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"DX NEWS" TOP MAIL

"I sure enjoy reading the reports of all the other active DXers. 'DX NEWS' is top mail here and I read each issue over carefully to keep in touch with the latest doings on the broadcast band. Radio Station like it, too."

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Date	Calls	kc/s	Location	Watts	A.M.	E.S.T.	Station Time
Dec. 26	W N E S	1600	Central City, Kentucky	1,000	2:30	- 3:00	2:30 E.S.T.
26	W H R V	1600	Port Huron, Michigan	1,000	3:00	- 3:30	3:00 E.S.T.
26	W J E M	1150	Valdosta, Georgia	1,000	3:00	- 4:00	3:00 E.S.T.
Jan. 2	K G O S	1490	Torrington, Wyoming	250	3:00	- 3:30	1:00 M.S.T.
2	W H C O	1230	Sparta, Illinois	250	4:00	- 4:30	3:00 C.S.T.
2	W C E M	1240	Cambridge, Maryland	250	4:15	- 5:00	4:15 E.S.T.
2	K R X K	1230	Rexburg, Idaho	250	4:30	- 5:00	2:30 M.S.T.
8	W I N C	1400	Winchester, Virginia	250	4:30	- 6:00	4:30 E.S.T.
9	C K C L	600	Truro, Nova Scotia	1,000	4:00	- 5:00	5:00 A.S.T.
9	W P L M	1390	Plymouth, Massachusetts	500	4:30	- 5:00	4:30 E.S.T.
11	K S O P	1370	Salt Lake City, Utah	1,000	3:30	- 4:00	1:30 M.S.T.
15	X D Z A	1230	Pueblo, Colorado	250	3:00	- 3:30	1:00 M.S.T.
16	W S U X	1280	Seaford, Delaware	500	3:00	- 3:30	3:00 E.S.T.
16	K E N E	1490	Toppenish, Washington	250	3:00	- 3:30	12:01 P.S.T.
16	C F R C	1490	Kingston, Ontario	250	3:00	- 4:00	3:00 E.S.T.
16	K B R C	1430	Mount Vernon, Washington	1,000	4:00	- 6:00	1:00 P.S.T.
17	W H B N	1420	Harrodsburg, Kentucky	1,000	3:30	- 4:00	3:30 E.S.T.
23	W M R E	1490	Monroe, Georgia	250	3:00	- 3:30	3:00 E.S.T.
--- 9	K B O L	1490	Boulder, Colorado	250	3:30	- 4:00	1:30 M.S.T.

HAPPY NEW YEAR, ALL!

We wish for you the very finest of New Years, and we wish the same for ourselves, the National Radio Club, too. You can help by resolving to send in regular reports

THE WEEK'S COMING DX TESTS FOR N.R.C.

- N E S** - Central City, Kentucky Bob Seifert sent cards to all the members to Robert J. Beane, C.E. inform them about this program. We have no details on the program here, other than that it is from a station a good many of us need, and will be on the Legal Holiday celebrating Christmas. The channel will be blocked in the West, we believe, but all others should ~~be able to~~ ^{have been} add this program easily, so we hope all of you were successful in tuning it in.
- W H R V** - Port Huron, Michigan This is a station which has been on the air for Richard W. Johnson quite a number of years, and this is their first DX program, to the best of our recollection. Bob Seifert also sent out cards on this one, which again was too late to make "DX NEWS" in time. Again, we have no details on the program, but by the time you read this, it will be over, anyhow. We hope you all got Bob's cards and got both WNBS and WHRV nicely.
- G O S** - Torrington, Wyoming ZGOS states they are very pleased to have been Karl V. Kertson chosen to appear on our DX Calendar, and that of course means that they will be anxious for DX reports from all of us. With WAHR and CMOX the only expected stations on this frequency at this hour, we should all have a fairly good chance of logging this 5½ year old station. No program details are at hand, but you'll find out when you tune in. Arranged by Sid Rosenbaum.
- W H C O** - Sparta, Illinois WHCO took the air in January 1955, so this will be Buford L. Mabrey, CE close to their anniversary. Very few DXers have logged WHCO, so this should be a grand opportunity. Only WNOR is expected to be on 1230 at the time, so most of us should be able to pick up this DX program. WHCO has no frequency check so far as we know. We do not know what type of program will be offered, but it will be a good one, we feel sure, and a good new one. Arr: Len Kruse
- W C E M** - Cambridge, Maryland This Monday morning DX should find only WEDC on G. P. Richards, Pres. 1240 to interfere, and thus give us a fine new logging in WCEM, which also has no early-AM frequency check. The program will be conducted by Wilson Price, Chief Engineer, and there will be variety in music and local items of interest which will make easier positive identification of WCEM's signal. They raised to 250 watts in August, and want to hear from all. Arr: Rosenbat
- K R X K** - Rexburg, Idaho KRXX has been on the air almost four years, but are Gene Shumate, G.M. needed by the vast majority of DXers, and with only WNOR expected to cause interference, most of us ought not to have too much trouble in adding this fine catch to our logs. They have a very outstanding letterhead all will want. Mr. Shumate purchased KRXX on Oct. 19, formerly with KSO, Des Moines. They'll be following WHCO, so stay tuned in on 1230! Arranged by Len Kruse.

ON THE STATION'S STATIONERY - WSPN-900

Dear Mr. Cooper:

"In regard to your letter of December 10th concerning the broadcast for the National Radio Club to have been held December 3rd at 4:00-4:30 a.m. by WSPN, the arrangements for this broadcast were made by Mr. Richard O'Connor who resigned as General Manager as of the first of December. No information as to this program was available. Please accept my apologies for Mr. O'Connor.

"At the present time we have no one available to handle such a broadcast and it is impossible to say at this time if January 23 is a feasible date.

"Please contact us in the near future and perhaps we will be able to be of service to you." Yours truly (signed) Robert W. Dingman, Program director.

Musings of the MembersMike Ferguson - 3337 Prospect Avenue - Houston 4, Texas

Not a heckuva lot to report this time but I have been trying, at least. 12/5 brought four new ones. KODL-1440 heard in and out as ol' debbil' buzz took a short vacation that AM. CHLN-550 swell after pre-selector got into the act, second Quebec station heard well enough to verify. WJMB-1340 OK on DX, KGKO-1480 AN. LA heard weakly on 1120 at 4:30 a.m. EST, dunno who. 12/12- KEUN-1490 DX good, KOZE-950 DX fair but logged pretty well, WKVA-920 DX just heard and not much log; WJGR-930 s/on heard. Guess I might as well use the remaining lines to dhime in with a little blurb about tentative reports. Hardly think anybody in the club can deny there are times when you have to ask a station about reception. This can't be helped, especially in foreign listening, though the listener should be able to narrow down the field considerably. If the club is concerned about its members' sloppy discourteous reports, perhaps it could request that DXing stations return all reports to be evaluated by some sort of committee of the NRC. Then this group could inform the members of their improper reports via personal letters, saving embarrassment, et al. Or perhaps the club could simply ask the DXing station to send in a list of any DXers who send sloppy or discourteous reports. If the station personnel are hacked about a report, chances are they'd be glad to report the offender to the NRC. Season's Greetings to everybody.

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

Boy, the situation re DX programs being heard at this den is really rough. Let's hope my luck swings over, but fast! OK, to my doings: Dec. 8- KLIR-dx on 990 kc/s. not heard, just XECL. Dec. 9- KGB on 1360 kc/s. until 4:10 a.m. There appeared to be two signals QRMing, so tried to pick what most sounded like a "DX" and submitted a "tentative" to KLRB-dx. Dec. 10- KUZN-1270, Opportunity, Wash. heard ID at 7 p.m. s/off for a new logging. Dec. 11 - A weak signal on 1370, hard to say if 2XP or WKRC's DX, so another "tentative" to a DXer. Dec. 12- KTEL-1490 DX easy of course, but KEUN's DX preceding was not heard. KOZE's DX on 950 excellently received with unknown LA, probably an XE still on 950 or thereabouts, after KOZE s/off until 4:30 a.m. or later, who? That was it for DXes for this morning; KNBC-680 blocked any chance at CKGB while KFIR-1340 North Bend, Ore. covered any shot at WEMR or KVIC DXes with a sponsored show from Coos Bay, Ore. New veries received: SKLC-1380 DX (Surprise! My best Ontario catch!), KODL-1440 (Day report, not DX); KGER-1390, Hold it - overlooked another new logging, made Dec. 7 - KHLS-1150, Vancouver, Wash. strongly QRMing local KAYO from 10:30 a.m. on for a few minutes. I believe this again makes me 100% logged in Washington state with the possible exception of KCVL-1480 Colville, who to the best of my knowledge are not yet on RS, although are Eting. My Washington log numbers 68 (61 active) with 54 verified (49 active). Several CPs to watch for, including an oldie, KTIK-1590 Seattle. Dec. 14 - Added WSAZ-950 Huntington, W. Va. to log atop WBBM from 5:30 a.m. s/on. Congrats to the "Hillbilly DXer" on JOBB! To the DXer that wonders about PST station s/off on 1580; certainly surprised at KOWL denying as they are the only ones heard here. FCC lists November and December s/off at 7:45 p.m., EST. Might also add to comments of others regarding mail from Lake City, Pa. "DX NEWS" has been regular as clock work in landing here on Wednesdays with 2¢ postage. '56 almost upon us, so a very Happy New Year to all ye! 73s.

