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## STATIC FROM HQ

It's time for a change...no, we're not giving up, but your clock will if you forget to turn it BACK one hour at 2 am on Oct. 29th which is when Daylight Saving Time ends in the US. Also, we're looking for contributors here--no, not the money kind (if you send money, make it yen or something worthwhile!) but the kind that are like reports--now that we're going to weekly DX News editions, we need articles, reports and stories. Send them to the editor of the column where they pertain, or to us at HQ and thanks in advance for the support, folks! *wolf J.*

## CPC TESTS

Times are E.L.T.

- October 30 Monday WSKI-1240 Montpelier, Vt. 0000-0100 with 1 Kw-ND. Test will be Tijuana Brass music with frequent IDs and 1000 Hz tones. Veries to: Tom Cheney, Program Director, WSKI Radio, Box 487, Montpelier, Vt. 05602. Arr: Harley Steward.
- November 7 Tuesday KUOM-770 Minneapolis, Minn. 0100-0300 with 5 Kw. This will be a regular weekly Tuesday morning test (November 14, 21, 28, etc.) for maintenance. The test will include test tones, open carriers, voice IDs. A proof is scheduled one Tuesday in November and this one may last longer. The station may also do a MM test in 1979 if they can arrange it. Reports (must include return postage) to: Larry Brogger, KUOM, 580 Rarig Center, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, 55455. Arr: Arruda.
- December 18 Monday KDLG-670 Dillingham, Alaska. 0515-0615 with 5 Kw ND. Test to include tones, voice/code IDs, DX gab and some Eskimo gab. Prepaid calls (save those pennies!) accepted at 907/842-5281. Veries to: Les Robinson, General Manager, KDLG, Box 670, Dillingham, Alaska 99576. Arr: Eddie Ryan, GWDXA (owes Ted letter)

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Welcome to these new members--please Muse soon and introduce yourself!  
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SYMPATHY....We would like to express our feelings of sympathy to member James E. Critchett, whose wife, Frances, died on Sept. 20.

# AM SWITCH

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Greetings to you all! With all the nice words that Bruce Winkelman wrote in the last AM SWITCH column, I hardly know what to say or where to start! Until now I had little idea of how much time Bruce must have spent getting this column started, bathed, and put to bed each month. In any event, Bruce, we all wish you and your wife the very best as you start your family together -- and now comes your chance to critique someone else's work in a field where you're the expert.

In preparing this first column, it only makes sense to continue where Bruce left off with essentially the same format he established. If any of the readers have ideas as to improving the readability of the column, let me know either directly or through Ernie's MUSINGS column. I'm also soliciting inputs from all the members who frequently note changes in a station's operation that may have escaped me in reading the daily releases from the FCC (which is my job for one of the major electronics companies).

So let's get to it...note that I've separated the information into six basic categories; the first category includes changes that have occurred, the second is an advanced word about changes to look out for shortly, and the rest...patience is a virtue.

## I. CHANGE YOUR LOG TO REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

### New Stations now on the air:

690 - WYIS - Phoenixville, PA	410 - WTNR - Kingston, TN
1060 - WNPC - Newport, TN	460 - KLTC - Dickinson, ND
1130 - WJTP - Newland, NC	490 - WRED - Monroe, GA
1140 - WKMM - Kentwood, Mich	570 - WFBZ - Macon, GA
1340 - WYCB - Washington, DC	

### Changes in call letters:

900 - WDDO - is now WBML*	320 - KCRA - is now KGNR
980 - WLOD - is now WPIP	330 - WLOL - is now WRRD
1220 - WCDQ - is now WOMN	400 - WGON - is now WQXO
1240 - WBML - is now WDDO*	470 - WWML - is now WRML
1240 - WOCB - is now WSOX	570 - WDEW - is now WLDI
1290 - WREY - is now WDG5	

\* Both stations are in Macon, GA.

### License cancelled, station off the air

1550 - WKOT - Kingston, NY. (My impression is that WKOT has been off a year or so.)

## II. STATIONS AUTHORIZED TO CHANGE FACILITIES (and probably will do so within weeks)

550 - KARI - Blaine, WA - Changing night power from 1000 w. to 2500 w.  
630 - KGDN - Edmonds, WA - Is now a daytimer; will start nights at 1000 w.  
740 - WSBP - Boca Raton, FL - Is now a daytimer; will start nights at 500 w.  
910 - WPLA - Plant City, FL - Is now a daytimer; will start nights at 1000 w.  
930 - WCNR - Bloomsburg, PA - Is now a daytimer; will start nights at 500 w.  
970 - WCHN - Norwich, NY - Will remain a daytimer but increase to 1000 w.  
980 - WRIP - Rossville, GA - Is now a daytimer; will start nights at 500 w.  
1060 - KKKQ - Tempe, AZ - Increasing day power to 5000 w.; remains 500 w. nites  
1070 - WSCP - Sandy Creek, NY - Remains daytimer but increases to 2500 w.  
1080 - KVNI - Coeur d'Alene, ID - moves from 1240; power will be 10,000 w/1000 w.  
1090 - WIID - Garden City, Mich - Is now a daytimer; will become 500 w. day and nite.  
1250 - KUKA - San Antonio, TX - Is now a daytime; will start nights at 500 w.  
1290 - KLIQ - Portland, OR - Is now a daytimer; will start nights at 5000 w.  
1300 - WBLG - Lexington, KY - Increasing day power to 2500 w.; stays 1000 w. nites.  
1320 - WDMJ - Marquette, Mich - Increase day power to 5000 w.; stays 1000 w. nites.  
1320 - KGNR - Sacramento, CA - Increasing night power to 5000 w. (was KCRA).  
1330 - WHOT - Campbell, OH - Increasing day and night power to 5000 w.  
1330 - WASA - Havre de Grace, MD - Is now a daytimer; starts nights at 500 w.  
1370 - WABD - Fort Campbell, KY - Remains daytimer but increases to 1000 w.  
1370 - KTPA - Prescott, Ark - Remains daytimer but increases to 1000 w.  
1390 - WMCT - Mountain City, TN - Remains daytimer but increases to 1000 w.  
1420 - WIMS - Michigan City, IN - Increasing night power to 5000 w.  
1420 - KITI - Centralia, WA - Is now a daytimer; starts nights with 1000 w.  
1430 - KEES - Gladewater, TX - Is now a daytimer; changes to 5000 w. / 1000 w.  
1430 - WBEV - Beaver Dam, WI - Is now a daytimer; starts nights at 1000 w.  
1440 - WRDD - Bay City, Mich - Changing from 1000/500 w. to 5000/2500 w.  
1470 - WTKO - Ithaca, NY - Changing from 1000/500 w. to 5000/500 w.  
1510 - KSTV - Stephenville, TX - Remains a daytimer but increases to 500 w.

## II. (Con't)...STATIONS AUTHORIZED TO CHANGE FACILITIES;

1530 - WMBT - Shenandoah, PA - Changing from 1000/250 w. to 2500/250 w.  
1540 - WCBK - Martinsville, IN - Is now a daytimer; will change to 500/250 CH.  
1580 - WSBP - Chattahoochee, FL - Remains a daytimer but increases to 5000 w.  
1590 - WWBK - Brockport, NY - Changes from 1560 and will operate 1000/1000 w.  
1590 - KSPR - Springdale, Ark - Remains a daytimer but increases to 1000 w.  
1600 - WPOM - Riviera Beach, FL - Changes from 1000/1000 w. to 5000/1000 w.  
1600 - WQCK - Warner Robins, GA - Increase day power to 2500 w.

There is confusion here about the last listing (WQCK); it appears that they are dropping their night-time operation with this change. Anybody know?

## III. STATIONS REQUESTING NEW CALL LETTERS (May be in effect by publication date):

570 - WFSO - Pinellas Park, FL wants WPLP  
580 - KDAV - Lubbock, TX wants KRLU  
600 - KINC - Independence, CA wants KNYO  
630 - KIDO - Boise, ID wants KMMA  
1090 - WCMG - Jacksonville, FL wants WQIK  
1240 - KMBY - Monterey, CA wants KESE  
1240 - WBIR - Knoxville, TN wants WXPO  
1300 - WLOT - Marinette, WI wants WCJL  
1330 - WROS - Scottsboro, AL wants WKEA  
1460 - WRKR - Racine, WI wants WEGS  
1490 - KVOG - Ogden, UT wants KJQN  
1510 - KDKB - Mesa, AZ wants KDJQ  
1540 - KRXX - Ft. Worth, TX wants KMZK  
1560 - KRCB - Council Bluffs, IA wants KQXV

## IV. CONSTRUCTION PERMITS GRANTED FOR NEW STATIONS (Watch for On-The-Air dates)

910 - New - Lafayette, Ala - 1000 w. Daytimer  
1080 - New - Huntingdon, PA - 1000 w. Daytimer  
1220 - New - Lewisburg, TN - 250 w. Daytimer

## V. CALL LETTERS ASSIGNED TO NEW STATIONS (Not Yet On Air):

1060 - KAYR - Van Buren, Ark.  
1240 - KHHA - Carlsbad, NM

## VI. FCC HAS ACCEPTED THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS (Usually takes months to approve):

680 - New - Marshall, Mich	1330 - New - Somerset, PA
740 - New - Zumbrota, Minn	1370 - New - Pewaukee, WI
970 - New - Spring City, TN	1420 - New - Renton, WA
1140 - New - Greybull, WY	1460 - New - Elkhorn City, KY
1170 - New - Vernon, CT	1470 - New - Coalinga, CA
1190 - New - Beloit, KS	1500 - New - Dallas, GA
1250 - New - Homer, Alaska	1520 - New - Hallettsville, TX
1290 - New - Anamosa, IA	1540 - New - Yanceyville, NC

See, Bruce? You got out just in time! This is quite a load of change...and now I have to update my log book!

I must tell all of the members that I prepared this copy a bit early in order to give the reviewers in Louisville an opportunity to comment on my typing, etc. I'm looking forward to regular contributions from the membership so please see that I have your letter(s), card(s) or whatever by the 10th of each month so I can get it included.

Hey, this was fun. I'm looking forward to next month already! By the way, if you happen to hear WA2WEN on 75 Meters, that's me! And if you tune in WWHW Saturday mornings sometime and hear "John Dennett", that's me too! Busy, busy, busy!

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Deadlines are Saturdays. Here's what we have this time around.....

## SPECIAL

- 980 WRC DO WASHINGTON - noted off air 10/3 1345, also 10/2 0018 w/PoP Test, but returned @ 1847. Usually NSP. (WPT)
- 1450 WWIV LA NEW ORLEANS - is now on RS w/this call, s/off at 0100. Stands for "Way It Was" - old time 30s-40s vocals as opposed to Dorsey/Goodman & some New Orleans Jazz. Noted this while visiting here week of 9/25. (PT)
- 1620 WFAT NY NEW YORK CITY - in w/beacons 9/27 0215, xltnt signal. Asking for phone calls & IDing as "WFAT clear channel 16-20." Phone is 212-664-9979, anncr mentioned not many callers cuz everyone is DXing! Called for QSL, but not in yet. (KR)

## MIDDAY TO MIDNIGHT

- 700 WLW OH CINCINNATI - fair 10/2 1310-1313 w/ID, many local spots and promo for "I Love You Cincinnati" & phone numbers. QSL in the mail. (WPT)
- 870 WHOU NY ITHACA - 9/28 1844 fair w/T40 mx u/WFLO. (WPT)
- 880 WRZ NC CLINTON - 9/27 1846 poor u/WCBS w/talk. (WPT)
- 960 WRFC GA ATHENS - 9/27 2000 fair amid QRM w/wx. (WPT)
- 1010 WELS NC KINGSTON - 10/1 1827 fair u/WSID w/mentions of NC at s/off. (WPT)
- 1160 WJJD IL CHICAGO - fair 9/29 1320-1324 w/C&W mx, many spots & Paul Harvey program, my farthest midday catch thru much QRM (600 miles, sun at 50 degree elevation, QSL in mail).
- 1170 CFIK OH CORNWALL - 9/27 1945 fair w/talk u/WWVA. (WPT)
- WHLW NJ LAKEWOOD - 9/26 1842 good w/T40 mx and temp. readings for Jersey Shore. (WPT)
- 1360 WSAI OH CINCINNATI - 9/25 2203 fair w/ID & nx atop mess. (WPT)
- 1380 WTOB NC WINSTON-SALEM - 9/23 2002 good atop mess w/NC State-West VA football game. (WPT)
- 1410 WPOP CT HARTFORD - 9/25 1841 xltnt 20 minutes before sundown w/promo for CT Lottery. (WPT)
- 1480 WABB AL MOBILE - 9/29 1958 good w/ID/local spots, T40 mx. (WPT)
- WDAS PA PHILADELPHIA - 9/25 1844 good w/ID by YL, Soul mx. (WPT)
- 1520 WEKY FL OAKLAND PARK - fair @ 1931 s/off 9/30 atop two other unknown s/off. (MD)
- 1530 WCRJ FL JACKSONVILLE - very good, alone w/modern Christian programming 9/30 1920. (MD)
- WJDM NJ ELIZABETH - 9/25 1828 good w/C&W mx. (WPT)
- KGBT TX HARLINGEN - 9/26 2212 fair/poor u/WCKY w/LA song by YL.
- 1540 WLOI IN LAPORTE - 9/7 1959-1901 RS, very poor w/ID, much QRM.(BPS)
- 1550 WRHC FL CORAL GABLES - good, atop w/SS programming to EE s/off 10/3 1858. (MD)
- WWQM WI MADISON - 9/5 2015 s/off, very poor u/WJIL, just did catch ID, EX-WMAD. (BPS)
- WJIL IL JACKSONVILLE - 9/5 2015-2016 s/off, poor in much QRM, ID noted. (BPS)
- WSAO MS SENATOBIA - 9/18 2016 s/off, bombing in w/clear sigs. good audio running to 15 khz....this rather odd? (BPS)
- 1560 WQXR NY NEW YORK - 9/25 1827 xltnt 35 min. before sundown w/stock reports & spots. (WPT)

