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HERE IT IS MARCH, WHERE IS THIS YEAR GOING?! Oh well, now to squeeze 27 pages into 24 again.

FROM THE MAILBAG - FROM RAYMOND NEMEC, HE IS LOOKING FOR ARTICLES PUBLISHED IN THE OLD DX NEWS, COPIES OF THE 30'S AND 40'S, ABOUT THE MEXICAN BORDER STATIONS. ALSO LOOKING FOR EXACT SIGN-OFFS, SIGN-OFFS, POWER INCREASES, ETC. AND ALSO WOULD LIKE SOME DETAILS ON THE XEPR FIRE. IF YOU CAN HELP HIM OUT, LET HIM KNOW AT 1424 HEATHERTON DRIVE NAPERVILLE, IL 60540.

FROM A FEB 17 RADIO NETHERLANDS MEDIA NETWORK BROADCAST COMES WORD THAT RADIO MARTI MAY STILL BE ALIVE AND WELL. IT IS REPORTED THAT THE PRESIDENT & CONGRESS ARE WORKING ON A COMPROMISE. SEEMS THAT RADIO MARTI MAY START TRANSMITTING OUT OF A VOA TRANSMITTER SITE, WHICH WOULD LESSEN START UP COSTS, WHICH IS WHAT CONGRESS IS LOOKING FOR. MORE AS WE GET NEWS....RON S. WHAT HAVE YOU HEARD?

I'LL BRING THIS UP ONE MORE TIME. NEXT TIME WE WILL TEST YOU ON IT, HI. THE LOGBOOK SUPPLEMENT, STKS BY LOCATION, IS \$3.50 WHICH INCLUDES POSTAGE. THIS PRICE IS FOR NRC MEMBERS. THE \$4.00 PLUS \$1 POSTAGE & HANDLING, IS FOR NON-MEMBERS. OKAY?

NRC STATIONARY & LOGSHEETS ARE DOING WELL, THANKS TO THOSE THAT HAVE ORDERED. NOW HOW ABOUT TELLING EVERYONE ELSE WHAT YOU THINK OF THEM....BE HONEST!

CHECK OUT THE ARTICLE BY VINCE PINTO ON THOSE STRANGE STATIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE BEEN HEARING AROUND THE 1622 FREQ. IT'S ON PAGE 12.

IF YOU CHECK OUT PAGE 7, HOWARD KEMP....TALK ABOUT FAMOUS! HI, HE'S EVEN IN HERE!

ON HOLD, A COUPLE OF ARTICLES AND ONE INTERESTING VERIE FROM TERRY KLASEK, ALSO THOSE ASKING ABOUT THE A/R GRAPHIC, THEY SHOULD APPEAR HERE NEXT ISSUE.

NO CPC TESTS POSTED THIS ISSUE, BUT ON PAGE 7 THERE IS AN INTERESTING NEWSCLIPPING ON KMP5-1300 DOING SOME COMPUTER STUFF. DID ANYONE CATCH THAT? IF SO, LET ME KNOW HOW IT WENT, EITHER IN A LETTER OR A MUSE. SEE, AM RADIO HAS OTHER USES BESIDES JUST GOING OUT IN STEREO!

BUMPER STICKER SAYINGS - WE'VE GOTTEN A FEW CUTE ONES SO FAR, BUT WE WOULD STILL LIKE TO HAVE A COUPLE MORE. PRIZES - HOW DOES A WEEK OPENING DAVE SCHMIDT'S DDXD MAIL SOUND? OR EVEN BETTER A WEEK CHASING AROUND THE COUNTRY LOOKING FOR THE LOST 1DXD COLUMNS! THERE MUST BE A MILLION OF THEM OUT THERE, HI.

THANKS TO THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN SENDING THEIR SURPLUS CALL LETTER LOGOS, THAT YOU SEE PASTED THRU OUT THESE PAGES, NOW WHAT WE NEED ARE SOME FROM THE FOREIGN STNS, SO THAT WE CAN 'DECORATE' THE 1DXD AND THOSE TYPE COLUMNS.

WELL, LOOKS LIKE THIS SHOULD WRAP UP ALL THOSE LITTLE LOOSE ENDS THAT SEEM TO JUST GATHER AROUND HERE. THOSE THAT HAVE SENT FOR THE LOGBOOK SUPPLEMENT, THANKS! THEY WILL BE IN THE MAIL WITHIN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS. MORE INFO ON THIS AS WE GET CLOSER TO THE DATE.

FOR NOW, WE SHALL CLOSE... MAYBE EVEN TURN ON THE RADIO TONIGHT!

Mike

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CALL LETTER APPLICATIONS:

Present call:

740 WBGY Tullahoma, TN
1080 WJYI Marietta, GA
1530 *New Sisseton, SD

CALL LETTER GRANTS:

Seeks: Old call: New call:
WCWY 1400 *New Elkader, IA KADR
WJYA
KBWS

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS:

750 Olyphant, PA 2500 D1
770 Cedar Bluff, VA 500 D1
890 Humacao, PR 1000/1000 U1

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES, GRANTS TO NEW OR EXISTING FACILITIES:

None, zero, zip, goose-egg
As long as we have some spare space, here are a few new addresses requested in recent DDXD's and Musings:
1550 WUTO NY Utica 288 Genesee Street, Utica 13502
1590 WFTH VA Richmond 3122 West Cary Street (or Box 14511) Richmond 23221
1600 WANR WV Wheeling Box 6273 Wheeling 26003

73 and Good DX,

Jerry & BK

Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

BB THE HARTFORD COURANT: Sunday, February 6, 1983

Jim Ameche, 68, Dies;
Radio Star, Disc Jockey

Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — Jim Ameche, who played "Jack Armstrong, the All-American Boy" for five years on radio in the 1930s, has died of cancer. He was 68.

Ameche, a younger brother of actor Don Ameche, died Friday night at Tucson Medical Center. He had battled lung cancer for two years, his family said.

Ameche was the original "Jack Armstrong," portraying the adventurous globe-trotter and do-gooder from 1932 until 1938. He then went on to more serious radio performances, including the Woodbury Hollywood Playhouse and the Lux Theater.

Ameche also was the announcer on the radio show "Amece and Andy."

He performed "for more than 40 years in many, many vocal roles with the best-known talent of the times, everything from Orson Welles to Charles Boyer, and the announcer on a number of famous (radio) soap operas," said Sheldon Engel, Ameche's agent and friend of 25 years.

Ameche eventually became a disc jockey. He moved to Tucson in 1975 and took a job announcing for radio stations KCEE-AM and



JIM AMECHE
Dies of Cancer

KCEE-FM, as well as continuing his work as an announcer for commercials that were broadcast across the country.

Private services and burial will be Monday in Tucson.

VIA PETER Kemp

WELCOME

CHRIS JOHNSON FROM MEMPHIS, TENN.,
JAMES W. WIXON FROM LAKE STATION, IN.
JOSEPH S. TOROK FROM N. VERBAILLES, PA
FRANK STYRON, N4EKP FROM CARY, NC.
TIMOTHY E. STARR, KA4DOA, FROM MACON, GA
R.B. JONES, WB4YZL, FROM HENDERSONVILLE, NC.

THANKS GENTS. MUSE & SUPPORT THE CLUB !!!

WHOT/WSRD

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Computer programs pour
over Seattle's radio waves

Special for USA TODAY
Three weeks from Sunday, while the rest of Seattle sleeps in, the city's home computer buffs will be tuned into a literal wave of the future — computer programs by radio.
Radio station KMPX-AM and FM will swap its country-western music March 6 at 7:30 a.m. for a minute of what will sound like crickets chirping.
But home computer owners who tape-record those chirps and play them back on their computers' cassette drives will see a message in English on their computer screens.
The broadcast is a market test. If enough people notify KMPX that they got the message, the station will start regular broadcasts of up to 30 minutes once a week, said George Garrett, KMPX news director.

The Microperipheral Corp. of Redmond, Wash., which helped KMPX with the technical end, said there are 8,600 home computers within KMPX's broadcast range with the right attachments to use the broadcasts now, and another 90,000 could with the purchase of low-cost devices called modems.

USA TODAY - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1983 - 5A

OFFBEAT via
USA Steven
KAMP

THE HUMAN SIDE OF THE NEWS

AM entrepreneur sees
radio at end of the tunnel

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Rodger Skinner has good reason to have tunnel vision. He's the inventor of Tunnel Radio, a radio station that airs road conditions, driving tips and commercials on your car radio while you're in a tunnel no matter where your AM dial is tuned. He's looking for people to help him franchise the idea. "With the large volume of traffic going through many tunnels, we are the most listened-to station in the city," he said Tuesday. Fort Lauderdale, Skinner's home, had the first station in the New River tunnel. Baltimore's Harbor and Boston's Dewey Square tunnels also have systems.

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Here is the official WRO column which is about as interesting as the receipt for Wolf McFuggets! When sending your items in, please type or neatly write, skip a line between items, etc. Our deadlines are SATURDAY. And away we go:



KOFO

- SPECIAL:
- 1320 WAGG AL BIRMINGHAM - 2/3 1822 w/Gospel music, ID as "AL's Gospel Giant, WAGG." ex-WENN. (DLR-KY)
 - 1440 WRRD OH HARRIS - 2/12 0340+ noted running Larry King instead of recent music programming. I wish these people and WBBW would make up their minds! (JS-OH) What minds! (DS)
 - 1490 KQOP KS TOPEKA - Per verie, add. is P O Box 1490, 66601, format is MYL type stuff. (JP-ON)
 - 1520 WQMA NC SPINDALE - Per verie, power is 500 watts, format is Gospel, "All gospel radio in Rutherford County." (TF-CT)
 - 1540 WMOB IN MARTINSVILLE - 1/27 1745 fair w/s/off mentioning 500 watts (CP for 500/250 watts CH is ON!), no SSB. Call is definitely WMOB, ex-WOBB. (JP-ON) Ditto, per verie. (3P-IN)

DX TESTS:

- 1580 WSWW Heard: MK-WI, KG-PA.
Not heard: DS-DS, TO-TN.
- 940 WKYK Heard: RA-MA, 3P-IN.



PREC. CHECKS:

- 2nd TUE - WSNJ-1240 w/TT per list, no ID at end! (DS-DE)
- 3rd THU - KAMI-1580 0133-0118 w/TT, done w/FMS, Denver, per verie! (3P-IN)
- 4th PRI - KJAS-1170 w/TT, many ID's, 0545-0700. (3P-IN)

EMERGENCY BROADCASTS:

KOCY 1340AM

- 940 WAKR VA WOODSTOCK - 2/12 0456 noted on early for snow emergency, xint copy w/SSM carrier. (JS-OH)
- 1000 WIAK AD HUNTSVILLE - 1/20 1900 noted on late due to Winter Storm Warning, noted w/WOFL. (3P-IN)
- 1370 WALK NY PATCHOGUE - 2/11, 2/12 noted on AN w/storm emergency, cable burn-out had shut down the FM side. (TF-CT) Comment WEA? (DS)
- 1390 WRIV NY RIVERHEAD - 2/11, 2/12 on all night w/storm emergency info. (TF-CT) 2/11 on late per TP-CT phone tip, but not noted here 2203-2211. (PRM-NJ)
- 1550 WYVA WV CHARLES TOWN - 2/12 0222 noted w/oldies music, on late due to storm emergency. (PS-CT) 2/11 2124-2132 per phone tip from Joe Fela (who?—DS), noted late w/snow emergency info w/E2L music, female anc'r. (PRM-NJ) 2/12 AS'ing w/snow info, signal not as good as SSS reception. (JS-OH) 2/11 2223 w/ID "per FCC regulation 73.1250 to broadcast in extreme emergency" w/MYL, advisory to stay in, etc., from PRM. (TF-CT) Yeah, when I heard then, there wasn't much talk just music! (DS)
- 1580 WAJE PA BRUNSBURG - 2/11 2110 noted on late for emergency w/rock music, in well in C&J null, per Paul Mount tip. (3P-CT) Ditto 2035-2105+ (PRM-NJ) on till 0300 per call to station. (DS)



MIDDAY - MIDNITE:

- 600 WREC TN MEMPHIS - 2/10 2025-2100 good w/MYL, promo for soccer game at 2125. (TC-TN) Nice to have ya back in the fold, ole buddy!
- 610 WSGN AL BIRMINGHAM - 2/10 1831 Fair w/WAFL splash w/John Maddon sports from RKO network. (TC-TN)
- 740 WMPJ NC MOREHEAD CITY - 2/13 1744 alone at s/off, full-data to return at sunrise, no SSB, fair signal. (DS-DE)
- WPAQ NC MT. AIRY - 2/13 1750 w/closing info due to snow, MYL type music, alone but soon faded. (DS-DE)
- 800 WSHO LA NEW ORLEANS - 1/27 1810 w/ID, quickly faded. (3P-IN)
- 840 WMAX AL MOBILE - 2/10 1840-1845 in like a local w/rock oldies, promo for contest, long cob-story s/off "because of archaic, antiquated laws we must deprive you of radio service..." No sign of WHAS even after carrier was cut. (TC-TN) Hey WPT-DC, get the calls RIGHT next time-OK? (DS)
- 900 WLSI KY PIKEVILLE - 2/2 1805-1815 strong in CHML's null w/OW music, ads and s/off to female, no SSB. (KG-PA)
- 950 WOTN MD POTOAC-CABIN JOHN - 2/6 1743-1745 good in WFFN's null w/ads by female anc'r, closing theme music and full-data s/off by man. No call change as noted on 1/24 report, that was due to signal fading distortion. (KG-PA)

990 WRRV VA NARROWS - 2/1 1740-1800 on top w/rock music, ID at 1745 w/ mention of New River Valley, weather, ads, PSA, s/off w/ no SSB. (KG-PA) Thought the call stood for nerves-hi! (DS)

1010 KAYL IA STORM LAKE - 2/7 1845 noted w/s/off. (BP-IN)

1090 WJKN TN DECATUR - 2/8 1658-1705 strong in WINS's null w/Gospel music, local ads, then news on the hour. (KG-PA)

1100 WLEB GA HARTSVILLE - 2/3 1825-1830 noted w/s/off w/SSB. (BP-IN)

1170 KYOO OK CARROLLTON - 1/31 1755 CW music, local ads, ID's as "West GA's best country music on WLEB," mention of 1/2 hour extra time starting on 2/1, s/off w/no SSB, good signal! (DLR-KY)

1180 WKKE MS TULSA - 2/10 1843 good w/ads, CW music, no sign of WJVA. (TC-TN)

VOA FL PEARL - 2/9 1855-1900 weak in mess w/VOA, Cuban w/MYL and ABC news on the hour. (TC-TN)

VOA FL MARATHON KEY - 2/9 1900-1915 weak w/usual VOA ID into news program in Spanish. (TC-TN)

1190 WBDY VA BLUEFIELD - 2/2 1715 CW music, ID into VA news, poor to fair w/WOYO. (DLR-KY)

WSVC TN DUNLAP - 1/21 1745 caught bits of s/off way u/WOYO, no SSB.