Scotter Segraves - P. O. Box 680 - Stuttgart, Arkansas

Hi gang. Time for another report of the little activity of the little (mentally) DXer. 11/21- WEMC-960 NRC DX 3:56-4:04; WSIP-1490 r/c-TT 4:21-4:29, WADP-960 NRC DX 4:31-4:40, WMUU-1260 r/c-TT 4:49 s/off to return with RS at 5, KSIL-1340 f/c-TT 4:52-5:03. 11/25- KERC-1590 ET/M asking for reports and calls, 3:32-4. No luck on WKOK, as they weren't on, hi. 11/28- KCHS-1400 f/c-TT announced as regular 3:08-3:15 to back up tentative (don't shoot!) report last month, KSPA-1400 f/c-TT 3:15-3:21, WBSH-570 NRC DX 3:47-3:57, KTNM-1400 r/c-TT, WBVL-950 new one on ET/M 4:35-4:43, KERP-960 NRC DX 4:44-4:52, unID ET/M on 1400 s/off 3:00. They gave call but unreadable. Who? 12/3- I was up and that's all! Got up too late for WCCM-800 and too much QRM for WSPN. 12/5- KODL-1440 NRC DX 3:18-3:30, WKOK-1240 NRC DX 3:32-3:4 WJMB-1340 NRC DX few spots at different times, KWJJ-1080 NRC DX 3:09-3:15. 12/7- Good luck all the way around 7 p.m. Was listening to XEER just for the heck of it and CFOR came breaking through for report. Then, while I was writing (con'd P.2)

(Scooter Segraves, con'd from P. 3) it, KOSL GM called and said we could have the DX. 12/12- KLAS-1230 f/c TT 3:08-3:15 $\frac{1}{2}$, KEUN-1490 NRC DX 3:25-3:27 s/off, KVIC 1340 NRC DX 4:00-4:06. No luck on others. 73.

Hank Tyndall - 285 North Street - Burlington, Vermont

DX condx continue to be but a travesty of the last two years. Note that a few others in the East couldn't copy CFOB, sure rated zero here. WMSN terrible, but at least came through. Did better with KWBV-KENN. At 3:14 KWBV said, "Your dial is set for KWBV, a quarter of a million listeners." One number I knew was "Pretty Baby" at 3:16 $\frac{1}{2}$. Strong carrier IDed as KTRH. Must have been tough for Mike F. KENN was better, 3:34, "Love is a Many Splendored Thing," and Crazy Otto with "Smiles" at 3:45. "Come to the Mardi Gras" at 3:55 with fine plug for the CPC of the NRC and "Goodnight Sweetheart" at 3:59 and s/off. No soap with KOZE here. WEMR battled with WMID and another station. Got a very little. Sent it in, maybe Sid will consider it "tentative?" Got a surprise box from XECQ (1300) Culiacan, sent Air Express and registered. 15¢ postage due, also. Expected a bomb but it turned out to be a beautiful ash tray, plastic base with solid brass mike with XECQ in raised letters, weighs two pounds. Dunno why they sent it but maybe I'll decipher what they said in the verie about it. Well, the tempest in the tea-pot subsides and did no harm. Candid opinions must be taken in stride, we all have them and why not put them in print? We had "witch hunters" in the early thirties that yelled "fake" when anyone dared mention some real DX. We stewed over the first ANs and fought over methods of counting stations. The neophytes that did the fighting are battle-scarred veterans now and possibly take pot shots at the DX embryos from behind gray whiskers. It's our privilege, kids! Perhaps the finest thing that came out of this latest skirmish is that Roy Millar proved that he is doggoned good material for a veteran DXer and future "gray-beard." It appeared that he was singled out because he had mentioned "tentatives" so often. He stood his ground like a veteran and didn't stampe, proved his point and now he should have the whole-hearted respect of every NRCer, young or old. Stick around Roy, and join the "sages" one day!

Harold E. Schrock - R.R. 1 - Paxton, Illinois

12/7, logged KFMJ Tulsa 1050 till 6:15 p.m. s/off, then Garden City, Kans. 1050 station till 6:30 s/off. Call sounds like KNCO. My records are not complete on this station. Is this call correct? WAVE 970 logged 7 p.m. 12/8- KLIR-dx good. UnID 1530 ET f/c to 1:30. Who? The new KTLU 1580 Rusk, Texas testing 2:15. WINZ 940 testing 2:30. 12/9- KLRS DX good. Nice program. KDEC/KWLC f/c to 4:30. Checking 1530 for afternoon s/off times, caught WNAH to 5:30, WELR to 5:35, WWWW to 5:49 then WSAI. Another unID station off at 6 p.m. Other checking on 1580 found both Texans KEVA and KWED to 6:30, also WAKR dominating 1590 and KWAE McKinney, Texas on 1600 to 6:30 s/off. 12/11, Sunday, WKMC-dx OK. KXOC 1360 logged to 5, then WNOE. Clear frequencies at 4:45 a.m., 1040, 890, 870, 820, 730, 720. Frequencies with no signal or only weak signal at 7 a.m. were 870, 720, 690, 660, 1040. KEWB 540 testing 5 a.m. WCOW/WAKR 1590 heard 8:35 a.m. WEAW/WETZ 1330 heard 7:15. Check "DX Down the Dial" for more of my schedule data. Latest verifications: Cards, WLBN WNRI-dx WILL; letters: WTGB CKLC-dx WMSN-dx WARU. Merry Christmas to all and good DXing. Watch Christmas for Christmas special foreign DX and remember it's about the season for Europe/Asia signals to break into the midwest, 1-3 a.m.

Larry Jones - P.O. Box 226 - Stillwater, Oklahoma

Only DX since last report was this AM, 12/12. At 3 a.m. EST I tuned to 680 to find KNBC signing off and announcing they would leave a tone on the rest of the AM. So, no CKGB. There was something under but it sounded like Mexican. KEUN in Eunice, La. (1490) came in clear and undistorted but was slobbered on heavily from both sides. Also to be had on 1490 along with KEUN was a tone which I think belonged to KTEL in Walla Walla but I didn't get enough ID and info to send a tentative report so I didn't even log them. I think Bretz is right about many of the members not being correctly informed, especially the younger generation. But you old timers should do something to correct the situation instead of raving and ranting and suggest that such members should be kicked out. I think Hal had the right idea when he suggested a booklet explaining all there is to know about NRC DXing, including a code of ethics on reporting. Really though I don't think the situation is as bad as some make it out to be. Stan Stanbury summed it up when he said a DXer can't be expected to write more than he hears. Well, so much for that.

Hal Williams - 50 Third Avenue - Seymour, Connecticut

It is a nice clear and cold Sunday night and as I am off from work I hope that I will be able to log some of the nice specials our swell CPC gang has lined up for us. As this will be the last "DX NEWS" that will be in the members' hands before Christmas I want to take this opportunity to wish for every NRC member, and DXers everywhere a Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year, and may you catch that elusive station you have long been trying for. Veries received since last report are: CJEM-570 letter for NRC DX; WKMC-1370 QSL card for RS; CKNW-1320, a nice QSL card for RS; WMSN-570 letter for NRC DX, a plain card from WSON-860 finally for verification of my 1952 ET report. I received a nice letter from the CE in response to my thank-you note regarding the DX Special that I could not hear because I overslept. Then several days later the card came confirming my ET report of 1952. It seems that the CE did a lot of searching old files and came up with the test log for that date so another oldie in the verified fold, hi. Really good luck. Another oldie cleared up by the receipt of a nice letter from KXOK-630. They too, are hanging since 1952 but they just got a ndw report. DX loggings: 12/8- KLIR-990 Denver, readable through Mexican QRM, good first ten minutes. Surprised to hear WOJS-730, Shelby, N.C. clear and S-7 on ET 2:05-2:20 s/off. The KLRS-1360 DX was really good and on at least until 4:15. 12/11- The WKMC-1370 DX was really a swell DX test in at S-7 until they signed off at 5:22½. KXOL-1360 Fort Worth, Texas logged on RS 5:25-6 through tone QRM. WLTC-1370 Gastonia, N.C. logged on Sunday RS 6:20-6:30 in clear; WSRC-1410, Durham, N.C. logged S-3 from 6:45-6:55, then WING came on at 6:55 and WDOV at 6:58. The first DX Christmas card was delivered here from Mrs. Clara Wachtel of Cedar Rapids, whose photo I have in a group taken at Cedar Rapids and sent me by the Tswells of Carey, O. 12/12- KFSD-800 San Diego, Cal. logged easily 2:25-2:45 for a new one but the DX list didn't fare as good. CKGB-680, WKVA-920 were fairly well heard but not needed. Perhaps I got enough of KOZE-950 for a verie. All others listed not heard here.