- 1570 WBUX PA DOYLESTOWN - 9/25 1834 good 30 min. before SS w/MoR.(WPT)
- WOKZ IL ALTON - 9/15 2015 s/off, poor/fair w/ID. (BPS)
- KUXL MN GOLDEN VALLEY - 9/22 2028 s/off/ID, poor w/CFOR QRM.(BPS)
- WGHO GA CLAYTON - 9/26 1944 s/off weak but solid SSB. (BW)
- WSWV VA PENNINGTON GAP - 9/26 s/off at 1945 strong o/WGHO, ments. of 105.5 FM. (BW)
- WTQX AL SELMA - 9/26 Nx, wx 1955-1957 to s/off, Black DJ, no SSB heard. (BW)
- WORL AL ONEONTA - 9/26 2000 s/off nice to last few bars of vocal rendition of "Dixie", nice arrangement. (BW)
- WLDQ KY VANCEBURG - 9/26 2001 s/off nice after WORL gone, XR location ments, but no SSB. (BW)
- 1580 WOLS GA COLUMBUS - 9/26 this pest noted w/"15-Rock" slogan, to Rock mx 2043, slogan done in reverb fashion. (BW)
- WSRP FL FT. LAUDERDALE - very good, alone w/album rock & "Surf 16" IDs 1926, 9/30. (MD)
- KPIK CO COLORADO SPRINGS - 9/25 2115 s/off, poor w/mention of Colorado Springs along w/garbled IDs. (BPS)
- KOHA IA ST. CHARLES - 9/26 2029-2030 s/off, xltnt...don't know why not logged before. (BPS)

## MIDNIGHT TO DAWN AT THE RANGE

- 740 KRMG OK TULSA - 9/27 0130-0147 briefly in weak, then signal loss. (KR)
- WKIS FL ORLANDO - 9/27 0209 came up after KRMG faded w/ID. (KR)
- 850 WBAT FL WEST PALM BEACH - 10/2 0108 good w/FL nx, wx & s/off w/NA @ 0110. (WPT)
- 920 WMEL FL MELBOURNE - 10/2 0145 good for LKW w/wx, T40 mx. (WPT)
- 1060 WNOE LA NEW ORLEANS - 10/2 0040 fair/good w/WFL scores & wx. (WPT)
- 1150 WDEB FL DAYTONA BEACH - 10/1 0330 fair w/ID, ments. of Daytona Beach. (WPT)
- 1210 WABE NC WADESBORO - 9/27 0113-0135 rough copy u/WCAU on ET w/Pop mx & IDs between records. (RA) Noted approx. same time with mx & IDs on ET way u/WCAU. (FD) 9/27 0100-0115 weak u/WCAU w/ET/IDs playing song Hollywood Nights by Bob Seeger for test music. (JK)
- 1320 WHEW NC WASHINGTON - fair 10/3 0600 w/s/on & mention of 500W.(WPT)
- WETE TX HOUSTON - 9/5 0135-0149 fair in RS w/slight QRM/QSB, quick v/l in a week. (BPS)
- 1480 WOIN OH CINCINNATI - 9/4 0144-0202 on ET, fair w/WTHI, no ID on hour, heavy QSB. (BPS)
- WTHI IN TERRE HAUTE - 9/4 0200 poor in RS w/ID, then back weakly u/WOIN. (BPS)
- 1510 WITS MA BOSTON - 10/2 0100 poor w/Dick Syatt (?) rebroadcast talk show. (KR)
- 1560 UNID -- ----- 9/27 0210 w/Cuban time ticker in background, Unid tones heard, no ID. (KR)

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- 540 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC Santo Domingo R. ABC at 0030 9/26 w/SS vocals and several ID's, weak but in the clear. (Deitz)
- 540 MEXICO San Luis Potosi XEWA good, dominant w/mentions of "Servicio Mexicano", SS ad for firm in Monterrey, XEW mention, then telephone #'s were given 0512 9/30. (Connelly)
- 555 ST. KITTS Basseterre ZIZ fair w/EE talk by man interspersed w/mx 0057 9/27. (Connelly)
- 580 CUBA Ciego de Avila QMJM- SS talk by OM, good for 500 watts 0604 10/2. (Townshend)
- 611 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aioum very good w/spirited AA flute and violin mx; WGIR nulled 0129 9/28. (Connelly)
- 640 CUBA La Habana CMQ dominant w/R. Liberacion ID, SS talk by OM & YL 2359 9/28. (Connelly)
- 640 GUADELUPE Arnouville fair w/man doing mx in FF 2307 9/23; hrd on TRF while sitting on a jetty at beach in Hyannis. (DeLorenzo)
- 640 GUATEMALA Guatemala TGW 9/2/78 0128 talk in SS, ID "TCW" at 0129, "Radio Nacional" and "La Voz del Pueblo" at 0130, followed by some talk on Guatemala with portions of instrumental mx. Much more reliable here than CMQ, which was easily nulled on the wedge. Fair. (Worst in Texas) (No, I'm not trying to knock Wurst-CH) TGW was feeling its Wheaties tonight. Good signal and way over CMQ 0220 10/1. Light SS vocals and R. Nacional ID's. (Deitz)
- 650 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC Santo Domingo HIAT- LA song by YL 0410 9/21 fair u/WSM and slight WNBC slop. (Townshend) Atop channel w/R. Universal ID, TC, slow male SS vocal 0107 9/27. (Connelly)
- 655 EL SALVADOR San Salvador YSS 9/2 at 0150 with organ mx followed by bongo drums. ID at 0156 as "Radio Nacional de El Salvador". Weak but clear. (Worst)
- 660 CUBA Santa Clara CMHG SS song by OM 0115 9/28. Pest WNBC QSB'ed in 0117 as CMHG QSB'ed out. Fair-good. Similar results noted for CMKP and WMAQ on 670. (Townshend)
- 660 MEXICO XERPM 9/2 0158 with Frank Sinatra records. ID at 0200 followed by SS vocals. Strong. (Worst)
- 665 PORTUGAL Lisbon with fantastic sig after WNBC s/off 0500 9/25 w/nx by YL, freq 664.98. Good until WNBC OC/TT at approximately 0530. (Straus)
- 699 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC Valverde, HIRC-a very strong het on WLW turned out to be R. Mao 0015 9/26 w/SS male announcer. (Deitz)
- 720 COLOMBIA Barranquilla HJAN w/LA mx fair o/u CMGN w/WGN wiped out 0139 9/24. (Townshend)
- 720 CUBA Colon CMGN atop, totally dominant w/SS talk about Cuba, then mx 0002 9/29. Conditions were of a short skip auroral variety: Cubans loud, YV/HJ weak. (Connelly)
- 740 CUBA Camaguey CMJL w/SS talk by OM 0356 9/21, fair u/CBL. (Townshend)
- 740 VENEZUELA Maracaibo YVNC good w/female SS vocal mx, then R. Maracaibo ID and repeated use of 2-note doorbell chime 0201 10/2. (Connelly)
- 760 COLOMBIA Barranquilla HJAJ loud w/reverberated RCN and LV de Barranquilla ID's 0251 10/1. (Connelly)
- 765 SENEGAL Dakar in w/an outstandingly loud signal during a period of almost no low band domestic skip-AA talk, then native vocals and strings 2356 9/26. (Connelly)
- 780 CUBA Camaguey CMJN loud w/political SS talk by man 0005 9/29. (Con)
- 780 BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS Roadtown goodw/screamin' DJ, ad for clubs 0113 9/27. (Connelly)
- 800 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES Bonaire PJB xInt w/EE rlg. talk 0250 10/1. (Connelly)
- 818 ANDORRA Sud Radio xInt at 0515 9/25 w/pop mx, YL FF anncr, morning type pgm. (Straus)
- 818 MOROCCO Rabat at monster level w/AA violins 0114 9/27. (Connelly)
- 827 MOROCCO Oujda clear but shallow audio w/Eastern mx and chanting 2352-2358 9/27; apparent s/off by man at 0000 but OC still on at 0005. (DeLorenzo)
- 834 BELIZE Belize City running SS pgm, fair, 0116 9/27. (Connelly) In over WHAS slop for first time. Man and woman in EE then Benson and Hedges sports show. ID 0208 9/26. (Kenneally)
- 850 COLOMBIA Bogota HJKC w/nx in SS by OM fair o/u WEAT 0504 10/2. (Townshend)
- 854 SPAIN Murcia RNE 0525 9/25 fair w/SS OM talk, instrumental mx. (Straus)
- 860 BRAZIL R. Mundial, Rio de Janeiro vy good in peaks w/rock mx, lively ads, man in PP 0525-0532 9/10; R. Clarin obviously off. (DeLorenzo)
- 862.8 CUBA Pinar del Rio QMAF ex 880 assumed the one here to good peaks w/festive SS mx 0139 9/28. (Connelly) The classical mx stn formerly on 880 has drifted up to about this frequency, seperable now from WCB. (Cooper)
- 890 COLOMBIA Bogota HJCE chimes, ID as "La Voz de Bogota" by OM, then nx 0458 10/2. (Townshend)
- 900 BARBADOS Bridgetown briefly o/the pack w/"Dial a Dedication" phone in pgm 0208 10/2. (Connelly)
- 900 MEXICO Mexico City XEW o/CKTS; SS talk including XEW ID, many ads 0142 9/29. (Connelly)
- 944 HONDURAS R. Panamericana HRYW finally strong enough for a taped ID 0442 10/1, preceded by both EE and SS EZL. (Deitz)
- 950 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIBA R. Popular is now here ex 920; hrd on departure day for the convention, 8/31, 0519 to the odd s/off time of 0537 with NA on an auroral mprng. (Cooper)
- 960 COLOMBIA Magangue R. Sutatenza in and out 0310-0330 9/27 mixing with WBOC, heard several SS ID's and mx items. (Deitz)
- 980 CUBA Havana CMCK SS songs by male. Good with local WRC off the air (PoP test) 0418 10/2. (Townshend)
- 990 MEXICO Monterrey XET, song in SS sung by YL 0447 10/2. (Townshend)
- 990 VENEZUELA Barquisimeto YVIA good w/frequent Tricolor ID's interspersed w/SS mx 0052 10/2. This has become somewhat of a regular with the upswing in solar activity. (Connelly)
- 995 ECUADOR Guayaquil fair w/plaintive SS vocal; het from something on 994.4a, 0119 9/27. (Connelly) Het is the Haitian ex 985-CH
- 1000 MEXICO Mexico City XEOY w/song in SS sung by OM. Programs similar to XEQ 940 and XEQR 1030. Fair 0434 10/2. (Townshend)
- 1030 CUBA Camaguey CMFA w/SS talk and Dixieland mx. Same pgm as CMAC 1020. Fair sig 0027 10/2. (Townshend)
- 1030 MEXICO Mexico City XEQR w/SS talk by OM/YL. USA song of 40's vintage by Freddie Martin 0451 10/2 good o/CMFA. (Townshend)
- 1035 HAITI Cap Haitien 4VEH w/end of rlg. pgm, s/off with "Amazing Grace", good sig 0030 10/2. (Townshend)
- 1040 COLOMBIA Barranquilla HJJC w/nx in SS by OM w/freq mentions of Bogota and one mention of R. Tropical; fair 0522 10/2. (Townshend)
- 1060 CUBA Havana CMQ w/SS talk by OM. Fair o/u WNOE 0440 10/2. (")
- 1070 COLOMBIA Barranquilla HJAC w/SS talk by OM; ID as Emisora Atlantico 0528 10/2 fair o/unid LA. (Townshend) Banging in like a lowal; 4 note electronic sound, Emisora Atlantico ID, Barranquilla ads, then SS pop mx 0248 10/1. (Connelly)
- 1080 HAITI Port-au-Prince 4VA w/FF talk by OM fair o/u HJAW with pest WTIC auroraed out 0033 10/2. (Townshend)
- 1080 COLOMBIA Monteria HJAW w/ID, mention of north part of SA by OM, LA mx (tangos, etc.) 0502 10/3 fair o/u WTIC. (Townshend)
- 1090 UNID SS talk by OM. Good sig 0608 10/2. (Townshend)
- 1100 ANTIGUA St. John's ZDK fair/good w/soul mx, WWWE nulled out at 0053 9/27. (Connelly)
- 1110 VENEZUELA Carupano YVQT alone on channel at good level w/authentic (non-Americanized) LA vocals, R. Carupano Musical ID 0128 10/2. (Connelly)
- 1130 COLOMBIA Barranquilla HJAC w/ID, mention of Barranquilla by OM, fair-good with pest WNEW auroraed out 0458 10/3. (Townshend)
- 1130 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIRL R. Exitos a boomer tonight 0030 10/2 w/SS EZL and ID's after almost every song. (Deitz)
- 1160 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC Santiago HIBC w/song in SS by OM, mention of Santiago fair-good with WJJD wiped out 0128-0132 9/30. (Townshend)
- 1165 ANTIGUA St. John's Caribbean Radio Lighthouse w/gospel song "Think of That" by OM in EE w/talk by OM with Caribbean accent 0037 9/30, fair-good with slight WWVA splash. (Townshend)
- 1170 HAITI Port-au-Prince 4VRD w/FF song by YL after talk in FF by OM 0137 10/2. Fair w/pest WWVA auroraed out. (Townshend)
- 1190 UNID song in SS by male vocalist; SS talk by OM 0008 9/30. XInt, wiping out WOND at 0015. Xmsn ended abruptly (possible sunset power reduction) at 0117. Noted on several occasions with // pgm on 1180 o/u VOA. (Townshend) It's a new Cuban-CH