1220 WLSB VA BIG STONE GAP - 2/8 1802-1808 alone on freq. w/news, weather and into CW music. (KG-PA)

WBNY NY NEWBURGH - 2/3 1715 briefly o/WSLM w/local ads, mention of Newburgh, full ID. (DLR-KY)

WENC NC WHITEVILLE - 1/30 1729 atop WSLM w/s/off w/no SSB, mention of FM on 98.1. (DLR-KY)

1250 KOKY AR LITTLE ROCK - 2/10 1950-1955 poor w/WTMA w/ads, ID, soul music. (TC-TN) Music for shoe makers? Yeech. (DS)

WTMA SC CHARLESTON - 2/10 1950-1955 fair w/Top 40 music, ID's as 12-50, WTMA. (TC-TN) You expected WTAA? (DS)

1260 WNYT OH PORTSMOUTH - 2/10 1917-1920 fair w/MYL type music, contest promo. (TC-TN)

WNOO TN CHATTANOOGA - 2/11 1845 good w/TN program schedule for the evening, DJ line up for tomorrow than s/off. (TC-TN)

WQIS MS LAUREL - 2/3 1845 gospel music, ID, s/off w/no SSB, noted o/WNBE. (DLR-KY)

1270 KFJZ TX DALLAS - 2/10 1920-1930 fair/good w/MYL music, contest promo, bothered by WLIK. (TC-TN)

WLIK TN NEWPORT - 2/10 1920-1930 poor u/KFJZ w/high school basketball game, ad, 1st time noted on nite pattern/power. (TC-TN)

WHYD GA COLUMBUS - 1/30 1759 very weak u/WTNT w/s/off. (DLR-KY)

1290 WHKY NC HICKORY - 2/10 1940-1950 good w/ads, rock music. (TC-TN)

1300 WTKC KY LEXINGTON - 2/10 2015-2020 in good o/WLWY w/U-X Lady Kats Basketball promo, "KY Country" ID, CW music. (TC-TN)

WLUV TN NASHVILLE - 2/10 2015-2020 poor u/WTKC w/female basketball game, ads. (TC-TN)

WEEQ AL WIRFIELD - 2/5 1830 atop w/brief s/off, no SSB. (DLR-KY)

1330 KSUN MS ST. PAUL - 1/26 2017-2100 w/ID, noted o/u KFH. (BP-IN)

1360 WSAI OH CINCINNATI - 2/10 2005-2010 good w/end of AP news, CW music. (TC)

KRVS TX CORPUS CHRISTI - 1/21 1854 w/ID w/KFFA/WSAI. (BP-IN)

1370 WDEF TN CHATTANOOGA - 2/10 2014 fair/good w/Henry Mancini record, CBS sports, female anc'r. (TC-TN)

WCOA FL PENSACOLA - 2/10 2355-0007 in mess w/WDEF/WSPD w/local ads, local and CBS news into Larry King. (TC-TN)

1380 WAOK GA ATLANTA - 2/11 1839-1846 mixing w/WYMK w/winners in Valentine contest, ads, B/Sol music. (TC-TN)

WYMK LA BATON ROUGE - 2/11 1839-1845 fair w/WAOK w/Charlie Daniels record, s/off w/plug for 101.5 FM, SSB. (TC-TN)

WSIZ GA OCILLA - 1/31 1727 local ads w/mention of Fitzgerald, legal ID into music. (DLR-KY)

1390 WCSC SC CHARLESTON - 2/10 2012-2014 very good w/Top 40 music w/Ron O'Brien show, "1390 CSC" ID's. (TC-TN)

WFIW IL FAIRFIELD - 1/26 1758 on top w/weather, ad for store in Carri.

WHPZ SC BELTON - 1/26 1742 very weak in crud w/s/off w/mention of 1000 watts and 500 watt PSA, location, took lots of tape replays on this one. (JP-UN) That's a real cruddy catch! (DS)

1400 WANQ PA LOBBITO - 1/28 1752-1754 good in WEST's null w/ad for Ebenburg, program promo, ID as "14 WANQ" and gone. (KG-PA)

WENY NY DANVILLE - 1/28 1804-1807 briefly on top in WEST's null w/ local news, sports. (KG-PA)

1410 WDOB NY DUNKIRK - 1/28 1730-1736 mostly o/WPOP (very unusual!) w/NY state news, ad, weather. (KG-PA) I'll drink to that, too!

WSRC NC DURHAM - 2/3 1755 local news, ad, ID as "WSRC 1410". (DLR)

KBAL TX SAN SABA - 1/21 1901 ID noted w/s/off. (BP-IN)

1420 WMYN NC MATODAN - 2/6 1755-1801 on top w/KC network news, weather then no data s/off w/mention of the Dan River Valley, no SSB. (KG)

WYOT NO WILSON - 2/7 1755-1802 on top w/NC Network news to 1800, jingle ID into pop music. (KG-PA)

1420 WCRZ SC CHEROKEE - 2/6 1757-1800 w/pop music, s/off w/no SSB. (KG-PA)

WCOJ PA COATESVILLE - 2/12 1734-1745 rock music, female anc'r, cancellations, lost at pattern change. (TP-CT) Hey! I guess their DA really does work! (DS)

WVJS KY OWENSBORO - 2/10 2020-1025 poor w/Cable TV ad, weather into Top 40 music. (TC-TN) Semi-reg after midnight here!

1440 KXOW AR HOT SPRINGS - 1/21 1830 s/off w/mention of KAOJ-FM. (BP-IN)

WMLB LA MONROE - 2/11 1857-1900 fair/poor w/ads, ID. (TC-TN)

WRRO OH WARREN - 2/1 1654-1658 briefly atop WLER/WTRC/others w/rock music, ID, area mentions. (RA-MA)

1450 WJSC SC HARTSVILLE - 2/4 1802-1808 on top w/news, PSA, ID into pop music. (KG-PA)

1460 KIRL MO ST. CHARLES - 1/26 1800 noted w/s/off. (BP-IN)

1470 KRBC TX ABILENE - 2/4 1816 weather w/"Winter Storm Warning", "Sig Country" ID's. (DLR-KY)

1510 WMBB FL MARCO ISLAND - 2/13 1815 atop at s/off w/mention of MYL, no SSB, showing up alot this season here. (DS-DE)

1540 WANL AL LINDSVILLE - 2/4 1816-1824 way o/all w/CW music, ads for Asiland, weather and faded to ZMS. (KG-PA)

WRSW AL SUMMITON - 2/4 1829-1830 on top w/full data s/off given by station WK, no SSB. (KG-PA)

KTIA TX FORT WORTH - 2/6 1829-1856 tentative w/Spanish program, occasionally strong in WPR's null, w/telephone calls, ads, music, did not sound like a typical LA station. (KG-PA)

CHIN ON TORONTO - 2/13 1740-1745 foreign language to s/off w/no SSB. (TP-CT) Wonder what kind of vitamins he's taken? (DS)

1550 WYVA WV CHARLES TOWN - 2/2 1740 atop briefly w/"serving the tri-state area" ID then faded. (DLR-KY) He should be so lucky... (DS)

WVAB VA VIRGINIA BEACH - 2/4 1747 atop w/long s/off w/mention of owners. (DLR-KY)

1560 WSCR IL SYCAMORE - 1/26 1900 noted at s/off u/WPAD. (BP-IN)

1570 WTRZ TN RIPLEY - 2/13 1844 s/off w/lenthy item on FCC, write to Peds. about staying on later, SSB, all w/good signal. (MK-WI)

WTVB FL 2/13 1814 local like signal at s/off w/childrens chorus hymn selection. (DS-DS) Did I forget somethin'? (DS)

WHII MS BAY SPRINGS - 1/19 1830-2100+ w/religious programs, joint ID w/WXII-FM, forget to pull the AM plug??? (BP-IN)

1580 WBSR SC TRAVELERS REST - 1/22 1744 this most wanted surfaced w/s/off w/mention of 5000 watts, instr. SSB. (JP-UN)

KPDE AR VAN BUREN - 1/26 1815-1830 noted up til s/off w/SSB. (BP-IN)

1600 KCSB AR MARSHALL - 2/1 1755-1805 noted w/female anc'r, ID. (BP-IN)

MIDNITE - MIDDAY:

810 *WBY NY SCHENECTADY - 2/14 0333-0359 ET w/TT/OC, Top 40 music, up til s/off at 0359. (PRM-WT)

850 WJW OH CLEVELAND - 2/12 0350 w/ID, Talknet program. (PS-CT)

KOA CO DENVER - 2/12 0353-0410 talk show, w/WJW, no WHDH. (PS-CT)

910 WKCN SC N. CHARLESTON - 1/21 0655-0659 noted w/s/on, taken out by s/on of WAKO. (BP-IN)

930 CKNS ON ESPANOLA - 1/21 0300 w/ID "North Shore Network" w/mention of CJNR-730 and CKNR-1340. (BP-IN)

960 WHAK MI ROGERS CITY - 2/9 0604-0608 o/WHYL w/short religious program, ID, weather and news. (KG-PA) Nice catch! (DS)

970 WYNZ ME PORTLAND - 2/14 0530 in like a local on this AM w/MYL, PSA's, well o/WDJ. (TP-CT) Nah....doesn't happen! (DS)

1080 *UNID 2/14 0100-0130 some turkey here running various TT including several periods of low-pitched TT, no ID's. (TC-TN) It's W---!

1150 WYNS PA LEHIGHTON - 2/14 0603 AP news, power company ad but soon lost to WDEL/WHDS. (TP-CT) And your next! (DS)

1170 *WVVA WV WHEELING - 2/12 0540-0550 unusual ET w/TT/OC, loud KYOO in background, big thrill.... (JS-OR) Yes it was! (DS) 2/12 0130 noted off this Saturday AM, leaving nuthin'! (DS-DS)

1190 KWMB MN WABASHA - 2/7 0714 noted w/weather w/sub zero temp. checks then into farm-market reports. (BP-IN)

1260 WBUA FL MIAMI - 2/6 0148-0233 on top w/Mor Spanish music and frequent "Radio Suave" ID's, accented English ID followed by 3 minute newscast in Spanish. (KG-PA)

WNRK DE NEWARK - 2/10 0650-0703 strong in WBUO's null w/weather, ads, Board of Ed. report, music, ABC Contemporary news, local news on hour. (KG-PA) Some ET's in the works for this guy? (DS)

1380 *WAMS DE WILMINGTON - 2/15 0100 noted off this AM (Sunday), some TT after 0200. (DS-DS)

1400 WWIN MD BALTIMORE - 2/10 0620-0630 strong in WEST's null w/soul music, ads, traffic reports and weather. (KG-PA)

WFEC PA HARRISBURG - 2/14 0545 rock music, school closings due to storm, good signal! (TP-CT) You like this station or somethin'?

