



# DX NEWS

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### From the editor ...

As you can see from the table of contents above, member support of columns is certainly up from the low ebb of last week. Thanks, however, to all of you who continue to send clippings. A few reminders: clip loosely and write your name and the name of the publication outside of the headline and copy area; don't write on back, although address labels on back are fine. The name of the publication is important; we'd like to give credit where credit is due.

Answers to a few questions received this week: If you are due to renew, you'll not receive a notice any more. Keep an eye on your label; Mike faithfully highlights the renewal messages (and the munchkin and I catch the ones he misses occasionally, hi) so that you can't miss them. The subscription information had to be removed from the back page due to brand-new postal regulations (I'm told that a bar code will eventually be sprayed in the white area to make delivery of this bulletin more consistent) and placed elsewhere as a floating promo. By the way, those of you whose labels do not include the extra four digits (ZIP+4) are costing us a bit extra each issue and (again according to new regulations) cause me now to have to stick a 25¢ stamp on each non-ZIP+4 bulletin. Please include the extra four digits in your renewal info when you send in your renewal check.

**DX Test ...** Yep, the first of the season is due to the efforts of Jeff Tynan and Wayne Heinen. WTBF-970, Troy, AL, will be testing especially for the NRC on Monday morning December 12, from 2-2:30 am EST @ 5 kW. Send reports to Joey Meredith, Program Director - P. O. Box 747 - Troy, AL 36081.

**Station Profiles ...** Tony Fitzherbert would like to see more Profiles from NRC members. He says not to worry about editing ... he'll take care of it.

**Aussie TP's ...** Gene Martin was kind enough to

phone me from Denver with news of the Print Handicapped stations on 1629 kHz o/u each other at 6 am MST. See more in IDXD this issue. I would suspect that members in the upper midwest, say in an area centering around Minneapolis, could expect to hear some spectacular DX right about now from Down Under.

**Mystery solved ...** Ray Cole's SW broadcasts (from the 20-, 31-, and 49-meter bands) heard on 1.6 mHz have been identified. Seems he traced the problem to a tap on a coil which was independently tuning SW and feeding it to his MPF 102. He says it took him two weeks to find the problem but was worth it!

**Publications ...** Gary Gorka's *Soviet Maritime Radio-teletype Dictionary* is now available through Universal Radio - 1280 Aida Drive - Reynoldsburg, OH 43068 for you utility DX'ers. It's 102 pages at \$12.95 postpaid. Universal's *Catalog 88-11* is also available for \$1 or 3 IRC's or free with any purchase. Crutchfield is closing out the Sony (#158) ICF-SW1S at \$239; it's the little handheld portable which tunes 150 to 29995 kHz plus 76 to 108 mHz. Multi-voltage AC adapter is included. Order with credit card by calling 1-800-446-1640 and tell 'em where you found out about this offer. *The ANARC Newsletter* contains a wealth of information about other clubs plus products and is available for only US\$8; to Canada or Mexico US\$8.50; elsewhere US\$13.00.

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### DX Time Machine

#### From the pages of DX News

**Ten years ago ...** from the November 27, 1978 issue of DXN: The CPC committee arranged four tests, for KADE-1190, KRRR-1360, KPPC-1240, and KDLG-670 ... Konstantine Rychalsky, Bridgeport, CT reported WFAT-1620 ... Gary Houdek received veries from KIRO-710, R. Belize-834, and KUOA-1290 ... and John Clemmer logged three new states in a half hour on 10-30: KCBQ-1020 NM, KTWO-1030 WY, and KNIX-1580 AZ.

**Twenty-five years ago ...** from the November 16, 1963 issue of DXN: Hank Wilkinson compiled NRC's official Country List ... Henry T. Tyndall, Jr., Burlington, VT, was at 6,200 total veries but was having to curb DX activities due to a recurring sinus problem ... and Russ Edmunds, Little Silver, NJ, started DX'ing on an Airline 35WG-1570B and heard ZNS-1540 for country #9.

**THE WORLD'S OLDEST AND LARGEST ALL MEDIUM-WAVE DX CLUB**

# AM SWITCH

Jerry Starr

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### CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old call:	New call:	Old call:	New call:
760 KBCB KS	Overland Park KNCI	1450 KCDR IA	Cedar Rapids: KMKY
1030 WDRQ MI	Sterling Hts WUFL		KENM NM Portales KSLL
1220 WNNR CT	Hamden WXCT	1490 WCKC FL	Milton WECM
1300 WIBR LA	Baton Rouge WNFO	1580 KZIA NM	Albuquerque KNUS
1360 KWAS TX	Amarillo KFNS	1590 WUSJ TN	Jonesboro WRTP*
1400 WSGC GA	Elberton WWRK		

\*Note: WUSJ-1590 change was listed last issue as Johnson City which was a typo carried over from the FCC release which they corrected this week.

### APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

### GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1200 NC Atlantic Beach: 5000/100 U4

### APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

None

### GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

- 670 WIEZ PA Lewistown: reduce power to 5400 watts
- 750 KAIG LA Gretna: relocate XR (CP not on the air)
- 1220 KTSJ CA Pomona: powers to 500/250, antenna to U3, relocate XR
- 1340 WJMB MS Brookhaven: relocate XR
- 1380 WAGS SC Bishopville: changes in antenna system
- 1390 KBBO WA Yakima: reduce night power to 400 watts
- 1490 WNBT PA Wellsboro: changes in antenna system

### OTHERNESS

- 1030 WUFL MI Sterling Heights: after a brief stint with Oldies as WDRQ they have gone back to one of their previous calls and are now REL (Family Life) which is the SEVENTH call change for this new station!
- 1230 KRDR OR Gresham: station is SILENT
- 1310 KFKA CO Greeley: silent station is back ON THE AIR
- 1370 KTGM CO Deer Trail: station is SILENT
- 1440 WCHB MI Inkster: station is still having a problem locating land for their 1200 kHz XR and claims it will be at least a year before any changes are made.
- 1560 WYZQ KY Hazard: new station is ON THE AIR

THANKS to Wayne Heinen and Jim Nahirniak for their contributions.