Ev Johnson - 504 16th Street - Mendota, Illinois

Hi to all. DX here the same as usual, static and more static. Seems Monday AMs are the worst. My loggings since 12/3 as follows: On 12/3- WCCM-dx fine here; CBJ-1580 TT all AM and several days later AN, saying CBJ Chicoutimi. KLAK-1580 test 3:25. KOGT-1600 test 3:30-3:34. WAGA-1400 r/c 3:30-3:45. WJKO-1600 test 3:50. No WSPN heard. CJVI-900 too strong. KCKO-1480 definitely AN. 12/4- KJAY-1440 s/off to 1:00. NTBC-590 TT 1:10. WPRS-1440 test 1:30-1:45. WTOE-1470 new Spruce Pines N.C. station, ET, 1:30 on. WLEX-1300 was on AN, Sunday. 12/5- WJAM-1310 s/off 5:45 p.m. CILF-dx swell, also WJMB-dx but overslept WKOK KBOL. KODL-dx not heard. JMDV too strong. WIKK-dx not heard, CLOX on top here with ID in English, woman announcer. Also another pest now on Monday, KOIL-1290 s/on 5:00. WQIK-1280 mentioning Erick Johnson and other NRCers. Said Dubuque, Iowa farther northwest heard. WUU-1260 s/on 5:00. 12/6- KEVT-690 heard back of CBU testing at 3:00. CBU s/off at 3:10. KWBY-dx in great here. KTRH was on for a few minutes testing. KENN-dx, another well-heard one. WIAC RS 740 at 4:20. 12/9- KLRS-dx in good and enjoyed all of them thanks to the fine work of CPC boys. Veries new here are: KFSB-1310 WITZ-dx WSON-dx WMSN-570 DX, CKLC-dx WHAP-1340 September report, KRMG-740. Anxiously awaiting f/c list and verie signer list and finally as this will be last report before Christmas issue I personally wish all you a Merry Christmas and prosperous and Happy New 1956 and good DX. 73.

Barry Foote - 273 North Avenue - Weston 93, Massachusetts

DX has been rather spotty here lately due to late working hours. Log is now at -- heard. Latest additions are: WJMB DX 1340, WBVL 950 testing 12-5; KLIR-dx 990, KFSG 1150, ~~WVLE-950~~ WITA 1140, CBU 690, WMLV 1440, KLRS-dx 1360 and WHOT 1570 at their s/off 5 p.m. This morning 12/11, I heard WOKJ 1590 in the clear at 6:30 and also WGBB 1240 100 watts riding neck and neck with WWCO at 7 a.m. Other stations heard, but not new include: WKOK-dx 1240, WIRY 1340 s/on 5:00, CBJ testing on 1580 12-4-4; KTRH 740 tone 4:06 12-8 along with an unknown tester on 730 with music 3:17-3:25. 12/12- WEMR-1340 and WKVA-920 were the only ones heard. 73s. LOTS OF FINE REPORTS FROM LOTS OF FINE MEMBERS. WE HOPE ALL WILL REMAIN REGULARS WITH US AND KEEP US WELL-FILLED THROUGHOUT THE DX YEAR THUS MAKING "DX NEWS" THE HOTTEST SING SINCE THE CHICAGO FIRE! DEADLINE IS EVERY TUESDAY IN BROOKLYN AND PLEASE DOUBLE-SPACE YOUR REPORTS AND STICK TO 30 LINES OF NEWSPRINT IN "DX NEWS".

A/IC Don Kaskey, AF17392525, 1971st AACSRON, APO 81, New York, New York
 Hi, Winter finally arrived, snow and strong winds, ice on roads to stay. Please, Lefty, it's the Air Force, not the Navy, what a low blow, hi. And I made another stripe this week so definitely have no complaints. Even DX is good the past week. Had several nights when DX from 8 to 12 p.m. local time was terrific and with the help of a fine log that John Alexander compiled and sent to me I really had a ball. Again thanks a million, John. Agree completely with Lefty. Without a log I wouldn't have the slightest idea of the location of these European and African stations, and even now if I sent them reports they would probably ID a station speaking another language, at least not nearly so as it is in domestic DX. But if I hear a French station on a certain kc/s. and there is only one French station on it I am assuming that is who I heard. To any DXers who are interested in dropping a line and discussing DX, domestic or foreign, I'll be glad to hear from you. Maybe can help you out on foreign DX from here as Europeans generally barrel in here. Nov. 30 heard CJON-930 and CJON-920 plus WOSH-970, KCMA-1520, WKEW-1520 and WLAC-1510 all with good signals around 9 p.m. EST. Only trouble was that I was pooped and didn't log any except for WKEW. On Dec. 3, CBN-640 St. Johns NB in as early as 4:30 p.m. here; CEM-940 Montreal was good here at 8:55, CBA-1070 Sackville, NB fair at 8:35, good at 11 p.m.; CHSJ, St. John NB good at 8:45, poor at 9:15, and fair at 9:30; CBN-1550 Windsor Ont. fair at 9:10; CBC-1580 Chicoutimi Que. in French with poor signal at 9. All of these were carrying same program over Trans-Canada network. Same day WNEW-1150 NYC fair at 9:15; WOWO-1190 Fort Wayne with hockey game 9:20-9:42; WVDA-1260 Boston good here at 8:50; WMBL-1510 Boston poor to fair 10:30-11 p.m.; WKBW Buffalo NY 1520 good at 9:10; KXEL-1640 Waterloo noted at 9:10 and again at 10:45 with fair signals. On Dec. 4 CBN again, also CBA and CEM. New one in CBI-1140 Sydney NS very good here at 7:45-8 p.m. QRN covered after 8. Also Canadian on 930 probably CJON but no ID heard here. Both these stations brought terrific reception and results here and no DX since as all my spare time has been spent reporting these new ones and straightening up my DX Log. Veries in from just WBZ-1030 QSL card and letter. Not enough room to list all my foreigners so will s/off for now.

Gene Cameron - W. 5004 Hoffman Place - Spokane 14, Washington

I think this turmoil over "tape recording" has gotten out of hand. The manner in which Roy or any other member DXes in this club is their business only; and barring them from my contest is absolutely ridiculous. It is interesting to note that the suggestion was made by a person who is not even entered in either contest. I wonder if I'll be next as I don't use a commercial receiver, just the insides of a Midwest console. That is about as sensible. Roy has DXed "live" for years, and I know he would prefer to still DX in that manner, but conditions prevent him from doing so, so he does the next best thing, by recording when the abuse gets to the point of donating alarm clocks, I feel that more than enough has already been said. As to DX, this is the worst season I've ever had here. I had better check a propagation chart one of these days and see if it is going to improve before the season ends. A year ago in November I added 70 new stations, and this year I got only 25. Loggings of 12/12 were: KEUN-dx; KTEL-1490-dx, KOZE-dx, KGFJ (1230, Los Angeles) c/s/off at 4:02; KIBS (1230 Bishop, Cal.) on ET at 4:02; KXOC (1060, Chico, Cal.) on RS at 1:50; and WWOD (1390 Lynchburg, Va.) with s/on at 4:59. Veries in are KUMA and WJMB to make total 715. 73s.

Bus Boatman - 837 Brooke Lane - Stillwater, Oklahoma

My DXing has just been limited to Saturday, Sunday and Monday due to school. I am having troubles in Spanish. Recent loggings are: KGAE f/c 3:30 to 3:45 second Monday; KILA s/off at 4:00 both on 12/8. On 12/11 WCAN RS (what channel, Bus? -ed.) WTCB f/c 3:30, KIVI "Monitor", WKMC-dx. On 12/12, KHF RS, KEUN-dx, KOZE-dx, WKVA-dx, and WGY RS. Now have three Hawaiians. I really appreciate the efforts of the CPC boys. Only two Idaho stations are CPs. Veries in are KODL-dx, KGGM KGW WSFA CKW and CBJ. Tips: KSPI (780) 8:15-6:15, KHF (930) 8:30-3; KODL (1440) f/c 3-3:15 on first Monday. 73s. (Isn't it 4-4:15, Bus? my verie says that -ed.)