1500 WSKT 1500 MHz
 BORGAN BROADCASTING COMPANY
 Studio 1 Office located at the same address

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- 1420 WBCV GA COLUMBUS - 2/14 0045 noted w/weather, jingle/ID, "You've Always Got A Friend." Weak signal. (DS-DE)
 - 1430 CJCE ON TORONTO - 2/12 0327 w/R music, ID, phone calls. (PS-CT)
 - WZPD FE LAKELAND - 2/5 0217-0240 over all w/local type signal w/pop music, weather, PSA, ads. (KS-PA)
 - WDEX NC MOYROR - 2/7 0129-0206 continuously in the clear w/pop music, sports scores, weather, many ads (2 after each 2nd record). (KG)
 - WBLR SC BATESBURG - 2/10 0600-0601 Briefly atop w/vocal SSS and ID for WBLR and WKWJ-FM. (KG-PA)
 - WIVE VA ASHLAND - 2/10 0602-0604 on top w/opening hymn, full data s/on w/slogan "Good News B'cast," ad. (KS-PA)
 - 1470 WRGA GA ROME - 2/13 0106 atop w/weather then quickly faded to WBIG, believe also running Larry King. (DS-DE)
 - 1500 WXL KY XARION - 1/29 0730 s/on w/KSTP/120P. (BP-IN)
 - 1510 WJIC NJ SALEM - 2/16 0040 this local noted w/QC after day of problems, was off most of 2/15. (DS-DE)
 - 1520 KOHA OK OKLAHOMA CITY - 2/13 0211 gobbling up WKSW w/CW music, female anc'r, signal actually atop at times! (DS-DE)
 - 1540 WPTV NY ALBANY - 1/26 0200 w/ID, CW music, no sign of KXSL. (BP-IN)
 - 1550 WIRV KY IRVINE - 1/21 0720 w/local weather news. (BP-IN)
 - WAAV AL HUNTSVILLE - 2/13 0120 noted strong w/Larry King, soon popped off, so evidently on day pattern...again! (DS-DE) 2/14 0213-0323+ noted w/"Way" and "15-50 Radio" ID's, call to station confirmed it was they, last heard 4/15/74. (PRK-NJ) You must not listen here very much! (DS)
 - WUTQ NY UTICA - 1/27 0303 noted on ET w/CW music, ID's while trying to ID a YV-- (Spanish) here. (MR-ON)
 - 1560 WETI MO MACON - 1/27 0555 noted w/end of ET w/ET. (BP-IN)
 - 1580 WGLS FL GULFSTREAM - 2/12 0251 noted w/ID in passing. (PS-CT)
 - 1590 WZIP FL DAYTONA - 2/13 0118 noted on ET w/rock oldies, long ID between selections requesting reports and phone calls (during regular business hours), weak, not as good as 2/6 ET. (DS-DE)
 - WAKR OH AKRON - 2/12 0240 noted w/ID. (PS-CT)
 - 1600 WOKB FL ORLANDO - 2/7 0600 noted w/s/on, quickly taken out by s/on of WBCV. (BP-IN) Hope he enjoyed it! (DS)

PIRATES & c:

- 1616 KPRC 2/3 0036 noted w/usual rock music, political commentary, phone calls, good signal as usual. (MR-ON)
- 1618 WART NJ 2/11 2320 per Paul Mount phone tip w/phone calls (303 AC loop number), good on peaks but tinny audio. Said running a Viking ham Xatr w/200 watts, suspect South Jersey location from items mentioned. (JS-ON) 2/12 0120-0200 w/many phone calls from Mike in Toronto, Draw in Philadelphia, etc. (PRK)
- 1622 UNID 1/30 0350, 2/3 0220 very poor signal w/news, weather, sports, bits of music every 6 minutes, pirate or remote? (MR-ON) *Read on bunky....you'll like what VINCE PINTO dug up on this!
- 1630 WGBT 1/19 0229 fair w/Beatles and 60's rock music, phone calls, power given as 50 watts. (MR-ON)

VINCE PINTO reports that the reports similar to the above mentioned one on 1622 is legit. This is being run by Group W's Satellite News Channel (cable TV news service) from the Washington, DC area and falls under the category of "Broadcast Auxiliary", something recently adopted due to changes in the ITU accords by the FCC to permit secondary service for remote links in the 1605-1650 area. Audio is piped via phone lines from SMC's offices in Stamford, CT to Washington, DC where it is intended for use by field vans in the immediate DC area. The voice-over items mentioned in past reports are instructions for remote crews, usually given during the local break times. Signal was reported weak in the northeast and south but generally good in the Delaware and DC areas. Power is less than 100 watts fed into a 5 foot long antenna on an 8 story building. When contacted on this, Group W's 18th Street DC office kept asking incredulously "where are you calling from?" Add. for reports is Engineer in Charge, Remote Field News Broadcasts, Group W 5-N-C, 1111 18th St., NW., Wash., DC 20008. Call listed as "WJZ-FM". And the FCC reports that six such services are in operation presently, freq.'s given as 1606, 1622 and 1646.

Thanks VINCE for your efforts on this one!



DISA & DATA:

The mail did not make it after our snow on 2/12, just 24 inches to shovel out of the driveway. Thank you but once this season is enough!

THANKS, YOU ALL: (JS-ON) Jerry Starr, Hubbard, OH, (TG-TN) Tom Connatser, Sevierville, TN, (PRK-NJ) Paul Mount, Teaneck, NJ, (TY-CT) Tony "The Fitz" Fitzherbert, Fairfield, CT, (PS-CT) Paul Stephan, Old Greenwich, CT.

- (MK-WI) Mike Knitter, Cambridge, WI, (MR-ON) Mike Reid, Willowdale, OH, (DLR-KY) Dave Reitz, Fern Creek, KY, (RA-PA) Ray Arruda, Acushnet, MA., (KG-PA) Kermit Seary, Walnutport, PA, (JP-ON) Jeff Falconer, Clinton, ON, (BP-IN) Bill Prater, Terre Haute, IN. (DS-DE) is UNID!

And that puts the wraps on it for another exciting week! 73's - Good DX!



Avid Listener

Howard Kemp of Laconia points to a letter and souvenir he received many years ago from Radio Tricolor in Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic. The station is one of roughly 3,600 which

Kemp has listened to in 51 years. The board Kemp is holding is filled with letters and cards from other AM stations around the world.

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DOES THIS GUY LOOK FAMILIAR?????

TAKEN FROM THE LACONIA EVENING CITIZEN NEWSPAPER (LACONIA, NH) FEB 16, '83 ISSUE

THE ARTICLE WAS FOUND ON THE FRONT PAGE, NO LESS!!!!

NOTICE THE HRC NIGHT PATTERN BOOK IN THE BACKGROUND!

YOUR OKAY HOWARD, CAN I HAVE YOUR AUTOGRAPH, HI.

(H3)



Radio His Life-Long Hobby

By MIKE MORTENSEN

Once upon a time lots of people used to gather around the living room radio for calls at a time. They would sit and listen to the antics of Amos 'n' Andy, the villainy of the Shadow, or the pronouncements of Franklin Roosevelt.

Times have changed. Today radio is something we sort of listen to while we're eating breakfast, driving to work, cleaning the house, or doing our homework.

These days very few people are mesmerized by radio. But there are exceptions ... like Howard Kemp, Evening Citizen columnist.

Kemp, a 66-year-old Laconia resident, has been hooked on radio since he was a teen-ager growing up in Waterbury, Conn. It was in 1932 the Kemps' got their first radio — a used RCA-Victor floor model set with a slide-rule dial.

The radio hadn't been in the home very long before Kemp became an obsessive listener. "My dad died when I was young, so we weren't too well off," he said explaining how listening to radio developed into a full-fledged hobby. "When other kids were running around at night I was at home."

Since those days during the Great Depression, Kemp has passionately explored the standard AM dial. Over the past 51 years he has listened to roughly 3,600 different stations located on every continent except Asia. As proof of his efforts, he has cards and letters from over 3,200 of the stations confirming what he heard.

While there are thousands of broadcast band hobbyists in the country, Kemp believes he is the only one in the Laconia area.

Almost every evening he will ensconce himself in

a wing-back chair in the living room of his Court Street home and watch on his Kenwood radio and begin turning the dial slowly. Always he hopes to discover a "new" station. On Feb. 1, he heard WWVG in Rochester, N.Y., for the first time and six days later he picked up KERN in Mexicali, Mexico.

What makes Kemp's hobby possible is an atmospheric phenomenon which permits AM radio signals to "travel" much further at night than they can during the day.

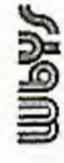
Kemp's says his distance record was set sometime in the 1940s when he picked up a station in Perth, Australia. One night in 1947 he spent some time listening to KULA in Honolulu.

He often can tell where a station is just by listening to the music. "The French Canadian rock 'n' roll stations seem to have a really heavy bass beat," he explains, adding, "Now when you listen to the Arab stations, there's depressing music for you."

Whenever Kemp hears a station for the first time he writes a letter telling them what he heard and when. Most stations answer with a confirmation. But sometimes a reply from foreign stations can take a while because the letters often need to be translated.

One of the best times to listen, Kemp believes, is in the wee hours of the morning. For years he has regularly gotten out of bed to listen to the radio for a couple of hours. He laughs when he recalls how his mother worried that habit would hurt his studies. "She used to put newspapers on the floor, her up so she could find me back to bed," he told a visitor. "After a few years she just threw up her arms and said, 'What's the use.'"

Kemp says he enjoys his hobby as much today as he did half a century ago when he heard station WIBC in Caracas, Venezuela. "It's just as fascinating," he said, "partly because it's getting harder to find new stuff."



INTERNATIONAL DX DIGEST

Times are GMT. For EDT subtract 5 hours. Deadlines are usually Monday.

CHUCK HUTTON
1035 LATHAM ROAD
DECATUR, GA 30033
(404) 633-1198
BEFORE 2300 EDT

- 155 USSR Khabarovsk? 1/30 1507 faint w/man talking in RR. (Moman)
155 UNID 1/30 0426 good woman singing folk music, no talk. (Moman)
164 FRANCE Allouis 1/30 0232 good w/old Beatles music, man talking in FF, my first LW TA! (Moman)
164 USSR Tashkent 1/30 1506 fair w/man and woman in RR. (Moman)
173 USSR 1/30 0415 fair w/man in RR. Poor 2/1 0233 with RR talk. Fair 1/30 1508 fair w/man talking in RR. (Moman)
179 EAST GERMANY 2/1 0231 fair w/EE song. Fair 1/30 0235 w/cl mx. (Moman)
200 ENGLAND 1/30 0434 xint-good w/EE man, sterios, non-chanties sung, great signal at times. (Moman)
227 POLAND 1/30 good 0420 w/light cl mx, later at 0504 had long talk by men in Polish. (Moman) 2/1 0107 fair w/EE song then right into another song. (Moman)
236t LUXEMBOURG 1/30 0420 poor in ff. (Moman)
251t ALGERIA 1/30 0412 faint w/weak person in unid lang. (Moman)
524 TEXAS Hawthorn Field, this previously unid beacon is located in Hardin County ("HHB"). The "CVV" reported earlier is still unknown. Thanks to Art Petersen for this one. (Thomas)
531t ALGERIA 2/1 0258 fair w/singing, time pips and annet by man, into news I presume. (Thomas)
531 ALGERIA Ain Beida 2/3 0213 singing AA style. (Vernon)
531 EAST GERMANY 1/30 0228 fair w/pop songs //1044. (Moman)
531 EAST GERMANY/SWITZERLAND 1/30 0607 poor-someone else with Neil Diamond song o/u East Germany. (Moman)
549 USSR 1/30 0444 good w/soft E2L, no 550 US signals! (Moman)
549 USSR Leningrad et al 2/3 0656 male anner w/RR talk, Kayak IS, never noted this before. (Vernon)
556.7 CUBA almost good w/SS male w/what seemed to be a sports match. Was // Rebelde 570 so apparently CMAA from 550. This at 0105 1/26. (Thomas)
570 GREENLAND Godthab 1/29 0126 w/Danish talk, sounded like a weather forecast, xint sig //650 etc. (Vernon)
576 UNID 2/1 0301 poor w/opera singing by man, not //531. (Moman)
640 GUATEMALA R. Nacional, LV do Guatemala w/mx and occasional ID's 0440 1/19. Mixed w/but o/Cuba. New country here. (Renfrew) And surely the easiest shot at Guatemala these days-CH
640 VENEZUELA Ondas Portenas heard w/mx t/u Cuba. Heard before but not recently, 0345 1/27. (Renfrew)
650 GREENLAND Godhavn 1/29 0123 w/Danish talk. (Vernon)
657 USSR Murmansk 2/1 0059 Kayak IS then carrier cut 0100. 2/3 noted w/FS IS 0159 just before listed s/on. (Vernon)
670 COLOMBIA R. Calidad w/TC and ID 0610 2/7, WMAQ mailed. (Renfrew)
673 ENGLAND Breitwich 1/29 0100 Radio Two jingle then man w/mx. (Vernon)
700 GREENLAND Simutuaq 1/29 0047 woman w/Greenlandic type lingo // 570, 700, 850 etc. (Vernon)
715.4 ECUADOR Portoviejo fair here 0000 2/13 w/ID's and upbeat LA mx. (Thomas)
718.3 UNID well this one remains a mystery. Earlier thought it might be LV de Portoviejo but preceeding logging mixes that. In 0032 2/13 and looped west of the Ecuadoran on 715.4 so somewhere in ConAm. (Thomas)
720 PORTUGAL Azurara 2/3 0215 male w/PP talk between Latin type mx. (Vernon)
750 GREENLAND Unisnek 1/29 0127 male w/Danish talk then Greenland Radio IS, 0130 woman w/TC then man w/Greenlandic talk //570 etc. (Vernon)
756t PORTUGAL H. Comercial Castanheira 2/3 0104 man w/presumed news, 0105 electronic type chime, woman anner then choir mx, probably the anthem (Vernon)
756 WEST GERMANY DLF Konigsalutter 0259 1/20 IS then 0300 man w/ID and npx all GG. (Vernon)
756 WEST GERMANY 2/1 0308 fair w/GG talk and singing. (Moman)
765 USSR Medvezhyegorsk 1/30 0305 woman and man anner, alternating w/RR talk, never noted before. (Vernon)
780 COLOMBIA R. Almirante w/many references to Marco (77CH) and Rio-haca 0245 2/6. (Renfrew)