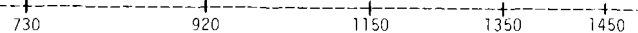
73 and Good DX, *Jerry & BKF* Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

## CITY QUIZ

by John S. Bowker

QUIZ # 10

Only one city in the United States has stations operating at the five dial positions shown below. Of course, there may be other stations in this city too! Can you spot the city?



Here is a hint: it is one of these: Albuquerque, Montreal, Pittsburgh  
(The answer will appear at the end of the next City Quiz in DX News.)  
The answer to City Quiz # 9: New York City

# DOMESTIC DX DIGEST - EAST

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### NEUTON WAVE PARADIGMS

- I'd say things are picking up, DX-wise. Carnak The Magnificent predicts a super DX season. And who are we to argue?
- Congratulations are in order to **Morris Sorensen** as he has been appointed Domestic Broadcast Editor (MW-TV-FM) for the Ontario DX Association. How 'bout a sample bulletin, Morris?
- I received a letter and tape from **Mauricio Molano** from Madrid, Spain. On the tape are two unIDs of his from TA DX. One on 1450, another on 1380. The 1450 material is very garbled, but on the 1380 catch it's very easy to pick out **Bob Kingsley** and the **American Country Countdown** show, plus 3 IDs which sure sound like WTLB, WDLB or those letter soundalikes. Mauricio reports hearing this at 2159 ELT on 10/7. Thinking it may have been WTVR, I called them. But they carry ACC on Sunday nights. If anyone can shed some light on this unID, or would like a crack at listening to the tape, drop me a line. By the way, it has many jingles from Radio Cadena Española-Toledo, and Mauricio himself, who works at FM 102 in Toledo. **John Bowker**, **Fred Vobbe**, are you interested?
- **Eric Buenesen** (relocated in Woodstock, GA) checks in with more stereo news, found in SPECIAL.
- In Issue 5 I mistyped **Bob Harrison's** Special item about WNTK-1020 changing from "1000". Naturally, that should have read **ex:1010**. Sorry for any inconvenience.

### SPECIAL

- 590 WKLL IL WOOD RIVER - now fulltime 4C-QUAM (EB-GA)
- 750 WSB GA ATLANTA - has dropped S, was C-QUAM (EB-GA)
- 790 WQXI GA ATLANTA - is now C-QUAM (EB-GA)
- 910 WLLJ MI CASSOPOLIS - address per phone call is: 206 E. State, Box 393, Cassopolis, 49031-0393; v/s is **Jerry Langford**, Pres & GM (JM-PA)
- 1080 WFTD GA MARIETTA - is back ~~with~~ these CLs, format is REL; ex:WEKS, UC (EB-GA)
- 1190 WGKA GA ATLANTA - in S 4C-QUAM (EB-GA)
- KOKK SD HURON - 10/20 1830 \$off early for technical adjustments needed for our move to 1210 kHz (WCM-SD)
- KOKK SD HURON - 10/21 morning signal so distorted that they leave the air for most of the day (WCM-SD)
- KOKK SD HURON - 10/22 morning signal clear, but now obviously directional (WCM-SD)
- 1210 WSBI TN STATIC - (1st hrd) 9/6 0700 \$on+1cl farm nx, C&W mx, many ads for Albany, KY; **verie sez 1000 watts, not D1 930** (RW-IN) (New log sez current: D1 1000; AP:1000 1000 + CP:930w-WRH)
- 1260 WNDE IN INDIANAPOLIS - added LK on 9/26 per show anncts; probably moves the **Bob & Tom Show** (where you 1st hrd I spent the war in Indiana) back a bit (DP-IL)
- 1300 WOOD MI GRAND RAPIDS - added LK on 9/26 per show anncts (DP-IL)
- 1390 KNRY IA DES MOINES - 10/1 2127-34 now **JEJY 92.5 4C&W**; hrd **John Denver**, **Don Williams** & **Debbie Boone**; already one C&W outlet in Des Moines, so why **WKJJY?** (RD-IA) (So's they don't have to pay DJs?!-WRH)
- 1500 WAKE IN VALPARAISO - is using 30 watts from 0600-0700, per CE info; will go back to 2.Kw >time change (RW-IN)
- 1550 WYNX GA SHYRNA - now in S 4C-QUAM (EB-GVA)

### UNIDS & UNIDS ID

- 730 CJNR ON BLIND RIVER - is probably the one reported here 9/4 @ 0510 by **RD-IA** advertising **Hwy 69 Drive-In** (ref:V56 I2 DXN); Hwy 69 goes thru Sudbury & CJNR was likely relaying the Mid Canada Radio Network from CJMX-FM Sudbury (MS-ON)
- 900 UNID ?? - 10/21 0620-30 good in CHML null 4sps in FF, polka-type mx in FF, brief telephone conversation, brief jazz tune, tones+nx in FF (BH-NJ)
- 930 UNID ?? - 10/8 1910-20 good 4tape-delayed b'cast of Illinois vs Purdue FB; sounded like the IL Net; help anyone? (RD-IA)
- 1260 UNID ?? - 9/24 2135 fair 4Nebraska FB (RD-IA)
- 1350 WCOP GA MARIETTA - 9/17 unID of Rick Deu-IA, could have been this (EB-GA)
- 1580 UNID ?? - 10/10 1805-14 4business nx, ments of Business Radio Network & Business Radio 1580 (MS-ON)

## PIRATES &amp; OTHER ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

1620 RNI INT'L WATERS - 10/16 2145-2300 stn IDd approx every 15 mins as RNI-1620, DJ named Josh; at abt 2217 IDd as R. Sarah, operating in Int'l Waters; played current-type POP mx w/some 70's songs; fidelity a bit below normal AM XR; not hrd since, although I've tried (RH-NY)

WKND PA PITTSBURGH - 10/14 0002-0018 W/C&W/REL mx, 2 IDs: This is WKND Weekend Radio testing; young man's voice; xlnr, looped E-W, no sign since (JM-PA)

## MIDNIGHT TO MIDDAY

590 WWLX TN LAWRENCEBURG - 10/12 0720 noted W/LX Anniversary Annc't 9WKZ0 (RW-IN)

660 WFAN NY NEW YORK - 10/11 2310 W/NLCS BB (LA vs NY); ment of WFAN Radio Network; ID @ 2323 as: SportsRadio 66 WFAN; farewell, WNBC! (MS-ON)