Ralph Johanns - 72 East Genesee Street - Buffalo 3, New York

Wishing all of NRC a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with good DXing and many veries. The complexion of the sun will become spottier in coming weeks and so will some radio and TV reception. The 11 year cycle sunspots are on the rise and the winter of 1957-1958 will be the peak. Low channel TV are more susceptible (Con'dP

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(Ralph Johans, con'd from P. 6) and foreign countries may be picked up during freak periods. Poor CP arrangement for 1490 for specials 12/11, 1340. The r/c of KLGR-1490 3 to 3:30 OK here; f/c of KFIR-1340 poorer 3:45-4; WMID 24 hours.

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

Here it is time for another report and still not too much to report from here. On 12/3 I tried for WCCM (800) but too much sideband interference from KABC and KGO. I didn't even bother trying for WSPN on 900 as CJVI is very strong here. Of the scheduled six DXes on 12/5 the only one heard here was KODL so third report sent and hope they verify this time. Nothing on any of the others. KEOL was not on. On 12/6 KWBV heard although already verified. Also heard was KENN (990) with a swell show for a new catch here. Forgot to mention two new catches on 12/5- WBVL (650) on ETs and WTIK (1310) s/on at 4:58. KLIR was also heard on 12/8 as they held their DX in conjunction with their f/c. Also logged on that morning was KTLU (1580) testing at 2:12. I'm getting too forgetful. KOYN (910) was heard on 12/6 on r/c 3:15-3:30 first Tuesday. Just too tired to try for KLRS this morning although needed here. Veries were received this week from CBK (540) KPDQ (800) WSON (830) KBAB (910) KEWB (980) WITZ (990) KVLK (1340) KVHC (1400) and KONE (1450). Verie from KBAB was a very nice two page letter saying they were amazed to find I had heard them at 5:10 p.m. EST and they also mentioned they had a letter from Marv Robbins asking them to put on a DX program but that they had to refuse at this time. A postcard received yesterday from CE Blair Robbins at KBOL saying he got mixed up on dates thinking it was Tuesday morning instead of Monday that he was supposed to put on the DX. He says he will be glad to run the program whenever we want it so will write and re-arrange it for sometime in January. Also see by the local paper that KGLN started operations on 980 kc/s. on 12/5 so will have to try for them. I hope reception improves here soon so I can get in on more of the specials that are being arranged by the CPC. That's about it for this week. I hope KWBV got out as well as KVFC did.

Karl Raymond - Manhattan Beach, California

Will try to squeeze a small report in once again, although I'm behind the deadline. First off, Lefty, that was KBIG back of KTRH and the KWBV DX with those Bob Scobie Dixieland records. Do you need them? (Neither KBIG nor the records, Karl, hi-Ed.) The December 10th issue of "DX NEWS" was really good one. Enjoyed seeing something from NHRC member Raleigh Biss and looks like we finally smoked Mort Meehan out of the bushes although he still hasn't found out that the switch on his receiver has an 'on' position as well as an 'off'! KLRS DX heard with announcements better than the music and ran a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour later than listed. Nothing on the 11th on WKAC's channel but a bunch of noise so back to sleep after 30 minutes. On the 12th KEUN DX could not break through but KTEL DX in fine with mention of the NRC but not needed here. KVIC 1340 DX too close to KFAC, nothering heard from CKGB DX nor WKVA. KOZE DX in very well first and last portions of program. Very interesting program I thought, probably because I could hear it all. They certainly think the NRC is "The only DX Club" as twice they mentioned "The DXers' Theme Song" playing the old reliable "National Emblem March." Will certainly try for KBAM on the 17th. On the 19th will try for WVDI but don't know about their 250 watts reaching out here. KIYI I have but a good catch for others if they break through on that channel. Looks like the over-all consensus is that condx have really been bad all over this year with high QRN, relatively poor catches with the exception perhaps of some of the TP loggings of some of the West Coast members. See you next via these pages in 1956 and in Ponca city in 1957. One question - where is the promised verie signers' list? (I like to know, too, Karl - Ed.)

Sid Rosebaum - 806 Market Street - Wheeling, West Virginia

Only listening periods here were a brief twilight session and the morning of Dec. 12. 12/10- KWHP (1600) strong at 6:20 s/off. KOLS (1570) very strong at 3:15 p.m. s/off, but neither needed. 12/12- CKGB (680), too much WLW sidewash. KEUN (1490) in for a spotty report. KTEL (1490) no sign here. WEMR (1340) barely made it, but enough for report. KVIC (1340) failed to get through WMID. WCCL (1230) covered by WNOR. WKVA (920) with Bob Hyle in like a semi-local. Veries in are: WBFD (card) and CKLC (letter). While DX time will be limited here until after Jan. 1 I sure enjoy reading the reports of all the other active DXers. "DX NEWS" is top mail here and I read each issue over carefully to keep in touch with the latest doings on the broadcast band. Radio stations like it too. Best of DX to all the gang.

Joe P. Morris - 10512 Parkview Avenue - Cleveland 4, Ohio
 Seventy-six new stations were logged during the month of October, the best of which was undoubtedly CKOK (800) heard 10/23 from 3:43-4:06 s/off with weak signal (at times inaudible) announcing as 500 watts. Now to November. 11/5- KMRC (1430) heard poorly to very well on its DX 4:02-4:15; WFUR (1570) noted f/c-TTing 4:54-5 with XERF QRM; WEGA (1470) was good at s/on 5:27; CJBR (900) in French loudly covering frequency 5:45-6:05. 11/6- KUMA (1370) came through poorly on its DX with only intermittent readability 3:32-3:52; KAMO (1390) blasted in here 4:03-4:30; KREL (970) momentarily squeezed WWSW out at 5:01; KMOP (900) in clear on f/c-M 5:32-5:45; WAGA (590) heard fair to good through OC at 6:55 s/on; WIRC (630) QRM'd byt easy to read at 7 s/on; WEAU (790) only fair through QRM jumble at 7:04 ID. 11/8- WBNL (1540) readable but badly cut up by KXEL 5:21-5:30 p.m. s/off; WKDL (1600) caught momentarily with closing announcements at 6 p.m. s/off. 11/12- WGBA (1270) on ET/II with 5000 watts 2:58-3:15, excellent signal; KLLI (1320) noted ending test at 3:45. 11/17- WHOT (1570) a semi-local here, was easy at noon. 11/24- WEXL (1340) ANing through WJID and WKGN at 2:05; WWIL (1580) heard for first time on AN 2:42-3:05, noisy; CKOK (620) s/off at 3:08 through tester; WUUU (1260) fair at 5:02 s/on on my portable. 11/26- WCTA (920) was ETing with M and 5000 watts 1:50-2:59 s/off, excellent; WPLH (1470) excellent at 5 s/on; CKCW (1220) with music and time checks in clear 5:06-5:22 prior to WGAR s/on; WESC (660) carrying Furman-Clemson football game 4:30-4:45 p.m. with WRCA QRM; KVLG (1050) good to poor through QRM 5:37-5:46 p.m.; WRFS (1050) fair momentarily at 5:45 p.m. soff; KTOK (1000) heard unexpectedly behind WCEL from 5:50-6 p.m. 11/27- WOZK (900) with ET 1:09-1:30 s/off, CHIL QRM; WTKM (1540) ending TT with good signal 2:16 s/off; KRIS (1360) "Monitor" 3:16-3:32, fair to very good; WADC QRM; WLOX (1490) with good strength at times and WACS QRM 5:00-5:05; WDVH (980) good and in clear 6:05-6:15; WTOL (1230) s/on on top of WCOL with good signal 7:00. I have more but will have to wait to next week since the 30 lines have run out.

Len Kruse - 816 Euclid Street - Dubuque, Iowa

Of the six DX Specials scheduled for Monday 12/5; I was able to log only four of them, namely KODL (1440) the Dalles, Ore.; CHKN (550) Three Rivers, Que.; WJEB (1340) Brookhaven, Miss., and WKOK (1240) Sunbury, Pa., all new to my DX Log except the latter. The two DXes on 1490, namely KBOL, Boulder, Col. and WIKK, Newport, Vt. were not heard as that frequency was a "mess" that morning. Station WABJ in Adrian, Mich. was testing a good part of the morning, and then too, AN CMOX was extremely strong on that date. Then on 12/6, two DXes, KWBY (740) Colorado Springs, Col. and KENN (990) Menedy, Texas were both heard well, and new to the DX Log, although KTRH was testing during part of the KWBY DX. The final half hour of RS of KNCO (1050) Garden City, Kans. was heard for the first time on 12/7 from 6-6:30 p.m. with some WMGM QRM. The KLIR DX from Denver came in "fair" with some Mexican interference on 12/8. Also on this date KTLU (1580) Rusk, Texas was heard on a test from 2:17-2:52 a.m., and the new KVCL (1270) Winfield, La. was heard on ETs from 2:50-3:25 a.m. The DX from KLRB (1360) Mountain Grove, Mo. was heard well over AN KXOL, from 3:30-4:30 a.m., for a new logging on 12/9. Then for one of my best catches of the season was the logging of 250 watt daytimer, the new WCME (900) Brunswick, Me. from 3:50-4:05 a.m. on 12/9; at times topping AN CJVI on that channel. The DX Test from WKMC, Roaring Spring, Pa. came in clearly and strong with their scheduled program on 12/11. Latest varies in were letters from CJEM-dx, and WMID, and a duplicate from CKLC-dx. With the Christmas Rush just starting at the local Post Office, our time will be very limited along the DX line, for the next two weeks. Here's wishing everyone a Happy Holiday Season.