- 783 EAST GERMANY SUD Bärz 2/3 0110 woman anner w.GG bellid type mx. (Vernon)
795 UNID very good OC here being cut on and off 0800 1/31 not no mod. Looped N-S. (Thomas)
810 BAHAMAS stronger than usual with "From The Roots" program featuring "rep" music 0300 2/6. (Renfrew)
819 POLAND Warszawa 2/1 0102 male w/Polish talk, very poor signal. (BV)
830 COLOMBIA R. Vision w/shouted ID at 0700 2/6. Mnetioned Medellin. No news on the hour. (Renfrew)
834 BELIZE Belize City noteworthy only because this was audible one hour after local noon on 2/6. (Thomas) 1/30 0219 good w/EE man with songs and dedications. (Moman)
850 GREENLAND Upernavik 1/29 0131 male w/Greenlandic talk, best of the Greenlandic frequencies. (Vernon)
865 UNID weak-fair carrier here 0150 2/7 intermittently producing audio. The HC presumed. (Thomas) Never even a little itty-bitty carrier here.... You must have super location-CH
873 USSR Leningrad etc. 2/1 0104 w/RR talk topping AFN which had a KBK game. (Vernon)
873 WEST GERMANY AFN Frankfurt 1/29 0133 PSA about car speeds then back to Wolfman Jack show. (Vernon) Just no getting away from him it seems....CH
882 ENGLAND Washford 1/29 0256 "You, the night and the mx" w/Liz Allen. Xint sig, best TA here. (Vernon)
890 COLOMBIA LV de Bogota w/ID at 0730 2/7. Todalar not mentioned, three chimes repeated w/ID. (Renfrew)
891 ALGERIA Alger 1/29 0156 woman w/AA type signing, xint sig. (BV)
895 HAITI Gonaives R. Trans-Artibonite noted in passing at fair level w/FF male at 0035 on 1/26. (Thomas)
972 WEST GERMANY Hamburg 1/30 0341 fair w/EE pop stings, concert with applause //1017 and 1593. (Moman)
985 UNID just a weak carrier here 0023 2/13; looped Ecuador/Peru so Peru possible. Peru-854 also in at this time w/fair carrier. (Thomas)
990 WEST GERMANY RIAS1 Berlin-Britz 1/29 0054 male w/GG talk w/GBC (CSDW) GRM. (Vernon)
1008 HOLLAND Hilversum I, Flevoland 2/1 0115 EE bullad, 0118 male anner in DD talked to another via phone. (Vernon) 1/30 0557 fair-poor in splash w/vocals, time pips and into news. (Moman) Hasn't made a big splash with it's superpower like I thought it would-CH
1017 WEST GERMANY 1/30 0507 good w/"Bird Dance" song, GG talk, not //1593 now, "Baden Baden" at 0555. (Moman)
1017 WEST GERMANY SWF Wolfheim 1/30 0453 male GG singer, xint signal. (Vernon) 1/30 0300 fair w/time pips, into news, GRM from middle East str-Turkey? (Moman)
1026t AUSTRIA 1/30 0555 faint waltzes. (Moman)
1030 MEXICO R. Mil, Mexico DF w/characteristic whistle u/WEZ 0745 2/7. (Renfrew)
1033 UNID undermodulated SS male quite strong here 0330 1/26 but being bothered by hot from 0035. Looped SW-NE, no ideas. (Thomas)
1035 PORTUGAL Porto Alto 2/3 0156 male reading numbers by phone, at 0231 brief "Last Call" trumpet mx then "good evening friends" in EE, however didn't sign off as male anner noted later. (Vernon)
1000 COLOMBIA Manizales fair w/ID (Radiodifusora de Colombia) 0750 1/31 then mx, KTOX phased. (Thomas)
1035t USSR Tallinn 2/3 0236 choir mx in progress, think Estonian anthem, 0237 male w/RR sounding talk, maybe s/on is 0230. (Vernon)
1035 UNID 1/30 0453 fair, noted with talk, > pips at 0500, just not sure about language. (Moman)
1044 EAST GERMANY 1/30 0100 fair, time pips, talk by woman in GG, good audio most of the night. 0245 with IS and frequencies, then slow instrumental mx, one of the best TA's. (Vernon)
1044 EAST GERMANY DDR Burg 1/29 0114 noted w/instrumental mx, xint signal but CPSP-1050 alop a problem. (Vernon)
1062 UNID 1/30 0603 faint instrumental mx, no idea. (Moman)
1070 COLOMBIA R. Santa Fe w/mx and ID at 0800 2/7. (Renfrew)
1098 CZECHOSLOVAKIA Bratislava 2/1 0306 beer garden type mx, fair signal. (Vernon)
1130 COLOMBIA Em. Unidas w/polka type mx, loud and clear 0550 2/6. (Renfrew) Is my memory fried or isn't Unidas on 720? CH
1161 UNID 2/1 0123 noted w/FF atlk and mostly PP rr mx. (Vernon)
1197 WEST GERMANY VOA Munchen 1/29 0039 promo for upcoming pgm on VOA then OBN Words and Their Stories program, had a little AA QRM. (Vernon)
1200 CUBA Felms Soriano R. Revolucion obliterating WQAI w/upbeat LA mx 0338 2/7. (Thomas)

- 1206 FRANCE Bordeaux 2/1 0435 noted w/FF anthem, weak Polish talk QRM. (Vernon)
- 1215 ALBANIA R. Tirana Dushnje 1/30 0320 male announcer in unid lang followed by Latin type mx. (Turkish Service listed) (Vernon)
- 1215 UNID Albania? 1/30 0319 poor w/woman in unid lang, low hat on channel too. (Woman) Albania has always had a frequency control problem-CH
- 1269 WEST GERMANY DLF Neumunster 1/29 0112 instrumental mx, stn puts a big hat on 12/0. Xint sig. (Vernon)
- 1323 EAST GERMANY R. Moscow Leipzig 2/3 0226 woman w/promo for "Round about the Soviet Union", xint sig, all EE. (Vernon)
- 1323 UNID 1/30 0254 poor jazz mx, not //1044. (Woman)
- 1360 CUBA R. Cadena Agrmonite here 0530 w/good ID and a variety of pop mx in SS. Was //outlet on 1380. Not on Schatz list; possibly CMMX from 1370. (Thomas) Not on the list because it is new. Not CmxX I think because it is much stronger here-CH
- 1418.2 UNID fair-good carrier here looped SSW 0040 2/13. QRM masking audio. (Thomas)
- 1422 WEST GERMANY SM1 Heussweiler 2/3 0125 noted w/Kenny Kells "Midnight in Moscow". (Vernon) Explsin. Who is Kenny? CH
- 1440 LUXEMBOURG Matnach 2/3 0140 male w/TC on "the great 200", rr mx followed, lots of CJOI QRM. (Vernon)
- 1458 ENGLAND vnbbsous, 2/1 0335 MCR type mx //693, 882, 1548, poor signal. (Vernon)
- 1467 MONTE CARLO 1/30 0447 GG choir w/woman announcer in brief pauses. (Vernon)
- 1494 USSR 1/30 0150 fair w/EE news by woman, R. Moscow ID hrd up to 0600, one of the best TA's. 2/1 0059 mx, Kremlin bells at 0100, ID as Radio Moscow World Service then EE news. (Woman)
- 1500 MEXICO XERH heard through noise with mentions of Hermosillo and Mexico, then mx pgm 0535 2/7. (Renfrew)
- 1521 CZECHOSLOVAKIA Citatice 1/30 massive signal w/jolly bear garden type mx 0121+. (Vernon)
- 1530 VATICAN Vatican City 2/1 0335 male w/unid lingo talk, Albanian listed. (Vernon)
- 1540 HONDURAS Tegucigalpa, was very surprised to hear SS here that looped SSW near midday on 2/6. Signal was poor to fair but many mentions of Tegucigalpa and an HR call at 1920 cinched it. Helize 834 and El Salvador-655 also in at this time. (Thomas)
- 1548 ENGLAND various 2/1 0339 balled type mx, fair signal //BBC 1458, 882, etc. (Vernon)
- 1584 UNID 2/1 male w/SS talk, also barking dogs, no ID's caught. (you expected the barking dogs to ID, hi-CH) (Vernon)
- 1593 WEST GERMANY WDR Langenberg 1/29 0106 instrumental mx, xint sig. (Vernon)
- 1593 WEST GERMANY WDF Langenberg 1/30 0211 fair w/pop mx, GG singer // 1017. (Woman) (Dan-your xerox cut off the bottom line-CH)
- 1593 UNID inaudible bet against domestics on 1590 2230 2/5. First TA hint of the session (so much for hearing a flood of TA's on my now rx!). (Renfrew) You will but it won't be until the sunspots go down further-CH
- 1602 UNID 2/1 0329+ noted w/opera type mx, found no //, fair signal for a while. (Vernon)
- 1610 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon 1/30 0404 poor w/EE religious program. (Woman)
- 1668h BELIZE 8second harmonic here 0220 2/7. Classical mx at fair level. (Thomas)

Dan Moman-Joseph Lake, Alberta 2200' or 2700' Beverage, K7O
 Jim Renfrew-Rochester, NY JQ150, SM1
 Gerry Thomas-Pensacola, Fla. FRG7, Superloop, modified ICP6500
 Brian Vernon-Gamsell River, NWT FRG7000, 1500" Beverage, TRF

Lamb, your cash did indeed survive the Post Office trip. Probably because it didn't matter when it got here, otherwise they would have re-routed it via Anchorage.

Have only had the radio fired up for a few minutes the last few weeks and the only thing noted was that Onde Musical has slipped up to 1132 from 1130. Another drifting Cuban was noted somewhere but I don't remember who or where..... That's all....REPORT--REPORT--REPORT--REPORT

FROM HQ

WHAT DOES SUE DO AROUND HERE? YOU ASK. SHE TAKES THIS MAGAZINE DOWN TO THE PRINTER, AND ALSO PICKS IT UP, SHE ADDRESSES THE MAGAZINE & ALSO TAKES IT DOWN TO THE POST OFFICE TO GET MAILED. NOW, YOU ASK, WHAT DO I DO? WELL, SOMEONE HAS TO BE IN CHARGE!!!!!!!

INTERNATIONAL DX ACHIEVEMENTS

MALCOLM MAXWELL
 1041 TUHLIN STREET
 APT. A
 ATLANTA, GA 30318

If you've been wondering, "Where's the IDXA Column?" - Your fears have been answered. This time around we are not going to list any IDXA type stuff. But I do have a plan
SEND IN YOUR TOTALS!!!!

I have received three (3) in about as many months. Send them, so I can have a 'two pager' in a month or so, as Terry Klasek has so loudly plugged - (Terry, the check for the plugs is in the mail,hi).

I am also the Awards Chairman, now for something really different - a list of our awards:

TOTAL VERIES - Just as it sounds. All veries tape or paper in steps of 500 (500,1000 1500, etc). These are pretty much on the honor system. When you reach or pass a 500 verie step, let me know.

COUNTRIES VERIED - Issued in steps of 25 (25,50,75,etc.). For Country Awards, please send me a list of countries veried with the following details: Call or slogan, call if slogan is a common one; Location; Frequency; Date received or date veried.

STATES VERIED - Awards are in steps of 30,35,40,45,50. Send a list of veries with the following information:
 State Call Letters Location Frequency Date received or date veried

PROVINCES VERIED - Issued: 6-provinces/territories 8-provinces/territories 10-provinces/territories Remember only veries from 1944 on count for Newfoundland Send list with: Call letters Province/Territory Frequency Date received or date veried.

STATE CAPITOLS - Awarded for 30,40,45,50 State Capitols. It's not as easy as it sounds, many are small towns, example: New York has Albany, Illinois has Springfield. Send list with: Call letters Location Frequency Date received or date veried.

GRAVEYARDS - Issued in steps of 50 (50,100,150,200,etc) Same info as in the Total veries, just send me a list of the number of stations.

LANGUAGES - Issued in steps of 5 (5,10,15,etc) Can be any language on BCB. Just get a verie or a tape of it!!! Tape must have a good ID. Most veries will mention it if you ask them for it in your reception report. Send in your list with the following info: Call Letters Frequency Location Date received or date veried.

Good Listening & Good Reporting

ABC TALKRADIO AFFILIATE LIST

VIA TOM COMMSERV

Albany-Rensselaer NY	WGBK 1300	Norfolk (Portsmouth) VA	WNIS 1350
Baltimore MD	WGBM 680	North Myrtle Beach SC	WGSN 900
Boise ID	KTOX 740	Palm Springs CA	KPSI 1450
North Charleston SC	WKCN 910	Pensacola-Milton FL	WSWL 1330
Charlotte NC	WAYS 610	Phoenix (Bisbee) AZ	KSUN 1230
Chicago IL	WIND 560	Pittsburgh PA	WTKN 970
Cleveland OH	WERE 1300	Portland ME	WMER 1440
Colorado Springs CO	KVOR 1300	Portland OR	KLIQ 1290
Dallas TX	WFAA 570	Providence RI	WEAN 790
Denver CO	KNUS 710	Reno NV	KOH 630
Eugene OR	KEDF 1280	Rochester NY	WRTK 1370
Fresno CA	KMJ 580	Sacramento CA	KQNR 1320
Grand Rapids MI	WTWN 1340	Saginaw (Bay City) MI	WSGW 790
Greenville SC	WGVL 1440	Salisbury MD	WSBY 960
Hagerstown (Halfway) MD	WHAG 1410	Salt Lake City (Sandy) UT	KZJO 630
Honolulu HI	KGU 760	San Diego CA	KCNN 1360
Indianapolis IN	WIFE 1310	San Francisco CA	KGO-FM 103.7
Jacksonville FL	WOKV 600	Santa Barbara CA	KTMS 1250
Kansas City MO	KCMO 810	Spokane WA	KSPQ 1230
Lansing MI	WKEM 970	Toledo OH	WOHO 1470
Las Vegas (Henderson) NV	KVOV 1280	Tucson AZ	KNST 940
Los Angeles CA	KABC 790	Tulsa OK	KBLI 1430
Minneapolis/St. Paul MN	KSTP 1500	West Palm Beach FL	WJMO 1230
New Orleans LA	WGSO 1260	Wheeling WV (Bellairre OH)	WOMP 1290
New York NY	WABC 770	Winston-Salem NC	WSJS 600

This little program saves a little memory for the actual meat of the program, namely the call letters and its freqs. I've used it here just to toy around with and having no idea how such or how many stn's and freqs it can hold. You'll just have to find that part out yourself.

