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DX NEWS

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Last Thursday evening your editor had the honor of having the Assistant Editor, A. W. Oppel, as guest speaker on the WORK DX Club broadcast. We hope that many of our members had the pleasure of hearing this program, which incidentally is on the air each Thursday evening at 8:00 P.M., E.S.T. After the broadcast we discussed many things which we feel will lead to the improvement of the Bulletin in general. First of all it was decided to adopt the slogan which now appears at the top of this edition, for use regularly on our Bulletins. Second, it was decided to adopt a code system for the identification of the various clubs, to whom the various programs are to be dedicated. Hence in the future the code will be as follows:-

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| A - National Radio Club | D - International DXers Alliance |
| B - Newark News Radio Club | E - Globe Circlers DX Club |
| C - Canadian DX Relay | F - Universal Radio Club |
| G - Universal Radio DX Club. | |

By using this code system, it is believed that we will be able to allow more space between the two columns of tips which appear weekly in our DX Calendar. Hence in the future it will look something like this:

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 13.

KIUN 1420 Pecos	3-6 B---- WELI 900 New Haven	3-6 B----
KPOF 880 Denver	2:15-2:45 --	

We had felt for a long time that the symbol which heretofore represented the club at the end of the first column ran too close to the call letters in the second column, thereby causing confusion in some instances. We would like to have your comments on these improvements, which we feel at the present time will prove beneficial to all of our members.

From the looks of things there must have been quite a shake-up in the Canadian stations recently. Last week we reported the fact that CJRC and CJGX had switched frequencies and this week Clifford Van Tassel our Pleasantville, N. Y. member advises us that CHNS are now operating on 960 kcs., and can be heard as early as 5 P.M., EST in his locality.

Here's some good news for the most of our members, Bill Stone, our Canadian CPCer advises us that he has just completed arrangements with FQN 609 kcs., St. Pierre, Miquelon, whereby that station will transmit a DX program to be dedicated to the members of our club on Sunday morning March 29 from 4:00 to 5:00 A.M., EST. We hardly need mention the fact that this station will appreciate lots of reports, so let's all do our best to send them some sort of a report on this program. Bill also tells us that he is attempting to line up a series of broadcasts for our club which will be in the form of a Canadian Frolic for the morning of April 19. We certainly wish you a lot of success with this party Bill!

Frank E. Strom our Booklyn, N. Y. member sends us word that CJCJ, 1210 kcs., Aklavik, N. W. T. will present a DX program on Sunday morning, March 29 from 4:00 to 5:00 A.M., E.S.T. We also understand a similar program will be transmitted on the first Sunday in April at the same hour. It has been suggested that the DXers write to WHBU and TGW asking them to standby for this broadcast, inasmuch as this seems to be the first time that the DXers have had an opportunity to hear a broadcast emanating from North West Territories. We believe that this may be a worthwhile suggestion, so in any event be sure to be very courteous in your request to the stations to stand by for this particular program. In most cases stations will gladly oblige these requests if they are ap-

SHORT WAVE DEPARTMENT

By Ed Brandon

The business of this week is just one thing. But, that one thing is important and must be settled by the end of next week. There have been several applications for the Short Wave Committee, and several letters of approval were received. However, we are asking the support of the entire membership in commencing upon our "project". So, sit down and drop a line to headquarters now, or if you wish, include some statement in your next report.

From Joe Stokes, KDKA Pittsburgh, Penna - "SOUTH SEA ISLANDS There are three stations operating on the small islands in the South Seas. Radio Oceana on the French Possession of Tahiti, in the Capital, Papeete operating on 10.11 Megs 9:30 to 10:30 PM. Total area of French Oceans is only 1550 Sq. miles. In Suva, Fiji Islands is the Amalgamated Wireless Station VFD which broadcasts every night except Saturday from 9:30 to 10:30 PM. Many are reporting VPD. Fiji is under British rule and the area is a little over 7000 Sq. miles. A NEW STATION IS REPORTED TESTING IN NOUMEA, capital of New Caledonia, a French possession in the South Seas. Frequency is about 8.73 and has tested between 7:30 and 8 P.M.-- 50 watts. First to report it was Mr. H. S. Campbell of Uplands, California. Time on above item is in PST."