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

New catches here the past week are: KWBY 740, KENN 990, KEUN 1490 and WELR 1340. The first named was a mere whisper under KTRH's carrier, the next three fair, midst QRM. No sign of KOZE 950 12/12, but unneeded CKGB and WKVA fair. Recent varies are letters from CKLC WTXL WITZ and WSON and a nice card from WSEA. Ditto on 24-hour clock!

YESSIR, WE'RE HAPPY TO SEE ALL THE REPORTS AND PLEASE KEEP IT COMING LIKE THIS EVERY WEEK! WE SUGGEST YOU LIST THE FREQUENCIES WITH YOUR CATCHES SO AS TO HELP OTHERS IN THEIR DXING. THE DEADLINE IS TUESDAY IN BROOKLYN, AND WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR REPORTS FROM YOU, DOUBLE-SPACED, FREE OF NON-STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS. OK?

C. Porter Atherton - 127 Fairwood Avenue - Littleton, Massachusetts
 (forwarded by Hal Wagner) Just a very short report for "Musings." Awoke early this AM a little before 3, so decided to get up and give the specials a whirl. Caught WPOP on RS first however, new one for me since change in call. Too much QRM/interference on 1490 to hope to get anything on either KEUN or KTEL, so didn't even struggle with struggle with that channel. Tuned 950 for KOZE from 3:30-3:45. If I had not known a scheduled DX was to be on that channel, I would not have stayed, as signal strength was not even enough to move my S meter off the pin. Noise level high, but did hear what might have been two phonetic station IDs, and snatches of orchestra with female; ditto another with a male vocal. Not readable, no report. Will look forward to what others in East report. Sent thank-you letter, stating same was not a report for verification. Heard WEMR in Emporium through WMID, who completely dominated 1340. Did manage to pull out one station ID and announcement of selection next to be played. Should be sufficient, even though most sketchy. His signal strength was excellent for 100 watts. Be interesting to see how far West he got where WMID would not bother so much. Caught WJWL and WACF on RS on 900 on Saturday p.m. 4:45 after WOTW signed off. Veries now 1537 with 16 reports out. Not bad for an old timer who hung up his earphones just nine years ago! Incidentally, Lisbon on 565 was giving WRCA a hard time at 2:45 this morning, 12/12. (Welcome to our pages, Porter!! Porter used to be PCB Editor for NNRC a few years back, and it is wonderful to get this report from you! -Ed.)

Joe Brauner - P.O. Box 22 - Valier, Pennsylvania

Like most, we find condx below par this season, but they are bound to improve. Now here are these: 11/28, WMSN 570 DX and WBVL 550 ET; 11/30 WTCB 990 ET; 12/5 WSEB 1490 f/c at 2:50. 12/6- KUBY 740 DX, KENN 990 DX and WKTL 1570 RS at 5:14 p.m. 12/7- KEUN 1270 ET. 12/8- KVCL 1270 ET and KPAD 1570 RS at 6 p.m. 12/9- WHLP 1570 RS at 5:35 p.m. 12/12- KEUN 1490 DX and WEMR 1340 DX. 12/13- WFCR, 1310 RS at 5:15 a.m. Veries are coming in painfully slow and I am considering a new policy of limiting reports to DXing stations only and just logging the others, except for the rare foreign catches that we identify now and then, other than IAs which I quit reporting two seasons back, after one reply out of over a dozen Mexicans and Cubans DX programs fared as follows here: WDPN evidently not on. 12/5, faint signal from KODL before WLV, heard better as a 250 watt long ago; too much QRM for KBOL and don't think MIKE was on; WKOK poorly; CHLN fair, WJMB surprisingly good. 12/6- XTRH test about stopped KUBY here, finally got one ID at 3:25, part of two tunes. At 3:30 KEIG let go with music (note Lefty,) KENN was well heard here. On 12/9 KLRS like a local. 12/12- KEUN on 1490 before 3:00, topped channel at all times up to s/off at 3:26, lots of program on 1490 after that but no IDs so guess no KTEL. Am 55 miles from WEMR, got about a total of two minutes band music in momentary bits, heard call three times, city once, NRC mention twice; hope you fellows at a DX fared better. WMID was 25-30 db over S-9 here with a strong one back of him. Faint trace of something on 950 during KOZE time, no trace of modulation, strong stuff on 1340, maybe WCOL, didn't sound like a X test, no IDs between three times. Too much QRM for KVIC too, but WKVA was a local¹ here, clearer than some of the real locals. Lots of IAs heard evenings but have not taken the time to try and dope them out. WCEB has been doing daytime testing on 1420, so may turn up there most any time. 73.

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

Still not much doing here in the way of DX. On 12/11 I took time out from a poker game at 4:30 to try for WKMC on their DX but interference horrible here so they weren't heard. Already have them verified so didn't feel so bad. On 12/12 only three of the scheduled DXes were heard and only new logging was KOZE which was in with a good signal on their DX. Also heard were KEUN (1490) and KVIC (1340). A report was sent to KEUN last month out no answer so hope they verify this time. KV already verified but sent another report. Veries received this week were KGM (1140) KLAC (570) and letter from KBOL verifying all three of my reports 3/28, 7/4 and 12/3. Report of 3/28 was for when KODL was still on 1230 so this gives me two veries at a time, hi. Card received yesterday from CE Blair Robbins of KBOL in Boulder saying he will DX for us on Jan. 9. He received nine cards thanking him even though he wasn't on 12/5 as planned and he was very impressed with this courtesy. I will be driving back to Geneva, Neb. over Christmas and hope to see some of the Nebraska DXers while there. Happy Holidays to everyone. 73s.

Mark Holbrook - 4710 Edgemoor Lane #103 - Bethesda 14, Maryland

Well I'm finally back at the old address after much moving around. All antennas were still intact in the attic and are hooked up once again to the Hamarlund and Siemens receivers, but foreign DX is still lagging far behind past years. Latest additions logged and reported are as follows: Nov. 28- CFOB 800 kc/s. heard between 4:02 and 4:28 a.m. on their DX. Received fairly well through bad static. CJEM 570 DX with good signals 4:28 to 4:55 a.m. December loggings as follows: WCLS 1580 on AN 5:19 to 5:34 a.m., received fairly well. On the 3rd, WTCB 990 ET well received from 4:25 to 4:30 a.m. s/off. Dec. 5 - DXes from WKOK 1240 and CHLN 550 both received fairly well. Two more specials received on the 6th. KWBY 740 3:03 to 3:31 a.m. KTRH's test made reception difficult at times but got a fairly good log. KENN 990 well received on DX from 3:35 to 4 a.m. KLIK 990 received poorly under XECL on their DX on the 8th. That same AM took a log on HJCV 1200 (Some showing it as HJCR) so not sure of call. Announces as "Radio Popular" Bogota. Is heard well on AN most AMs. Finished out the AM by logging WOHS 730 with strong signals on a test from 3:09 to 3:20 when they left the air. The morning of the 12th brought five new stations to this den. Started with reception of KVCL 1260 1:09 to 1:27 a.m. as they were testing their new rig. Good signals at this post. The next four added were DX programs from KEUN 1490 having difficulty with CMOX; CKGB 680 poor as KNBC was testing, KOZE 930 on clear channel but difficult through static, and finally WEMR 1640 which gave WMID fits. This 100 watter received the best of the bunch. On the 13th WHAZ Troy, N.Y. 1330 was received very poorly 1:45 to 2:05 a.m. buried under CMCB. At times WHAZ was barely heard. At 2:05 turned the dial and stumbled on a test from KCHR 1350 which was booming through other stations on that channel. Logged until 2:18 a.m. The next AM, the 14th, saw WTAY 1570 come through on a test 1:41-2:06 a.m. with heavy XERF QEM. Then tuned in a TT from KWOA 730 2:45 to 2:55 with good signals. This morning, the 15th I received my first long wave station on my new Siemens receiver, Allouis, France, 164 was received fairly well with popular music from 12:58 to 1:30 a.m. Faded deeply after 1:30 a.m. Other TAs noted on 200 and 173 kc/s. but too poor to log. Latest veries (letters) KUMA KAMO KBOI WRGS KCF WITZ XEOX-1430 WTXL WWIL WTOW CJEM WTCB, cards, WNRI WHOD WADP KOFO, Veries, 1642..