1200 COLOMBIA Riohacha HJZW w/SS talk by OM then "Take Me Out to the Ball Game", fair 0116 9/30. (Townshend)

1200 VENEZUELA Caracas R. Tempo with ID at 0605 9/26. (Rychalsky)

1205 CAYMAN ISLANDS R. Cayman unusually strong at 0015 10/2 w/"So Help Me Jesus" // 1555. Up till now I've only been able to hear their carrier and a lot of WCAU splatter. (Deitz) In better than usual but still no ID. Terrible het from Haiti. Strongest about 0105 9/26. (Kenneally)

1205 FRANCE Bordeaux 0545 9/25 w/OM FF tx, poor. (Straus)

1220 COLOMBIA (tentative) Barranquilla HJVF suspected w/apparent Vision mention then man and woman in SS followed by cl mx 0045 9/2. (Con)

1263 UNID SS noted Thursday AM 9/21, very weak and fadey; no hint as to the country on this one, must be AN. (Cooper)

1265 ST. KITTS Basseterre R. Paradise in strong w/usual preaching and 1260 splatter 2315 9/25. (Deitz) Potent w/hymn in EE, easily pushing by local WEZE 0040 9/27. (Connelly)

1295 UNID probably BBC; 1 kHz TT loud 0118 9/28. (Connelly)

1300 VENEZUELA Maracaibo YVNS dominant w/SS version of US MOR hit, then "Punta" ad, SS talk giving studio location as Maracaibo; o/other SS'ers (domestics totally blanked by heavy duty auroral activity) 0121 10/2. (Connelly)

1360 UNID SS, I think 'twas Maracaibo with UP pop mx around 0530 9/12 o/WDRG/CJVL. (Cooper)

1370 COLOMBIA R. Piloto, Barranquilla noted again o/u WFEA on MM 8/28, at 0620, a semi-AU morning. They did not reply from my May report so not reported again. (Cooper)

1403 GUINEA Conakry fair w/talk by man in an AVRican lang, talk-possibly a religious service- 0037 9/27. Strong, but fluttery, w/man in FF at low audio level 0105 9/28. (Connelly)

1420 VENEZUELA Maracaibo YVZO in w/slow ballad, then SS talk giving QTH as Maracaibo, then R. Vision jingle followed by festive LA mx; approximately 50 Hz het against WBSM 0145 10/2. (Connelly)

1466 MONACO Monte Carlo in w/talk, Muzak in bad WLAM buckshot 2358 9/20. (Connelly) Weak but perfectly readable. Got a beautiful taped ID at 2330 9/18 "This is the European Service of Trans World Radio, Monte Carlo". (Deitz)

1470 VENEZUELA Valnecia YVJW probable w/Close Encounters theme, SS talk w/ID which sounded like R. Latina, then disco-rock followed 0059 10/2. (Connelly)

1500 UNID faint signal, probably Mexico, much static 0600 10/2. (Rychalsky)

1529 VATICAN R. Vatican poor w/musical notes (IS?), then talk by woman; too much skop present to discern the language used 0100 9/28. (Con)

1530 CUBA CMJX R. Moron, Moron very loud, alone w/SS folk-rock mx 2350-0000 9/30; complete ID including call letters at 0000; no trace of WCKY in extreme aurora. (DeLorenzo) R. Moron (noted previously by Hutton) dominant w/R. Moron ID, familiar Cuban slogans 0201 10/1. Usual WCKY totally annihilated by aurora. (Connelly)

1538 WEST GERMANY Mainflingen occasionally getting by WPTX sloop, bits of CG talk 0059 9/28. (Connelly)

1540 BAHAMAS Nassau ZNS o/feeble WPTX groundwave; EE rlgx pgm 0102 10/2. (Connelly) Loud and clear, completely alone w/talk on chicken-pox 2340 9/30. (DeLorenzo) No wonder you only listened for one minute-CH

1550\*\*\* TURKS AND CAICOS, R. Turk fair, alone w/BBC World Service NX 2303 10/3; BBC commentary 2309-2314, then ID "This is Radio Turk.... where the news comes next". Into local mx followed by reggae mx at 2320. R. Cayman 1555 also very loud at the time. Country #77 heard. (DeLorenzo) Very good. I think this is the first US report of them while on 1550-CH

1555 CAYMAN ISLANDS R. Cayman very strong w/EE "Young Love" at 0009 9/22. Very little QRM. (Deitz) Fair w/Karen Carpenter vocal in WQXR/WPTX sloop 0012 9/27. Excellent on TRF (1) w/Dr. Hook record 0203 10/1. (Connelly) Is easily the best heard LA split here. In over locals all night 9/26. (Kenneally)

1562 INTERNATIONAL WATERS (tentative) rock mx in and out of CKLM sloop after WQXR s/off 0516 9/30. (Connelly)

1570 UNID SS heard 8/31, AU cx prevailing. Hymn on the piano at 0503, then at 0505 "Muy Buenos Noches" then what sounded like a prayer. TIVE?? (Cooper) Matches up with their s/off-CH

1580 MEXICO Hermosillo XEDM w/SS talk by OM fair 0405 9/27. (Townshend)

1586 WEST GERMANY Langenberg to good peaks but quite fluttery- 50's style ballad noted at 0055 9/28. (Connelly)

1602 WEST GERMANY Munich in w/blts of piano mx and vocal in WDR sloop 0057 9/28. (Connelly)

From the New Zealand Radio DX League: Brazil 680 R. Caucha, Porto Alegre is now 100 kw. Colombia HJBF has moved from 1340 to 1040. Cuba has opened a new 1 kw tx in Media Luna, Granma province.

Mark Connelly- Arlington, Mass.	R390A, 2 37 m. phased wires
Ernie Cooper- Provincetown, Mass.	2 Hq180A's, loop
Mike Deitz- Va. Beach, Va.	SPR4, DR33, DA5, Sanserino loop
Marc DeLorenzo- Centerville, Mass.	HQ100, SM1
Rick Kenneally- Cincinnati, Ohio	DX160, CB antenna
Konstantine Rychalsky- Bridgeport, Conn.	braces and tin foil
Elliot Straus- W. Orange, N.J.	R390A, HP524B, loop
Bill Townshend- Washington, D.C.	TRF
Michael Worst- Beaumont, Texas	51J4, Wedge

Re the 1140 Cuban tx mentioned above, it is on the air and received well in Atlanta. I can't decipher the slogan however.

I will be unavoidably out of town from 10/26 to 11/7. The deadline for the 11/15 issue will have to be pushed up accordingly. Destination is DC-Halloween is an appropriate time to be up in DC visiting Merriman!

## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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This time we have 3 questions from Virginia.

- 1) I have noted in several articles the mention of an Inverted-V as "the best" longwire for BCB for people who don't have room for a beverage. While I have an SM-2 as my main antenna, I'd like a back-up. Could you get some details on construction: height, type of wire, lead-in, where to tap the lead, et al ?

I don't recall which articles you are thinking of and I suspect there must be a mixup since an Inverted-V is nothing more than an ordinary dipole whose ends slope down to the ground. The thing that makes me wonder is that each leg is 4 wavelengths which works out to be 325' - 975' from end to end for the Broadcast Band. For a 120' apex, you would need a pole 50' - 300' high to support it and ground supports 260' - 780' apart. This strikes me as somewhat unworkable. You can get by with a lower pole but then you need more land. And, as the apex approaches 180°, the Inverted-V starts turning into an ordinary dipole that is close to the ground. If you could send me copies of the articles, I could better answer your question. I would recommend that you read the blurb in the ARRL Antenna Handbook since it covers what you want to know.

- 2) On my HQ-180, I have a nice little control called a slot filter. While I have tinkered with it and get some limited results, I'd like to know (in layman's terms) what this is for and how it is best used.

The slot filter is the same as a notch filter and its purpose is to eliminate undesirable signals. Normally you would use it to eliminate hets. As an experiment, open the bandwidth up all the way and tune Belize-834. Tune it a little low so that you get a het against WCCO. Turn the slot filter fully clockwise. Slowly turn it counterclockwise and the 4 kHz whistle should disappear in 2 places. Once when you notch out Belize's carrier and once when you notch out WCCO's carrier. Its great for eliminating hets from off frequency Latins or domestics which interfere with TA's. When not in use, it should be turned off to one side.

- 3) Do the Cuban Amers verify reports? I have tried tapes, spanish reports, IRCs, mint stamps, etc. What's the trick, 'cause I know some people are getting Cuban QSLs.

According to Messrs Hutton and Schatz they do. Send your reports in Spanish to the address listed in the WRTH. They say they are pretty good about verifying but some can take a while. Part of the problem is that we do not have official mail relations with Cuba. Since mail cannot be sent directly to Cuba, it is often sent to the Cuban ambassador who sends it on the next plane to Cuba or it is sent overseas to a country that does have mail relations with Cuba and who will forward. This is why it can take so long.

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Part of problem-solving, so I've learned, is IDENTIFYING the problem. The following stations are listed as non-verifiers of 3 or more reports by at least one of the above reporters, and for which ye ed has NO known signer. (Later in the column, I'll list those known WITH signers).

THE HOLDOUTS: (frequency, station, # of reports, reporter)

525	TICAL	(3, RS)	1270	WTNT	4, ERG
540	HICM	3, RS	1280	4VRH	3, RS
600	KIIX	3, WH	1300	WQEK	4, ERG
630	CKRO	3, RO	1310	WIBA	5, RC
640	ORTF	4, RS	1325	TIRC	4, RS
650	YVLH	3, RO		PJA10	3, RS
660	XBRPM	3, RS	1330	4VW	4, RS
680	KWKA	3, WH	1370	WABD	3, WH
710	WKRG	3, RO	1385	4VS	3, RS
	WUPF	3, RO; 5, EJ; 6, RS	1430	KLO	4, WH
750	KMMJ	3, RO; 7, RS	1440	WEZJ	3, KA
775	TIV	3, RS	1445	PJF-1	7, RS
810	ZNS-3	7, RS	1460	WEMD	4, DS
825	TIGS	3, RS	1480	WRDW	4, KA
830	HJJB	3, RS	1490	KTTR	3, EJ
860	ZYD68	4, RS	1500	WURL	4, RS
870	WGTL	3, RO; 4, RS		PJO	4, DS
900	KIW	3, RO	1520	WEXM	4, DS
910	YVRQ	3, RS		WEPQ	4, KA
930	KBU	4, RS	1570	KNDY	4, EJ
965	YNLU	3, RS	1590	WRAH	3, EJ
970	KSYL	5, RS			
980	HISA	3, RS			
1000	H7AQ	3, RS			
1015	YSC	3, RS			
1045	HOJ2	3, RS			
1050	HICB	3, RS			
1060	YVNR	3, RS			
1100	ZDK	7, RS			
1150	YVMV	3, RS			
1155	YSCF	3, RS			
1180	YVNU	3, RS			
1214	YVMN	3, RS			
1225	TIEB	3, RS			
1241	HIAU	3, RS			



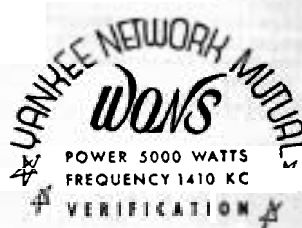
Will ANYONE who has or knows of a recent verie (+ signer) on any of the above PLEASE let us know!!!!

