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Howdy folks, hope you've all managed to get caught up with your sleep by this time, after having lost some 10 or 12 hours over the past week end as a result of the Radex Mystery DX Contest. It is our sincere hope that those of you who were up to try your hand at this contest, were able to add many points to your total and that some of you will be amongst the winners. Conditions here at club headquarters during the course of this Contest were anything but favorable and the result was that we only heard about half as many stations this year as we did last year, then too, it is probable that some of the stations failed to show up for their part in this series of broadcasts, since this happens occasionally. While we are on the subject, we have had letters from a number of our members who feel that Radex made a mistake by asking the DXers to send 10¢ to their Philadelphia address, they felt that this was asking too much of the DXers, when many of the stations who were taking part in this Contest, have had a policy of verifying for the usual 3¢ stamp, and what is more were usually very prompt in taking care of the DXers' requests. Also it was felt by some that in the case of these latter stations, that verifications received from any other source should not be accepted as authentic.

Bill Stone sends us word that a letter received from CMGH advises him that they are going to put on a DX program on Saturday morning, Feb. 27 and also on the following Saturday morning, March 6. The time for both of these broadcasts will be from 10 P.M. until 4 A.M. However it may be that from the tone of their letter that these broadcasts may start Saturday night and run into Sunday morning which would make each date a day later instead of beginning Friday evening at 10 P.M., anyhow CMGH has been on quite frequently during the past few Sunday mornings and we're inclined to believe that that is what they meant in their letter to Bill. CMGH operates on 790 kcs., and is located in Matanzas.

A letter from Ben Genung, our Spring City CPCer also brings us some good news, he says that WBRY, formerly WLKBS, 1530 kcs., Waterbury, Conn. will put on a DX program for the members of our club on Saturday morning, March 20 from 3:00 to 4:00 A.M. Ben says that CPC work has been rather slow for him lately, but he's hoping that from now on it will continue to improve.

Art Brackbill our CPC Chairman, who resides in Lancaster, Pa., sends us word that WGAL, 1500 kcs., Lancaster, have a test the 1st and 3rd Saturday mornings of each month from 5:45 to 6:00 A.M. Thanks for this information Art, we know that some of the members will welcome this opportunity to hear WGAL.

We also have a letter from Jack Horner, our Elizabethtown CPCer and he tells us that WMFC, 1200 kcs., Lapeer, Mich., will dedicate their high frequency check to the members of our club. This program will be on the air on the morning of March 10 between 4:20 and 4:40 A.M.

Charles C. Norton, President, Universal Radio DX Club, San Francisco, Calif. sends us word that their club has two weekly DX Tip Programs via KGGC and WTAR. He states that they will be glad to broadcast our tips over these stations and give due credit to our club on these programs for any information used. The times for these broadcasts are: KGGC, San Francisco, Calif. 1420 kcs. Sundays from 12:45 to 1 A.M., and WTAR

mentioned represent E.S.T. Both programs are in charge of announcers who happen to be DXers themselves. Lee Chadwick at WTAR and Luther L. Putnam at KGGC. Charles says he would appreciate it, if all our members would drop a line of thanks to both of these stations, for having allotted this time each week to the DXers. Unquestionably if you had the same opportunity of broadcasting these tips each week as "ye editor" has, you'd realize the paramount importance of good publicity outlets, so let's do all we can to show our appreciation to those stations who have been so kind as to permit us to use their facilities for this purpose.

SINGLETON & ELIMINATOR CONTEST.

Mr. J. B. Reilley, 810 N. Main St., Jamestown, N. Y. sends us the following Singleton & Eliminator Contest report as of February 20.