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5 REM "FREQSEARCH"
10 FAST
14 GLS
15 PRINT "ENTER FREQ TO BE SEARCHED"
18 PRINT
19 PRINT
20 INPUT AS
25 IF AS="540" THEN PRINT "XEWA","CBK","WYLO"
27 IF AS="550" THEN PRINT "KSD","KTSA","KPYR"
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(and so on)

At this point you can insert any freq 525 or 834 or 99.9 or 15.480 whatever you wish. What I've done so as not to hunt all over for a particular freq to update it I use a little help by putting the stns into blocks of numbers such as AM could run from 25 thru 250 and FM from 250 thru 400 and SW from 500 to 1500 etc.

Basically what I've done was to take out the questions and statements that both Skip and Albert have in theirs.

Now lets get back to the rest of the list.

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5000 PRINT AS
5001 PRINT
5002 PRINT
5005 PRINT "WOULD YOU LIKE TO EXAMINE ANOTHER FREQ? (Y or N)"
5010 INPUT BS
5015 IF BS="Y" THEN GOTO 14
5020 GLS
5021 PRINT
5022 PRINT
5023 PRINT
5024 PRINT
5025 PRINT "THANK YOU BIE" (or whatever saying you want)
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Another suggestion leave a number or two between each line...inence you have to add a freq such as: 570 575 580

What about the SW Freq's.....good luck!!!, hi.

I've got, actually sue has, a Sinclair machine w/ 16K add on box. Sinclair now has, I hear, a 64K, a printer, a little larger keyboard, etc. Saw the stuff on display in a Popular Computing magazine Feb issue I think.

73's

WCCO-AM has dials locked in with 20% share

The new radio ratings are in and local giant WCCO-AM (830) once again has avoided falling below a 20-percent share of the audience.

The following chart compares stations' shares of the average quarter-hour audience during the fall rating period to the previous rating period, last spring. The numbers represent the percentage of the actual listening audience won by each station.

830 comfortably ahead of second-place finisher KSTP-FM (94.5), the old lady of Twin Cities radio has slipped sharply in recent years. In the spring of 1981, the station's average audience fell by more than four percentage points, from 24.5 percent of the local radio audience to 20.2.

The station bounced back a bit to a 22.9 share a year ago, only to fall again last spring to a flat 20.0 share. A

	Fall 1982	Spring 1982
WCCO-AM	20.5	20.0
KSTP-FM	12.4	12.2
WLOL-FM	9.7	10.0
KQRS-FM	5.7	4.8
WDGY-AM	5.5	5.5
KDWB-FM	4.9	5.0
KEEY-FM	4.8	4.1
WAYL-FM	4.6	3.2
KSTP-AM	4.1	3.1
WCCO-FM	3.8	4.4
WWTC-AM	2.1	2.3
KJJO-FM	1.8	2.0
KLBB-AM	1.7	.8
KTWM-FM	1.7	1.8
KDWB-AM	1.6	2.0
KTQR-FM	1.1	1.1
KKSS-AM	1.0	1.0
KRSP-AM	1.0	.7
KORS-AM	.8	.5
WMMN-AM	.8	1.0

fall into the teens and neck-and-neck competition with KQRS for audience and advertising seemed inevitable. But not this time.

According to the Arbitron metro ratings for a 12-week period from mid-September to mid-December, WCCO climbed half a notch to win 20.5 percent of the listening audience. KQRS, which has recently had as much as 14.8 percent of the audience, gained two-tenths of a point to go round for a 22.4-percent share.

While KQRS seems doomed to second place in the overall ratings, the station's management points out that the station is now virtually tied with WCCO for listeners among adults aged 18-34, another desirable marketing target. KQRS actually outpicks the older WCCO-AM audience.

Old AM Stations Prefer to Switch — and Fight

STRICTLY RADIO

By DAVE BITTAN

Philadelphia Daily News

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VIA GUYTON DRACONER

Named WABC-AM when AHC took over from NBC's old Blue network) has shifted from one of the nation's top rock stations to all talk. Another New York station, CBS's old WABC at 880 (renamed WCHS-AM) has been all news for some years. Westinghouse's KYW AM (1260) became Philadelphia's No. 1 station in 1975 after extra alliances in 1965. CBS's WCAU-AM (1210) dropped music for talk in 1982.

One music holdout is WFEN-AM (950), which featured Frank Ford and other talk pioneers years ago, but which has been making a ratings comeback with nostalgia big band.

Some Major News

On Friday night, Stan Mack, who left WWDB several months ago, returned to the station, the city's No. 1 rated all talk outlet, on the 1 a.m.-5:30 a.m. shift.

FROM-CAROLINA COUNTRY, FEB. 1983 VIA BILL COLEMAN, JR.

To Cover General Assembly Newscasts Scheduled

Two special five-minute, weekly news programs focusing on the activities of the 1983 North Carolina General Assembly are now being broadcast by a total of 87 radio stations across the state.

The public affairs broadcasts are being sponsored by the state's Electric Membership Corporations.

One of the programs is "Legislative Review," a blend of news, interviews and analysis by veteran Raleigh newsmen Fred Taylor. This program airs twice weekly on 71 stations at 12 noon each Sunday, with repeats at 7:55 a.m. each Monday.

In addition, it is broadcast by another 13 stations between 5 and 6 p.m. each Thursday.

The second program of legislative coverage is being produced by WPTF in Raleigh and is broadcast by that station at 6:30 p.m. each Friday.

Both programs will be aired through the end of the current legislative session.

The stations carrying "Legislative Review" on the Sunday/Monday schedule are:

- WRCS-AM/FM, Asheville
- WCSE-FM, Asheville
- WBWB, Burlington
- WCFL, Cherryville
- WRRZ-AM/FM, Clinton
- WECO-AM, Concord
- WPEG-FM, Concord
- WBXB, Edenton
- WRBX, Durham (Chapel Hill)
- WCAI, Elizabeth City
- WRBA, Elizabethtown
- WFMO, Farmington
- WZY, Faison
- WGBH, Faisonville
- WRQR, Faisonville
- WFAL, Fayetteville
- WGAS, Gastonia
- WGRR, Goldsboro
- WECR-FM, Goldsboro
- WJZ, Henderson
- WGOS, High Point
- WHKY, Hickory
- WQXT, Kings Mountain
- WRNS, Kingston
- WEWO, Laurinburg
- WSTS, Laurinburg
- WBVY, Lexington
- WLXN-FM, Lexington
- WLLN, Lillington
- WYRN, Lenoir
- WXYN, Mayodan
- WHDN, Mcbane
- WDSL, Mocksville
- WMAP, Monroe
- WHUP, Mooresville
- WMBL-AM/FM, Morehead City
- WQZQ, Moyock
- WCBO, Oxford
- WFNC, Plymouth
- WRAL-FM, Raleigh
- WCBT, Roanoke Rapids
- WVMO, Rockville
- WLWL, Rockingham
- WFMA-FM, Rocky Mount
- WRKO, Roanoke
- WKRK-FM, Roanoke
- WRDK, Salisbury
- WBIC, New Bern
- WVGP, Sanford
- WYAL, Scotland Neck
- WVCB, Shallotte
- WVZB, Selma
- WNCA, Siler City
- WCFL, Southern Pines
- WDRV, Statesville
- WCPS, Tarboro
- WKTC-FM, Tarboro
- WTLK, Taylorsville
- WTRQ, Warsaw
- WETC, Wendell
- WENC-AM/FM, Whiteville
- WIAM, Williamston
- WSEC-FM, Williamston
- WYOT, Wilson
- WXYT-FM, Wilson
- WJTB-FM, Windsor
- WETE, Windsor
- WANT, Winterton-Salem

The stations carrying "Legislative Review" on Thursdays and the program's scheduled broadcast times are: WATA, Boone, 4:45 p.m.; WKYK, Burnsville, 4:35 p.m.; WWTI, Canton, 5:32 p.m.; WCKB, Dunn, 4:40 p.m.; WLAS, Jacksonville, 3:45 p.m.; WMMB, Marshall, 1:15 p.m.; WPAQ, Mt. Airy, 4:45 p.m.; WJRI, Lenoir, 6:10 p.m.; WCOK, Sparks, 4:05 p.m.; WADE, Wadesboro, 5:05 p.m.; WTTN, Washington, 5:34 p.m.; WSKS, West Jefferson, 4:05 p.m.; and WKBC, North Wilkerson, 12:15 p.m.

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Still no new veries to report. Here's the twistings of the last fortnight: Tues. 1-25: A weakie on 905a, sounded SS, but I couldn't raise him high enough. Someone on 740 had DT (dial tone) (sounds shaky to me -pls) 1:18 tune-in till 1:22 off with no ID. WKBW-1520 was noted on OC @ 1:54. Wed. 1-26: BFL mx held my attention on 960, and @1:10 came the surprising ID, ZFB-FM and 7PB-960, Bermuda! On 1300, a TT'er @ 2:20-2:36. Thur. 1-27: AU once again struck, and on 1310, an SS with BFL USA-style mx was first noted @ 12:52 am with "Pennies from Heaven", but this one's ID still eludes me. Franching on 1440, 1:27, likely WAJL making its last appearance in these parts (see further on in this Muse, like right here! Fri. 1-28: WNER-1440, Westbrook, ME, has opened its night facilities with a mx/tlk style program, o/u WPTQ, goodbye DX on this frequency with two of 'em to fight, both semi-locals, in different directions. Their phone number is 1-800-TALK. Somebody TT'ing o/WKBW-1520 @ 1:14-1:30. WBZA-1230 on top @ 1:32 ID with Larry King, unnn, as I have them verified from their 1410 days. MM 1-13: Two fairly strong SS'es occupied 1560 all AM; one is WRJS and I think the other is an HJ. WKYK-940 test made it in/out with WINZ and XEQ, all about even, thanks for a nice new logging, Tom Connatser! Later while sitting on 790, a TT started @ 3:23, varying pitch, o/u WAEB. I noted WEAT-850 has switched to all-mx. Tues. 2-1: Unusual unnn's heard today: CFCY-630, WCAD-600, WFIL-560, and local WR0L-950 testing most of the morning. Thur. 2-3: On 1350, a FoP 1:13 am, no ID's heard. On 1260, an SS turned out to be "Radio Sueve" and WSWA, ex-WHTT, for a report. Fri. 2-4: That heterodyne just above 1450 has moved to the other side; just below 1450! Sun. 2-6: Unn WR0D-1340 on top @ 1:05 with ABC-I mx, and dog racing results/prices. Locals W0CB-1240 and WKRE-1510 were off today; WLAC with banal programming, giving out a "good luck phone number" to call! Now the mighty have fallen! MM 2-7: Unn HJLJ "R. Tigre" was in the clear on 1500 @ 1:04. And all morning, in/out, oft topping the channel was much-needed and welcome WBBM-149N with Black DIS mx, report off. Offs today were WMAQ-670, WBBM-780, and WPTN-1540, and wow, was it over Auroral this AM! WANO-1230 and WJAB-1400 were ruling their frequencies most of the morning. AU cx are exciting! Forward March! C B N 7.

TIM KERFOOT - 189 Cedarvale Ave. Apt. 505 - Toronto, ON M4C 4K1 (pm ? rec'd 2-14)
Only two new ones have been heard since last Muse; 1-18: WDDO-1310 R:05-11 pm, in wall with basketball for TN-22. (?? -pls) 1-31: WKYK-940 DX test, good! 1:39-1:57 am through XEQ. That was also #22 from NC.

ICP-2001 COMMENTS

MARK CONNELLY -30 William Road - Billerica, MA 01821 9 Feb. 1983
The Sony ICP-2001 works very well for me if used in conjunction with a tuned loop or a tuned longwire. Use of the 2001 with untuned wires results in spurs from overloading on MW and LW unless you're many miles from the closest AM ECB station. Untuned wire is OK above 3 khz, however. The rx works exceptionally well with the SM-2 and R. West loops. Connecting a 10K pot at the output of the loop amp ('top' of pot to loop amp out, 'bottom' of pot to ground, and wiper arm to the ICP-2001 external antenna input) gives you gain control. This is desirable to prevent feedback from the ICP-2001's built-in antenna to the loop being used. Of course, there is also a connection from loop ground to rx ground. The pot is best installed in the loop amp housing. This pot will also allow you to set adequate gain for hearing a station without overloading the rx with signals from stronger stations close enough in frequency to be within the gain passband of the loop amplifier's tuned output. My main complaints with the ICP-2001: 1. It's a battery hog. As a result, I run it on AC mains whenever possible. 2. Dial light can't be kept on without keeping a finger on the light switch button. 3. LCD readout seems to disappear at certain viewing angles. 4. Internal birdies on some LW frequencies. 5. Receiver falls down often if in upright position; some sort of swivel-out support stand should be provided. 6. Selectivity, although adequate for domestic and strong-split foreign DX, is not sufficient for serious foreign split DX or for DX'ing hams using SSB and CW on crowded bands. A narrow/wide selectivity switch would be highly desirable. ... Despite these shortcomings, if you can get an ICP-2001 for under \$150, by all means buy it. It's not an R-7 or R-390A, but then, what portable is? For its size, it can be a real workhorse on DXpeditions and other trips. If you play by its rules (e. g., tuned input necessary) you should have good luck.