Send us YOUR holdouts for inclusion in FUTURE columns!!

If anyone lives near or is passing by any of the above, why not stop by and "spread the NRC gospel!" (especially ZYD68, hi!).

THESE "HOLDOUTS" HAVE VERIFIED FOR OTHERS in recent months. However, as we all are aware, radio personnel come and go frequently; stations change ownership; sometimes a good-verifying person becomes sour on DX reports because of inferior or demanding reports; station policy can change, etc. etc.! However, the fact remains that these stations DID verify for at least one of us!

600	KROD	I. Prell, GM (holdout for WH)	(WH)
620	WRJZ	Kevin D. Douglass, 7E (Q)	(BB)
640	WHLO	L.D. Sharp, CE (r)	(ES)
655	YSC	Roberto S. Mendoza, D.(q)	(RC)
680	CFTR	R. Turnpenny, VPoE (l)	(RC)
740	KRMG	Jerry Vaughan, PD (p)	(ES)
		Ty Stiles, Stu Su (r)	(ES)
750	YNX	Dolores Martinez C	(RC)
		Jose Maria	(RS)
760	HJAJ	Felix Vargas Vasquez, Ger	(BE)
900	CKTS	Dianie Blania (q)	(BE)
	KPAL	B. Pratt, GM (l)	(NO)
940	KIOA	J. Johnson (p)	(VE)
	YVNW	Roman Aguilar	(RO)
960	KGKL	J.W. Poteet, CE (1)	(VE)
980	WFHG	u/u, CE (q)	(RO)
	CKGM	G. Smith, TD	(DS)
1000	KKLM	P. Lirtman, CE (1)	(DS)
1020	YVRS	u/u (q)	(ERG)
1030	XEQR	Mario G. Rosales, DA	(RO)
1050	CKSB	R. Brodeur, Tech. (q)	(NO)
1060	KUPD	Y.J. Ellis, CE (1)	(WH)
1100	KREX	A.L. Ladage, CE (q)	(WH)
1130	WCAR	G. Urbiel, CE (1)	(RC)



I'll save the balance for the next column! NEXT TIME, will do a column on the USE of a prepared card. Any examples of YOUR own prepared card would be appreciated! We'll endeavor to print two or three of the best ones submitted!

VERIE TIP OF THE MONTH: Try to "relate" to the station. Let me explain! Tell the station IF you've ever been in their town and highlight something you did there; maybe you have a great aunt that lives nearby; or perhaps you went to school in that state; worked there or even lived there or near there at one time. ANYTHING to establish any common ground.

As an example of the above, my most recent report was to KPOF-Denver. Knowing that they are owned by the "Pillar of Fire" I related how I had grown up near and listened many times some years back to their sister station, WAZ, Zarepath, New Jersey. I think ANYTHING to make your report A, more interesting perhaps, to them and B, make it unlike many of the stereotype "form" reception reports that stations often receive.

LET'S hear from YOU! Your HOLDOUTS, any SIGNERS for the above HOLDOUTS; any ideas to help your fellow DXER obtain veries; and for our next column, YOUR version of a prepared card! Thanks & 73.



# MUSINGS

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### ADDS THREE NEW COUNTRIES ON TWO CONTINENTS

DOUGLASS ALLEN - 15 Lafayette Street - Schenectady, New York - 12305 9/30/78  
I've been more mute than Musing these past few months, so for those who forgot or who never knew, this second year NRCer is 38 & divides his avocational time between long distance running, birding, & radio pursuits including collecting old radios, amateur radio as W2CRS, & DXing. Marriage, working as a high school coach, & a plethora of hobbies leaves only limited time for DXing. In terms of DXing hardware I've graduated from a QRR-666 to an HQ-180A, to an SPR-4, in about 18 months. Each has been a definite improvement over the former. My SM-2 has been replaced by a Palomar Engineers Loop Antenna, another improvement. The principal advantage of the Palomar Loop is its excellent nulling ability while the SPR-4 is more compact, has better frequency readout, & is perhaps less prone to overload than the HQ-180A. Other antennas include my 20 meter dipole & a temporary 2,000' beverage used one week in April. While having worked DX on 160 off & on for 20 years, I'm nevertheless, amazed at the BCB DX heard from my downtown apartment. The log stands at 36 countries, 33 states & 543 stations this Oct. 1. New ones for September include 9/11- GJWL-1360 @ 2:30 am w/FF IDs w/ WDRG; WQMN-1400 @ 2:59 on top w/ID & NI. 9/13- GJWL-1350 @ 10:05pm giving NX & ID. 9/19 was a fair TA night w/30 splits noted weakly in QRR. Unn Lille-1376 was the strongest w/R. Francoe IDs @ 12:41am; Unn Bordeaux-1205 also fair w/IDs @ 1. Porto Alto-1034 w/ID noted @ 1:15 for country #33. Bratislav-1096 w/Slavic language @ 1:25 peaking above QRR, a tentative country #34 until someone listens to tape. 9/25- GHRB-1600 way on top @ 8 pm w/many IDs. WBRU-1230 @ 9:45 through local WWWD splatter w/PSA on "fitness" & ID. WQCO-1240 @ 10 through null'd WWWD with many mentions of Waterbury. WQNB-1460 @ 11:32pm w/PSA w/ null'd WQCO. 9/26- WWSG-1460 weakly on top after WQED s/off @ midnight. GHRB-1460 s/off @ 12:06. KRLD-1080 PSA & ID @ 1:30 w/WTC off. WWSK-1560 @ 9:11pm w/"BK Radio" ID w/WQXR null'd. 9/27- WNVB-1380 @ 11:26 "14 NVR" w/WSTX null'd. (Who's WNVB, Douglas? -NRC) 9/29- Unn R. Columbia-725 very strong @ 12:50am w/unn R. Omega-575 much weaker. YHR-620 @ 1:15 w/NI & "La Voz Nacional de Nicaragua" IDs for country #35. Mexicans XEWA, XEX, XEW, & XEQ all were very strong @ 1:30. La Voz de Bogota-890 w/clear ID w/WML & other LAs @ 1:49. R. Repuerto-910 on top @ 2am w/ID & NI. Two stations I've not been able to ID are an SS, International 1 on 883 heard several mornings & a probable Mexican (R. Mill?) on 1000 w/mentions of Guadalajara & Mexico heard @ 2:05. September has started the new DX season in good style w/18 new ones & three new countries including TAs & LAs. I hope the gang has been every bit as successful as I have. 73.

### WELL OUT HIS DOOR IN TWO MONTHS

STEPHEN H. FOUNDER - Box 22835 - Fort Worth, Texas - 76122  
It's been quite a long time since I've had time to hit the dials & not much has gone on DL-wise this Summer, anyway. Now that school's back into session, time is again at a premium. I hope that all the other DXers have had a better time at it than I have. Besides all the crummy WX CI both here & back home in Louisiana, an ill-fated Summer romance has all but shattered my dreams of getting 500 verified before I leave Fort Worth, hi. That's right! This Dec.15th I will receive my Master's Degree in Religious Education from the seminary here. Personally, I think it's about time - I've been going to college straight through from 1970! I'm ready for a break, hi. This Summer has been very profitable, though, in clearing up my logs! Here are some of the veries: KQOP-960, KQDW-1420, KAWS-1530, KQOK-1490, Caribbean Radio Lighthouse-1165, KQCL-1220, KJOE-1480, KFLQ-1300, KQND-1340, KSCJ-1360, KAIL-1270, WJRE-1430, WBBQ-560, KTKO-1000, WQDY-1170, KSLQ-1230, WBBR-1300, WBBF-1280, & KQGS-1600. All were f/ups except for KAWS-1530. At least I broke the 400 verified barrier! I can hardly wait until I start work somewhere to begin a new city log in my radio stuff! I guess that's all I have to say for right now, except that WFAA-570 in Dallas has started re-runs of old radio shows on Tuesday nights from 8:35pm until after the CBS Radio Mystery Theatre ends at 1am Wednesday morning, EST. Every night @ 11:30pm EST they run the old series, "Suspense." Here's to perhaps the best DX season ever! 73 & good DX.

### ANOTHER HAPPY TRF-ER

ROB JINKERSON, Jr. - Route 4 - Box 12 - De Soto, Missouri - 63020  
Will you accept a Muse from an NRCer whose typewriter is in the shop? I promise to still double-space and print as neatly as I can. NRC is the only MW DX Club I belong to. My total station count is now 230. I bought myself a TRF. I haven't put an external antenna on it yet. On a personal note, I just got back from Nashville, where I went with a friend of mine who recorded two of my songs. Here's hoping for a hit. Well, here are my AM adds: 9/19- KQAN-860 good w/rr @ 2:40am, KQAN-1340 5:35pm w/MoR, WRRZ-620 9pm, no sleep from KDK. Buying the TRF definitely gave me the bug again. 9/20- WQRO-1490 Ill. w/ send nr @ 3:45pm. WLL-580 Ill. heard with "Public Radio 580" announcement. I haven't had a chance to try my TRF on an AM yet. KIKI Ariz. & KIDW Idaho are among those needed on 580. I heard an SS woman on a split between 880 & 890 with KZL w/ the other night about 2:30am. Could that be Cuba, Pinar del Rio, as reported in Chuck's column? (Sure was! -NRC). Good signal, but no intelligible ID. Great news about next year's Convention as it's only an hour away from home. See you there! 73.

### WORKS AT AN LW AIRPORT BEACON

WAVE ROGERS - Box 76 - Buffalo, Missouri - 64602  
Greetings. If any NRC members are interested in WLF DXing I thought I'd mention I'm now in charge of maintaining the non-directional beacon at the Buffalo airport. The station's identifier is "BPK" & transmits continuously on 215k with a power of 25 watts into a flat top type antenna. If anyone should pick up BPK I would be happy to verify a FF/s if they would provide information on what was heard, interference, reception CX, etc. Incidentally, the station call letters are WCF4 according to the station license and "BPK" is listed as the "identifier." So apparently the FCC issues call letters that are never transmitted over the air. On the subject of call letters, I see the FCC is now issuing CB calls with four letters and four numbers. I used to be sort of contemptuous toward some OBers for their failure to use their legal calls among other things. But four letters + four numbers is getting ridiculous. It's no wonder some can't remember their call and just use a "handle." When the three letters + four number "K" prefixes were all issued I wonder why the FCC didn't switch & use a "W" or "N" prefix which are also assigned to the USA instead of adding another letter? One new verie, a w/l from KATQ-1190 to bring BCB verified totals to 575 from 43 states + D.C. 73 & good DX.

### IS HAPPY WITH HIS NEW "RADIO WEST" LOOP

WAYNE HEKINEN - The Pikes Peak Dier - 427 East Caramillo Street - Colorado Springs Col. 80907  
I just got my Radio West Loop & I am quite impressed. Coupled to the RBG it works fine. DX - yes! 9/18. Back-to-back f/c's from KXPO-1340 w/TT 2:43-3am, then KXPO-1340 3:03-3:10. 9/23- KENN-1390 for report 1:10am w/rr. KCRS-550 w/rr 1:22am. KQWA-960 w/chicken rock 11:27pm. KQNO-1370 Cheyenne w/c/w. Long-sought semi-local KFLJ-1380 very weak w/SS/EE dual programming. I also took logs on five semi-locals. Best daytime new reception was KCSR-610 @ 2pm. SSS 9/24- KDIJ-1270 w/ads 8:09pm, then KFLP-900 @ 9pm s/off. 9/25, I missed this MM as I played a bar that night (Sundays are bad to play in more ways than one). 9/25- KSHY-1370 great @ SSS w/RR. KTBK-600 snuck through the mess about 10:30 pm. Veries still trickle in. Overall totals, 856 reported, 703 verified, roughly 82% overall. New ones: v/f. KQWE-1550. w/PP/c. KQNO-1370, KQDF-1050, WRR-1310 (just under the wire), KLNQ-1490 (thanks, ROL AND LINDELADE!) & v/r. KXPO-1340. We will see everyone in ST. LOUIS if I have to hitchhike. Get your CPC cards/letters mailed- thank-you cards & request letters. 73s.

