good for them to seek other things in life besides baseball. Maybe a few will now become DXers. I would be interested to hear what stations have over 50% Disco and also those with at least half Christian Contemporary mx. St. Louis offers both of these, on both AM & FM, something most markets lack! Here the DIS stations are WESL-1490, KATZ-1600, WZEN-100.3 & KMJM-Magic-108-FM. The CCmers are WCBW-104.9, & Black-preaching KIRL-1460 has started replacing some sermons with it. I swapped RKes with TERRY KLAISEK. He now has the HQ-180A & I have his R-1000, an amazing little thing in performance as well as being compact & quick & easy to operate. However, the HQ-180A now slightly outperforms the R-1000 since Terry replaced a couple tubes & tweaked a few IF cans in the 180. Those old monsters are just about unbeatable in top shape, but keeping them top-notch really takes diligent tube-checking and replacing and frequent maintenance. 73ses to all.

STEVE'S POINTED TOWARDS NORTH JERSEY

STEPHEN J. McINTIRE - 2225 Searle Street - Des Moines, IA - 50317

7/21

Hi all. It looks now as if we avoided a postal strike, but the settlement will probably result in even greater postal rate increases. I hope that we have as much luck with the air traffic controllers; otherwise, the Convention will have at least one attendee, hi. DX has been almost non-existent here & what there is is quite old. 5/15 saw KWL-1330 come in with their new call KWLQ for the first time here; this guy should be a regular here days but isn't due to splatter from superlocal KRNT-1350. 5/30 - WKDC-1530 IL was heard on ET @ 2:10am. Attempts have been made here for the new IAs on 1580 & 1610, but so far I've only heard the usual SSS pests on 1580 & weak audio on 1610 overshadowed by slop from KATZ, & CARL MANN's KGRG. On the local front, Iowa State has sold exclusive rights to originate FB & BKB games to KIOA-940 for rather big bucks. Networks are unset now, but reportedly WOI-640 will pick up the FB feed. This means no more Iowa State BKB on WHO, so they've arranged to carry several University of Northern Iowa games as well as their full slate of Iowa games. There may be good news for DXers as the new FCC seems less inclined to favor 9 kHz. See you in Rockaway (I hope). Bye all.

HOW IT ALL BEGAN FOR TOM

THOMAS E. GONNATSER - Route 9 - Box 78 - Sevierville, TN - 37862

Greetings, all. Does anyone have a source for Sony parts? My TFM-8700W quit working this month and the serviceman can't get parts for it. The set needs a new IF transformer. If this is Sony's attitude toward their customers then we should consider boycotting Sony products. That would be a shame since they otherwise make some fine radios. I am pleased to announce that I have now started a paper verie collection. Verie #1 is a letter from WNST-WV for an ET on 5/22. Since DX has been at a standstill with the Summer static season in full progress and my main RX in the shop, I thought I'd take the time to give you a little more info on how I started DXing. I had read a few articles in electronic hobbyist magazines on DXing the BCB in the early 60's but had ignored them. One night in the mid 60's I was fooling around with a pocket radio and heard Chicago, Cincinnati, & Fort Wayne in short order. It was then that I decided to become a DXer. In the late 60's I listened semi-seriously & logged about 150 stations. Then I re-read some of those DX articles. I decided to start keeping better records and hit the band seriously. On 1/1/70 I began DXing seriously with a 2 1/2 hour session at the dial and the first 20 stations to the log. Two weeks later I began FM DXing and have been working both bands ever since. I began keeping taped veries on 6/18/70 when I heard a Missouri FM announcing s/off in 15 minutes. I just had to get him on tape. Since then around 200 other stations have made it to my tape file. My overall totals stand at some 450 heard on the BCB and another 260 on FM. During my 1 1/2 years of DXing I have used some 25!! RKes. All have been table, clock, portable, or car radios. I have never used a communications receiver or an external antenna. So that proves that just about anything will get the DX. My early reference was White's Radio Log. This log is now quite difficult to find. Since it usually contains quite a few errors, and does not have nearly as much information as the NRC Domestic Log, I switched to this most valuable reference early this year. I learned of the NRC at work where I saw a copy of the Domestic Log. After reading about the Club, I decided to join. I see I have reached 30 again so I'll s/off. Next, my DX history after joining NRC. 73 & CUL.