Reports: OXL heard 6 A.M. on 5.7 megs. The new TGS is on Tuesdays Thursdays, and Sundays 6-8 P.M. using 200 watts on 5713 kc. Unknown station on 6.40 megs. Japanese stations have been heard quite frequently on Thursday afternoons with good volume. JVM 10.74 megs 4-5 PM. best. Paul V. Trice of Sharon, Penna. has new QSL cards from LRI, LR4, and HBR. Twenty meter fone is ripe with foreign stations. HJLABE QSY is expected soon. The new Pontoise calls are TPA2, TPA3, TPA4... 11.73 megs.

Schedules:

OAX4D Lima, Peru - 5.78 megs. Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday 9-11:30 PM
ZHI Singapore - Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 5:40 - 8:10 A.M.

Every other Sunday 5:10 to 6:40 A.M. Freq. 6.01 megs.

CT1AA Lisbon, Portugal (fine signals lately) Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays 4:30 to 7:30 PM. Freq. 9.62 megs.

OER2 Austria - 9 AM to 5 PM. Freq. 6.07 megs.

HBL Geneva, Switzerland - Saturdays 5:30 to 6:15 PM. Mondays 1:45 A.M.

PRF5 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil - 4:45 to 5:45 PM.

From Kermit Geary of Walnutport, Penna. "20 meters is very fine just now; I'm hearing Africans at Midnight, ZLs around 2 A.M., VKs from 5-6 A.M. Europeans at 7 AM and again at 4 to 8 PM. Most recent stations heard are EA8AF, EA3ER, G5JO, G5NI; LA4K, PAQWR, PAOTSK, HI2P, from 6 to 8 P.M. Heard a 20 meter Amateur on W calling CQ and signing ZZ2A, who could he be? (Our lists only carry through Union of South Africa with calls from Zs to ZV. Perhaps it is an outlaw. Ed.)

Prado was heard broadcasting their regular Thursday evening schedule in the 40 meter band, near 7150 kc., not on their regular 6620 kc. frequency.

VFD is again coming in at 12:30 and HJU is good on their new freq. of 9500 kc.

The Cadena Indo-Latina was heard recently. Stations on the chain include CO9GC, COCH, HJU, HP5K, HJLABJ, HJ2ABD, HJ3ABD, HJ4ABD, TIEP, YV4RC, YV5RMO, Prado.

Short Wave Department (Continued)

CTLAA is now fine on 9.650 megs. CO9GC has been heard using their new call, COKG. SPW was heard Fri. Feb. 28, at 12:10 P.M., signing off at 12:35 P.M.

Who is the Spanish-speaking station "Radio Nacional" near 9400 kc.? Westminster Chimes at 3 P.M. rang 1 O'clock, corresponding to British, Portugese, or Spanish time zone; however this may have been just an identification signal. It is not Mexico, because XDR has been heard frequently right along side of him." (This is a mystery. Would rather believe it is a South American, although one would think it is a European. YVIRC used to have this chime every hour. Incidentally, Kermit reports reception of the WJEC test of Feb. 22 at 6:30 A.M. He says the peanut whistler put quite a wallop into Walnutport. His data checks with our transmission 100%)

Station RNE, Moscow, is found on the 12,000 kilocycle mark. Incidentally, RNE plans to double power on both twenty-five and fifty meters according to Lieut. Col. Philip R. Faymonville, United States Military Attache at the U.S.S.R. Capital. It now uses twenty kilowatts. The transmitter will be moved into new quarters in the Palace of Labor, one block from the American Embassy. (New York Times)

DX CHATTER - SW's (EST) By A. W. Oppel
 DID YOU KNOW...that W8XAI, 31.6 meters, SW outlet for WHAM, Rochester, N. Y., broadcasts daily from 7:30 A.M. to midnight...XEDQ (relaying XED) 9.52 megs., is the latest SW Mexican to be reported. We believe it is in Reynosa...W9XAA, 11.83 megs., "Voice of Labor", is being messed up with W2XE, making either program hard to enjoy...HJLABE will soon change to 9.50 megacycles...HI3C, 6.90 megs., La Romana, D.R., is being heard R-7 around 8:15 P.M...ZGE, 6.13 megs., Kuala Lumpur, F.M.S., is being heard Sunday, Tuesday and Friday, 6:40-8:40 A.M...RIM, 15.25 and RKI, 15.04 megs., BC 7-9 A.M; RIO, 10.17; RIR, 10.08 and RNE, 12.0 megs., 12:01-3 A.M...RNE, 12.0 megs., Sunday and Wednesday from 6 A.M.; Sunday 11 A.M., broadcasts in English.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ALL OUR MEMBERS:- We are in receipt of a telegram from Walt Birch, our East Lynn, Mass. CPCer in which he advises that he has received a cablegram from PRF-4, 923 kcs., Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in which they advise him of a last minute change in time for the NRC dedication which is to take place Saturday, March 14. This program will take the air Saturday evening beginning at 3:00 P.M. and continue for one hour. You will recall that the first plans called for this broadcast to be aired between 2:30 and 3:30 A.M., on Saturday morning. We know that this will be regretted by many of our members who had hoped to pick up this station Saturday morning. Reception of this station during the evening hours is very difficult owing of course to interference which they encounter from other stations operating on their same frequency. However let's all hope that, this will be one evening when this station will break down this interference and be picked up by a good many DXers from all parts of these United States and Canada. Unfortunately the hour at which this program is scheduled, makes it impossible to expect the other stations operating on their same frequency to stand by for this broadcast, therefore we doubt that it would be to any avail to go to this problem in this manner.