### HAS SOME OF MALCOLM KAUFMAN'S GEAR ON LOAN

CHRIS HANSEN - St. Joseph's Seminary - Dumwood - Ionters, New York - 10704 914-968-6200  
Hello everyone. It's been a while since I mused, but nothing has been going on here of note. I received the loan of much equipment from NRCer MALCOLM KAUFMAN, who has moved into smaller quarters & could not store or use much of his equipment. (Of course, I have a smaller room than he does, but I'm more dishevelled, so I don't mind the clutter, hi!) I have, therefore, gotten a chance to compare a Drake SPR-4 with M-4 antenna to a Hallcrafters SX-96 w/Worcester Loop. Not much comparison. The Worcester ran circles around the M-4 - e.g., WLIX-540 in Talip, far from a local here, was just the tinnest of twitches on the Drake, while the Hallcrafters was pulling it in quite well (this was just before SSS 9/25). The only problem with the Hallcrafters is that the readout is poor (though it's better than my late unlamented HQ-200 ever was!). I have a direct frequency readout (Mattis kit) & I would like to hook it up to the Hallcrafters - however, I have no idea how to do it (ditto for my Heathkit spectrum analyzer). If some kind soul has a schematic or (wonder of wonders) the manual, I would gladly pay for Xeroxing & mailing charges. (Hallcrafters SX-96). If anyone was wondering where the N.Y. Metropolitan area DXers went, they are still here - however, the next meeting will probably be the first meeting in a year (some time in the Winter). If any kind soul in N.J. (perhaps JOHN KROMKA) has Jeff Hambright's address, I would appreciate getting it, as I understand he has moved. Well, I have to get going (being a seminarian is hard work - I have a beer can glued to my left hand like Ernie, hi). 73s.

### NBC IS GOING TO SPLIT INTO TWO NETWORKS

FRANK DALLER - 5 Greenwood Avenue - Hartford, Connecticut - 06103  
The CBS Radio Network will commence with its second radio theater on 2/5/79 with the Sears Radio Theater. Unlike the CBS Radio Mystery Theater, made & hosted in N.Y. by E. G. Marshall, the new series will be produced in Hollywood with various stars hosting each night. The Mystery Theater will be celebrating its fifth anniversary this coming January. Mort Sahl, comedian-satirist has signed on as an afternoon talk show host on NRC, effective 10/16. The FCC has recently voted to authorize M-Stereo service. They are still testing five different systems, although Magnavox, Motorola & Kahn Communications approaches seem to be in the lead. KQFI in Pierre, S.D. & KARB in Aberdeen, S.D. have both joined the NRC Radio Network. NRC has announced that they will be splitting up their radio network into different divisions, a la ABC, I guess. Details are still sketchy, but it appears that AM & FM Network sections will be established. Jack Carney is hosting a Sunday night treat for all you old time radio addicts on KMOX, shows reprising the "classic" shows from the past, e.g. Burns & Allen, Jack Benny, Suspense, & more. Recent dial twisting has netted nothing new or outstanding. With the DX NEWS going weekly soon, surely the exotic stations will begin to drift in, hi. FRANK DALLER, are we going to have a Connecticut DX Get-Together this year? So much for now. 73. (I believe RAY ARRUDA will host one in Acushnet (New Bedford) Mass.--NRC)

O.K., ME HARMES - THIS IS IT! NOW, WE GO WEEKLY, AND LET US - YES - HUMBLY B-E-G YOU TO GET INTO THE WEEKLY MUSING HABIT, OR AT LEAST, A REGULAR WRITING IN OF YOUR DX DOINGS. OTHERS ENJOY READING WHAT YOU ARE HEARING AND VERIFYING! JUST AS YOU DO! SO, LET'S GO, GANG!



HE'S GETTING INTERESTED AGAIN

LYNN BURKE - 479 Nelson Drive #21 - Newport News, Virginia - 23601  
Greetings from one of the NRC's Silent Majority, I confess. For the last two years, my interest in DXing has been next to nothing thanks to job pressures and other responsibilities. However, I've rekindled my interest for this season & hope to be much more active. I introduced myself a couple of years ago, but I guess I should do it again. I'm 30, single, and am a sports writer for the local morning newspaper. I got interested in the hobby in high school, but never knew clubs existed until the mid-70's. Only local note is a well-reported change on 1490 where WVEC is now WUDE (IDLING as 2WD). Format is definitely not the EZ WVEC was noted for. In fact, shortly after the change, there were several letters to the editor in my paper protesting, saying there were enough T-40 contemporary stations around. Recent catches are not much, probably stations I should have had by now. Only thing of note was WSAR-1480 in Mass. on 9/25 with phone-in sports show. I had something I wasn't sure of the same night on 1576-77, but it turned out to be a spur or image of WCBG-1590 in Pa. I was on Cape Cod this Summer, but since I was inactive, I wasn't too alert & didn't give ERC a call. Maybe next Summer. (ALL NRCers are ALWAYS welcome, Lynn - ERC)

HAS HAD A PRODUCTIVE PERIOD AT THE DIALS

EDWARD R. COTTON - 4105 Second Street - Chesapeake, Virginia - 23324 802-543-7461 10/1/78  
Hi everyone. As promised, I will be in these pages more often this season. So here goes. Twenty-one new stations and one new state were added to the log since 8/15. I started on 8/15 w/WMBB-1470 S.C. @ 7am w/VID, into ABC NX, signal good. On 9/8, WABE-1150 Va. w/WDEL, s/off @ 7:30pm. WJBG-1520 N.J. added 9/10 w/VID u/WKEW & WARR-N.C. 9/12, 7:27pm, WELD-1270 N.Y. w/s/off. On MM 12:15am, WBTK 2/c in good. At 6:30am, WGGF-690 Kans. alone w/farm NX & religious program. I've been trying for this one for over a year. They've been all this week - taped, & report sent. On 9/26 WSVS-800 Va. s/off 7pm. This frequency is hard to get because of WTAR splatter. Later that evening I heard a station almost as strong as WCLS on 1580. At 8:55 WCLS had ABC NX & so did the other station. Same ABC NX @ 9:15pm s/off of KPIK, Colorado Springs. I've been trying for this a long time too. I haven't heard it since, state #40. 9/27- WRAN-1510 N.J. WX & VID, poor. 9/28, 7:30pm s/off of WUEZ o/u WLEB. WYDK 7:24pm VID from N.C., all 1480. 9:20, WHK-1420 O. c/w spot for Conway Twitty Show, & @ 9:30 CHOO-1390 Ont. VID @Choo Radio 14, serving the region of Durham. 9/29- 7pm, WBOG-1430 S.C. SID, WOGA-1540 Ga. s/off 7:42pm. WQDR-1190 Miss. (ex-WFUP) s/off @ 8, fair signal, alone. Also alone on 1570, KOLS, Okla. w/frequent VIDs, 9/30. At 7pm, WAMS-1280 & WJAY on 1280 from S.C. I got both within 15 seconds. WAGC-1560 Ala. s/off 7:46pm o/WQJR. WDEL-1560 Tenn. s/off @ 8, asked listeners to tune FM station until midnight. WOKZ-1570 Ill. s/off (taped) @ 8:15, alone, except for XERF, asking listeners to tune 100.3 FM. That's it for this time around. Let's keep Ernie busy next month. Everyone in the NRC, send him a Muse. I'd like to see his face when he got about 700 Musings at one time, hi. Best of DX to all. 73's.

DIGS INTO 1570 DX & PRAISES NEW CONTESTS

BRUCE WINKELMAN - 3324 Kettering Place - Greensboro, North Carolina - 27410  
Well, I figure it's about time to Muse since it's been almost two years since I last graced these pages! I hope all members have had a great Summer & are ready to dig into another season. My stint as AM SWITCH Editor was very enjoyable but other responsibilities made continuing a very large burden. My thanks to all who reported and made my tenure a pleasure. DX has been at a standstill over the past few months. The Summer QRN plus studying for the Amateur General exam took up a lot of time. I passed the General on 8/3 and am now W4BNO. Tonight was my first DX session in a long time & I netted four new stations heard. 1570 lives!!! WGHG-1570 w/s/off 7:44pm into SSB: WSWV-1570 w/s/off o/WGHG @ 7:45, mentions 105.5 FM, my Va. #50; WCRJ-1570 w/s/off @ 8 to last few bars of a vocal "Dixie"; WLBQ-1570 s/off 8:01pm after WCRJ was gone, no SSB. I brief re-intro for new members: 28, married, NRC member ten years (can it be that long, hi), pharmacist in a local hospital. I am planning on being more active this year & welcome the contests as a very strong incentive to get my act together and do some serious DXing. Let's have a lot of participants this time around. That's it for now, more later. 73 & good DX.

A HEARTY WELCOME TO BOB & WE ALL HOPE HE'LL MUSE OFTEN!

BOB LOWEN - 2146 Sunnybrook Court - Oakville, Ontario - L4L 1P4 9/21/78  
This is my first Musing, & considering I've been in the NRC for a year now, it's long overdue. By way of introduction, I'm 30, married, with one on the way, and am employed in the marketing end of the metals business. I did some DXing as a young boy, & only renewed my interest after being transferred to Bermuda early last year. I read about the NRC in Communications World, joined, & purchased a DX-160. While in Bermuda I managed to identify 144 stations, which included 17 countries, 27 states & three provinces. Verifications totalled 60 (so far) they're still coming in, although I've been back in Canada almost four months), out of 78 reports, including five countries, 23 states, three provinces. I haven't done much DXing recently, but hope to get serious again soon. Catches of late include: 8/7-CKX-970 fair u/WESR @ 8:23. 8/8- WSPD-1370 Audens BB fair @ 9:35pm. 8/10- WAXC-1460 poor u/local CJOY. 8/14- WRC-980 booming over regular CPFL. 8/16- WBAW-820 with Rangers BB, clear-to-weak. 8/17- WAGO-1450 4:47pm w/CHUC, ABC NX, local WJ: HIO-1290 @ 8:51 fair w/ID; WVOB-1390 appeared @ 9 w/time check, then lost in slip. I hope to receive the Domestic Log soon so I can report some of these catches. I've found the Night Pattern Book extremely helpful. 73. I hope ERC can read the handwriting. (No problem, Bob! -ERC)

LET'S HAVE THOSE MUSINGS, GANG! HEADLINE RESUMES EVERY MONDAY! PLEASE DOUBLE SPACE!

\*WONDERS HOW MUSE WILL BE CAPTIONED!

KONSTANTINE RICHALSKY - Box 4256 - Bridgeport, Connecticut - 06607  
XXX. And so begins my third year with NRC & my 30th Muse. DXing of any sort faded out back in February but the Summer heat stung like a Killer Bee in August when my season began. CHWO-1250 Ont. sprang out at me 8/14 @ 2:02am. Then a vision came to me, and a DX NEWS issue told me WFAA-1580 N.Y. was on the air so I bagged it in broad daylight, also 8/14, 2:25pm. Has Anna-one received a verie from these yet? (I have! -ERC) A recent trek to Daytona Beach & Orlando netted several catches. However, of the reports sent, none replied. I will NOT follow up Travel logs. On the way back I must have passed everyone en route to Atlanta. Though I was in the area, I had no time to spend. During the Summer months, prior to circular filing of old DX NEWS issues, I drafted up a Musing participation graph for Vol. 45. Maybe HQ may print it. DAVE YOCIS, Thanks for WORN-1220 call change - I never would have known if you didn't Muse. People - Musings ARE important! Please participate! Last year's Muse-a-day was successful (as my graph will show). How about this year everyone Muse at least once a month by sending in a Muse on the first of the month? Gee, I wonder how ERC will caption this? 73ies.

TALKS ABOUT THE BOSTON RADIO SCENE

MARK CONNELLY - 52 Asaden Street - Arlington, Massachusetts - 02174 9/25/78  
Boston may soon see a shuffle of XR sites for some of its stations. WCAS-740 announced it was petitioning the FCC to allow it to move from its present Concord Ave. Cambridge site, at which it maintains a 250w XR, to the Medford site presently used by WILD-1090. This would entail a power increase to 1kw. (still daytime only). Of course, adjacent channel occupants WHEE, WJTO, & WAGE will have to be consulted. For some time WITS-1510 has wanted to move from Quincy to a site SW of Boston, such as the Dedham-Needham-West Roxbury area near WUNR & WHEE. Such a move would allow a pattern that would permit nighttime operation w/50kw. WITS' present 5kw night signal is notoriously poor inland, clobbered by channel CJRS & slop from WKEW & WDFP. (Here on the Cape too, Mark -ERC) Angry Red Sox listeners frequently call WITS, complaining about poor reception on their car radios. Maybe WILD would be interested in getting the Quincy site for its non-directional daytime operation, soon to be increasing power to 5kw. The Quincy site is considerably closer to the Black community served by WILD than its present location in Medford. WJTR is still seeking 50kw day, 5kw night authorization on 1060, w/M stereo to boot. This, if successful, will be from a new antenna farm in Ashland. WAGQ may be changing its call sometime - I'm not sure if its T-40 & oldies format will be retained. Its present format is more relaxed than disco-powered WRKO & more oldies, largely late '60s/early 70s AM hits of the Three Dog Night ilk, are featured. All well & good, but Boston is primarily an FM-dominated town, with rock stations of every variety, including WOXY w/a format similar to that of WAGQ. It seems it would do no harm to have WAGQ (or whatever their new call will be) to bring back the c/w format it had as WCOOP. No c/w stations are audible on AM or FM in downtown Boston on consumer-grade radios. While I'm not a big c/w fan (preferring fiddling of the Gallic & Canadian Maritimes variety), I only think it reasonable that a market of this size should have one c/w station. Perhaps such a station could go more progressive at night with more "outlaw" country-rock to satisfy both the college student and trucker audiences.