THOSE WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN TO AN N.R.C. CONVENTION SHOULD REMEDY THAT SITUATION RIGHT NOW BY SENDING IN A RESERVATION FOR THIS ONE IN ROCKAWAY, N.J. A GREAT TIME IS ABOUT TO OCCUR FOR ALL WHO JOURNEY TO THIS LOVELY AREA. RUSS & BOB, HOSTS, ARE PLANNING A GREAT TIME FOR ALL!

MORRIS SENDS US AN AMARANTH BANDSCAN

MORRIS SORESENSEN - Amaranth, MB - ROH OBO

Here is a daytime bandscan from Amaranth, on the West side of Lake Manitoba. 540-CBK-SK, 550-KFYR ND, 580-CYIM MB, 600-KSJB ND, 620-CKCK SK, 630-CKRC MB, 680-CJUB MB, 690-CBNK-1 SK, 730-CKDM MB, 790-KFGO ND, 800-Weak unID (probably CHAB SK), 810-CKJS MB, 860-CKSB-1 MB, 920-CFRY-MB, 940-CJGX SK, 990-CBW MB, 1050-CKSB MB, 1080-KNDK ND, 1130-KBMR-ND, 1150-CKY MB, 1170-KFNW ND, 1190-CFSL SK, 1220-CJRB MB, 1230-KTRF MN, 1240 weak unID (probably KDLR ND) 1250-CRSM MB, 1260-KROX MN, 1280-CJSL SK, 1290-CFRW MB, 1310-KNOX ND, 1340-KXPO ND, 1370-KFJM ND, 1390-KKOA ND, 1410-KRWB MN, 1440 weak unID (probably KKKL ND), 1530-CISV MB, 1570-CKIA MB, 1590-KRRK (ex-KRAD) MN. Interested listeners might like to compare the scan with those of PETER McCLURE of Neepawa, Man., DARRYL BELANGER from Swan River, Man. and my own from Winnipeg all found in the last 12 months of DX NEWS. Recent nighttime catches included: 6/16-WMFG-1100 MN @ 12:05am; 6/27-CKLC-1380 ON @ 1:22am, WLKK-1260 PA @ 1:30, & a few routine loggings to bring my final totals in Amaranth to 201 stations in 30 states, six provinces, and Mexico in 5 1/2 months of DXing on a TRF. As there may be a long mail strike in Canada I may mail this from Duluth after attending the ANARC in Thunder Bay. 73.

CHARLES HAS GONE WHERE MIKE HARDESTER ONCE WAS

CHARLES A. TAYLOR - Box 812 - MCAS Futenma - FPO - Sealte, WA - 98772 (Futenma, Okinawa, Japan) Greetings from Okinawa! We arrived 6/20 and are temporarily ensconced at Kuwae Lodge, Camp Kuwae, Marine Corps Base Camp Butler, Okinawa. I'm employed at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma. I'm busy reacquainting myself with the Far East BCB after an absence from these parts of some eight years. Equipment is: SFR-4, SM-2, TRF 12-655, Panasonic RQ-500 reel t/r, Seville cassette t/r, 75' LW dropped from Room 523 to clothesline support. I currently have only about 36 stations positively IDed, a result of my consciously "rationing" DXing to prevent premature burnout. Unlike Sorsogon, Philippines 1972-73, I'm taping unIDs and positive IDs this time around. Okinawa is 400 miles from Taiwan and mainland China, 350 miles from mainland Japan, and 600 miles from Korea. The daytime band is composed mainly of signals from locals (six of them), Taiwan and mainland China, Japan, & Korea, in that order. We're expecting to move to permanent quarters toward the end of August. We're only about 2 1/2 miles from the Naval Regional Medical Center (Navy Hospital) where NRC/IRCAer MIKE HARDESTER was stationed back in 1977-78, and our quarters are only about 1,000 feet from there. Small world! 7e de Charlie.