DX CHATTER (EST) By A. W. Oppel
 DO YOU KNOW...that WHLB, 1370 kcs., Virginia, Minn., will not be on the air before the latter part of June...WEST, 1200 kcs., Easton, Penna., use 250 watts until local sunset...that the correct address of KFDN, 1310 kcs., Pampa, Texas., is Pampa Daily News, Box 901...KOB, 1180 kcs.,

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Albuquerque, N.M., broadcasts Spanish lessons every Wednesday at 10:45 P.M., so remember this when "wondering what Spanish-speaking station was on 1180 kc., etc., etc."...you should look for KIEM on their 1450 channel during this month's frequency tests...KIUN, 1420 kcs., Pecos, Texas will DX Sunday, from 4-5 A.M....WMFL, 785-790 kcs., Bound Brook, N.J. has been reported several times during the past few weeks. We wonder if this is one of the NBC experimental stations...

Commenting on the latter statement in the DX Chatter, we believe this to be the New Jersey station that Carl Forestieri reported having heard last week.

Pat Reilley our Jamestown, N. Y. member sends us the news that WOCL, the station "in his old home town" has been sold to Mr. John C. Drummond. Mr. Drummond was the former owner of WIBX in Utica. However we understand that the present plans call for a set of new studios for this station, and that after everything is properly settled that application will be made to have the station join the CBS. The station is to remain in Jamestown so far as is now known. Inasmuch as there has been a change in ownership, there may be a change in call in the future.

Before going on to this week's NPO reports, it has been suggested that in the future all those sending in reports list the type receiver they use while DXing, this will enable the others to make comparisons with their own receivers.

NATIONAL POST OBSERVER REPORTS

J. WARREN RUTZAHN, York, Penna. - March 8 good reception conditions: WIBA R9, WDBO R9, WBNX R7, WHK R9 on with test for new antenna. KGB R6, TGW R9, on each Sunday until 5 A.M. KFAC R6. March 9. - WRGA R7, KSO R8, WDBO R7, WIOD R9, WHBB R8.

A. W. OPFEL, Irvington, N. J. - Good signal strength on SW's and BCB, March 2nd and 3rd. Static, however, R-6.

JOHN E. OTT, Sanborn, Iowa - Says summer static, it seems, is not far off if conditions as are existing at present mean anything. Reception was good for only two days during the past week, the rest being spoilt by bad QRN. March 1 - heard NRC dedications from CKLW and also CJLS, the latter in between periods of very bad local QRN, heard for the first time. Heard complete KNX special, quite a de-luxe affair. KFKA testing new xmtr, to be on on several such programs. Received KUMA and WSBC for first time, the latter because of coming on 1 hour earlier due to EST. March 2. CMQ fairly booming in, R7-9, VFB. March 7. West coasters coming well from 1000-550 kc, but poorly from 1500 - 1000??? KASA, KTUL, WNBC, WTNJ, KGHL, WWJ, KGVO, WAVE, and WDBO all testing. Heard WNBC for first time. WIL topping WJBV on 1200 kc.

FRANK FIELD, Jr. Johnson City, Tenn. - The big event of the week has been the positive identification of 4YA. Came in strong March 7; also heard March 6 and 8. Other probable Zedders and Aussies heard during the week, but not positively identified are P 1YA, 2YA, 3YA, 3LO and 2BL. WTNJ heard on monthly test, March 7. also WFBG on the same morning. Frank asked whether KWJJ has also joined the all nighters? KVOE's DX spoiled by an all nighter.