710 WUFF GA EASTMAN - 10/18 0650 W/lcl ads; 9Cuban (RW-IN)

730 WJMT WI MERRILL - 10/3 0615-30 good until KWQA took over; mx incl Ballad of Irving; ads for furniture and hardware stores (GV-MN)

740 KRMG OK TULSA - 10/24 Midnight fair W/ABC nx+lcl wx @ 0005; another stn W/Boston Pops W/solid on occasion, but couldn't get an ID or logo; KTRH suspected (BP-NC) (KTRH is all-news; maybe CBL? - WRH)

750 WSB GA ATLANTA - 10/20 0801 nx by female; fair W/BMD (WPT-MD)

770 WVNN AL ATHENS - 10/24 2100 W/Susan Sakorra (?) for Sally Jesse, Schwab, Wall St Journal ads, ID: WVBB Athens-Huntsville-Decatur, the valley's news network ABC Nx; day pwr & pattern; 1st timer... did someone forget to pull the switch!? (PLS-KS)

790 WVEZ KY LOUISVILLE - 10/24 0010 fair W/wx & back into light ROK; Home of continuous easy favorites, 101.7 FM & 79 AM WVEZ; Did I hear this right? I thought WVEZ used to be 106.9 (BP-NC)

CJSO ON SUDBURY - 10/21 0604-14 good W/lcl nx, CHR mx, favorite hits AM 790 sign, but no CLs (BH-NJ)

810 WSJC MS MAGEE - in almost every morning @ 0730 pwr increase W/Super cv(?) - WRH) SJC (RW-IN)

830 CFJR ON BROCKVILLE - 10/20 0715 W/lcl ads on a good Ontario morning (RW-IN)

840 KWPN NE WEST POINT - 10/10 0700 good @ \$on; reported, but no verie yet (RW-IN)

850 WYDE AL BIRMINGHAM - 10/20 0759 W/SID, TC; good (WPT-MD)

880 WBKZ GA JEFFERSON - 10/8 0659-0710 fair W/CBS; \$on, folo by OLD, word about \$10,000 lotto (GV-PA)

900 WLSI KY PIKEVILLE - 10/8 0650-59 W/good W/C&W mx, word about Eastern KY Crusade for Christ, promo for WLSI by Glen Campbell; obits @ 0655 (GV-PA)

910 KLCN AR BLYTHEVILLE - 10/8 0710-20 W/good, then faded; CHR mx, HS FB scores @ 0613, DJ surprised at Blytheville's loss (GV-PA)

KLCN AR BLYTHEVILLE - 10/14 0700 W/\$on, like a ton of bricks; sounds like he said KL7N (RW-IN)

920 KDHL MN FARIBAULT - 10/20 0720 being hrd again after a long absence; good W/female DJ+C&W mx (RW-IN)

CKCY ON SAULT STE MARIE - 10/21 0633-48 good W/lcl nx, CHR mx, Power 92 signs & jx (BH-NJ)

930 WYNI AL MONROEVILLE - 10/10 0700 \$on W/SSB; Y-93+NBC Nx (RW-IN)

WFMD MD FREDERICK - 10/8 0720-35 fair W/WSEV; C&W mx, lcl nx & 0730 no beer at festival top nx item (GV-PA)

WSEV TN SEVIERVILLE - 10/8 0720-35 fair+good W/WFMD; HS FB scores folod by Eastern Tenn wx, ads for Gatlinburg places (GV-PA)

940 WSEV TN SEVIERVILLE - 10/11 0710 dominating W/lcl ads, info (RW-IN)

WFAW WI FT ATKINSON - 10/10 (& other mornings) on 550 watt nite pwr @ 0705 > AC Nx W/female DJ (RW-IN)

960 WHAK MI ROGERS CITY - 10/21 0653-0702 good W/C&W mx, school lunch menu, AM 96 sign, lgl ID+MBS Nx (BH-NJ)

960 KZIM MO CAPE GIRARDEAU - 10/17 0205 W/wx+TalkNet (RW-IN)

970 WWIT NC CANTON - dominating most mornings >0715 W/C&W mx, many ads for Waynesville; 1st hrd them when they were 500 watts, now 5Kw (RW-IN)

990 WIVK TN KNOXVILLE - 10/20 0018 W/good, but not as good as the old WNOX days; C&W simulcast W/107.7 (BP-NC)

1030 KBUF KS HOLCOMB - 10/3 0927-30 poor W/considerable QRM from WHO; Nx: In nx from Oklahoma+wx+TC for CDT & MDT zones at AM 10-30 KBUF (RD-IA)

1060 WKNG GA TALLAPOSA - 10/9 0650 W/LK, 1060 ID 9Cuban (RW-IN)

WCFB MS TUPELO - hrd most every AM @ 0700 \$on+Insight For Living w/Chuck Swindoll 5 Days a Week; this one was my 3000th hrd back on 11/5/87 (RW-IN)

1070 CHOK ON SARNIA - 10/16 0232 ROK songs; W/good signal 9unknown SS stn; ID: CHOK, Your World Series Stn (WW-MA)

1100 WSGI TN SPRINGFIELD - 10/4 0730 W/lcl Springfield Elec. Co. ad (RW-IN)

1150 WHUN PA HUNTINGDON - 10/21 0722-32 fair W/CHR mx+lcl nx, lcl ad (BH-NJ)

WTYC SC ROCK HILL - 10/15 0615-27 fair W/C&W mx, low-key DJ W/The all-new WTYC sign (BH-NJ)

1160 KSL UT SALT LAKE CITY - 10/24 0259 fair 9WCKM in WJJJ null W/lcl & state nx, Wasatch Front wx, KSL Salt Lake City, United States of America ID+CBS Nx; dominant WAMB was off this MM (EB-GA)

1200 KYOO MO BOLIVAR - 10/15 0832-39 fair W/rundown of area HS FB scores from Friday nite (RD-IA)

CFGO ON OTTAWA - 10/21 0210 W/CHR; CLs never given, just killing W/OAI; W/BZY often hrd too; now what with CKOT getting U4 10000 10000, WCHB going U4 50000 1000 & W/MXA, 1200 will be a graveyard (RW-IN) (As it is here-WRH)