A GOOD TURNOUT OF MUSERS THIS WEEK! REMEMBER, USE ELT; SPEAK OF NON-RADIO TOPICS SPARINGLY; DX, EQUIPMENT INFORMATION, PROPAGATION, PROGRAM INFORMATION, FOOTBALL MEMORIES, AND GENERAL RADIO TOPICS MAKE THE BEST READING FOR NRC MEMBERS. STAY AWAY FROM SPORTS, PRIVATE JOKES, TASTELESS ITEMS, ETC. NO INNOCENCES AIMED AT MEMBERS ALLOWED, BUT OPINIONS, NO MATTER HOW CONTROVERSIAL, ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

WILFRED R. RITAYIK -1408 Valencia Ave. - Holly Hill, FL 32017 (pm 2-14, r. 2-16)
I seldom touch the dials any more. Too many AN's and Cubans. Frustrating! Hospitalized twice recently, against orders I asked a couple of minutes to hear CPC of WKYK. Latest heard in two years! Yes, pls., there is a Victoria De Las Tunas. My x-wife was born there. ERC: re 1450 WMPJ. Station has no FM so could not have been FM call. Say they do not use "Joy." They think a Mount Dora, FL, radio station (not on 1450) uses such call, but not sure. Per call to WMPJ. Wonder who? ERC: re 960 SS unid. All I can add is that I hear many mentions of Tampa. Wonder what that means in SS? (Nada -pls) Note a member is reconsidering his membership. Hope it is favorable. I disliked the poetry but did not let it upset me. I thought others might like it. Even if not DX-related, who am I to judge what others should do or think? We have and great club and officials, so hang in there, boys and girls! Many thanks, ERC!! And to pls!! Note many rx's mentioned but who or what is ICDM? (Japanese manufacturer of ham equipment just now moving into general-coverage rx's -pls) R390/R390A? I believe Collins (yes -pls) but have heard someone else made it. (Motorola, perhaps Electronic Assistance, Stewart-Warner, Teledyne -pls) Is R390/390A any surplus? (yes -pls) SM-2 zapped by lightning two years ago. Sent for repair and returned in short order but I have not yet hooked it up again!! These Worcester people are great! Happy dazed for sleep to all. 73 (also age) (Write again soon, Wilfred ... we enjoyed it! -pls)

WILLIAM J. FRAUER 38993-133 - P. O. Box 33 - Terre Haute, IN 47808 (pm 2-12; rec'd 2-15)
Volume 50, Issue 10 failed to reach me last week so I do not know if my first Musing to you made it or not (it did -pls) but Issue 17 did reach me OK and I especially enjoyed the "Machball Memories by Steve Bezilla. I clearly remember everything included in his Musing. After Dr. Brinkley was closed down at KFKB Milford, that station became KFBI (now KFDI) and moved to Wichita, KS. Dr. Brinkley went to the border and opened up super-power XER, changed to XERA, and then to XERP in Villa Acuña, CO, Mexico. I doubt if many DX'ers know that WFCB-1330 Greenville, SC originated in Knoxville TN and the call letters were for the First Baptist Church. I think this was in the late 20's. There was another church station in Knoxville then with a power of two watts and call letters WNNJ about the same time. I also remember when WLAC-1510 Nashville shared time with old WBAW which changed to WNTT owned by the Nashville Tennessee newspaper until going off the air, leaving it all to WLAC. I also remember D. E. "Plug" Kendrick at "This is the very best Blue Wing Flour Station, the Voice of the Pennsylvania, Down in Old Kentucky, WPIW, Hopkinsville". Later WPIW shifted to Indianapolis as WKBP; "Plug" went with them and signed my verie from there, before it became the present WIRE. My WKBP verie is dated 2-6-35. Another pleasant memory is the morning of January 3, 1955, when I logged KFQD-730 Anchorage and KPRB-900 Fairbanks from Pentress County, Tennessee, my only recollection ever of Alaska. One morning in 1951 I logged and verified four 250-watt Arizona stations on 1340; they were KNOG-Nogales, KRUX-Phoenix, KCRN-Tucson, and KCLS-Flagstaff, good DX even for those days. My list of 1934 veries from California, a total of six, KTM, WEXAT, KMTB, RMX, KFO, and KPRC. RMX is the only survivor call; back then they gave their location as Hollywood. More comments on oldies later on -- Who has the correct addresses for WLVV-1500 and KTRC-1040? Both returned by PO when sent to the address in Domestic Log. Total veries in my collection now stands at 3,501 with new ones in from WERN-1320, WTKA-1900, WRRG-1550, WERS-1110, WKZI-890, WDLN-960, WSSB-1550, WSGR-1560, WLPQ-1600, WKRC-1380, WTRV-1550, WKLB-1290, WKLL-1500, WXIN-1000, WRFN-1500, KAMI-1580, WRRG-1680, WHLA-610, KXQV-1500, WKZK-1600, WSVT-710, WNTT-1250, WLVV-1300, WBNT-1310, WFLI-1060, WDEB-1500, and KHY5-1360, since Jan. 1.73's.

WAYNE HEINEN - 427 East Carenillo St. - Colorado Springs, CO 80907 (pm 2-9, rec'd 2-15)
Once again the Pike's Peak Scourge graces these pages. The intrigue of the latest contests has sparked me to start a heard log and enter same. With a few SSS sessions leading up some new stuff, hadn't done any in a long time. Here's DX: 1-9: KCBQ-1170 with TLK show, KW00 off, first time dug out of the noise, thanks to the R-390A. 1-15: Tried a semi-local S/Mex KRMX-690 (nice v/l in 5 days). 1-31: SSS New call WWSL-640 with c&w and local spots 7:27 pm: KRBH-810 with weather and local spots, KBRE-940 with T-40 and local spots. 1-31 MM KDAY-1580 with TLK finally dug out 1:29 am - 1:44 am: KTRC-1400 with S/MEX from 2:23 am till 2:30 am s/off, then new KZZI-1510 West Jordan UT on RT/TT most of AM 3:25 am-4 am and on. 2-5: SSS new KPNW-1200 with rel 5:51 p-6 pm: KUAT-1550 with jazz and radiothon-type show to raise \$\$\$ for public radio 7:25-7:30 pm: KWHN-1320 up briefly with c&w and spots 8:02-8:08 pm: KMG0-1560 for report #4, local spots and T-40 8:12-8:20 pm ... Big surprise, KSD0-1130 up with talk and local spots into news 5:27 pm-5:31 pm, then gone. One nice thing about most of this SSS is that you can get a decent report in a very short time with commercials out the ... Last 2-6 SM KSUB-590 u/KCSJ with T-40 and PSA's 1:16 am-1:31 am, no sign of W0W. SSS KNN-1090 with rel 7:28 pm-7:31 pm. Totals now reported 1105, verified 943. Latest veries: v/l KNU5-710, KKBQ (ex-KULP)-790, KLTT(ex-KBRN)-800, KQTY-1400, new KK0I-810, KVEG-1410 (ex-1400), KTMN-1420, KRMK-690, v/r-KMTI-1590 (ex-1340), KCBQ-1170, v/q KPM5-760, and WMC-790. % return in 60 days 71% in 90 days 79% with no f/ups. Most of my not-re-

(Heinen, continued) turns so far have been local and semi-locals that I'm trying to get new calls on. I'm trying to get a larger loop stick on my MW-1 antenna. A big thanks to Neil Zank, Ernie Weselowski, Bob McCoy, etc., for their hospitality during the Oct. get-it-together. Local radio nx KJZZ-1390 hasn't touched their CP for unlimited time ... heard the whole thing is for sale. Anyone know about varies for KWSO-1180 test? Send your VS to me!! 73.

SHELDON HARVEY - 79 Kippa Street - Greenfield Park, QU JhV 3B1 (pm 2-7, r 2-15)
As I enter my second year of membership in the NRC, I feel it's about time to finally MUSE and introduce myself. I am 29 years old and have been DX'ing for about 5 or 6 years in shortwave as well as MW. My present station count on MW is 437 in 31 states and 7 provinces. I have logged 14 countries other than US and Canada on MW also. I am using a Sony ICF-6800W receiver with two longwires, a dipole and a 2" loop. I am a member of SPEEDX and I am the Editor of the Logbook East column in CIDX. MMDX is very fulfilling here in Montreal area, but as in most large cities we have our local posts, namely CBF-690, CKVL-850, CBM-940, CJKS-1280, and CKLM-1570. My most recent loggings are WAKS-1460, WMP-1250, CBH-860, WHJM-1110 test, and WKYK-940 test. One recent find on 110, Jan. 31, 2:00 am to 2:45 am with all MOR black artists, non-stop mx with no ID's or commercials heard with WGY off air. Can anyone please help me ID? That's all for now. Hope to become a regular to this column. Good luck and good DX to all. (And welcome aboard, Sheldon ... Muse often -pls)

ROBERT SMOLAREK - RD #1, Box 63 - Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889 (pm 2-11; rec'd 16)
Thursday, Feb. 3 at sunset, DX conditions were super. I heard a new stations. The first one was WHEO-1270, nx at 5:05 mentions of Stuart, VA. WPFR-960, 5:19 Neil Diamond tune, mention of SW Virginia, WNRV-990, 5:30 Mutual sports and ad for University Mall in Blacksburg. WYDE-850, 5:56 old RR and Howard Johnson ad. WPHG-980, 6:15 T-40 mx. WKAZ-950, 6:20 nx doing a job on WPEX. WPCP-940, 6:33 wallping in with Kool and the Gang. WQSU-820, 6:30 in strong. WQNT-930 at 6:34, CHYR-730 at 6:40 and the catch of the day, KLM-910 Blytheville, AR 6:45 s/off telling to tune to KHS-PM 96. Too bad there aren't more days like this. Other recent news: 2-1 WHIM-1110 very strong at 7:00 am and CFNX-920. 2-2 WKIX-850 and WRNL-910. 2-9 WQIN-1290 at 7:00 am. 73's from Western Jersey.

TIM BRAUN - 3908 Sleepy Hollow Road - Falls Church, VA 22041 (pm 2-14, rec'd 2-17)
Greetings from the home of snow and those ever-present juveniles, "The Hogs". (I'm not a native Washingtonian)/// The recent record snowstorm (20") on 2-10, 11 allowed several stations to stay on late, including WAGE-1290, WSTN-790, WPVA-1230 (on day power), WFWC-1530, WXVA-1550, and WTRI-1520. I was happy to hear WSI0 because that brought my goal of hearing all of Virginia's stations one closer. I've heard 111 of the 149 currently on the air./// There's been a strange station on 1620 ID'ing as Satellite News Network heard around 6:30 pm with logos like "Give us 18 minutes and we'll give you the world." Any ideas? (Pirate rebroadcasting satellite feed? -pls)/// The comments so far have been about 80-20 in favor of WJOK, "All-Comedy Radio." I like it and I think it could give AM radio a second wind. They have a really great late-night DJ named Brad Crantz who used to work for WOHO, Toledo, OH. He plays a lot of Robin Williams and Richard Pryor, completely uncensored (it's about time)/// I hope everybody starts using Neal Fordue's slant bars; they really make Muses a lot easier to read./// 73's and Good DX.

PETE KEMP-KALKD - 5 Greenwood Ave. - Bethel, CT 06801 (pm 2-14, rec'd 2-17)
Greetings from the Constitution State ... Fred Winston, the morning man of WCPL in Chicago has moved over to WLS in the afternoons ... With WCST in Atlanta now a CBS affiliate, Paul Harvey is now heard on WFL0 ... The Georgia Radio Network will begin satellite feeding its 103 member stations by the end of 1983 at a cost of \$500,000 ... Dick Purton, the morning voice on mighty CKLW is moving back across the border to take up residence at WCZY in Detroit ... Joe Castiglione has left the Cleveland Indians employ to team up with Ken Coleman to do Boston Red Sox games on AM ... WHOL is dropping its country and western formats and call letters too in order to become WNY5-AM with contemporary music programming ... North Carolina's first satellite radio network will be in place by May '83. The Capitol Radio Network of Raleigh will feed its N. C. News Network and Capitol Sports Network. CRN has also announced similar plans for its Virginia News Network ... Barry Young has left WFAA to move over to WCBS in Miami, to host their new afternoon news/talk format ... The FCC is now accepting station applications from competitors of the RKO stations, 13 in all ... Ray Scott has left his play-by-play chores for the Minnesota Vikings on WCCO, due to a change in station policy. He can still be heard on KSTP. Also leaving the employ of WCCO's Sports will be Frank Quilici, the voice of the Minnesota Twins ... Jim Ameche, who played "Jack Armstrong, the all-American Boy" and was the announcer for the Lux Radio Theater and Amos and Andy has died at age 68; he had most recently been employed at KCEE-AM/FM in Tucson ... So much for now ...

NRC MEMBERS' NAMES NOT CAPITALIZED, HEADS NOT USED ... BUT YOU MAY WRITE YOUR OWN

TERRY A. KLAISEK - 9720 Vickie Place - St. Louis, MO 63136 (314) 868-7274 prepaid only (pm 2-14, rec'd 2-17) Greetings fellow NRC'ers, and welcome to yet another Klasek Muse. Well, it appears that I have a slight problem in performing basic math. When I reported my totals recently I forgot to add in my caroversal Smart, huh? Currently stations total 875 heard and 799 varied! Needless to say, 800 varies will be easy as I have currently 82 reports and follow-ups out! DX is starting to crank up again as I spent the last week listening to re-familiarizing myself with the Day and Night AM bands. I finally finished the Mark Connelly special edition of Bandscan. Hey, 178 stations for 1 scan makes for sure blindness and very sore fingers! All by his lonesome, Mark sent 2 scans that almost made up one whole column (2 pages)! Mark, you could have sent a sympathy card with those scans, ya know! I hope more CPC tests will be forthcoming, and good DX to all, even Mike Knitwit, hi. God Bless all de TAK.