WANTS TO START AN AIR VERSION OF DX NEWS ON WRBE-91.7

BRUCE A. COYNE - 10 Foreyth Street - Shelton West Box 74 - Boston, Mass. - 02115 10/2/78  
Long time no Muse! I plan to officially open up the 1978-79 DX Season by entering DX Contest #1. As a season primer, I tried some DXing with my Westminster 1425 multi-band portable RX. The results were nil. I need my SW-2 & SW-717 to accomplish anything in Boston. In BILL WURTZEL'S "The DX Blues" (from 8/17 DX NEWS) he says the DX NEWS would come in faster if broadcast over radio. That's a good idea! I would like to start a weekly DX NEWS on WRBE-91.7 FM as a public service and to increase the public's awareness of the art of DXing. The program would also support the NRC as a non-profit organization, along with other DXing organizations that may become involved. If you are interested in helping out or have any suggestions, or if you're in the Boston area and would like to help out on the air, write to me as soon as possible. Would the LPC give me permission to use information from the DX NEWS for broadcast with credits given where due? With people from all over the world continuing their education in the colleges of Boston, there could be no better place to spark an interest in DXing. 73s.

THEY'RE ROLLIN' IN FOR ROLLAND

HOLLAND A. LINDELADE - 1017 North 90th Street #2 - Omaha, Nebraska - 68114  
Many thanks to the guys in Atlanta for a great Convention. I, for one, am already planning on ST. LOUIS next year. Now that the Convention got me back to the dials again, here's a little recent DX. 9/19- 1:55 to 2:15, KLSR-1360 with 1k tone & VIDs. GM's WJTR said it was a f/c with Lees Summit, Mo. 9/22, 1:41 to 2:07 WAMB, Donelson, Tenn. testing their 1170 CP with big band mx. 9/23- 1:25 to 1:40 KOPI-1180 RS, my first log on this one and they were still there at 2:05 s/off. 9/25- 12:50 to 1:17, CKXL-1140 with the Wolfman and 50's rr mx. 9/26- 8:14 to 8:15 KKOJ-1320 Clayton, Mo. w/s/off without SSB. Funny I could never hear this when it was KADI. 9/27, 12:56 to 1:07, WCFP-1220 KTING w/rr & VIDs. Recent veries in: v/1- WFGM-1570, KAKK-1400, KBBS-1450, & KLSR-1360. V/q- WHLL-960. All of these except KAKK & KLSR were 13-centers so some stations are willing to spend a few cents. 73s & good DX to all.

REMEMBER NOW, BOYS - IT'S WEEKLY ONCE AGAIN. WE NEED YOUR MUSINGS. 30 LINE LIMIT.

\*- indicates Muser wrote his own caption.

NEW MEMBER: NEW EDITOR, SO LONG WELCOME HIM FORWARD!

WILLIAM R. HALE - 1451-B Faith Drive - Rantoul, Illinois - 61866

Since I will be taking over as Graveyard DX Achievements editor I figured I had better get a Muse in to introduce myself. I'm a TSGT in the Air Force, stationed at Chanute AFB, Ill. I've been here about three years as an instructor in the Digital Flight Simulation Course. Married, three kids, one of each. My interest in DXing goes back to around 1961 when I found out that at night and other special occasions strange and sometimes mind-boggling things happen on the old AM band. Although I would classify myself as only an occasional DXer, I have an avid interest in keeping my frequency maps as up to date as possible. By the way, thanks to all for the kind words about my Graveyard Frequency maps which just ran in DX NEWS. I have a separate map for all the frequencies. And if that's not enough, one for all the TV and commercial FM channels as well. The AM SWITCH column proves to be invaluable to me for the AM goodies, & I get the FM & TV stuff from Broadcasting, which I nose through when the boss isn't watching while at my part time job as DJ at WRTL here in Rantoul, Saturdays, only. My home is in Southern Wisconsin, & I have fond memories of the "good old days" of Chicago radio, circa 1957-65 (I've been gone since '65). The day WLS changed from the Prairie Farmer Station to rock was the best thing to me since - since anything. Prior to that we had to depend on WIND & WJJD. By the way, last night, 9/24, 11-12 pm CDT WIND played appropriate music bidding farewell to their mx format. Appropriately, "Last Song." All NX & talk now, as MARK STRICKERT mentioned & KEN ONYSCHUK mentioned in #31. I can't wait till my new Domestic Log comes. Then it's back to the maps for updating anything I've missed. I hope to hear from all you Graveyard Diggers soon. 73.

TRF-IC NEW TECHNICAL ARTICLES BEING PREPARED

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Greetings and felicitations. SSS has been good here lately, 11 new stations in September; not too much other DX - I've been trying to get back to sleeping nights, hi. That rising at 8AM for school sure drains a "night-owl" DXer like me. My TRF now has 10k readout, SM-1 input jacks and a top-notch alignment job - sure works great! Latest word is there will definitely be a GTG here Thanksgiving weekend, Fri. eve - Sun. morn; call 312-279-7250 weekdays 7-9pm CT for details. I'm holding a bunch of technical articles here - I will send them to whomever when I get time to type them up. (To HQ in Louisville, Brian - ERC) Included are: a switchable version of the FRG-7 filters, a cheapie (\$2 without crystal) 100 kHz calibrator, a \$5 WWV converter for all ye TRFniks, how-to make the SM-1 tilt, & how to modify the TRF for an SM-whatever (cost: 99¢). Soon's I get 'em typed they'll go to Foxy. Good news: I've been accepted at SIU-IL, in an Electronics Engineering program. Now I can dream up more ways to adulterate a TRF. If you want to see these ways sooner, they've already gone to NHP for IRCA's technical column. Is anyone else out there interested in modifications, how-to build, do and design? I'd like to hear from anyone with an engineering background re a cheapie digital for the TRF, also like to perfect an S-meter for same. Who-ever asked (I can't remember your name offhand, sir), a schematic for the Hallicrafters numbers SX-38, SX-28 or whatever, & most of the Hallicrafters series are contained in our school's electronics library, yours for a buck (Xerox costs plus postage). I'll be glad to offer schematics for the HQ-129X, S-76, and almost all other Hallicrafters as well as the SP-600 for photostat costs plus return postage, our school has the complete "Photofact" schematic set; updated weekly. In return, can anyone direct me to a schematic for an Atwater-Kent Model 60? I've tried everywhere, no luck, if I can't get a schematic I'll settle for the value of the HIG electrolytic capacitor in the corner of the case, it's about 3" x 3" x 5/8", or rather the can it's in is that size. Halp! I'd better close, I'm over the limit. 73 & good DX.

SO THIS IS WHERE GORDON WENT!

PAUL MOUNT - 35 1/2 West Columbus Street - Nelsonville, Ohio - 45764 614-753-3230 (7-7:45am & 8:30pm-3:30am best)  
I had a great time at the NRC Convention and auction in Atlanta over the Labor Day weekend. The 20 hour bus ride down wasn't bad, either. I had never been in N.C., S.C., Ga. or Tenn. before. The only problem was that I went 850 miles to get away from a 50kw 1-A clear on 770 only to find a 50kw 1-A clear on 750 literally across the street. It was interesting to note that much of the initial gab Friday was about FM on 8/22. I can't imagine your not knowing Nelsonville, hi, so here's some info: 1 1/2 miles SE of Logan, 11 miles NW of Athens in Athens County along the Hocking River in SE Ohio. The map shows Nelsonville in the middle of Wayne National Forest; there are mountains at the horizon in each direction. In relation to bigger cities, these distances: Columbus 52, Dayton 104, Akron 115, Cleveland 140, & Toledo 168. Which makes me more of a YAD than living in N.J. would. Teaneck totals came to about 515/35d/7/15 heard and 230/33d/5/6 verified. There are only three real locals here, W0UB-1340, WATH-970, & W6GN-1510. (They'd make three GREAT TESTS, Paul, hint - ERC) Nelsonville had a CP on 940. But there is a lot of line noise even when all six fluorescents in this five-room apartment are off. Oh - before going to Atlanta, I watched things bounce with JOHN KROMKA, visited WKER-1500, & saw ex-NRCer Eric Havemann, who was despised, hi, for having heard KHJ-930. DX next time.

VERIES ARE STILL ARRIVING HERE

GENE ALLEN - 134 Bret Harte Way - Vallejo, California - 94590

Recent veries in from KERR-1070, KGNR-1320 & SAN-890. SAN returned in ten days. Congrats to the Aussies for their promptness! Very little DX as not much time at the dials. Heard: QMAF-883 from 3:44-4:30am PDT on 9/22 - HANK WILKINSON & I are both reporting this one. KFTA Carmichael, Cal. heard ETING @ 1:30pm PDT 9/22 & announced every 15 minutes - good daytime signal for 250w. Our prayers are for JIM & FRANCES CRITCHETT in this troubled period. Best wishes to all CBX DXers for an excellent 1978-79 DX season. Radio Shack will have a new commercial receiver out Oct. 30th called DX-300 (digital readout).

TALKS OF VACATION RECEPTION IN WASHINGTON

HILL HARANG - 811 Nevada Avenue - San Jose, California - 95125

Now that I'm back in California, I miss the rain. How about you people in the Pacific NW shipping some down here? Our 21 inches (8" above "normal" in San Jose) wasn't enough for me. My two week trip up to Washington was wonderful, a hard to beat vacation. I flew up to Seattle in a plane on Tuesday, 9/5. Thursday 9/7 I went to the Olympic Brewing Company where we were served free beer in the Hospitality Room. (I'm green with envy and thirst! -ERC) The under-21 crowd had to have soda pop. Then, from Tumwater, we went to Wynochee Lake (not Wenatchee - two separate places and spellings). From there, we went on to Aberdeen. The name Aberdeen in Scottish meaning the meeting of two rivers. In this particular case, it is the Wishkah and Chehalis Rivers. Then on to Kalaloch on U.S. 101. Continuing my discussion of radio reception from Kalaloch, CBU-690 had the strongest daytime ground-wave signal. The second strongest in was CJVI-900. KSWB-930 & KNPT-1310 both had great signals up there. KSWB & KNPT were about equal to each other in terms of signal strength. They had stronger signals than KIRO, KOMO, CKDA, & KING, but weaker than CJVI & CBU, of course. Does anyone know what happened to WES BOYD? Is he still in the Club or not? (No, he dropped out a while back -ERC) If he's not around, who's going to be around to do all the work he did to put the NRC Night Pattern Book together? Have yourself a great vacation, wherever you go, whenever!

TALKS COST OF POSTAGE IN SOME ORIENTAL COUNTRIES

MIKE HARDESTER - CFMO BOX MS - PPO - Seattle, Washington - 98770

9/30/78

Greetings. My wife & I just returned from a 15 day trip to the Philippines & South Korea. Little time to DX, but I did get some pics of stations. We visited the Korean Broadcasting System where we were interviewed for a program to air in late September or early October. One point of interest to foreign DXers might be the fact that the English Service of KBS has one (1) person who sends out QSLs! The KBS studios are probably as modern as any broadcasting service in the world and utilize computer programming for domestic MW transmissions. For those DXers planning on reporting to stations in the Philippines or South Korea, the following might be of interest: Philippines: post-card reply costs 1.20 pesos or U.S. 17¢; ten gram (0.35 ounce) airmail letter is 2.30 pesos or U.S. 32¢; South Korea is unusual with an airmail letter, also ten grams, to the USA/Canada/Mexico costing 260 Won or U.S. 45¢! And we think we have it bad! I was advised the Korea rate had been set only several months ago & will most likely change again around the New Year (1979). Only 211 days remaining on "the rock" and then back to the States! At least I'll get a shot at the 11/23 9k frequency switch which I will report on as I gather off-air monitoring information. If nothing else, I may get to hear some NA stations. Also, a 1,000 foot/3.8 meter Beverage is planned later this year or early next year, as soon as some land is found to accommodate the space required. A closing note: ten gram airmail letter to NA is 120 Yen or U.S. 64¢ and for what it's worth, a Japanese IRC costs 140 Yen or U.S. 75¢. Best of DX & very 73!

OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO JIM ON THE LOSS OF FRANCES

JAMES E. CRITCHETT - 1635 Walbridge Street - Red Bluff, California - 96080

9/25/78

Frances passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 20 as a result of cancer of the colon. She was not a DXer, but permitted me to be one. She is, and will be sorely missed; a wonderful travelling companion. While she was ill at home, nighttime DX was non-existent. Here are some random notes. Tues. 8/29 @ 8am EDT, KRAI-550 IDed & broadcast UPI World News. Wed. 8/30 @ 7:50 on 1240, KFLI came on & IDed with Idaho Farm News & faded out by 8. The Chicago Tribune was once the owner of WGN, "The World's Greatest Newspaper", or "World's Greatest Nuisance", a matter of opinion, through its Continental Broadcasting Co. It has bought KCRA in Sacramento, and changed its call to KGNR. New call heard first here, Wed. Aug. 30 @ 2:35pm. They are seldom heard here at night, w/KCPX/CHQM, so according to the Sept. 11 Broadcasting Magazine, they have been granted a CP to increase its nighttime power to 5kw & change the XR location. That might increase the signal here. CFWS-860 Saskatoon, finally IDed in SE & FF @ 7:57 Mon. 9/4; French language after s/on. No CJBC heard here yet. Back to DXing Thurs. 9/21. 7:56 on 660 I had KFAR w/AC NK, & ID @ 8. Probable KBYR with CBS NX on 700 @ 8:05, & 2NR with their NX to the South. 660 had KOWH ID @ 7:37 Sat. 9/23, hi, DON KASKIE. MM 9/25, for those wanting North Dakota, @ 7:12 on 1440 KKKL Grand Forks IDed, on top of the mess (no KJHL) & no fun listening. So now I am back to DXing at any time day or night, with TP's coming in, but the Midwest staying on longer. This is certainly a good hobby to keep one's mind off from loneliness. Best wishes to all for a good DX season.

DX ROLLS IN WHEN YOU HAVE BEVERAGES - WIRE ONES, THAT IS

JOHN HOOGERRHIDE - 105 Bayside Lane - Brandenburg, Kentucky - 40108

9/10- 1510 DX on North Beverage had WJRC & WATT dominant @ 7:45pm - nary a sign of always dominant WJAC. WJRC @ WAUK s/off @ 8pm; three new ones in 15 minutes on 1510. WHEL-1330 @ 10pm w/WFBC/WJPS. 9/11- WACO-1460 atop @ 12:15am; TGV-640 u/a very loud KFL - no sign of Cuban on SW Beverage. 9/12- KZYM-1220 @ 7:45; KSUM-730 all powerful @ 8:15 s/off. KPDP-1580 s/off-SSB @ 8:30. QSLs in from WCRK & WIZ. At 10pm I had a new Wisconsin on Beverage in WTSO-1070 for three new Ws. logs in three days. 9/15 has WHEL-1590, WNB3-1340 and WCHL-1290 at 6pm on SW Beverage. 9/17- WZLX-1350 York, Pa. like a local @ 8:30pm on W Beverage. What happened - did I lose my ground? 9/18. No sign of WSUM-1000-TEST - needed, too. WJAC off & CJRS/WITS alone on 1510. Finally WKAR-870 atop WNL @ 8:15am. QSLs in from WAUK, WFRG, WTH & WACO & W6GN today. 9/19- WTRU-1600 atop @ 9pm - good opening to N as WNL-1440 also atop 9/19. With WWVE off, both KFAX w/religious & KREX & an unID LA noted. Who is Latin on 575 with dl mx - is a Costa Rican. (New R. Nacional, San Jose - ERC) Also (con'd.)



(Hoogerheide) WPLD-590, first time from anywhere w/c/w @ 2am. Be sure to try for WNVL-1250-TEST on Oct. 9 from 2-2:30 EDT, my first DX TEST. I promised their very friendly CE Ed Lipson lots of reports. They will use distinctive music - hopefully marches & TT.

#### AURORA CX NET HIM SEVERAL GOODIES

MURRAY CARL MANN - 5777 Ridgeview Drive SW - Cedar Rapids, Iowa - 52404

Starting off the third season in Eastern Iowa, some Summer DX was spent on regionals and GYs trying to get the Cedar Rapids totals up to 500. I went well over that 10/2 when really good AU CX were noted. SSSes were all over the dial, & the log took on an international flavor once again. Some of the goodies: KBAC-760, XETU-980 (heard evenings but never IDable on normal nights), Eudora Fuentes, HJAE-920 in the clear, Libertad HOL80-840, XEHL-1010, plus some Gulf Coast domestics KULF-790, WLCJ-910, KONO-860, WVOJ-1320, and on GY, WNUW-1400 & KOLR-1340. XERP-790 in with KULF. And some SS stations that got taped but are still unID, hopefully some intense playback will net more, particularly stations looping SW of R. Tiempo-1200 & again on 750 SW of INX. But most of all, chasing a low-key SS announcer on 910 that faded every hour on the hour. I hope I can get that one IDed from the tape. Perhaps some clues will be in the columns and Musings by the time this reaches print. I recall it was last year in October, almost to the day, we had that fantastic AU opening, when ERC first got Guatemala on 1240. My only SS on 1240 is in Chicago! I added a new cassette deck to the DX system this month. The old one was chewing up more tape than I could catch IDs for, so a new Sharp-2 channel deck is in operation. Now looking at new receivers, so the old GPR-90 can be semi-retired. The Radio Shack DX-300 looks interesting with its digital readout and decent specs, but it won't be available now until after 12/31. I hope all enjoyed that early October AU; starts the season off good.

#### MORE GREAT AURORA DX

STEPHEN J. MCINTIRE - 2225 Searle Street - Des Moines, Iowa - 50317

10/2/78

The best news I've heard in some time is that the 1979 Convention will be in ST. LOUIS. I well remember the one in 1969, riding around town w/ERC, encountering the infamous "green-eyed elephant", & meeting many DXers who were previously just names and catches to me. Barring a MAJOR disaster, I'll be there again next Labor Day. DX here has been adequate, w/several short-range SSS catches of much wanted stations & finally some real goodies during a good AU on 10/1. MM 9/18 - A big surprise was local KGCB-1390 announcing around 1am that they would be off the air "for a couple hours". This was the first time I've heard them off in about a year. They left their OC on, but WVON did manage to bust through it @ 1:15 & thereafter. 9/20 - KCUE-1250 Minn. finally made it on SSS 8:18. 9/21 - Much wanted WPIB-1020 made it on SSS @ 6:43pm & has been around ever since; guess I never really tried for them before. 9/25 - A very nice SSS brought two needed Iowa GYers, KBUR-1490 & KDBC-1240, plus an unexpected KSIR-1480 s/off @ 8:44; generally 1480 is covered by K30 alop. 9/26 - KBUG-1060 came in w/"K-Bug" ID @ 8:11pm. 9/28 - Long-sought KLYX-1520 was caught @ 8:43 s/off, completing Sioux Falls. 10/1 - A very good AU both morning & night w/SS all over the dial. Looking for DAVE GLRASON's "Once-a-Q" I found XMR-1140 all alone @ 1:57 w/"La Nueva MR" ID. My 1977 WRTH says they're only 350w; I find that hard to believe! Then two Texans, #50 & 51 from that state, came in: KTRM-990 @ 2:10 & WTAW-1150 w/w-Taw" ID @ 2:28. Obviously, the latter's full-time CP in on, hi. That night, XEVL-1010 appeared w/very clear & slowly spoken "X-E-V-K" IDs making it @ 10:44pm & other times before & after. WRTH says 100w, very hard to believe, but their VEKX clear ID was very readable on this most crowded frequency. Log total now 915. 73. (Those Mexican watts are more potent, hi! -ERC)

#### TWILIGHT TIME IS DX TIME IN BAYSIDE

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9/29/78

Hi gang. I've been DXing! SSS 9/26 - Newie (for call change) WDMN-1220 Conn. ex-WCDQ, w/ID by femme ("Women Radio") w/WGNY, 6:57pm. WGH-1310 w/"WGH, Newport News/Norfolk" (I think) after drum-roll noise, spoken by deep-voiced announcer. I suspect that an "all music - all the time" or similar promo followed. This kind of ID has been used by WWDJ-970 (when they were the #2 Metro N.Y. rocker), CKLW & others in years gone by. I didn't know if it was still being used by anyone. All this @ 6:59, w/WJLK. WGH was unnn, but not heard in over four years. Please do not call and ask why. Unns WJAB-1550, WGOE-1590, WJAN-1390 and WDEM-1520 all heard twixt 7:06-7:22. Newie WENG-1220 Whiteville, N.C. with mention of FM 99.1 had an abrupt s/off after rr, 7:29. 9/27 - More SSS. Unn W300-1440 w/s/off 7:15. Newie WHIC-1380 w/s/off @ WAWZ, 7:16. Also an unID SSB on 1420 @ 7:14. Newie WQXL-1470 S. C. had s/off in mess, 7:30. Mess consisted of WSN-Pa., WJIT splat & unnn WNEH, S.C. w/s/off @ 7:31; I thought they were due for a call change! CFCO-1440 loudly topping the channel @ 7:46. 9/28 - Unn WSYB-1380 loud with mention of Sox BB, 6:59. Unn WSPR-1270 loud 7pm with Sports Phone program. Unn CJVL-1360 strong @ 7:10. 9/29 - Once-before-heard WDJZ-1530 booming in, 6:53 with their distinctive "barf music." Pattern must be off or somesuch. O.K., folks, don't all write at once, but I have a handful of bumper stickers (if you have a big hand, hi) and SCs for trade. I have no time for intimate relationships (hi) or correspondence, but drop me a line with a few stickers, SCs, etc. & I'll zip a few back. Sound fair enough? Whoops - I forgot newie WZAP-690, Va., w/Mutual Net 7:35, c/w mx, WX, s/off @ 7:44, clear o/CFB. Look at your SSS maps & you'll see that this month is perfect to hear them, "the ultimate SSS catch", hi. Also CKSM-1220, unnn, very loud, 7:46. These last two both on 9/27. Later. 73's.

#### IT'S FREQUENCY CHECK LIST TIME AGAIN!

JOE FELA IS GETTING READY TO ISSUE THE 1978-79 FREQUENCY CHECK LIST. HE WOULD LIKE ALL OF YOU TO LET HIM KNOW PROMPTLY WHAT CHECKS ON THE OLD LIST ARE GOOD, NO GOOD, OR CHANGED, OR ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES YOU MIGHT HAVE. HIS ADDRESS IS 150 ROBERT STREET, S. PLAINFIELD, NJ 07080

#### JOHN BAGS A COUPLE OF TOUGHIES

JOHN KROMKA - Box 86 - Montville, New Jersey - 07005

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DX in Sept. was good, but far between. 9/7: WNPV-1440, Lansdale, Pa. heard @ 7:15 s/off. This particular SSS reaped excellent CX. WNPV is one that I think should have been heard long ago but hadn't. The main reasons are probably their measly power of 500w & their antenna pattern. 9/11: WNNI-920, Columbus, O. heard @ 5:45am while replaying tape of their frequency. With only 500w it was remarkable they were on top of the mess. My past experience of 920k's usual station dominance shows that the reception of WNNI on top was surely a rare catch. 9/12: WIEG ex-WSLT-1520, Somers Point, N.J. heard @ 7pm s/off in the Jumble. I had a very hard time in the reception of the old WSLT, so I thought this one would also be hard to get, but I was wrong. It's amazing ERC can hear them all day long in Provincetown. I would think WHEE would come in stronger up there, no! (No, they have no signal here days -ERC) Then came the turning point for Sept. DX. 9/24: WCST-1010 in Berkeley Springs, W.Va. heard fairly well w/local WENS at 7:30 s/off. They sang their s/off. I think this one is one of my best catches considering. I never thought WCST would make it through. As I listened to that c/w station behind WENS I figured on a couple other more likely-to-be-heard stations, but my misassumptions were to my advantage. Also 9/24, WNNI-690 Warsaw, Va. a holdout. I've wanted him for a long time. They were topping the frequency, something newer noted before. That SSS was truly a great one to be remembered. The next day, 9/25, I picked up WUFO in Amherst, N.Y. w/WTIC-1080. It was not an easy reception, definitely not armchair copy! I sweated that one out, I'll tell ya, hi. WTIC puts in a great signal here & to hear anything under them is something. Then on 9/26 @ 9pm I got a call from DDXD editor RAY ARRUDA telling me of a TEST he got the info for that afternoon. It was WADE-1210 N.C., sked to start at midnight EDT but it didn't begin till 1. I stayed with the frequency & was glad I did because I did indeed receive them 1-1:15 very weakly though, what with WCAU to put up with. Report sent. Rocket Ray nabbed 'em too. Nothing so far in Oct. but I hope it'll turn out good. I have made one alteration to my current antenna system. I disconnected my ground from the center screw of the electric outlet & attached the ground wire to the metal border around my window. It eliminates most of the electrical buzz & adds about two S units to frequencies below 1,000k. It pays to experiment! I hope everyone enjoys the contests. Next column in the Nov. 6 DX NEWS. Remember get your entry fee to me by Nov. 7 to be eligible to participate in all remaining contests. 73s from the only other DXer in Montville.

#### THE MAGIC PEN DOES IT AGAIN

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9/26/78

Some new DX to report. WOL-1450 came in @ 3am Sept. 26 with rhythm-&-blues mx. The DJ gave a phone number of 432-2121. I called him and was told that someone in Long Island called up the same week. They were using 250 watts. CBEF-540 Windsor, Ont. comes in well on my Realistic TRF. Last night @ 1:15am I listened for a while. The DJ gave a phone number of 897-4044, but I was too tired to call. I had been up the night before till 3:30am. I have been churning out so many limericks I had to send a few along in this Musings. Are you ready NRC members! Some of them are about you!  
A New Jersey DXer Elliot Strauss:  
Has a huge antenna on his house  
Most any day  
He can pick up a TA  
But one night he picked up a mouse.  
In time to put it out & his radio was mended.