1290 WKLB KY MANCHESTER - almost a daytime regular 0710 or so W/Super KLB & C&W mx 9WHIO; also hrd in evenings, too (RW-IN)

1330 WRAA VA LURAY - 10/12 0645 a nice catch W/Farm Bureau ad for Luray; Everly Bros mx & WRAA jx, briefly 9the mess (RW-IN)

1340 WMID NJ ATLANTIC CITY - 10/21 0747-0800 weak in WNYM null W/NOS mx, lcl ad, CBS Nx; reception possible only because WNYM-1330 apparently b'casting on reduced pwr from some other-than normal location (BH-NJ)

1350 KTXJ TX JASPER - 10/12 0815 noted W/C&W mx, above all else (RW-IN)

1410 KGRN IA GRINNELL - 10/12 0720 noted W/lcl ads, wx; a real shocker as I haven't hrd them since 1964! (RW-IN)

1460 CKRB PQ ST GEORGES DE BEAUCE - 10/22 0611-39 good W/C&W mx in FF, ads in FF; no ID hrd (BH-NJ)

1480 KLEE IA OTTUMWA - 10/12 0725 on an Iowa morning W/Ottumwa Pharmacy ad, wx; a duct into Iowa? (RW-IN)

WHBC OH CANTON - 10/4 0100-05 fair, fading; lcl nx W/Linda Weinburg incl item on road work in Uniontown, OH, lcl sps (GV-MN)

1490 WABJ MI ADRIAN - 10/4 0030-40 good, then faded; HS sps-BKB, swimming scores (GV-MN)

WABJ MI ADRIAN - 10/8 0220-30 in/out of mess W/OLD, promo for color radar wx on AM-1490 (GV-PA)

1500 KDFN MO DONIPHAN - is the bird hrd @ 0720 in October W/NOS mx off the satellite (RW-IN)

1510 WWHN IL JOLIET - (no date) 0800 \$on W/CNN Nx, OLD; in WLAC null (RW-IN)

1560 WY2Q KY HAZARD - 10/8 0630-40 good, but faded+W/QXR; lite ROK, Mountain wx @ 0631; New-Q slogan (GV-PA)

1590 WETT MD OCEAN CITY - 10/14 0200 good, W/fades 9WAKR W/The Oldies on Beach Radio 1590 WETT, Ocean City (JM-PA)

1600 WCGO IL CHICAGO HEIGHTS - (no date) 0700 \$on+Warren Frieberg show+W/TAS-FM (RW-IN)

## MIDDAY TO MIDNIGHT

550 WKRC OH CINCINNATI - 10/4 2202 fair in WGR (null) W/nx, ment of WKRC Radio Nx (MS-ON)

CHNO ON SUDBURY - 10/18 1738 fair in WGR null W/Sudbury & area ads, lcl wx, ID; had been one of my closest unhrds (MS-ON)

570 WKBN OH YOUNGSTOWN - 10/22 1817 in very loud, local-like, W/sps rpt & ROK mx (HJH-PA)

580 CKAP ON KAPUSKASING - 10/3 2258 fair W/ROK mx, non-IDs as AM 58+nx @ 2300 W/lcl items about nearby towns such as Val Gagne, etc (MS-ON)

CKWW ON WINDSOR - 10/4 2203 fair W/nx, Windsor & Essey County wx; ment'd CKWW Nx (MS-ON)

610 WZZK AL BIRMINGHAM - 10/19 2349 fair W/C&W simulcast W/104.7 FM; referred to as: FM 105-WZZK; makes me miss the old WSGN (BP-NC)

WTVN OH COLUMBUS - 10/22 & 23 noted ≈1830 both nites W/mix of old & current T40 (HJH-PA)

WTVN OH COLUMBUS - 10/24 1849 W/OLD, ID; fair+good W/WIP (WPT-DC1)

620 WVMT VT BURLINGTON - 10/8 2100 good W/OLD; This is Solid Gold Saturday Night at 62 WVMT (MS-ON)

630 WMAL DC WASHINGTON - 10/22 2015 fair+poor W/WBHQ W/ad for C&P Telephone, ID+ROK OLD (EB-GA)

WLAP KY LEXINGTON - 10/23 2340 fair @ best W/lcl wx & ment of AM 630 WLAP, then back into talk show, maybe TalkNet; WMAL, which is a regular, soon lowered the boom (BP-NC)

660 WFAN NY NEW YORK - 10/11 2310 W/NLCS BB (LA vs NY); ment of WFAN Radio Network; ID @ 2323 as: SportsRadio 66 WFAN; farewell, WNBC! (MS-ON)

6 690 WAPE FL JACKSONVILLE - 10/21 1852 ad for Deerfield Lake Homes, T40 mx; fair+good %CBF (WPT-DC1)

WZAP VA BRISTOL - 10/23 1815 %GOS mx; slogan:The One to Turn To (HJH-PA)

WELD WV FISHER - 10/22 1845 noted %\$off; fair signal %WLV splash; %\$off by female (HJH-PA)

750 KJEL MO LEBANON - 10/24 1900 poor in super-tight WSB null %lgl ID, ABC-I Nx; was surprised to get this 25 miles from Atlanta! (will CH & HTA be jealous, hi!) (EB-GA)

WHEB NH PORTSMOUTH - 10/18 1854 fair %song by male, ID as:HEB-FM, tire service ad, PDL annct, ID @ 1900 mentd FM only (MS-ON)

770 KATL MT MILES CITY - 9/30 2102-06 trouncing WABC %mx by George Benson→promo for KATL Bingo→mx by Sanford-Townsend Band; MT #2 (RD-IA)

780 WCKB NC DUNN - 10/23 1834 hrd > WABS-VA went on nite pattern; %good running GOS mx now; %\$off @ 1845 (HJH-PA)

830 WLND OH CORTLAND - 10/18 1830 WLND ID by female, C&W mx by Charlie Daniels Band; fair (MS-ON)

850 WYDE AL BIRMINGHAM - 10/22 1900 GOS mx here and ment of Birmingham; don't know if using different CL now (HJH-PA) (WYDE is what my log still sez-WRH)

860 WLBG SC LAURENS - 10/23 1900 ID & a kind of mx I could only classify as upbeat instrumental; weak, fair %FF Canadian nulled (HJH-PA)