J. B. (PAT) REILLEY, Jamestown, N. Y. - March 3. snowing quite hard and plenty of static present. WCAO at 2:30. WBNY and WFPB fighting at 2:50. WFBG at 2:55, CKGB at 3:40, WCOL at 3. KIUL at 3:15, WHK at 4:25, CMJC 1390 kcs. at 4:27. March 4. not very much noise this AM. WCAO at 2:30. WOC at 2:35, WNYC at 2:40, WPHR at 3:03 on check, WIRE at 3:05 on, WWAU 3105-Jacksonville, Fla., at 3:20 testing. KWJJ was FB after 4. CKWX test at 3:50. WSAZ at 4:20 on check. WBAA check at 5:20-4:40. March 5. very clear reception. CKGB at 3:06, WTMV at 4, KXL at 4:27. March 6. KNEL at 4, 4YA at 4:30 in FB style, 1YA at 5 but he faded badly all the while.

LAST MINUTE DX CHATTER:-

DO YOU KNOW...KOOS, Marshfield, Ore. have changed owners to Pacific Radio Corp., and are licensed to operate on 1200 kc. 250 watts daytime only...WILL Urbana, Ill. to change freq. from 390 to 580 kcs., and change hours of operation to daytime using 1000 watts...Golden Empire Broadcasting Co., has been granted a CP to erect new station at Redding, Cal. 1200 kcs., with the usual 100 watts power...KFPY, 890 kcs. Spokane, Wash. increase day power to 5000 watts...WSPD, 1340 kc. Toledo, Ohio increases day power to 5 KW from 2500 watts...WJBC, 1200 kcs. Bloomington, Ill., WHBU, 1210 kcs. Anderson, Ind. both increase day power to 250 watts...

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Pat Reilly - WHDH at 5, KIUN at 5:14, 4YA was the best they have as yet been heard. March 7. Too noisy to DX...March 8. quite noisy. TGW from 1 A.M. until WHBU came on the air. WATL at 2:10, KXYZ at 2:15, CMKX at 2:34, signed off at 2:56 and came in FB for only 50 watts. KGCX at 3, KID at 3:15, KFKA on 5th birthday party, CKWX at 3:20, WDBO at 3, KGU FB after 4 A.M. 1YA at 4:20 but they faded badly. Not a thing heard of 4YA. TGW heard on 6000 kcs. relaying their BC station at 4:30. March 9 very bad noise and static. WIBA at 3:05, CKGB 3:07, WBRB.

WALTER C. BIRCH, East Lynn, Mass. - Says now that he's working nights that he's afraid that his South American reception will suffer, but Walt says that they were so fine this past Sunday morning. LS4 was on until 1:30, Picked up LR10 at 1:15 for a 30 minute report. After WNAC signed at 1:30, LS8 was R9 until signoff at 2:02. FB signal, best of the morning. Then heard LR8, and when CKLW signed at 2:32, LR9 came thru R7 until they closed down at 2:58. The only Zedder heard that A.M. was 4YA who was R5 from about 4:15 to 5:05. Last Friday morning, Walt arrived home in time to hear a few Germans: Stuttgart, Hamburg, Breslau, Munchen, Frankfurt, and Nurnberg, who were heard until about 1:25. The usual French stations were also heard; Rennes, who is coming on at 1:30 now, Lyon-la-Doua, Bordeaux, Lafayette, Fecamp, Strasbourg, and also Nice-Cot. d'Azur 1185 kcs., who is also carrying the "Journal de Paris" program on the early A.M. chain. Walt says that last week he reported that the Brazilian on 1055 was PRF6, Walt says he has found out since that this was an error and that it is in reality none other than PRH8, Radio Ipenama. Thanks for this dope Walt, and we hope that some of our members will be able to hear that broadcast from PRF4 on Saturday night.

HAROLD BUTTELS, Aurora, Ill. - Feb. 23 LR1 was heard an R6-8 thru WTAM at 9 P.M. Feb. 24. reception very good. Very little static, following were heard on Radex Mystery Contest. KVOB, WADC, WHA, WNBX, XEMO. Others heard were KDON, 2:30 to 3 A.M. WILM 1:45 A.M. XEAQ R9 at 4 A.M. 4YA R3-5 from 4:20 to 6:05 A.M. KONO heard from 2-3. March 3. Reception fair. Heavy static though, WBNY testing 2:00 A.M. WPFB on from 2-3 A.M. WIL R6 at 2:15, KIUL at 3:20 R5, heard someone on 1320 kcs., 3:45 to 4:00 heard first two letters as KG--???. Can any one identify this one. Might have been KGGC although we are not at all certain of this.