WSUA IS FINALLY ON THE AIR * OTHER FLORIDA NEWS

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Greetings! After a bit of trouble with its central tower, Radio Suave (WSUA-1260) finally replaced loser WHTT during the first week of January. Studios are on Miami Beach near WQAM. "Suave" means "smoother"; the station plays SS "romantic" music, as the Mexicans would say. Other things are brewing: Big-band WSBK-740 just went #/t. Cuban GRM et al. WGBS-710, floundering in the ARBITrons, will go talk in February, competing against WINZ-940 and WNWS-790. Speaking of WNWS, neighbour Woody Sudbrink confirms that they're running a 25-kW STA, with FCC approval for 50 if necessary. Cuban GRM has made WNWS the most powerful Class-III in the country. Sudbrink also tells me of plans to re-format WLAC-1510 to gospel. Religious programming is a proven money-maker in the business these days. Steve Kennedy's boss bought up local WEXY-1520, another "hallelujah" station. Also on STA's: WGBA-1140 (of course) and WEAT-850. Local WPJP-980 calls itself "98 Cold", WFFC-1300 is complaining of GRM from the Cubans on 1290 and 1310. * Good comments on my recent "SUNTIMES" computer programme: it needs a "sun-fast/sun-slow" factor, otherwise it can be 14 minutes off at times. * Radio Marti was not exactly "defeated" by the Senate: rather the bill perished from a filibuster in the lame-duck session. We have little hope of solving this Cuban-interference problem unless we get Radio Marti on the air; otherwise we have no bargaining leverage with the Cubans. The broadcast industry, outside of Florida, is abysmally ignorant of this whole issue: A report published by the NAB last year grossly distorted the interference situation, needlessly scaring broadcasters, while the press took the "Voice-of-Cuba" incident of last 30-August and blew it up far beyond what it was. The State Department, the local FAB attorney, and I are disgusted at all of this.

RANDY TOMER - 1969 27th St. - Arcata, CA 95521 (pm 2-16, rec'd 2-16)

It's been interesting checking the postmarked/received dates on the muses lately, although I haven't drawn any serious conclusions other than the obvious. The talk of whether or not to include formal PM coverage in the BCB clubs has also been interesting; myself, although I'm very much interested in PM, I'd like to see it kept at pretty much of an informal level, except for maybe the "loan" times for BCB DX in the summer months. Actually, who says that the summer months are that bad for the BCB? Here on the west coast the summer months can provide some of the best receptions of the year for Oceanic and Down Unders, due to thunderstorm interference not being that bad and because of favorable propagation from that area -- it's their winter then. It would be nice to have a whole new DX publication done along the same lines as Glen Heuser's EIB, sort of a "Review of Domestic Broadcasting" in which all of the aspects of AM and FM (TV too?) could be freely and openly discussed, as long as the language is inoffensive and no one is slandered. As for the local DX scene, it's been less than spectacular lately, but with a few exceptions, I continue to hear EZL music on 820 kHz looping N-NW but now in the morning just after local sunrise (WBAP faded out) so this almost surely is KCBP, Fairbanks, AK. Sooner or later I'll get some good copy for a report to send them. At the same time in the morning I've also been hearing KABN-830, located near Anchorage. Not surprisingly, KABN is always quite a bit stronger. I verified them last fall but I've been told that they have new owners now so maybe I'll try for another verie while this is still a clear channel. The reportedly poor season for TA's on the EC this season is certainly being matched by an equally poor TF season this year on the WC - apparently the sunspot decrease has lagged behind what it's supposed to be by the end of the year. I certainly hope so! It's also been mentioned that this season hasn't been bad for LA's. I haven't had a chance to DX for them as much as I'd like, but in late January I was up at my DXpedition site where I have two permanently installed mini-boverages (500 and 700 feet) and got the best signal I've ever heard in this area from Belize. It was loud enough to really be slopping over on adjacent frequencies; never heard 'em like that around here before. Most of the clear channels had several LA's mixing that night but unfortunately I didn't have time that evening to really pursue DX. 73's.

GERRY THOMAS - 3635 Chastain Way - Pensacola, FL 32503 (pm 2-15; rec'd 2-18)
 Well, by the time this sees print, I should be in the midst of a Jamaican DX'ing holiday. Scheduled for the first week in March, I'm looking forward to some Caribbean sun, top-notch LA DX, reggae, and finding a Rastafarian pannel (hi). I'll be taking along the modified Sony 6500 and a TRF, as back-up, as well as about 50-100' of wire. Speaking of the Sony, I tried to purchase the 2.2 khz filter that Gilfer uses in its FRG-7700 modification but was told that I'd also have to buy the 6 khz and 4 khz filters at the same time (total, \$50). I'd like to try the 2.2 khz'er in the Sony, especially since its -60 dB passband is 5.5 khz, but can't see buying two other filters that I don't need. Anyone know who makes the 2.2 khz model for Gilfer? Incidentally, Randy Tomer wrote to say that the narrow Kenwood filter for the R-1000 should also work with the Sony (and other 455 khz IF radios). Anyone know the specs? price? (my local Kenwood dealer didn't). Also, I finished the double-tuned RF preselector for the Sony but it doesn't work. Apparently there is a serious impedance mismatch because it works well with the Frog. Back to work on it later. DX has picked up around here of late with a good opening to the north a week or so ago. With WCCO-R30 (my north-central checkpoint) at near local level, I continued up the band and heard several PP stations (looped N/S) but no IDs. When I got to 1570, XERF was off the air and there was, weak but readable, CKLQ from Brandon, Man. with "Q-country" wx. XERF returned after a few minutes (this around my local midnight) but not until I logged CKLQ, this season's best catch here. I'm over 20 now, so ... 73's -- GT

~SOME HISTORY OF WJKS, GARY, IN~

STEVE BEZILLA - 307 2nd Ave. - Osceola Mills, PA 16666 (pm 2-15, rec'd 2-18)
 WJKS was constructed in the fall of 1926 on the southern shores of Lake Michigan, in the old town of Miller. The towers were 125 feet high with a span of 125 feet. The ground wires were laid out like the ribs of an umbrella. The towers were near the "Gay Mill Ballroom." The transmitting room was in the ballroom building. With a studio for summer broadcasting, a winter studio was located in the Gay Mill Ballroom in the K. C. Clubhouse. These were used to broadcast music at the dancing sessions. Later, WJKS opened new studios in the Lake Hotel. At one end of one of the studios there were chimes made of steel railroad rails cut to perfect tune. Beneath the chimes stood an anvil and riveter, of the type used in steel mills. These were made and donated to WJKS by employees of the United States Steel Co. At the opening and closing of every broadcast, the chimes were played, the anvil sounded, and the riveter used. In the general offices were displayed the fan letters. Mail came from as far away as Alaska and New Zealand. WJKS was built by Thomas J. Johnson and in some way had help from William F. Gleason, General Superintendent, Gary Steel Works, U. S. Steel Corp. WJKS stands for W - William P. Gleason, J - for Thomas J. Johnson, K - for Frances Kennedy, a celebrated vaudeville comedienne, who became Mrs. Johnson. S - is for Son Thomas J. Johnson, Jr. Mr. Johnson was a builder, constructing new homes at the time 1926 when the steel mill was expanding rapidly. The origin of the mill was 1906. I received a veris in 1929 and also a booklet called, "WJKS Gay Mill Wheezes", first issue, from which I write most of this. WJKS's slogan was "Where Joy Kills Sorrow". Mr. Johnson owned the ballroom, "Gay Mill". Besides dancing, they had movies, a restaurant, soda fountain. Must have been a huge place. (Thanks, Steve! -pls)

B. D. "BILL" SMITH - Rt. 1, Box 376 - Herrin, IL 62948 (pm 2-12, rec'd 1-18)
 This is the second time I have written to the NRC since I joined in July, 1981. I live near the town of Herrin, in downstate Illinois. We have a local station, WHPI-1340, 1000 w. d-250 w. n, that has been on the air since August, 1940. It programs c&w mx and local sports. We also have a station in a neighboring town, Harrisburgh, WEBQ, that has a slogan "Country Q," and is celebrating its 60th anniversary, having gone on the air in 1923, and was the first station in IL south of Springfield. I recently DX'ed my 500th American AM radio station, WYDE, in Birmingham, AL. I have received stations from such diverse areas as WVIC, Hartford, CT, to KNX, Los Angeles, CA, and KIXZ Amarillo, TX, to WRC Washington, DC, and WGBS, Miami, FL to KQWB, Fargo, ND. In fact, I have receptions from 34 of the contiguous 48 states. I have been using a Realistic longrange TRF circuit, AM only, Radio No. 12-655, and a GE Superadio, No. 7-2880, with no outside antennas at all. I live in an excellent BCB reception area, small town, rural, near the center of the country. If I ever get a good outside antenna, no telling how many stations I might pick up. I enjoy belonging to the NRC and especially like the Musings of the members. I also support our club as I have ordered and received the 1982 AM radio Log Book, the 1983 Calendar (NRC), NRC T-shirt, etc. I am also looking forward to the 50th anniversary NRC book. 73.

BRIAN PITMAN - 835 Milford Dr., Apt. 102 - Kingston, ON K7P 1A7 (pm 2-14, r 2-18)
 I've had a few good BSS DX sessions since my last Muse, so I'm not crying the blues any more. I sent a report to KOA on 1-17 and I'm glad I did since WJW was AN with Talk Net next MM, and ruining a nice clear frequency. Speaking of BSO, who runs Night Talk on MM? Well, it had to happen; my 13-year-old Philco portable finally poked it in and I bought a Panasonic RF-1403 to

(Pitman, continued) replace it. The new radio is not exactly a stop up, since signal rejection is very poor and the controls are difficult to use, but it looks neat and sounds good on FM! I searched all over town for a GE Superadio first, but of course nobody had one. Gary Mitchell, I may buy one of yours when I can get some cash together. 1-23 WYDE-R50 AL in @ 5:27 pm with RR (?? -pls) (is that rock 'n' roll or Russian, hi -pls) followed by WPAL-730 SC with 5:30 a/off, and capping off the evening was WWMN-1550 QA weak at 5:59 pm a/off. On 1-24 I finally got a positive ID from CFLP-1000 QB; caught the a/off of WBHR-1580 SC @ 5:45 pm and @ 1:34 am WRAP-R50 VA filtered through with an ID. MM 1-31 WJW-B50 OR AN for second MM in a row. 2-1 WIMS-1420 in @ 5:25 pm with wx for various parts of IN. WJIK-1580 NC was heard @ 5:10 pm with REL, and on 840 an unID SS @ 5:25, a little early for SA, domestic, perhaps? 2-6 was wonderfully AU with Dixie rolling in and no sign of local posts at all. WRBX-1530 NC was in from 5:50 until 6:00 pm a/off with c&w and local ads, weak but no competition. WYWX and WAAY-1550 were stronger than I ever heard them before. A REL show on 1570 from 6:00 till 6:30 pm with female dj turned out to be WCRL AL, heard @ 6:30 a/off. The same frequency 15 min. later dropped WTRB TN into the log book. They had a long a/off asking people to write to their Senator to get WTRB to stay on the air after sunset. "ith some sort of luck it won't work, hi. Good DX'ing, everyone, and don't forget to use my stamp service: see my Muse in issue #17 (21 for details. 73.

ANDY RUGG - 664 De Gausse #202 Nuns Island, QU H3E 1J1 (VE2AQP) (pm 2-14; r 2-18)
 I've done a smattering of BCB DX since Ray Arruda's enjoyable GTD on 11-27. On 12-4 WASY-1590 was logged 2:59-3:19 am. 12-12 was a disappointing day. I completely forgot the WJEJ-1240 test. At 9:30 pm the LA on 1175 upsurged briefly. I only made out the letter "J" when the ID'ed. The LA on 1130 finally ID'ed, but the slogan "1130" was not helpful. On 12-27 WPOE-1520 finally wafted in o/WKSW 4:08-4:16 pm, for a new one. On 12-31 WAH-1510 and WKBA-1550 were strong on SSS at 4:15 pm, both unid. There were no signs of WBZT-1130 test on 1-16. There were only traces of a weak LA under WNEW. On 1-31 the WYWK-940 test was an easy new catch. The elusive WHUE-1150 finally penetrated CJRC/CKOC at 1:28-1:32 am on 2-12, but not enuf for a report. Verios are WNYM-1330, WARR-1520, pp: WPOE-1520, WASY-1590. Totals are 1516 verios from 1589 logged, a 95.4% return. Thanks to Walt Breville, Stan Morris, and Paul Mount for convention pix. 73.

RUSS EDWARDS (WR2BJH) - P. O. Box 127 - Boonton, NJ 07005 (pm 2-15, rec'd 2-18)
 Greetings to all from beautiful (snowy) downtown Philadelphia! Yes, as others have mentioned in DXN, I've been transferred to this locale effective 12-14-82. Home is still in Northern NJ until such time as we can find a home here and move. I'm spending weekends at home and Sunday night to Friday nights here. Phone at the hotel is (215) 963-2222, Room 1807, should anybody care, hi. Did manage to get together with Tom Sundstrom, W2XQ, a former member a couple of weeks ago, and he, like I, had been inactive on ECB for some time. Have also talked to Skip Arvey on ham radio. I have no BCB rx here, and am spending a lot of time hamming on 2 meter SSB. Hopefully, sometime soon we can have a get-together down here, but things are a little weird here with the current situation. Please add my heartfelt thanks for a job well-done to ERC after many, many years at the Musings helm, as well as to Paul for taking over the column. Also, as a former publisher, I should also congratulate Mike and Sue Emitter for the job they're doing as the new publishers. Lacking any DX to report, I'll close here with a 73 to one and all!