Possible Singletons									
CFPR	TGX	YNOP	CMJL	KEAZ	KEMX	KAWM	KROY	KVSC	WFTC
CJCU	TLEP	YNVA	CMJO	XEBZ	KEOK	KBST	KSJS	KVCA	WGAN
CKMC	TIFA	CMAE	CMJK	XEC	XEOX	KDNC	KSRO	KZEG	WJBR
CRCY	TIGA	CMCN	CMKF	XECW	XEK	KELO	KSUB	KZIB	WLMU
HIJ	TIGH	CMCX	CMKW	XEF	XEXM	KGSS	KUTA	WAIK	WNNY
HIZ	TIRH	GMHB	KEA	XEFC	XEY	KHUB	KVCV	WBHP	WNRI
HP50	TIVCA	CMHM	KEAG	XEG	XEZZ	KINY	KVEC	WBLK	WPPA
HRN	TIX	CMHW	KEAI	XEKL	KFA	KOAM	KVGB	WDSM	WRNL
JFBK	VOAC	CMJE	KEAM	XELA	XFC	KRMC	KVOE	WEAU	WRTD
JOVK	YNLF	SMJI	KEAT	XEME	KAND	KROD	KVOX	WEGL	WSAY

Singletons as of Feb. 20.

- Al Bartholomew (N.Y.) - Bologna.
- Joe Becker (Ohio) - KPLT, KRQA, Belfast.
- Irwin Beitman (Ohio) - PRA8, LU2, Berlin.
- Walt Birch (Mass.) - CB138, LR9, PRF3, PRH8, RL, Madona, Nice.
- Bob Botzum (Pa.) - FRA3, PRA6, W2XAL (790), KWOS.
- Eddie Grant (Nova Scotia) - VOCM, XEI, NN, LN, SN, ILRO3, Portuguese National (629).
- Charles Hesterman (Sask.) - 2AY, 2WL, 2YB, 2ZP, 3DB, #GL, 3MA, 3UZ, 4AY, 4BU, 4GR, 4MK, 4RO, 4TO, 7NT, 7UV, YLZ, Buchcrest, Monte Cereni, Vienna, JOAG, JOBG, JOCG, JODG, JOFG, JOKK, JOLK, JONK, JOOK, JOPK, JORK, JOSK, JOUK.
- Ray Lewis (Ohio) - CMHD, KFQD, VOWR, EAJ41, LV1, HJ1ABA, JFAK, JOBK2.
- Bob Ludwig (Ohio) - CX16, TIGH.
- E. L. Peters (Nova Scotia) - Lwow, Konigsberg, EAJ8.
- Bob Rawstron - (Mass.) KZRM, 2XN, 3BO, 5KA, VE9LP.
- Julian Schaefer (Ohio) - CMJF.

Eliminators as of Feb. 20.

- Reilley - Birch's Marseilles.
- Bartholomew - Becker's KLAH. Reilley's KGLO.
- Stone - Becker's KELY.
- Schlobahn - Reilley's WFOY.
- Grant - Rawstron's VOGY.
- Brackbill - Becker's KEEN.
- Schaefer - Bartholomew's KAST. Reilley's WSAU.

RADIO GOSSIP

By Al Oppel

More than 25% of U. S. radio stations is owned by newspaper interests...The Niagara Falls application for a radio station to operate on 630 kilocycles has been refused by the F. C. C., in a hearing scheduled last week...Owensboro, Ky., and Lawrence, Mass., are expected to receive new stations on 1500 kcs. (100 watts), and 680 kcs. (250 watts).

N.R.C. SW DEPT. ----- HIGH-FREQUENCY HEADLINES By Kermit Geary

The good news this weeks is that the special broadcast from LKJ1 really came through fine, and it is my hope that every one of you had the opportunity of hearing it. This splendid program from Norway on Wed. Feb. 17, started at 12:45 A.M., and continued until 2 A.M., EST; it consisted of compositions by Edward Grieg, the great Norwegian composer, and of songs from the people of Norway. Not only was the program interesting and entertaining, but also, at the same time, the station was a very welcome addition to the logs of most DXers. In all probability the broadcast was heard by nearly everyone who tuned for it, because here in the East they put in a fine signal and the entire transmission was clearly audible. Art Johnson reports that he heard LKJ1 with an R-5 signal; he logged every selection and copied the titles of all except two---Vy fb, Art. Here the signal was R-5 to R-7 through a rather high noise level. A rapid fade was noticeable during the first half of the transmission, but the signal steadily built up in strength and stability until at the close, the signal was R-7 and the fade was barely noticeable.