930 CFBC NB ST JOHN - 10/10 2158 fair %wx by female, ment of CFBC Nx, St John, ROK mx (MS-ON)

940 CBM PQ MONTREAL - 10/15 2354 %retrospective of Quebecois avant rock group Telephone; fair+good %occasional QRM; hrd Radiocuba ID @ 0022 (EJ-NJ1)

950 WBBF NY ROCHESTER - 10/21 1725-37 fair 9WPN %C&W mx, 950 AM in Rochester & 950 Country slogans, but no CL IDs (BH-NJ)

WPEN PA PHILADELPHIA - 9/30 2132 good 9others %EZL mx; ID:The Station of the Stars (WW-RI)

960 CHNS NS HALIFAX - 10/1 2220 good signal 9others %ROK songs, wx, chorus singing CHNS & ID:96 CHNS (WW-RI)

WFGL MA FITCHBURG - 10/8 2020 good, but fadey; EZL mx like Mac the Knife; not hrd in a long time; ID:WFGL R. 960 (WW-RI)

970 WFUN OH ASHTABULA - 10/21 1805-08 good, but brief, in WWDJ null, %lcl nx & ad→CHR mx; 97 Sports & 97 Weather Center ments (BH-NJ)

980 KDSJ SD DEADWOOD - 9/30 2148-54 %/KMBZ %Spearfish vs Custer HS FB; ad for Queen City Motors in Spearfish @ 2151 (RD-IA)

1000 CKBW NS BRIDGEWATER - 9/30 2129 strong signal; not always hrd here; ID noted as:CKBW AM & FM (WW-RI)

1020 WPEO IL PEORIA - 10/12 1906-15 fair+good %REL mx; ad for store in Bloomington @ 1908+more REL mx→\$off (RD-IA)

1090 KAAY AR LITTLE ROCK - 10/4 2300 fair, mixing %WBAL, in CKKW null %GOS mx, ID:KAAY Little Rock; I believe this is the 1st time I've hrd them in Ontario on nite pattern (MS-ON)

1110 WNAP PA NORRISTOWN - 10/14 1818-35 good %church anncts, Black GOS mx, lcl ads, Gospel Highway 11 slogan, %\$off (BH-NJ)

1140 CJTR PQ TROIS-RIVIERES - 10/3 1911 good in FF %tlk about NHL HKY, pgm anncts, ID (MS-ON)

1160 WOBM NJ TOMS RIVER - 10/8 2300 fair+good signal, fading in/out %C&W mx; ID:Star Country, only used CL @ :00; 1st-timer (logged FMR a few months ago) (WW-RI)

1190 KVSU KS BELOIT - 10/9 1545 xlnr %Tunnel of Love by Bruce Springsteen; ID later:You're listening to the Voice of the Solomon Valley... KVSU, Beleit, Kansas (RD-NE)

KWMB MN WABASHA - 10/20 1929 partial-data %\$off, in KLIF null (WCM-SD)

KKOJ MN JACKSON - 10/21 1800 lgl ID, knocking it off my closest unheard list (WCM-SD)

1200 WKOX MA FRAMINGHAM - 10/18 1734 nx of Framingham school board, Merrill Lynch bid'ness nx, ad for Georgian Oriental Rugs, Red Sox banquet; DJ Ron Scott plays records by Genesis, Marvin Gaye; fair+good (EJ-NJ1)

1210 WKNX MI FRANKENMUTH - 10/18 1858-1900 BFL mx from WGMZ 101.7, followed by partial-data %\$off; needed for report before KKOJ goes to 1210! (WCM-SD)

WKNX MI FRANKENMUTH - 10/21 1833-1900 %good %BFL mx, Flint's most beautiful mx, WGMZ-FM anncts, lcl ads, AM CL ID @ %\$off %FM 101.7 invite (BH-NJ)

1240 KODY NE NORTH PLATTE - 10/21 1955-2005 %Countdown to Kickoff & HS FB; best signal ever from them & 1st time I got enuf for a report! (WCM-SD)

CJNH ON BANCROFT - 10/14 1902 fair, relaying CJBC-800 %ROK mx, ID:Now more of the greatest hits of past & present on CJBC; lcl ads, notice concerning mandatory rabies vaccination for dogs in Hastings & Prince Edward Counties (MS-ON)

1250 KBRF MN FERGUS FALLS - 9/30 2043-52 good %East Grand Forks vs Fergus Falls HS FB (RD-IA)

1270 WLBR PA LEBANON - 10/18 %Linda Ronstadt rcd, Flyers hky rap, ad for water filtration service; poor (EJ-NJ1)

1280 WADO NY NEW YORK - 10/17 2159 good %long ID in SS using slogan which sounded like Wah-doh (MS-ON)

1300 WSSG NC GOLDSBORO - 10/13 1855 %sps-tlk show; good→xlnr 9WFBR; ex:WYNG (WPT-DC1)

1320 WOBL OH OBERLIN - 10/11 2103 good %wx mentg chance of snow & 41° in the heart of the country, 1320 WOBL (MS-ON)

1330 WSPQ NY SPRINGVILLE - 10/3 1930 %partial ID:here in Springville (fade) 1330 WSPQ; poor (MS-ON)

KVKM TX MONAHANS - 9/30 2342-47 fair %HS FB; score updates from Ft Stockton, Midland & Big Spring (RD-IA)

1360 WIXZ PA MCKEESPORT - 10/22 1813-24 fair %C&W mx, Wick-see 1360 slngs, Metro Trffc Update promo (BH-NJ)

1370 WDEA ME ELLSWORTH - 9/24 2130 fair+good 9WFEA & > WKFD %\$off; nx & Olympic Update→Sps Final (WW-RI)

WELV NY ELLENVILLE - 9/28 1923 good, but fadey; EZL mx; ID (WW-MA)

WKFD RI WICKFORD - 9/24 2300 good, but much background noise; ID:1370 Bayradio; AC satellite pgms; lcl nx by John Thresher @ :00; 180 watts @ nite; some QRM from WDEA; %\$off @ 2300; much QRM from WFEA (WW-RI)

1380 WQHK IN FT WAYNE - 10/12 2157 fair %country mx (I Walk The Line by Johnny Cash), ID:1380 WQHK (MS-ON)

KUVR NE HOLDREGE - 10/19 1958-2000 %sps call-in show followed by partial-data %\$off; 1st-timer; in KOTA null (WCM-SD)