At the NRC Atlanta Convention Eric Fader

Had a nice chat with Chuck Rader  
They discussed distant radio transmission  
During the intermission  
And Eric said, I'll talk to you later.

Steve Kennedy reports from Avon Park Florida  
That he likes to dance the cha-cha-cha  
As chief engineer of WAPR  
He would rather be a movie star  
To which Ernie replies: ha-ha-ha!

I love to write a limerick  
73, and come see me quick!

#### ALSO MODIFIES HIS T.R.F. AND RE-JOINS N.R.C HAM NET

DAN PHILLIPS - Route 1 - Box 476 - Jacksonville, Alabama - 36265

N4RU

It sure was great being able to go to the NRC Convention in Atlanta. The Atlanta group did a superb job, thanks! I found the satellite tours for CBH, Channel 17, to be very enjoyable. I would also have enjoyed using that weird broadcast band directional antenna used by the FCC. It was also great to meet once again many NRCers whom I have met and known through the years. As per DX for the past season, the best catch was a verie from KIRO which must rate as one of the better catches of the last few years considering the AN situation as it is. I have also done some modifications to the TRF. I added another vol-ume control for the one that is always scratchy. I added one wire from the 365 pf capacitor inside the radio. I added this wire from the opposite side of the one where the antenna (outside one) now is. The result is that a longwire works with the TRF without having to worry about the ground connection which is necessary with the as-come model from the store. I also drilled a hole in the back to tune the IF's as per MARK CONNELLY's suggestion. This is a terrific idea, especially since ultimate peaks cannot be worked out over the rest of the BCB without it. Previously with the set working perfect from 1000k to 1600k the stations below 1000 were weaker. Now I can peak them, thus causing higher frequencies to be weaker. Other comments: We will attempt the NRC Net once again. Although response has weakened and interference has been at a maximum. At 10:55pm EDT on Sunday night there will be a call on 3,895 mhz for NRC Net (or nearest clear frequency). If no general's respond we (con'd.)

(Phillips) will move to 3,850 at 11pm EDT for another call. Hopefully this will give all an opportunity to tune in. If anyone would like to try a 40 meter Saturday morning net I am game. How does one say thanks to so many people who give of their time to this club? Particularly the Louisville Clan who so patiently put out this work of art each week, and the many editors who weekly and bi-monthly etc. continue to do first rate jobs with no monetary compensation, etc. How time consuming! How little thanks I'm sure. Wouldn't it be GREAT if EVERY NRCer wrote one thank-you note to somebody in the NRC who helps with this bulletin! '73, good DX for the coming year. (Thank YOU, Dan! -ERC)

#### DX AND VERSES ARE ROLLING IN ATLANTA

KARL JETER - 2816 Frontier Trail N.E. - Atlanta, Georgia - 30341  
Greetings! With the NRC Convention now history, I'd like to thank everyone who attended and made it a success. We were all glad (and relieved, hi) that everything went smoothly, and a valuable lesson was learned: Conventions are more fun to attend than host (hi!). So good luck Walt, Lou, Rich & Edgar & I hope to be in ST. LOUIS in '79. There was only one small hitch in the entire Atlanta fete, and it occurred after the Convention. I call it the "Candleabra Caper" because apparently someone (not an NRCer, I hope) made off with one of the hotel's candleabras from the banquet room. So, after some negotiations rivaling Camp David, I convinced the hotel that anyone, not necessarily an NRCer, could have absconded with the thing. A lot of DXing has been done in the "Post-Convention Era": Back to 9/9, tentative on CBC-900 Barbados w/talk in KK @ 4:35am. That eve, the new WRED-1490, Monroe, Ga. noted on w/"Big Red" slogan, T-40 mx, 6:59pm. Up to 9/15- Nice catch w/WMFO-1390 heard s/off @ 7:45pm, then WANY-1390 also s/off right after. Then @ 8:15pm another "dual s/off" on 1590 w/KDKX & WALK, both unkn. 9/17, someone on 1450 w/"College FB Scoreboard" @ 11:58pm; WDSG ID heard at midnight, so may have been they. 9/18- Ga. #162 heard w/WAXL-1230 w/f/c-TT, IDs each minute 1:27-1:30am. A big shock on 9/18- WJAC was OFF! So, log taken on WITS-1510, poor signal w/talk @ 2:40am. 9/19, Little League FB on 1330 turned out to be WJGO, 7:12-7:21pm, new log. 9/26- Local WQXI-790 was off this AM @ 12:30, but testing w/OC & mx on/off to 1:30 tuneout. Still, besides usual WMC/WTAR, a log was taken on WWSW Miami, 1:03am. 9/26 PM, WDSV-1270 & WQWV-1260 both new, w/s/off 7:58 & 8:15, respectively. Most recent DX in next Muse. Verses: WYYZ-1580 WBLE-1410 WRED-1490 WJFM-1540 WNYA-1350 WFTS-1600 all w/L, & WRSJ-1520 w/PP/c. Running over, so '73's till next time.

#### M O T H B A L L M E M O R I E S

CHAPTER LXXXIX - "DAY IS DONE, GONE THE SUN" - by PETE KEMP

"who's everybody listen to, when the day is through? Who is the DJ, the big bad Bob-a-loo, Bob-a-loo, Bob-a-loo ah ah the Bob Lewis Show." With the fading chorus in the background Bob Lewis would take to the air with the "earliest morning show in radio" at the stroke of twelve, over WABC-770, the 50,000 hitmaker in New York. Teens would stay up just to listen to the first 15 minutes or so and sing along to the catchy introduction & then hit the rack, in order to make it to school the next morning and sing the intro in the bathroom or locker showers with classmates and the fullness of reverb. This midnight madness was hyped by tightly written advertising copy. In the early sixties land sales were being constantly pushed, later turning to clothing sales. Traveling to Boonton, N.J. a few years ago for the old Thanksgiving NRC Get-together, I couldn't help but remember the ads for "Daxson Clothes, Route 22, in Union, N.J., near the Flagship, where money talks and nobody walks, open 24 hours, free coffee." Some nights we would be treated to their ads and related information like their bookkeeper or mother-in-law is making them stay open all the time to push clothes or they will go into bankruptcy, etc. The nighttime was for a special breed of listener. Long John Nabel was holding down the fort on WOR with tales of UFO's or that the Empire State Building was actually on a revolving platform, so no matter which entrance you took you would automatically exit at the same place you went in. Jean Shepherd, a DJ-turned-philosopher of sorts whose iconoclastic ramblings attracted many a listener, and Art Ford's Milkman's Matinee over WNEW also had large followings.

NEXT ISSUE: WE'LL BEGIN A STORY ABOUT "COPS AND RADIO" SENT TO HQ A WHILE BACK BY NEIL ZANK, WHICH WAS FORWARDED TO PROVINCETOWN BY TED FLEISCHAKER. STILL WAITING IN THE WINGS ARE MEMORIES FROM ANDY RUGG, JIM CRITCHETT, RICHARD WRIGHT, AND STEVE KENNEDY, PLUS MORE FROM PETE KEMP.

COMING SOON: The new FREQUENCY CHECK list, the work of JOE FELA. The sooner he receives your information on new f/c's you have discovered, or changes from the current list, or additions or deletions to it, then the sooner the new list will be in your hands. Send all such info to him at 150 Robert Place, South Plainfield, New Jersey, 07080.

We also want to reiterate that DX NEWS is now going back onto its winter schedule, and that means a DX NEWS EVERY WEEK! BUT - gang - this is where you come in. If we don't receive contributions from you to fill those pages, it will be next to impossible to bring you those nice fat newsy issues you all love to receive. "It is more blessed to give than to receive" it says in the Bible. But, it might be paraphrased here something like this: "It is most necessary you give if you are to receive." So, please, those of you who are receivers only, think about that and join the active NRCers who do build this into the great publication it has become over the decades. And, those who have been dormant over the Summer and who might have lost the habit of writing in to your favorite sections, please get back into the swing of things so that all may enjoy DX NEWS that much more. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link - but that isn't true of the National Radio Club, for if it was, then there would be naught but blank pages in DX NEWS! So, those who've been guilty of being weak links, take up your pens and/or typewriters and become a part of the LIVING National Radio Club!

#### VISITS OLD STOMPING GROUNDS

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Somebody else referred to me that way, but 'I like it', hi. Still no new veries, and back to the dialings. 9/19- In addition to new WYZD-1560, reported last issue, I noted unID TT-1440 @ 12:44 off/on to 12:48 & some TA signals on 1586, 1554, 1439, 1376, 1466, and unkn WHIS-1440 with Cincinnati BB @ 12:58am. 9/20- WYZD-1560 on again testing, 1:20+. Unkn WFBG-1330 noted @ 2:09 w/"Night Journey" - I wonder where they're going? Something with poor tone quality coming in circa 1263k w/SS announcements, too garbled to copy - anybody know who this is? 9/23- Monte Carlo-1466 strong this early AM around 1. Unkn WIRV-1550 testing 1:26am. I met NRCer PETE SKINNER briefly today at the beach hereabouts, and I'm looking forward to a visit from him soon. MM 9/25- WITC-1080 took today off, an SS noted there along with a real old friend (from his 1070 days), WVOG, & a second report sent him, also to WAPT-1070, heard for the first time in two centuries or so, hi, at 3:01am, apparently testing w/mx. WCBS-880 & WNBC-660 off today but TTing off/on. UnID TTR on 1580 @ 4:01 bed-time. 9/27- Weak pop mx u/ CAU, likely unkn WADE's PoP a la call from RAY ARRUDA. FF on 1205a, either Haiti or France. WABK-1280 was on this AM @ 2:05 end of NX. In the evening on 1196a, unID language & station with Arabic-sounding mx @ 6:49-7:04pm. 9/28- The new Costa Rican on 575 is on till around 2 daily, strong signal, & IDs as "Radio Nacional" (how original, hi). UnID TTR on 1220 2:19-2:46 & on. 9/29- CX swinging to AU w/LAs on 575-605-615-625-675-715-725-925 & other channels between 1 & 2am. The wandering Cuban was back on 880 today, giving a musical background to WCBG's news. UnID TTR on 940 2:35-2:38+. And then, a week's sojourn back to Brooklyn, and the old neighborhood "which ain't what it used to be." I had a very enjoyable visit with BILL WURTZEL at his loft in the wilds of Manhattan one night. He played many of his collection of over 5,000 33 1/2 record albums, showed me how he comes up with his poems, and I stayed over & we tried some daytime band-scanning at Ritz Park the next day, though we likely froze to death in the cloudy, frigid weather, & noted things like WOMN-1220 "woman Radio" they said, but 'twas a MAN announcer! Somebody', confused up there! We noted WDNZ-1530 Conn. is now tearing up WJDM; back in July, this was not so. It was good to hear oldies like WADS-690 and WNAK-730 & WNYG-1440 & WJGO-1410 again. Anyone visiting New York, Bill invites you to drop in - you'll enjoy both him and his quaint loft - the Iron Curtain really lives! C U N 14.

#### QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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Some personal observations and notes:

There are a lot of new receivers appearing on the market boasting all kinds of new features (like digital readout). Be advised to be careful! Be sure you know what you are buying. A number of people got burned because they didn't read the FRG-7's selectivity spec carefully and were disappointed in the performance they didn't get. (+3 khz is 6khz) Most units with digital readout do not readout on the Broadcast Band. (The FRG-7000 does) Many are not DXer quality but are fantastic transistor portables. Most lack in the selectivity department. I notice a couple of receivers coming out that appear to be nothing more than repackaged SSR-1s which is famous for its poor front end and spurs. Also be careful of receivers advertising mechanical filters--many times they are really ceramic filters which are substantially inferior to mechanical filters as far as selectivity goes.

Speaking of filters, Grant Manning of Radio West tells me he has acquired a few samples of some 12 pole filters (most are 8) which are guaranteed to blow minds with their performance. Also he tells me that a fully modified FRG-7 (with mechanical filter and digital readout) is not only cheaper than the FRG-7000, but performs substantially better. The '7000 has to be modified to take advantage of the narrow selectivity. Also the '7000 has been climbing rapidly in price due to the decline of the dollar. Also the '7000 won't run off 12 volts. It seems that the Japanese government passed a law which says that export models cannot have 12 v external connectors. Nobody knows why, but they obediently comply with their government. While there is a knockout for it, it is not easy to hook it to 12 volts. See what I mean about being careful about what you are buying? I was all set to run down to the store with a fistful of dollars. Oh well. More when I get more questions.

#### NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY

Two brief items... (1) DX News will next appear on November 6 and weekly thereafter until March, except for an adjusted Christmas schedule. (2) Contest #2 will cover Nov. 8-Nov. 14. Goal is to log stations having FM affiliates with an identical call sign. See DX News #31, Sept. 25 for more information.

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