THINGS ARE SLOW ON AM, A BIT FASTER ON FM

ERNEST R. COOPER - 5 Anthony Street - Provincetown, MA - 02657 617-487-9337 Veries from CHYR7-730 & Caribbean Beacon-1610 brought me to an even 4,200 on BCB in 48 1/2 years of DXing. FMs are now at 113, with lots of holdouts! I'll be looking for Y-O-U in Rockaway! Anybody gonna be there on Thursday evening? Now, down the DX trail: SM 5/31- UnID TTeron 1250 to 2am. Also more TT on 980 @ 2:31. MM 6/1- UnID TT noted on 1490 @ 12:52-1:58, no IDs were given. WRKO-680 was off RS but Tting. CBK, CBE, CBL & CJC were on w/mx, CBF w/TT, CBA w/OC. WNYR-990, unnn, was good @ 2:46 - are they on their new antenna/power yet, JERRY BOND? TTs on 1580, 1250 & 690 all at the same pitch, about 600 cycles, are probably CBC-FF stations. 6/2- TTer on 1300 today @ 1:38, & a loud het on about 1531 against WCKY, but I couldn't bring in any modulation. Larry King adds WCBQ-1340, NC & KWBO, Little Rock, frequency unknown to me, to his net this week. And, thanks to these tele-callers in the last couple months: PAUL MOUNT, JOE PELA, RAY ARRUDA, BOB FOXWORTH, BILL WURTZEL, ROLLAND LINDBLADE, KEN ROMSTADT, BILL COLEMAN, JEFF LOCKWOOD, DAN BARTEK, CARLETON LORD, ANTHONY LAGATUTTA, BOB RUSH, AL QUAGLIERI, & NEIL KAZAROSS. And, we had fine visits from BOB FOXWORTH, BEN DANGERFIELD, PAUL MOUNT, ANTHONY LAGATUTTA, & BOB RUSH! Lots of friendly folk in this great Club! Where were we? Oh yes, DX: 6/8- WLBZ-620 is now WACZ. MM 6/8- Unn WTLB-1310 NY ETing @ 12:54am. Unn WALL-1340 noted s/off -SSB @ 1, also their FM with them. Who was Tting on 1375, surely not St. Pierre? WETP-1590 is back to AN MMs, & a tentative to WYCB-1340, NN programming in/out w/WKRZ & others. Just to throw some fuel on the fire, WTSB-2450, VT, is running AN these days! 6/10- VOA-1580 still Non-D apparently, booming in @ 9, & reported, then another to the Beacon in Anguilla, 1610. MM 6/15- Naught much but CKEC-1320 was ANing today, they've always been off MMs previously. an ENT on 1250, AN. And more IK stations: WNAV-1430, WMRN-1490, KKAM-??, Lubbock TX, & WHJB-620. On 1320, a TTer 1:05-1:32, no IDs. 6/17- CBJ-1580 was not on the CBC AN chain today, & the Montrealers CBM & CBF also were gone, but CBA-1070 is now on it w/mx. A second report was sent to local WYNZ-970, ex-WCSH, with the same result as the first - pffft. CBI-1140 & CBD-1110 are also running AN, if you need 'em, try SMS when WBT & WRVA are off. WHN-1050 has been off a lot of MMs lately. MM 7/6- CJCL-1490 was in u/WENE & reported, but the letter came back due to their postal strike. 7/16- WLIM-1580, ex-WYFA, on ET/mx @ 1:07 & reported. 7/17- Full moon & full dial (with ANs of course) add one - WPLG-960. And that about brings me up to date on AM; mucho FM tuning these days - that's where the excitement is these days! Now, if you've been wavering about whether to go to the Convention or not, GO - by all means! That's where the excitement is on Labor Day weekend! I'm looking forward to it, believe me! C U there!

NEXT MUSINGS DEADLINE IS MONDAY, AUGUST 24th. SOME OF YOU HAVE BEEN SENDING MUSINGS TO LOUISVILLE AND TO POQUONOCK. THE ADDRESS, OF COURSE, IS AT THE HEAD OF THE FIRST PAGE OF MUSINGS, AND RIGHT ABOVE THIS. DO NOT SEND THEM TO OTHER LOCATIONS; THEY HAVE TO BE FORWARDED WHICH DELAYS THEM AND COSTS MONEY! ANY SENT TO ANYWHERE OTHER THAN PROVINCETOWN WILL NOT BE INCLUDED FROM NOW ON!