MIKE KNITTER - 2159 Circle Dr. - Cambridge, WI 53523 (#'s on the back) (pm 2-??, rec'd 2-18)
 The old ICCM R70 is working like a champ. Now, if only I knew SS, hi. Who's the SS sta behind WIS? Any of you midwestern people know? (I logged R. Honduras there a year or so ago -pls) Not sure what to look for as far as an ID goes, so any help in this area would be nice. Also, any guesses on who they guy is on 657.3 thru 658.8 some SS. Not sure if the guy had power troubles or what. Was off a few times during the 2 hours I listened to him. I'm sure his real frog should have been 660. There were a lot of loud static crashes on the freq that night, too. Any ideas? Let's son, aside from these items, got a couple of catches; see them in the other parts of this magazine. We are in the process of checking out the rubber stamp item; I should know in about a week or so from now what the cost will be. So stay tuned to the official side of this magazine, the front page. Oh, boy, just thought; I just mentioned work in my Muse; can't seem to get away from it. Oh, well. One item, not related to a personal muse, but when you guys and gals send in newspaper clippings and the like, make sure you put your name on each page or item and do it with a pencil, not a bleed-thru magic marker!! Also, if you send in Xerox copies, make sure the entire article has been copied, not just page one or pages one and three. Okay! One more thing, when you cut your article out of the paper, make sure you don't cut off some of the letters or words; same goes when you Xerox it! And please make a dark copy. That's all on that subject. (Not quite, Mike ... I'll be happy to forward clippings if you want to send them to me with Muses. I'd recommend including the name of the paper and date so proper credit could be given, even though most newspaper articles are not copyrighted -pls) On to another subject; typing your articles ... very simple -

(Klutter, continued) use a new ribbon. Dark-typed papers look the best once reduced! Before I and ... have you noticed the back cover lately? (Kept Looks great -pls) 73's. (A word on ribbons ... some "new" ribbons are not new, having apparently sat on the shelf since the invention of the electric typewriter, much to my chagrin. Nylon produces a better impression with manuals than silk -pls)

RICHARD DUPRE - 371 Mgr. Nadeau St. - Sorel, QU J3P 2H3 (pm 2-14, rec'd 2-19) (514) 743-4274: Happy new year from Sorel, about 45 miles from Montreal. I'm a new member of your big family. So, I am 18 years old, student in electronics, DX'er on MW band since 1979; I've heard a total of 291 stns, in 6 provinces, a total of 98 stns from Canada, 153 in USA with 28 states and 19 country catches until now. Got a new receiver since 2 months, the RF-3100 from Panasonic and also VEP 206, RF-1900M, RT-S713D, CB-60 with a long wire 240' long; hope to have an SM-2 or other kind of DX antenna with preamplifier as soon as possible. Best catch till now is on 1403 and 765 Guinea and Senegal, got an unID on 945 for a long time. So, good DX to you and CUL. (And welcome to Rich, who adds that he speaks FF ... would you be able to help with unID's in that language if members sent tapes? -pls)

JOHN HERMAN - P. O. Box 171 - Vinita, OK 74301 (pm 2-17, rec'd 2-19) Hello from OK land. This is my first musing as I'm new as of Jan. 31. Been DX'ing since '67 off and on. Had to start a new log Nov. 81 as previous logs and veries were destroyed by fire. I'm in the process of re-doing my log, weeding out dunes, etc., for change to NRC sheets. Ordered an R-388 from Fair Radio Sales, tho I wanted the ICOM R-70, it will have to wait while. Right now I use a Philco 5-tube AM-LW portable, a real oldy. Right now I'm unemployed and trying up a job so I can go back to school in the fall. Major will be electro-technology, of course. Now to DX: SRS on 2-4, 950-KNPT NM 0812 with rx, 2-7 1420-WVJS KY Pop with full ID 0400. SSS on 2-7 after KVIN s/off with KTDL and KWRD LA and TX with s/off on 1470. 2-10 after KTKO s/off on 1500 I got KMIO-1500 Merkel, TX with KMIO (Kamio) rx 102 ID's, and adr for businesses in Abilene. Was KEGG so I called and talked to GM Gene Ditmore, who was very interested. Also said KMIO was 250 watts. No sign of KSTP, AU cx? Others heard were WINZ-940, FL and 1310-WDXI, TN. Tried WRYK test and heard bits and pieces. Sent a tent, but not hopeful. Also got 2 separate TT and CID's from WSWW and rushed a report to them. Will try the RI and MD tests but have never had either states here. Varies, 28 in Jan and for Feb., slow w/KYW, CKLW, KCTA, KVGB, WMIX, and KIND. All good v/a's and v/l's. I decorate my notebooks with bumper stickers. Plan to build a loop this summer, but I need something temporary for the R-388 when it arrives. Anybody with suggestions, write, please. Also OK and DX'ers from my area of the 4 states (OK, KS, MO, AR). Paul, let me know if this Musing is up to par as I don't have a typewriter at the present. (No problem, but please use EDT instead of 24-hr time -pls) Until next time, 73's. (Welcome to these pages, John, and return often! -pls)

TOM CONNATSER - Route 9, Box 78 - Savierville, TN 37862 (pm 2-16; rec'd 2-19) Greetings again. After my annual re-intro Muse, it's time to get back down to business. After a season of poor conditions, things really improved on the evening of 2-10. A 2-hour session at the dials notted 17 stations that haven't been heard here regularly for some time. Details of these and other recent catches to DDXD. Neal Purdue, you'd better turn that R-390a on!! 4 new catches over the period of 2-9 to 2-11 bring the total here to 596 heard. On the 9th at 7 pm I heard "Yankoo Doodle", the VOA ID, and the beginning of an SS rx program on 1180 from Marathon Key, FL. Also audible at the time were WKKE-M3 with ABC rx and MYL, and the Cuban R. Roloj. The next night 3 more entries were made to the log. From 6:13-6:45 pm I heard rock oldies, a talent contest promo, and the s/off from WWAX-840 AL. Signal was quite strong and WHAS was nowhere to be found even after sob-story s/off "Because of archaic, antiquated laws ...". Entry number two of the evening came about an hour later in the form of ads and soul rx from KOKY-1250 AR. Signal on this guy was pretty good, although there was some interference from WTMA. Last logging of the week was an ad cluster from KMLB-1440 LA at 11:57 pm on the 11th. Sure hope conditions stay this good for the remainder of the season! MM 2-14 I tried for the WSWW test; I did hear some brief periods of TT on 1590 which could have been them, but again, maybe not, so it won't be counted here. XERF booming in at 1:30 ending a REL pgn. A stn carrying MYL-type rx kept me up until nearly 2 am, finally ID'ed as WREC-600 TN; they'd been heard earlier this month running MYL. Also spent a fair amount of the morning on 1080 listening to various TT from 1:00-1:30+ am. Never did get an ID out of this turkey. Did anybody else do any better?? A local note: WTVK-850 heard recently ID'ing as "AM 850, WIVK; soon to be Knoxville's first AM stereo station." no idea of what system they're planning on using. From Billboard magazine, WSM-FM-95.5 went c/w on 1-31. Music City USA now has 3 pairs of c/w stns, WSM 650/95.5, WSIX 980/97.9, and WJZZ/WKZZ 1430/100.1. When I moved to TN in mid '74, Nashville's c/w outlets were WKDA-1240 (now a new rocker) and WSIX-FM 97.9. Out of room; 73.

PAUL SWEARINGEN - 21629 Cottonwood - Riverside, CA 92508 Received 9 letters 2-22 which will have to go in next Musings as I am nearly late for work tonight. I'm still working on abbreviations.

'Wave of the future' station causes little more than a ripple

"Flint's new woman" is in no danger of being flitted. That's the word from officials of WWMN-AM, which recently began its second year with those call letters, an all-female on-the-air staff and a soft-rock format of male and female artists aimed primarily at women. The "new woman" station, formerly WLOQ, received much media attention after it began in January 1982. Station officials said then they believed WWMN would take a bite out of other AM stations' audiences.

But the bite has been only a nibble.

THE STATION'S 1982 ratings were too small to be reported in the regular Arbitron ratings book, said Peter C. Cavanaugh, vice president and general manager of WWMN and of WWCK-FM.

However, there is no plan to abandon the new format, Cavanaugh said.

The street feet I get in comments from our clients and so on seems to indicate that it is a viable entity," he said.

Supplemental Arbitron data shows WWMN with audience shares of 6.5 percent, 6.3 percent and 0.1 percent during the first, second and third months of the fall 1982 survey, respectively.

That averages out to roughly a 6.3 rating (for listeners 12 and up, 6 a.m. to midnight, Monday through Sunday), Cavanaugh said. Arbitron set 0.4 as the cut-off for being included in the fall "book."

THE STATION'S share for the Spring 1982 survey averaged about 0.13, he said. That means WWMN can claim a modest upswing from the end of fall.

"You're dealing with small numbers, absolutely, but nevertheless, we've seen a very pronounced increase," he said.

"Although we have a ways to go, there are signs that the basic concept is working."

WLOQ, which featured religious programming, was a financial and programming failure, Cavanaugh said. "Selling your time to preachers, not even trying to program — bill that really was a step above CD (citizens band radio), if you ask me. "In terms of bottom line, we're doing better with WWMN."

BUT CAVANAUGH noted that WWMN, which he called the wave of the future, has two disadvantages if inherited from WLOQ. It is an AM station at a time when FM is more popular, and it is only licensed to broadcast between dawn and dusk.

Cavanaugh attributed WWMN's dropping audience share in the fall months to progressively drier September-December weather. The station was on as late as 9:45 p.m. in the summer, but had to sign off at 5 p.m. in December — which cut the late-afternoon "drive time" audience.

In the winter, the station comes on the air at 6 a.m. but can only

broadcast at 100 watts of its 1,000-watt capacity until sunrise. Again, the lucrative "drive-time" potential is diminished, he said.

The staff also faced the task of making up its own format. Cavanaugh said WWMN's program/music director, Linda Lanci, has most of the responsibility for shaping the station's sound.

"Any subconscious male bias that I may have is eliminated from our programming at WWMN," he said.

LANCI SAID WWMN began with a mixture of music and talk shows. Though the musical style has remained fairly constant, WWMN dropped three hour-long talk shows in August, Lanci said.

She and Cavanaugh said the station had a split listenership. "People either wanted all music or all talk," Lanci said. WWMN chose music.

Now the station has an FM-style format of long blocks of solid music, she said. Shorter syndicated talk features may be added, however, she added.

Musically, she said, she follows research showing the station's target audience of women 18 to 44 prefer ballads with strong lyrics.

The station varies its soft-rock emphasis with some crossover black and country entertainers, she said. And somewhat to her surprise, she said, 40 percent of its listeners are male.

"OUR APPROACH is soft and emotional," she said. "It's a nice station to have on in businesses."

Despite the difficulties of pushing a new format in hard economic times, Cavanaugh said it was crucial to find a "hole in the market" rather than adopt a tried-and-true format.

"I would predict that the real winners in the next couple of years will be the people who take a risk," Cavanaugh said.

"If there are 3,000 stations in the country and there are 50 format ideas out there, then there ought to be room for 51 or 52."

FROM "THE FLINT JOYRNER" 2/6/83 MEDIA COLUMN via Dave McCabe

FAIRFAX JOURNAL 2/11/83 VIA ALLEN NISBEN GMU Gets Radio Station As Gift

By LEN BOSELOVIC
The family of former President Lyndon Baines Johnson has donated WEEL, an AM radio station, to George Mason University.

The deal was announced today by GMU president Dr. George W. Johnson and O.P. Hobbitt, a spokesman for LBJ Co. The transfer of the license is subject to approval by the Federal Communications Commission.

The state university plans to run the station as a business operation, according to spokeswoman Helen Ackerman. WEEL's country music format will be preserved, but student-produced programs also will be aired, she said.

"It will be run as a professional station," she said.

No change in station personnel are contemplated, Ackerman said. Students help in producing and broadcasting will be used "whenever possible and feasible," she said.

The Johnson family acquired WEEL in 1978. The station operates on 5,000 watts of power by day and 500 watts at night. The station's offices are located next to the sprawling campus in Fairfax City.

The gift compliments GMU's growing broadcast facilities. WGMU, a radio station that only can be received on campus, presents music and a mixture of campus and general news, according to Ackerman.

The school also has a number of instructional television stations, she said. One of stations broadcasts live coverage of the U.S. House of Representatives and other public affairs programs to 150-area locations, including the White House and State Department, Ackerman said.

Sconnix Purchases Illinois FM Station

Sconnix Group Broadcasting, Inc. has reached agreement to purchase WZZC-FM, East Moline, Ill. Sconnix, based in Laconia, owns seven other radio stations including WLNN-AM and FM in Laconia, and WOGB and WSOK (FM) on Cape Cod.

WZZC is a 50 thousand watt FM station serving the quad cities of Moline and Rock Island, Illinois, and Davenport and Bettendorf, Iowa. WZZC programs country music, and broadcasts 24 hours 2 days. The station was purchased from BJM Broadcasting, a Davenport company owned by William Myers, a local real estate man. The price reported to the Federal Communications Commission was about 1.1 million dollars.

Sconnix is currently constructing new offices and studios for WLNN at Wings West.



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