With the success of this broadcast from LKJ1 apparent, it is our hope to bring you more of this type of special transmission. Art Johnson is working along this line at present, and we trust that his efforts will meet with success. Anyone interested in helping Art and myself in furthering the SW activities of our club, please get in contact with Art or myself; we need several more on our Committee and your co-operation will be greatly appreciated.

This week also brings us the following SW items from Pat Reilley of Jamestown, N. Y. Tnx a lot, Pat.

Great Britain will celebrate the coronation of George VI on May 12 with an 11-week program of festivities, many of which will be broadcast to overseas listeners by the BBC. The King's broadcast on May 12 probably will be made from the study in the palace from which King George V made his broadcast to the Empire on his silver jubilee in 1935.

Italy is planning a new short-wave transmitter at Rome that will be more powerful than 2RO, according to a correspondent of World-Radio.

Establishment of a Pan-American short-wave broadcasting station in Washington by the Federal Government, at an authorized cost of \$750,000, is proposed in a bill recently introduced in the House of Rep. The proposal from such a station to serve as a means of improving relations with Latin American countries was first offered in 1932, at which time 5 frequencies were set aside, viz. 6120, 9550, 11730, 15130 and 21500 kilocycles. For the past year Federal Communications Commissioner George Henry Payne has been demanding that the project go forward, so it is possible that we may soon see some action.

Germany is still on the look-out for stations interfering with their broadcasts. They request that listeners who observe any QRM on their stations, immediately report the interfering station, if possible by telegram, to the "Funkuberwachung, Reichspostzentramt, Berlin".

Art Johnson reports a new Canadian station on 6070 kc., call letters CFRO, relaying CFRB of Toronto.

Art also gives us the following dope on what he's hearing:  
IUG, 15.16 mc., puts in an R-7 signal on their daily 9 A.M. sked.  
CSW's correct frequency is 11040 kc.  
relaying programs of

KGFJ, Los Angeles. They ask for reports of reception and will verify all correct ones. They have a DX tip broadcast on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon from 2 to 2:30 P.M., E.S.T. (W6XKG is also heard here in Walnutport, Penna., with an R 8-9 signal, relaying KGFJ, and occasionally testing with a KABG).

XEUZ, Mexico City, on 6115 kc., is using 1000 watts according to Art's QSL. They are frequently heard relaying XEFO until 3 A.M., and they request reports.

HS8PJ, 19020 kc., was heard with an R 3-4 signal on their Monday morning, 8 to 10 A.M., EST, schedule. The signal was a little shaky, but the program was 100% intelligible.

73 es Bst DX-----  
Kermit Geary

DX CHATTER-SW's By Al Oppel

DID YOU KNOW...that according to the N. Y. Sun, YVIRG, Radio Valera, Valera, Venezuela, is now on 6.23 megas., from 6-9:30 P.M...and YNLAT, Granada, Nicaragua, is being heard testing on a new channel of about 6.47 megas...and YNIGG, Managua, Nicaragua, is being heard instead on about 6.535 megas...and HI4V, D.R., is now in San Francisco de Macoris, and on about 6.47 megas.