1410 CFUN BC VANCOUVER - 10/4 2350-midnight fair%WIZM; CHR, word abt contest for trip to Sydney, Australia, ad for Spaghetti Factory (GV-MN)

1420 WEMB TN ERWIN - 10/20 1900 %ID, %\$off %no SSB, ment of 5Kw; fair (WPT-DC2)

1430 WIRE IN INDIANAPOLIS - 10/12 good in CJCL null %C&W mx, ID by female: Your Radio Country Stn WIRE (MS-ON)

WNJR NJ NEWARK - 10/8 2050 BLK mx & DJs; good signal 9WENE, but fadey (WW-RI)

1460 KLTC ND DICKENSON - 10/3 2110-20 good, alone %C&W mx, freeze advisory, lcl ads (GV-MN)

WPRW VA MANASSAS - 10/20 1808 ad for Battlefield Ford, Manassas; spe nx; DJ Keith Jones plays Waylon & Willie (EJ-NJ2)

1470 CKO PQ POINTE CLAIRE - 10/13 2300 ID as:The CKO Radio Network; poor, mixing %CHOW (MS-ON)

1480 WJIT NY NEW YORK - 10/17 2157 fair %SS tlk, ID as:Radio Jit (pronounced something like heat) (MS-ON)

1490 WICY NY MALONE - 10/14 1900 WICY Mutual News Time; fair (MS-ON)

1500 WTOP DC WASHINGTON - 10/22 2240 fair %light WLAC splash %frequent EDT TCs & NewsRadio 15 IDs, local & nat'l nx (EB-GA)

1510 CJRS PQ SHERBROOKE - 10/3 1848 fair %pgm anncts in FF, CJRS ment (MS-ON)

1520 WKZQ SC MYRTLE BEACH - 10/13 1847 %\$off %ment of Myrtle Beach; caught last few words; good; ex:WTGR (WPT-DC1)

1530 WRTP NC DURHAM - 10/20 1808 1824 REL show from California; ad sweep @ 1830--Northgate Mall, Alec Jones Interiors, Hazel's Home Cooking in Durham %breakfast for \$2.10; fair (EJ-NJ2)

1540 KNGL KS MCFHERSON - 10/2 2002-05 crushing KXEL; out of AP Nx→wx→\$off (ment of KBBE 96.7) (RD-IA)

WQCC NC CHARLOTTE - 10/13 1846 %GOS pgm, then %\$off %9SSB; good (WPT-DC1)

1550 WYNX GA SMYRNA - 10/10 1853 good %ContChr mx, ID promoting college FB coverage on 50,000 watt WYNX Smyrna-Atlanta (MS-ON)

KQWB ND WEST FARGO - 9/30 2031-39 %/KKJO %Fargo North vs Fargo Shandling HS FB (RD-IA)

1560 WTOP OH TOLEDO - 10/14 1856 fair %C&W mx, WTOP ID (MS-ON)

1580 KFDF AR VAN BUREN - 10/13 2259 fair %\$off & SSB wishing you a very pleasant & restful evening (JM-PA)

WZKY NC ALBEMARLE - 10/20 1833 ID:Your favorite OLD in AM \$ on AM 1580, WZKY; mx by Rick Astley (he's an oldie, already?), Tommy Edwards; think I hrd this stn's 30th anniversary; fair %lots of QRM (EJ-NJ2)

KOKB OK BLACKWELL - 10/13 2105-07 %good when in, %ABC Nx, Tom Moore with you as another DJ just walked in from a pep rallye(!) for a HS FB game; list of sponsors, wx for KOKB listening area & poss C&W mx; faded (JM-PA)

1590 WHPY NC CLAYTON - 10/20 1844 %wx, ID; Roger Miller's King of the Road; poor (EJ-NJ2)

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REPORTERS:

- RW-IN Roger Winsor//Hobart, IN//
- EJ-NJ1 Ed Janusz//Bricktown, NJ//82 Plymouth Caradio
- EJ-NJ2 Ed Janusz//Bricktown, NJ//ICF-2010 + Select-a-tenna loop
- RH-NY Richard Harrison//New York, NY//Delco UM-7, or Grundig 3400 @ home
- RD-IA Rick Dau//Oakland, IA//Reader's Digest 10-Band rx
- RD-NE Rick Dau//on assignment @ I-80 interchange @ York, NE//Ford Caradio
- WW-RI William Wyllie//Prudence Island, RI//Fisher 418 + indoor ant
- WW-MA William Wyllie//Franklin, MA// Realistic Modulaire 2200 + indoor ant
- WCM-SD William Moser//Lake Preston, SD//Zenith K731 + loop
- HJH-PA Harry Hayes//Wilkes-Barre, PA//Superadio + SM-2
- MS-ON Morris Sorensen//Port Carling, ON//ICF-2010 + SM-2 or Superadio barefoot
- GV-PA George Vanish//Truckaville, PA//RF-2600 + Select-A-Tenna
- WPT-MD Bill Townshend//DXing outside office bldg//Portavision-40
- WPT-DC1 Bill Townshend//Washington, DC (at home)//ICF-2010
- WPT-DC2 Bill Townshend//DXing @ 18th & K Sts NW//Portavision-40
- BP-NC Bill Prather//Tryon, NC//Kenwood TS-4305 + 100' LW
- EB-GA Roger Winsor//Woodstock, GA//DX-200, TM-152, SM-2
- JM-PA John Halicky//Pittsburgh, PA//Superadio II
- BH-NJ Bob Harrison//Union, NJ//Superadio
- PS-KS Paul Swearingen//Topeka, KS// Hq-180, Martens loop, Sharp FV-610,
- DP-IL Dale Park//Chicago, IL//Sangean ATS-803, or Delco Caradio