1981 NRC CONVENTION

With all due apologies for the lateness of this, owing to a miscalculation of issues on my part, here is the Convention Roundup. As noted earlier, we will be holding the 1981 Convention at the Mountain Motor Inn, Rt 46, Rockaway, NJ. This was the site of several NNJ get-togethers in the early 1970's, and is about 25 miles further west (away from NYC and the great transmitter swamp) than the site of the 1970 Convention. Plans include a visit to the Broadcast Hall of Fame (about 1 hr. drive away), a possible tour of Cousin Bruce Morrow's WRAN-1510 down the road, the usual auction, banquet and business meeting, special exhibits of the veries of the late Norm Maguire, Joe Brauner and perhaps others, group sessions on preservation of DX memorabilia, preservation of club history, and other topics.

Tentatively scheduled will be a program by Sony on their process of research and development of the ICF-85W and others, including some of the results of the comparison survey, and a special demonstration scheduled for Saturday evening, which will be an on-site open competition between various "stock" (un modified, transmogrified or otherwise altered from a performance standpoint) portable receivers. This could be quite an interesting time, so bring your favorite (s). The competition will be based on the criteria used by Mark Connelly and myself for the ICF-85W reviews.

Registration and check-in will begin around 8pm on Friday Sept. 4, and will continue thru the evening and also on Saturday morning. The Auction will be held following the receiver competition on Saturday evening.

Amateur operators in attendance will be able to contact the Convention on 2 meters only, frequencies will be announced later by mail. Please note at the bottom of the registration form your call and frequency limitations if any, and we will advise you of the frequencies we will be monitoring for directions, chit-chat, etc.

Advance disposition of items for the auction from those not attending, or who must ship ahead will be arranged on an individual basis, contact Box 127. Likewise for any specific questions not covered herein.

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Russ Edmunds & Rob Stonier
Convention Hosts

Late revision to above: Per Russ, registrations WILL be accepted after August 15, so you still have time to register!!! Also, please register in advance even if you will be staying elsewhere than the convention site- we need to have an accurate count for the banquet and snack foods-Ed.

Name _____
Address _____
Home Phone () _____ Make Car _____ Lic. _____
Date, Time of Arrival _____ Departure _____
Type of Room Desired: Single _____ Double _____ Triple _____ Quad _____
Others in same room _____
Registration Fee: \$8.00
Banquet Fee: \$15.00
Choice of menu:
VEAL PARMIGIANA _____ SHELL STEAK _____ FILET OF FLOUNDER _____

DO you need a map for directions ? _____

Will you be staying elsewhere locally ? _____

If you will pay for your room by other than cash, please so indicate:

Mastercharge _____ VISA _____ Diners _____ Amex _____ Carte Bl. _____

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Room Rates: Single: \$35.10; Double: \$37.80; Triple: \$42.30 ; Quad: \$46.80

Banquet Fee is separate, to accommodate those who, for one reason or another,

may not wish to attend the banquet. Banquet will be Sunday evening. DEADLINE

DATE for registrations will be AUGUST 14, 1981. If your plans are not firm by then, please send form anyway and indicate contingencies. A limited number of rooms will still be available, but the NRC discount may not be guaranteed.

All registrations after deadline are subject to availability. ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE THRU NRC, BOX 127, BOONTON, NJ 07005 !!! DO NOT RESERVE DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL!!! SEND NO PAYMENTS NOW!!!!

MORE STATIC.....

We note in the latest issue of the Longwave Club of America's bulletin "The Lowdown" a plea from the publisher for a new publisher to step forth to continue the publishing of their bulletin after October. It brings to mind a similar situation that we at HQ outlined last Fall concerning the future of your club. While not setting a deadline date by which there must be a takeover, serious preparations for just such a move should begin soon. Gary's future here is uncertain due to his employer closing operations locally and moving to GA. When Gary leaves, that leaves one person to carry on all the publishing, mailing etc. duties. And yours truly can not and will not be able to handle all the responsibility single handedly. All the original Louisville Publishing Committee members have either dropped out or lost interest in publishing activities. While that is not the case with Gary or myself, we feel that time is drawing near for an orderly transition to a new publishing committee. More news will be available as Gary's future shapes up, but we thought it wise to alert the membership now so interested members can be prepared for a lengthy discussion at the NJ Convention. Until then and for an indefinite period thereafter, it's business as usual- LFD

Gary Dick