DX CHATTER By Al Oppel

DO YOU KNOW...that 2YA, 570 kcs., Wellington, N.Z., started using 60,000 watts January 25, 1937...KLAH, 1210 kcs., Carlsbad, N. M., DXes the first Tuesday of every month, starting at 5 A.M...CMBX, 1070 kcs., Havana, is on every Sunday, from 1 to 3:30 A.M., or later. CMCD, 950 kcs., Havana, is also being heard every Sunday, starting at 1 A.M., and running to 3 and later...KICA, 1370 kcs., Clovis, N.M., goes from limited, to unlimited--days, starting March 16...KOAM, 790 kcs., Pittsburg, Kans., is expected to start testing the latter part of March, or the early part of April...WBRC, 930 kcs., Birmingham, Ala., to increase day power from 1 to 5 Kw...The Albert Lea Broadcasting Corp., Albert Lea, Minn., granted a permit to erect a new station on 1200 kcs., with 100 watts, daytime... The Winona Radio Service, Winona, Minn., will also erect a new station on 1200 kcs., with 100 watts, daytime...KHSL, Chico, Calif. will change frequency from 950 to 1260 kcs., and operate with 250 watts night and day...O. Lee Stone, Florence, S. C., has again been given permission to proceed with the erection of his new station on 1200 kcs., with 100 watts daytime, which had been delayed because of a protest filed by the Don Lee Broadcasting Co., but which has now been withdrawn...The following new calls have been assigned: WSNJ to the Eastern States Broadcasting Corp., Bridgeton, N. J.; KPFA to the Peoples Forum of the Air, Helena, Mont., and KTKC to The Tulare-Kings Counties Radio Associates, Visalia, Calif.

John J. Oskay, our New Brunswick, N. J. member who has been sending us quite a bit of fine information lately, continues his fine work. He advises us of the following broadcast band and Short Wave news:- He submits the latest list of changes of stations of 1 Kw and over in Australia and New Zealand.

6WA - 560 kc.	10 Kw.	2CO - 670 kc.	7.5 Kw.	3LO - 770 kc.	3.5 Kw.
2YA - 570 "	60 "	6WF - 690 "	3.5 "	4YA - 790 "	10 "
3AR - 580 "	4.5 "	2NR - 700 "	7 "	4QG - 800 "	2.5 "
4QN - 600 "	7 "	7NT - 710 "	7 "	3GI - 830 "	7 "
2FC - 610 "	2 "	3YA - 720 "	10 "	5RM - 850 "	1 "
7ZL - 620 "	1 "	5CL - 730 "	2 "	2GB - 870 "	1 "
				4BK - 910 "	2 "

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 Latest list and changes (Continued).

2UE - 950 kc. 1 Kw.	1ZB - 1090 kc. 1 kw.	4AK - 1220 kc. 2 Kw.
3BO - 970 " 2.5 "	4BC - 1120 " 1 "	2NC - 1230 " 2 "
6AM - 980 " 2 "	2WG - 1150 " 1 "	2SM - 1270 " 1 "
2GZ - 990 " 2 "	2LV - 1170 " 1 "	2TM - 1300 " 1 "
2KY - 1020 " 1 "	2CH - 1190 " 1 "	3HS - 1370 " 1 "
5PI - 1040 " 2 "	6WG - 1200 " 2 "	4BH - 1390 " 1 "
2CA - 1050 " 2 "		

## SHORT WAVE NEWS &amp; TIPS

A new Canadian is heard on 6070 kc. Call CFRX it relays CFRB, it is heard any evening about R8. HILA is still jumping, now heard on 6420 kc. Japan is coming in good they are JVN 10660 kc and JZJ 11800 kc. 4 to 5 PM. Daily the latter is the best received it comes in about R4 to R7. JVN R3. They will change time and sked to give best reception. OER2 11780 kc. is best heard in the East about 5 P.M. HJLABP 9600 kc. Sat. 10 PM. English hour. HJLABE 9500 kc. Mon. 10 P.M. English hour. HCK 5890 kc. report they no longer broadcast. HC2TBA 9440 kc. is a new one in Ecuador. Holland comes in with a bang with their new rig. HBL can be also heard on 9345 kc. Sat. about 8 P.M. OAX5B Peru, 11796 kc. is heard till 11 P.M. daily. FLASH - AFRICA - FT4AJ, 6108 kc. will be on with a program Saturday night February 27th. 7-7:30 P.M., EST. They use below 100 watts. AUSTRALIA - 4IP, 1240 kc. will have a program on the air March 11th. 5:30-7 A.M. EST. This station uses 100 watts. WEST INDIES - HLX will have a program on the air on 800 kc and 6340 kc. Sunday, March 14 from 5 to 6 A.M., E.S.T.