TT: test tones OC: open carrier TC: time check GRM: interference QTH: location SID: singing ID  
 CID: code ID jx: jingle lcl: local lgl: legal mx: music nx: news wx: weather sps: sports HS:  
 high school FB: football BB: baseball BKB: basketball HKY: hockey >: after <: before #: stereo  
 #: equal with or equal to :00: on the hour ||: parallel with %: over/under 9: over 4: under  
 %: with 4: very +: to or into SS: Spanish FF: French EE: English POL: political GOS: gospel  
 REL: religion or religious BBD: big band OLD: oldies ROK: rock 'n' roll EZL: easy listening  
 C&W: country & western AC: adult contemporary UC: urban contemporary tlk: talk ContChr:  
 contemporary Christian CHR: contemporary hit radio AP: Associated Press Radio UPI: United  
 Press International MBS: Mutual Broadcasting System MRN: Motor Racing Net USRN: United Stns  
 Radio Net MCRN: Music Country Radio Net IRN: Interstate Radio Net LK: Larry King BW: Bruce  
 Williams PH: Paul Harvey s/on: sign on s/off: sign off SR: sunrise SRS: sunrise skip SS:  
 sunset SSS: sunset skip LSS: local sunset SSB: Star Spangled Banner

SOME ABBREVIATIONS & SPECIAL SYMBOLS USED IN DDxD-Z

*Bill*

Arkansas tourism on Traveler's Radio

By Kerry Kraus, travel writer  
 Department of Parks and Tourism  
 Jo Luck Wilson, executive director of the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism, and Wally Tucker and Ted Jones, general manager and station manager, respectively, of radio station KEZQ, recently announced a new addition to the Partners in Tourism program.  
 Beginning Labor Day Weekend, a brand new radio concept was kicked off when the AM portion of KEZQ (1150) became Traveler's Information Radio, providing pertinent information for visitors to The Natural State.  
 "We are excited about this new concept in radio in Arkansas. We feel we are meeting an extremely important need in the tourism industry by providing the types of information travelers need to make their trip to Arkansas a pleasant and enjoyable one," Tucker said.  
 The types of information included are news

headliners, with emphasis on details of concern to travelers such as highway construction, traffic problems, anticipated delays, and rerouting; special events calendar; Arkansas State Parks and Corps of Engineers updates; convention and visitors bureau updates; State Capitol updates; medical services; cultural calendar; sporting events and score updates; and local and destination weather.  
 The information is repeated every 20 to 30 minutes.  
 "The Department of Parks and Tourism is pleased with this invaluable new addition to the Partners in Tourism program. It is something that I have wanted to see happen in Arkansas for some time. By providing this type of service to the traveling public, be it visitors or local people, KEZQ is giving Arkansas an added dimension of service to travelers that few other states have," Wilson said.  
 "I also believe that this service will be utilized by

Arkansans as well, since they will want to know traffic conditions, weather, and what special events are taking place."  
 To the knowledge of station manager Ted Jones, who originated the concept, this is a first in commercial radio programming in the nation. There are private concerns in several other states which provide this type of programming. Jones said it is difficult to estimate the value of the service, but thinks it will reach into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.  
 "This station will serve as a conduit to the public for any governmental agency - city, county, state or federal - which would like to reach the motoring public with information of use to them," Jones said. He encourages any agency that is interested to contact him.  
 Highway signs reading "Traveler's Information Radio AM 1150" have been placed in prominent locations along the interstate to inform travelers of the service and encourage them to

tune in while traveling through the state.  
 Even though the AM station's broadcast radius is basically limited to the central Arkansas area, some of the information broadcast, such as weather, special events, and road conditions, covers the major arteries of the state.  
 For additional information, contact Ted Jones, KEZQ Radio, P.O. Box 100, Little Rock, AR 72203. Phone: (501) 372-7740.

The Eureka Springs Times-Echo  
 - via Phil Tallman

Need to renew? Expired? The mailing label will tell you.

Nancy Hardy

2301 Pacific Avenue, Aberdeen, WA 98520

Quite a good turnout this week. It appears that our Colorado members have been busy at the dials! Don't forget, my deadline here for tips is each Saturday.