Pat Reilley - 226 Crossman Street - Jamestown, New York

Veries are WTXL for the only one back in past week. 32 reports still out since Oct first, a bad score. 12/11- WONE, 900, ET for new one at 2:30. WEMC OK on DX. 12/12- KEUN DX caught but very weak behind CMOX. KTEL CKGB WEMR not heard; was KOZE on? KVIC not heard. Forgot WKVA until after I was in bed. Who was Spanish speaker AN on 1140? Plenty dope but no call deciphered. Spanish speaker behind WCAM, 1310 at 4:10. 12/33- WPRA, 990, f/c at 2:51. WJOC, 1340, at 2:56 WHAZ DX copied for a dupe. A weak TT on 630 for several days but never heard voice yet. 12/14- KSTN, 1420, as loud as a local at 3:18. KWOA, 730, proof of performance at 3:26. Tone on 1070 with KNX and Spanish speaker behind KNX at 3:40. KOH, 630, test at 4:08, with tone here again. 12/15- WBOF, 1600, test stop WWRL at 2:42. WLBS, 900, test at 3:24, second report. Hope they verify this one for me. 12/16- KGAS, 1590, f/c at 2:55. KUSD, 690, ET at 3:27. 12/17- WJTN, 1240, AN each Friday for Caprino's. KUDU, 1590, good at 3:17. No KBAM DX because of WJTN. KDJI, 1270, f/c at 3:26. Unknown Spanish speaker on 1430 at 3:48, faded in and out badly and no call identified. WFCB atop WING on 1410 until 6 a.m., they said. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all. Let's all pray that the sun spots hurry up and leave soon.

John Bryant - P.O. Box 364 - Stillwater, Oklahoma

It's astonishing to see the "DX Calendar" these days, and I would like to express my gratitude for the fine job the CPC are doing. DX around here is about normal, but veries are coming at a snail's pace. Recently logged were: WTTS (1370), KCW (620), KPUC (1370), KLO (1430), and KCRG (1600) on 12/10. On 12/12 CBU (690), KEUN (1490) with NRC DX, KOZE (950) also with NRC DX, WCRW (1240), WETO (930) WMGR (930) Well, might as well get in my opinion on this recorder DX business. True, DXers with recorders do have some advantage over "live" DXers in contests, but in a recent bulletin I noticed someone got three Japanese stations in 15 minutes and gave each a 15 minute report. Did you ever try to do that with a recorder? Ponca in '57!

A FINE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION FOR EVERY ACTIVE BCB DXER IN THE CLUB WOULD BE TO REPORT REGULARLY TO "DX NEWS" AND THUS HELP TO KEEP IT LARGE AND CRABBED WITH INTERESTING, IMPORTANT DX INFORMATION. PLEASE DOUBLE SPACE YOUR REPORTS.

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J. Warren Routzahn - 231 South West Street - York, Pennsylvania

Veries this week - WTCCB WJMB WTXL KPOP. Daybreak Sunday here finds WKIN news 6:15, WGIV-1600 Gospel at 6:25, WTUX-1290 s/on 6:30 with WTOG on. WCRE and WLET both 1420 s/on at 7. WKYB-570 s/on at 7 with WGD on. 12/12- KEUN made it through CLOX and TAHR. KOZE was weak and noisy. WKVA a local. WMID cut out KVIC and WEMR. WEOH-1490 start test 4:35. 12/17- KBAM didn't get through carrier and Colombian on 1220. CKWX tops KFWB till 4:05 s/off. WPPB-910 s/on 4:30, WABI unusually strong. WQIK-1280 at 4:40, WELP-1360 and f/c 4:50. KABC-790 s/off 5, but no WRUM. Without the W? No again. (?) I'm going to take 30 this time for some breeze. DXing is a hobby not a highly competitive business. The competition can be enjoyed in the contests and good natured "needling" but let's not hurt feelings or cut into the other fellow's fun by criticism of methods. Some get their enjoyment of DX in what they can make their equipment perform. Ted doesn't use commercially built receivers so evidently he enjoys building equipment to see what it will do, etc. Hoy has a wonderful set-up of recorders and receivers and must get a real bang out of making it all coordinate. If this results in the stations getting more reports and fellows hearing DX they would have to miss otherwise it's an asset to DXing besides giving added enjoyment to the owner. DXing isn't the hearing of the call just in itself, it's how it was done and under what condx. I don't think a station objects to a courteous inquiry about a broadcast if it contains information making it easy for the station to recognize it as its own. DXing is not standardized, some start a log all over with each new receiver. I used to do that. Some count a call letter change as a new station, also a change of location etc. while others do not. Some log stations with car radios and portables while others log only what is heard from their home location. I'm in the latter, but it doesn't matter which way anyone chooses to pursue his hobby it isn't unfair to another DXer. It isn't only in getting a large total that we aim or the top men could quit in a few years. It's the fun of logging under varied condx, running our equipment, being there at the right time and always the possibility of something unexpected. You never know what you might hear at the radio. Many of us old timers have hundreds of station logged and verified that are now deleted so young members will never have a chance to hear them. Is this unfair?

Joe P. Morris - 10512 Parkview Avenue - Cleveland 4, Ohio

I managed to drag myself out of bed on the AM of 11/28 and heard CFOB (800) coming through poorly to good with QRM 4:30-4:40; KIMP (960) also on DX was not so hot 4:45-5:55 as there was a strong OC on frequency; KATZ (1600) was good and clear 5:20-5:30 with a real "cool" announcer. 12/7- Up past my bedtime again and logged WGST (920) with very good signal over QRM at 1:01 s/off; WAVE (970) on ET/M with good strength and QRM 1:05; WKRT (920) beginning r/c-TT, fair to good. 12/10- WGIV (1600) noted running ET/TT with M and announcements from 1:05 on, WWRL QRM at times; unidentified LA (840) playing Spanish music with frequent announcements 1:43-1:50 with strong QRM; WPAT (930) heard during last eight minutes of RS till 2:00 s/off and KHJ breaking through intermittantly; KVCL (1270) on ET/M/V when I was looking for QKYR 2:06-2:20, very good signal. CJAD (800) apparently on AN with music and news 2:46-3:06. Another one with a good deal of fading. WHP (1570) carrying "Santa Claus" show 5:30-5:45 p.m. s/off with nil to very good signal through bad QRM. WOKZ (1570) s/off weakly 5:46 p.m. immediately following WHP; KOLS (1570) the one I was looking for in the first place came through best of all with poor to very good signal 5:47-6:11 s/off. Am going to take this opportunity to wish all NRC members a Merry Christmas and good DX in the 1956 season.

A/lc Don Kaskey - AF17392525. ;971st AACSRON, APO 81, New York, New York

DXed two sessions this week, Dec. 10-11 from 6 p.m. to 4 a.m. local time and Dec. 12 from 6-11:30 p.m. Nothing new from states but hordes of new European stations logged. On Dec. 10 CJON again with a poor to fair signal from 11-11:05. Started to copy but faded out after 11:05. CBA (1070) again fair at 9 p.m. and really rolling in last 1/2 hour till 11:10 s/off, CBI (1140) with same program but severe QRM from Russian on 1142. WBZ (1030) was weak to fair from 11:40-mdt., WNEW (1130) was poor at 11 and WVDA WVDA (1260) with a fair signal at 11:36. None of these was a new addition, though. Verie in from CKNW-1320 New Westminster, B.C. QSL card for one of my better catches from here. On Dec. 11 CBA (1070) again with weak to fair signal at 7:30 but hit the sack. Terrific rain and wind storm the 11th but DXed (con'd P. 12)

(Don Kaskey, con'd from P. 11) right through it and was surprised at the good signals from Europeans. Sweden and Italy were coming in strong through the hash as were North Africans. On the 10th USSR stations were coming in from 9-12 and getting better the later it got. Someone on 1320 or close to it on the 10th from 9:05 to at least 11, playing American songs but not a bit of voice. Copied for over an hour, then gave up. On 1600 at 9:33 p.m. of the 10th someone played "That Old Rockin' Chair", probably WVOM but faded out. Also same evening on 1350 "It Must Be Wrong" heard at 10:51 and "Skokiann" at 10:53 but they too faded on me. Have reported all the Canadians I've heard except CHSJ and CJON. Never can hold CJON long enough for a good report. CHSJ heard only once and then not too good. CBA is the best and they verified right away. Seems like the same ones are coming in the best all the time now. Think I had WCKY-1530 on the 9th. Someone playing hillbilly and music at 11:46 but they too faded before 10. So much for this week. Hope you all have or had a Merry Christmas. 73s.