## NATIONAL POST OBSERVER REPORTS

A. W. OPFEL, Irvington, N. J. - Philo 116X - WFTC heard testing on 1200 kc. Feb. 18, badly QRM'd by WIL. Again heard on Feb. 21, coming thru R-8, with QRM nil.

JOHN J. OSKAY - New Brunswick, N. J. - Hallcrafters - Feb. 20th. WX clear. Tem. 32. Hum. 47. Bar. 30.16. High noise level at certain spots. Reception from west weak. Received:- WRUF R7; WHAM R8; CFCO R5; WFBC R7. QRM from WSKAL haywire experiment on 21 mc. Feb. 21st WX:-Rainy. Tem. 42. Hum. 60. Bar. 30.05-falling. High noise level with very bad QRN after 3 AM. Reception from west and south good but QRN ruined all. Received:- WBIG R7; WPHR R8; WAAF R8; WHA R8. Many stations on caused much delay in contest. Feb. 22nd. WX: Gale, heavy rain and wind. Tem. 53. Hum. 54. Bar. 29.60 falling fast. Conditions much better at 4:30 AM at which time tem. was 42. WX Ft. Cloudy. Bar. 29.65 rising. Received:- WFBR R8; WMLN R8; WOI R6; WNBX R8; WADC R8; CMHJ R5. Made a score of about 225 points. 19 Meter band. Feb. 21. Between 8 and 10:05 A.M., EST DJL R7; GSF R5; YDC R3; DJB R4; W8XK R5; TPA2 R6; DJQ R5; W2XAD R4; DJR R6 and HAS3 R4. 16 meter band. Between 8 and 9:05 A.M. EST. DJE R5; PHI R8; WSKAL R9; GSG R7.

A. J. BARTHOLOMEW, Bradford, N. Y. - Reports that he's had a terrific buzzing noise during the past two weeks. Feb. 20th he only heard 4 Rad-ex stations due to buzz. Sunday morning some better but static heavy and resulted in only hearing seven. Monday morning the power was off as a result of a bad snow storm and sleet storm and did not come on until Monday evening. CFRN and CJCJ were not even audible on their specials. Heard KPFC during their two hour broadcast Friday morning and as the buzzing was so very bad did not hear them at all during first hour and only two slight portions of their program along with station announcement later. LYA and 4YA were also verifiable the same morning after five. WFTC caught testing after three the 18th and announced they would be on from midnight to 9 A.M. morning of Feb. 28th. KTEM not heard during the scheduled DX for last Friday. WBLY failed to send any reply to my request for verification, so typed my own card and sent it to them, which was