H. A. TURNER, Bridgeville, Penna. - Writes that he is still troubled with the illness which we reported about a month ago, and that he feels that an operation may be necessary, we surely hope not, H.A.T. in fact we hope that you'll soon be entirely recovered, and no operation necessary at all. Mr. Turner says the only DXing he did in February was during the FCC tests and that on the 10th he heard KALB R7. KIEM heard on 1200 kcs. KMED during these tests was an R4, but they did quite a bit of fading. KFJI came through an R6 and very good. KGVO came through on 1260 kcs. an R6, but they too had deep fading. KAST was on but too weak to get any thing to identify them, so did not log them. XEAQ R8, on the 14th, found WELP on 1310 kcs., an R7. Mr. Turner says that the new schedule of the monthly FCC tests surely will benefit the Eastern DXers inasmuch as they will be able to pull in those West Coasters which were heretofore on too late to be picked up.

All time E.S.T.

DX CALENDAR

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FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 13.

KIUN	1420	Pecos	2-3	B --	WELI	900	New Haven	3-6	B --
KPOF	880	Denver	2:15-2:45	--					

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 14.

CMCR	1380	Havana	1-2	B --	PRF4	923	Rio de Janiero	8-9	PM A
WTAR	780	Norfoak	3-5	B --					

SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 15.

KXYZ	1440	Houston	1-3	----	KFRO	1370	Longview (C)	3:30-4:30	--
CMBX	1060	Havana	1-5	A --	KIDW	1420	Lamar	3:30-4:30	--
CKWX	1010	Vancouver	3-4	----	KFNF	890	Shenandoah	4-4:30	--
CKOV	630	Kelowna (B)	3-4:30	--	WTRC	1310	Elkhart	4-6	B --
WHAZ	1300	Troy	3-5	C --	WPFB	1370	Hattiesburg	2-3	B --

TUESDAY MORNING, MARCH 17.

WDAY	940	Fargo	1-4	----	CKBI	1210	Pr. Albert	3:30-5	B --
KEUL	1210	Garden City	2-3:30	--					

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 18.

WVTO	560	Springfield	2-2:30	--	CMW	600	Havana	1-3	D&B --
WJBK	1500	Detroit	12-6	A --	WCMI	1310	Ashland	2:30-3	----
WMBQ	1370	Memphis	2:30-3	C --					

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 19.

WRUF	830	Gainesville	2-3	ICCP					
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FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 20.

WMOA	1420	Hamana	1-2	F --	KGGM	1230	Albuquerque	3:15-3:30	--
WCHJ	1160	Cienfuegos	1-2	F --	CHML	1010	Hamilton	5-6	C --

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 21.

CHML	1010	Hamilton	5-6	----					
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SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 22.

WCKC	1250	Santiago	1-2	D --	KXA	760	Seattle	3-4	F --
CMBX	1060	Havana	1-5	F --	CFCT	1450	Victoria	3-5	C --
WJBO	1420	Baton Rouge	2-4	C --	KWSC	1220	Pullman	4-5	F --

In a verification from CBL38 to Walter C. Birch they have mentioned the fact that they heard from quite a few of the DXers here in these United States and Canada, from their broadcast for the members of our club on January 9. We are indeed happy to know this, inasmuch as we were afraid that they wouldn't get many reports on account of the interference which they got from an all night station operating on their same frequency, even though the station stood by at an hour earlier than they came on, through a "mix up" of some kind.

Just received word that WJBY 1210 kcs., Gadsden, Ala., will be on the air with a DX program on Monday morning, March 16 from 3:00 to 6:00 A.M., we understand that this program is to be dedicated to the members of NNRC.

Again for the benefit of those who may not be quite clear on the new code system which we have adopted for this week: let us again impress their meaning upon you: A-NRC; B-NNRC; C-CDXR; D-IDA; E-GCDXC; F-UDXC; G-URDXC. We shall repeat these symbols every week for the next few weeks until you all become entirely familiar with this new system.

Don't forget to keep on the lookout for those Australian and New Zealand stations during the next couple of weeks, inasmuch as we are in the mist of the time of the year when they are best heard over these entire United States and Canada. The best time to try for them is between 4:00 and 6:00 A.M. The best bets continue to be 4YA on 790 kcs. and 1YA on 650 kcs., we are certain that if you will try often enough during the next few weeks that your efforts will be successfully rewarded, inasmuch as we believe you ought to hear either of these two stations easy.