Maurice Nittler - Geneva, Nebraska

DXing has really slowed down here and with condx remaining poor despite cold WX (about 15 here all today) have done very little. Last report was in the Nov. 19 bulletin so guess it is past time for another one. On 11/15 got the DXes from KWPC-860 and WSON-860 but overslept KVFC. 11/21 got the DXes from WBMC-960 and CKLC-1380 but couldn't raise any of the others. 11/23 saw CFOB-800 coming in with a very strong signal with a high static level. Felt miserable on the 5th so missed all of the DX shows. 12/6, heard the seall shows from KENN-990 and KWBY-740. 12/13 was able to hear the DXes from KVIC-1340, WKVA-920 both unneeded and the needed KEUN-1490 and KOZE-950. Something in Spanish on both 920 and 940 kc/s. but unidentified. Scoundled like AN programs. Veries have been received from WAMI-dx-860, KFRC-610, KNBC-680, KENS-680, WLIK-1270, WRDW-1480, KUMA-dx-1370, WNRI-dx-1380, WHBC-1480, WHOT-1570, KBOI-950 DX, KWPC-dx-860, KAMO-dx-1390, WSON-860-dx, XEG-1050 XEHF-1370, WOLF-560, WQAM-560, WDFD-dx-1310, CKLC-dx-1380, KOH-630, and KTAN-1500. Thanks, Scooter for card on KUTA and KOSE DXes. 73s.

Harold Wagner - R.D. 1 - Lake City, Pennsylvania

Had a very enjoyable visit with the Count and Countess de Veries last Sunday, the 11th. The old readers of Radex will know I mean none other than Betty and Carleton Lord, our members in nearby Meadville. Much to my chagrin, my Scott, which worked perfectly before I left home, failed to sound off at all at Carl's. However I did get some satisfaction when substitution with his proved the trouble to be in my speaker, which I have suspected right along. Much to Carl's amazement, his Scott, which has been shelved for some three or four years because it didn't function, hit right off on all 3 tubes and worked in fine shape. Home at midnight to find the stronger TAs all over the lower end of the band. Not much in the line of DX here. A couple of veries in, WKOK and KODL, have a couple of reports to write here, KBAM and WKMC. Envied Carl's filing system, very neat and systematic, a far cry from mine in which papers are piled on top of desks, tables, etc. Some satisfaction though, when Carl had to call for Betty to help find some of his veries. In my case, if I can't find anything, can't blame anyone but myself. Had quite some discussion about reports and what the NNRC and NRC could do about showing the way. Lots of fun reminiscing about the Radex contests which were Carl's brainchild. Sure hope we can get together again. Hey, what's the matter with our shutterbugs? Not one has offered prints or to lend me negatives from that forthcoming writeup in "Popular Electronics" if we can give them the proper material. Is anyone else having trouble with the 50 kilowatters coming in every ten kilocycles each side of their channel? My set needs sligment but don't think that is causing the trouble. WWVA has always been a big offender here and will go 50 kilocycles each side. According to my books that is caused by overmodulation, how about it, you electronic wizards, is this right?

Lefty Cooper - 438 East 21 Street - Brooklyn 25, New York

A nice verie letter in from WOME and that is all! So Pat, you have "miserable" company, hi. Only new catch has been WTAY-1570, on 12/13 fighting it out with big XERF. I forgot another DX, this one KBAM's, but from your reports, it seems it would not have made it anyway. Disappointment ran high when KUTA-570 failed to get through a carrier, and KIYI not heard, either. So, at least for this week, I'm a has-been DXer, you might say. Happy New Year to all you lads. Hope you get WINE!

INTERNATIONAL DX DIGEST

Edited by Fred L. VanVoorhees, Box 132, Lemoyne, Pennsylvania, USA

Another week and a busy one for all of us, I'm sure. This week we have a few items of DX interest, a tabulation of split frequency reception by Hal Wagner, and more about Don Kaskey's reception from Iceland, so let's go.

DX NOTES

NORTH AMERICA

COSTA RICA--TIFC (995) heard from 0001-0005 at S-9 level on 12/7 with woman announcer in English asking for reports. Also heard S-8 on 12/8 from 2219-2314 with religious program in English. This program started at 2300. Station definitely verifies all correct reports. (HJW)

MEXICO--XEWX (1410) Villahermosa, Tabs, logged at 0250 on 12/12. (JTT) Letter verie in from XEOX (1430) 5 Kw., included decal and photo. Member of Red XEW network, signer not readable. Address is Radio Cajone, Calle Veracruz #63 Sur, Ciudad Obregon, Sonora. (HJW)

CUBA--CMCF (910) good at 0100 sign-off mentions Santa Clara, Santiago de Cuba, Camaguey, Radio Union. CMBF (950) is Radio Cine, Cine Radial, S. A. (MHS) "La Voz del Aire" on 790 Kcs. would be CMCD probably, not CMCH. (FV)

PUERTO RICO--WIAC Santurce, logged at 0445 with Noticias Internacionales (News). WKVM heard battling KCMO and WGY at 2000 on. (Mort, our INTERNATIONAL LOG listed all Latin slogans which we know when it was issued. Copies are still available-FV)

SOUTH AMERICA

TRINIDAD--Your editor finally logged a foreign station thanks to the DX from WVDI Cocorito, on 600 Kcs. Heard here from 0402-0423, but fading badly after 0415, with nothing very definite heard after then. S-4 to S-5 at maximum, but good enough for a report.

VENEZUELA--YVMF (700) Maracaibo, logged at 1955 on 12/12, over WLW completely. (JTT)

COLOMBIA--Station on 1200 Kcs. logged on 2:30 night program on 12/8. Slogan seems to be "Radio Popular" in Bogota. Report sent to HJCV. (Some say it is HJCR, although we have HJCV listed-FV) (HJ)

EUROPE

FRANCE--With new Siemens receiver logged Allouis (164 Kcs.) on 12/15 0058-0130, heard fairly well for first long wave station. (HE)

OCEANIA

AUSTRALIA--Verie received from 3GI (830) on a report of August 28, 1955. Nice card showing time and date heard. (HJW)

GENERAL

HW did some listening recently on split frequencies during the evening and reports as follows on his findings. He says that he did not listen before 10 PM, so he may have lost any which signed off before then:

543 Not identified lately, CW1 last year.

585 Announced as San Jose, Costa Rica. (TIJC)

605 Latin. ((TIGPH)

607 Carrier here, too much slopover to hear modulation.

625 TIPG. (Hal, you are years behind. This is TIDCR)

653 Heard best about dusk before YSS comes on. (PJA10)

655 YSS

665 Lisbon about dusk.

693 Carrier heard, but too much slopover for identification.

695 XEN

785 Trinidad.

845 Rome heard occasionally.

854 Latin, presumably OAX4A.

855 Latin. (TIGS)

865 Curacao.
 955 Latin. (TIAC)
 965 Latin. (HOF)
 995 TIFC.
 1005 Latin.
 1015 Latin. (TIFC4)
 1025 Latin (YSC)
 1075 YSEB
 1085 Latin.
 1105 Latin. (Reported to be a Cuban, possibly CMGW)
 1115 Latin. (HCLA2 Assigned)
 1165 Latin. (YVMD)
 1174 Latin. (TIQ)
 1187 Carrier heard, too much slopover to hear modulation.
 1198 Cuban.
 1205 Carrier heard, too much slopover to hear modulation.
 1215 Latin.
 1265 Guatemala, "Radio Quetzal" last year. (TGAQ)
 1275 Latin. (YSY)
 1285 Latin. (YVMP)
 1295 TA, sign on about 11 PM. Latin in early evening, Curacao.
 1305 Latin. (CMJQ)
 1325 Carrier heard, too much slopover to get modulation.
 1351 Carrier heard, too much slopover to get modulation.
 1355 Latin. (HCRF6 ?)
 1365 Latin.
 1373 Latin. (TIJR)
 1375 Latin. (HCBX2)
 1385 French speaker early evenings. (4VS)
 1475 Latin. (Radio Centinela, HJAF)
 1525 Latin.
 1579 Latin, think Cuban.
 1585 TA, sign on at 10:30 PM. Note: Items in parentheses are those of your editor, being the most likely station on the freq.

THE OVERSEAS MAILBAG

Several pages from Don Kaskoy have been received recently, but due to this being a holiday issue and the lack of time here to digest all the information, we are going to hold off the information and try to consolidate it for a future issue, either next week or the week after.

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 DK-A/IC Don Kaskoy, Keflavik Airport, Iceland.