CALL FREQ. LOCATION	FROM TO CLUB	CALL FREQ. LOCATION	FROM TO CLUB
<u>FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26.</u>			
KGGM 1230 Albuquerque	3-5 NRC	KTEM 1370 Temple	4-6
<u>SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27.</u>			
CMKW 1330 Santiago	1-2	WGPC 1420 Albany	NNRC 3-5 NRC
KFXM 1310 S. Bern'd'o	3-4 NNRC	WEXL 1310 Royal Oak	3:30-4 NNRC
KMPC 710 B. Hills	3-4 R.N.	KIRO 710 Seattle	4-5 NRC
KFRO 1370 Longview	3-4 NNRC	KPDN 1310 Pampa	4-5 NRC
<u>SUNDAY FEBRUARY 28.</u>			
XEL 1100 Mexico City	12-4 NNRC	CMCD 950 Havana	until 3
WFTC 1200 Kinston	12-9	CMGH 790 Matanzas	until 4
CFCY 630 Charl'town	1-2 NRC	KMPC 710 B. Hills	3-4 NRC
VOCM 1015 St. Johns	NNRC 1:30-2:30	CFLC 930 Prescott	2-5 NRC&
XEFW 1310 Tampico	2-3 NNRC	KDB 1500 S. Barbara	3-4 NNRC
CKWX 1010 Vancouver	2:45-4 NRC	CKCV 1310 Quebec	4-5 NRC
CHVK 780 Chilliwack	2-3 NRC	CKUA 580 Edmonton	4-5 NRC
<u>MONDAY, MARCH 1.</u>			
WJNO 1200 W. Palm Beach	1-3	WRAW 1310 Reading	5:30-6
<u>TUESDAY, MARCH 2.</u>			
KMAC 1370 S. Antonio	5:30-6 NNRC		
<u>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3.</u>			
WASH 1270 G. Rapids	NNRC 6-6:15	WOOD 1270 G. Rapids	NNRC 6:15-6:30
<u>THURSDAY, MARCH 4.</u>			
CMHJ 1160 Cienfuegos	2-3	CJOR 600 Vancouver	3-4
<u>FRIDAY, MARCH 5.</u>			
WACO 1420 Waco	1:45-2:15	KTEM 1370 Temple	4-6
<u>SATURDAY, MARCH 6.</u>			
CMKW 1330 Santiago	1-2	KASA 1210 Elk City	3:30-3:50
KFUC 550 St. Louis	2-4	WGAL 1500 Lancaster	5:45-6
<u>SUNDAY, MARCH 7.</u>			
XEL 1100 Mexico City	12-4 NNRC	CLGH 790 Matanzas	until 4
WJBO 1420 Baton Rouge	2-4	KGDY 1340 Huron	4-4:30

National Post Observer Reports (Continued)

CARL FORESTIERI, Bronx, N. Y. - Reports hearing WFTC testing the morning of the 20th. Carl also says that KPLT, 1500 kcs., Paris, Texas have a frequency check the second Wednesday each month from 4:40 to 5.

STANLEY HARRING, Reading, Pa. - Philco 118H. WFHR heard the 21st. WHA on for Radex using 5Kw. Says he has not had much luck with TAs or TPs this season. On SW latest verifs from HAT-4 and TFJ. He says the latter station is on from 1:40 to 2:30 P.M. Sundays. Also reports hearing LKJL during the course of their broadcast for the members of our club.

FRANK FIELD, Jr. Johnson City, Tenn. - Reports that he has been a victim of the "flu", however in spite of all he picked up the following; Feb. 7, KPLT, Feb. 8 - KEUB and WEIN. Feb. 11 KRRV and Feb. 20 WFTC.

DICK COOPER, Kittanning, Pa. - Reports poor reception conditions for the Radex contest and finally gave it up in disgust. New stations heard are; Feb. 18th WFTC; 20th KGNO; 21st KGCK, WAAF, WKAR and WGAL. Says that WCAK and WQDM are definitely added to the "non-verifying list." Reports three frequency check dedications for our club in March. WELL the 10th 3:30 to 3:50 A.M. KCMC the 13th from 4:40 to 5 A.M. and KGFF the 13th from 5 to 5:20. Dick has printed a new verif card for KGFF which we believe will be a welcome addition to our list of veries.

PAT REILLEY, Jamestown, N. Y. - Feb. 15 bad blizzard very noisy. WCAK at 2:30. KMFC till 3. CMGF at 2:40. KCMC till after 5. Feb. 16 too noisy to DX, CMBZ at 3:05. Feb. 17 WHBQ at 2:40. G2XV and VK2HS heard on 20 meters. Feb. 18. WFTC all morning. CMBC at 3:55. WDGY at 4:08. Feb. 19, one of best AM's this season. KGGM testing. KJBS R6 at 3:26. KWJJ R6. KGU R4 at 3:35. KGLB R3. LYA at 5:05.