GENERAL

Want to hold the DIGEST to two pages this week, but for the new members, please when you send reports here, double space, and use one side of page only. List all items under Continent and Country as it appears here. In order to get the DIGEST done quickly and not lose any information, I cut your reports apart and group according to the way they appear here. If you cooperate, we can all get a lot more in the DIGEST, and I'm sure it will be more valuable to all of us. Hope you had a wonderful Christmas, and best wishes for a Happy New Year. Didn't list stations on New Years Morning, as not enough were reported last season to make it worth while. Hope Santa was good DXwise too. Christmas to all of you.

---Issaquah, Wash.

"TENTATIVE REPORTS; O.K.?" (An editorial)-Roy Millar

Greetings, fellow "DXers"! It appears likely that "yours truly" is very much to the "Pro" side in this current debate regarding "Tentative Reports" (Which I shall further refer to as TR for sake of brevity); I must admit that I may get a bit carried away at times--be it far from me to claim perfection, or "know-it-all"! However, I strongly feel that TR have a definite place in our "DX" hobby, so will take this opportunity to discourse on same....

First, there are occasions where, although no positive ID of a station is heard, other information makes ID quite positive; I mean such as Time calls (For instance, a time call of EST plus 17 hrs. on 1370 assures me that it ~~is~~ 2XP I'm logging; a time call ending with "Atlantic St. Time" on 930 likewise assures me that it is CFBC's DX program I'm logging.), local WX forecasts, news, etc., can often turn an otherwise TR into a positive report; follow?

Now, to situations where there is nothing to positively indicate that the logging we are reporting is actually that of the station we are writing to; in other words a true TR. I must break such down into several categories. First, as to Domestic DX programs arranged by our fine CPC; I feel we owe each station DXing one of these three: A positive report; a TR; or a note that we either were unable to listen for them or unable to hear them; all of course including a sincere "Thank you". A certain March heard; or other song identified; even just type of music; perhaps a time-call or mention of a test or special program may serve a required evidence of reception of such a DX test. Mention of the NRC or of being a DX program can often change a TR into a positive one. Quite a number of excellent verifications of DXes from such reports are in my verie files; am most certainly glad I sent reports, even if weak TR! Now, as to other Domestic stations, it seems that it would be seldom that a TR would be in order, as there are just too many stations on a given frequency most of the time to justify such guessing. One exception that comes to mind is a TR I sent to WAIP-1270 on a f/c at time listed; they verified, so my ID while not positive was correct. Possibly a TR might be justified if we are quite certain that the station we are writing is the only one to likely be on at the hour of report; possibly such as a station on R/s on 910 on a Mon. AM at 4:AM, EST; wouldn't you send a TR to WABI if you had never heard Maine before? Now, to the largest field of TR, Foreign stations. First, to English speaking stations: Let me give you an example of a TR of my own: "To 4ZR, Roma, Qald: Dear Sir: I noted a signal this date on 1480kc/s that I believe may have been from 4ZR. Between ---- AEST (----GMT) and ----- AEST (-----GMT) I noted music of a choir, probably a hymn; also a man noted speaking; voice was unreadable, but sounded as if he were speaking in an auditorium or large hall. I have searched all available records and it appears that there are no U.S. or Canadian stations on 1480kc/s at this hour on a Sun. AM, so really think a chance that it was 4ZR I heard. Will appreciate very much hearing from you; 4ZR would indeed be a prize verification if 500 watts as listed in my log! Thanks a million for your consideration of this." What resulted? A positive veri-letter; their first correct report from No. America; and my prize verie as were only radiating 300 watts! It was a church service that I had heard. I feel that a friend was made at 4ZR as well a fine verie received. There have been other such; "SABC" tester on 1025; "AFRS"-Naknek AFB on 790; 3UZ-930, etc. As to TR to foreign language stations, well, again it is simply a matter of telling what you heard and asking if they could let you know if it was their station you heard. No need to bluff; frankness and courtesy pay off. "NWDR"-1586; Bordeaux I; OAX4X; are examples. 73s, *Roy H. Millar*

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Roy has a few stencils left from the defunct Far West DX section and has taken advantage of Lefty's invitation in a recent bulletin to express his views. We are glad to print it. (Harold Wagner)

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All Times are EST

600 WMT Cedar Rapids, Iowa has FC each Wednesday at 0200 (BB)
 690 KEVT Tucson, Ariz has FC 1st Tue 0300-0315 (BB)
 720 Radio Jamaica, Cross Roads, Jamaica Sun S/on 0600 in CLEAR (CMS)
 900 CKBI Prince Albert, Sask S/off 0303 (CMS)
 960 KOOL Phoenix, Ariz S/off 0400 except Sun (BB)
 980 CKRM Regina, Sask sched is 0800-0303 (HS)
 1050 KFMJ Tulsa, Okla Dec ~~XX~~ sched is 0830-1815 (HS)
 KNCO Garden City, Kans Dec sched is 0700-1830 (HS)
 1220 WLSD Big Stone Gap, Va. Sun ~~XX~~ S/on 0735 (HS)
 1230 KFJB Marshalltown, Iowa S/off 2400 (BB)
 1240 KDEC Decorah, Iowa S/on 0600 (HS)
 1250 WGL Fort Wayne, Ind Sun S/on 0700 (HS)
 WKBL Covington, Tenn Sun S/on 0700 (HS)
 WIZZ Streator, Ill Sun S/on 0830 (HS)
 1310 KTKR Taft, Cal has FC 2nd Mon 0330-0345 (BB)
 1270 KDJI Holbrook, Ariz has FC 2nd Sat (GB) (Did they give the time, Grant?)
 1350 WKOZ Kosciusko, Miss Dec wkday S/on 0600 (HS)
 1360 WNAH Nashville, Tenn Dec wkday S/on 0700 (HS)
 WELR Roanoke, Ala Dec wkday ~~XX~~ S/on 0700 (HS)
 1370 WGRY Gary, Ind Sun S/on 0830 (HS)
 1380 WKJG Fort Wayne, Ind Sun S/on 0730 (HS)
 1400 KCHS Truth or Consequences, N.M. has FC 0300-0315 Mon nearest 25th (BB)
 KCLF Clifton, Ariz S/off 0100 (BB)
 KSIM Sikeston, Mo S/off 2400 (BB)
 1580 KWED Seguin, Tex. Dec S/on 0815 (HS)
 WBBA Pittsfield, Ill Sun S/on 0800 (HS)

Jan 30, 1956 WROV
 1240 kc. Roanoke, Va
 0530-0500 EST

Jan 9, 1956 WLNH
 1350 kc. Laconia
 N.H. 0300-0400 EST
 Report to NRC mem-
 ber Howard Kemp.
 140 Court St. Laconia

REPORTERS KBIA, Columbia, Mo. Hrd 5:30-5:50 PM s/off (Rosenbaum)

GB Grant Batson, BB Bus Boatman, HS Harold Schrock

HOW THEY WERE HEARD

WCCM Good in Illinois & at Crystal, not heard in Pennsylvania
 KODL Fair in Illinois, very weak in East
 KBOL Too much QRM for this one to be heard in East or at Paxton, Illinois
 WKOK Very badly QRM'd in East but generally hrd, fair in Illinois
 CHLN Fair to good in Illinois, not hrd in NYC or during spot check at Athens, Pa
 Heard at Crystal Beach K thru carrier of local WGR by tuning to sideband
 WJMB Fair in Illinois and Crystal Beach, good at finish but 20% readable other
 times in Pennsylvania
 KOZE Herb Campbell doesn't think they were on. CMS thought he heard them
 Not hrd in Illinois (We've got this one out of order, sorry)
 WIKE Probably not on
 KWBY Heard in East but bad v QRM'd by KTRH Good in Illinois
 KENN Fair signal but distorted by carrier in Pa, weak but clear at Crystal Beach
 Good in Illinois.
 KLIR Heard in East but badly QRM'd by Mexican, good in Illinois
 KLRS Good in East and Midwest
 WKMC Good in East, fair but clear in Midwest
 CKGB Fair at Crystal Beach, fair with QRM in Illinois
 KEUN Very little heard ~~XX~~ in Pa, heard with QRM at Crystal, good in Illinois
 KTEL Not heard in East or Illinois
 WEMR Very little hrd at Athens, Pa, not hrd at Crystal or Paxton
 WCOL Probably not on
 KVIC Not hrd at Athens, Pa, probably hrd at Crystal, fair in Illinois
 WKVA Good in East and Illinois

We want to thank all of you who sent us Christmas cards. We just wish we could send each and everyone of you cards also. Remember next week we go back to our regular Wednesday deadline. And how about you from the South and Far West, don't you ever have any tips for us? Even if they are of interest to only one section of the country, we want them. HAPPY NEW YEAR and 73s. Stan.