\*\*SPECIAL\*\*

- 840 KVEG NV NORTH LAS VEGAS - Station is on the air, heard 10/22 2121 with mellow rock vocals. Uses "AM 8-40" slogan along with calls. Strong sig. There goes WHAS. (MF-CA)  
 First noted 10/23 0700 very strong on car radio with AdCon music, male DJ, slogans "AM 840," "Superstation, Las Vegas Style," and others. Also noted 10/23 1530 with fair midday signals and a cooking show. Called station, first day on air was 10/18, will be 24 hour NSP. Has various talk shows including an evening sportstalk show. Wipes out another clear channel here day and night. (TRH-CA)  
 10/23 2257 AdCon music, 2300 "Superstation Las Vegas Style, KVEG." Fair to good with KSWB nulled. (NH-WA)
- 970 KCTR MT BILLINGS - 10/21 0840 C&W music, local spots, "Montana's Cat Country" slogans. 0859 ID, following cat roar: "Montana's new Country Choice, FM 103, AM 97, K-C-T-R Billings," then area news. Good in QRM. Ex-KBIT. (OW-CO)  
 FT. WORTH - 10/5 2300 ID as "Fort Worth-Dallas." Ex-KWJS. (DA-CO)
- 1360 KNRB TX MIDDAY TO MIDNIGHT
- 530 KNID798 CO STAPLETON AIRPORT-DENVER - Fair sig at 55 miles day and night. (DA-CO)
- 580 KMJ CA FRESNO - 9/3 2315 Fresno Bulldogs football, spots. (DA-CO)  
 KKSU KS MANHATTAN - 10/19 1829 1/2 s/off. (JT-CO)  
 WIBW KS TOPEKA - 10/19 1829 1/4 s/on, ad for Stratten Hardware. (JT-CO)
- 630 WBMQ GA SAVANNAH - 10/20 2327 SID "AM 630, WBMQ," oldies from late '60's & '70's, dominating channel. Day pattern? Little KXOK, XEFB nulled. (PS-KS)
- 750 KAMA TX EL PASO - 9/3 2300 "cah-ah-emay-ah" ID. (DA-CO)
- 790 KFGO ND FARGO - 10/7 2354 spots for Moorehead, Fargo, local weather & legal ID. (DA-CO)
- 900 KHOZ AZ HARRISON - 9/4 2245 "Great songs, great memories." (DA-CO)  
 KSGLT KS WICHITA - 10/4 2200 not sure of call. (DA-CO)
- 920 WBBBt NC BURLINGTON - 9/20 2309 ID in noise to relig., on E-W Beverage. (DA-CO)  
 KKLIS SD RAPID CITY - 9/20 2310 legal ID & local spots. (DA-CO)  
 KYST TX TEXAS CITY - 9/20 2303 SS, ID in EE under KGE0. (DA-CO)
- 930 KAPR AZ DOUGLAS - 10/17 2115 s/off at 2115. (JT-CO)  
 KSDN SD ABERDEEN - 10/7 2134 local weather & ID. (DA-CO)
- 960 KOOL AZ PHOENIX - 9/17 2253 news & weather to oldies (50's & 60's). (DA-CO)
- 1010 KIND KS INDEPENDENCE - 9/7 1930 Royals BB, spots, // 101.7. (DA-CO)
- 1050 KNXX NM LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE - 9/17 2300 ID in Spanish over XEG. (DA-CO)
- 1130 WDGY MN MINNEAPOLIS - 10/7 all evening; their multi-tower array squirts about 99% of their power north; the Beverage picked up the other one per cent! (DA-CO)
- 1140 WRVA VA RICHMOND - 10/8 2159-2206 relig, then ID, news, and woman giving Richmond weather. Under KS00. State #32. (DA-CO)
- 1220 CJRB MB BOISSERVAIN - 10/7 2300 relig. to ID, back to relig. (DA-CO)
- 1230 KWG CA STOCKTON - 10/20 2211 TC, ID by woman, into oldie. Fair over others for a minute or two. New. (NH-WA)
- KHAS NE HASTINGS - 10/7 2000 Lincoln area news & local spots. (DA-CO)
- KLAV NV LAS VEGAS - 10/20 2202 oldie followed by ads, 2206 ID. Fair to good. New. (NH-WA)
- 1250 KBRF MN FERGUS FALLS - 10/7 1845-1900 local spots & Cardinal football promos into C&W, ID on hour. (DA-CO)
- 1270 KIML WY GILLETTE - 10/14 2313 legal ID into C&W, under WHBF. (DA-CO)
- 1310 KZZP AZ MESA - 9/5 2118 "KZZP 104.7 FM," (DA-CO)
- KOKX IA KEOKUK - 9/5 2105 "Temp 56 at KOKX." (DA-CO)
- 1320 WKAN IL KANKAKEE - 10/7 2031 "... presentation of KAN sports." (DA-CO)
- 1340 KNPAT ID NAMPA - 9/29 2137 local spots, no ID heard. (DA-CO) (Earlier this year they were heard as KSGR.--NH)
- 1390 KCRC OK ENID - 10/5 2322 "We're here to remember the good times" to oldies. (DA-CO)

1450 KSIW OK WOODWARD - 10/5 2305 temp. & forecast for Woodward. (DA-CO)  
 1470 KWIV WY DOUGLAS - 10/5 2345 weather for Douglas. (DA-CO)  
 1550 KUAT AZ TUCSON - 9/29 2105 news & ID. (DA-CO)  
 1600 UNID ??? - 10/23 1846-1848 "KCTL 105.5" & "Y 108." ??? (DA-CO)  
 1610 KAF712? CO ROCKY MOUNTAIN NAT. PARK - 10/10 1430 woman with 1½-minute loop tape. Info on Trail Ridge Road, Wapiti mating season, etc. Good at Bear Lake entrance. (ØW-CO)  
 K... CO GLENWOOD CANYON TIS - 9/21 2100. Audible about 15 miles east or west of the canyon, but not in the canyon itself. 1-minute loop tape; woman with construction updates, "be prepared for delays," etc. (ØW-CO)

MINIGHT TO MIDDAY

530 CFHS ON FT. FRANCIS - 10/24 a service of the ministry of tourism, Ontario highways & recreation. "For weather tune to CFOB on 640." Over/under KNID-798 Stapleton IAP. (DA-CO)  
 540 KWM T IA FT. DODGE - 9/4 0006 "Your country station, KWM T." (DA-CO)  
 570 KLAC CA LOS ANGELES - 10/14 0904 "KLAC News" many times. (DA-CO)  
 600 KKLQ CA SAN DIEGO - 10/17 0741 Q-105 with rock music & local spots. (WH-CO)  
 KKLQ CA 10/12 0902 many "Q-106" IDs. (DA-CA)  
 620 KCLQ CA HANFORD - 10/14 0906 s/on then simulcast with KCLQ-FM. (DA-CO)  
 KSTF CO GRAND JUNCTION - 10/5 0001 79 watts on top. (DA-CO)  
 KWFT TX WICHITA FALLS - 9/16 0110 s/off & SSB. (DA-CO)  
 660 CFFR AB CALGARY - 9/10 0135 ID & weather. (DA-CO)  
 680 KFEQ MO ST. JOSEPH - 9/7 0035 ID, under KNBR & KWKA. (DA-CO)  
 720 WGN IL CHICAGO - 10/24 0640 good with KDWN off. Chicago weather, ID, sports news. (JW-OR)  
 730 KIZN ID BOISE 10/14 0900 sounded like KIZN 93 FM. (DA-CO)  
 KURL MT BILLINGS - 9/4 0036 temp. & ID into relig. (DA-CO)  
 KSVN UT OGDEN - 10/5 0000 dominating peanut whistles. (DA-CO)  
 750 KMMJ NE GRAND ISLAND - 9/23 0778 "75 Country." (DA-CO) (0728???)--NH)  
 10/11 s/on 0745 no SSB, into local news. (WH-CO)  
 780 WJAG NE NORFOLK - 9/23 0808 ID & local news. (DA-CO)  
 790 KGMI WA BELLINGHAM - 10/23 0806 fair to good with ID, area weather, oldies music. (JW-OR)  
 890 KQLX ND LISBON - 9/24 0800 "AM Stereo 890." (DA-CO)  
 920 KDHL MN FAIRBAULT - 10/8 0006 "It's 36 degrees at KDHL." (DA-CO)  
 930 KSEI ID POCATELLO - 9/17 0038 weather & "KSEI AM 930." (DA-CO)  
 970 KBBK ID RUPERT - 10/21 0846 spotty reception in KCTR/WDAY/XEJ QRM with C&W music, man anncr. "All American KBBK" slogans. Not enough for a report. New, ID #12. (ØW-CO)  
 1000 WTAK AL HUNTSVILLE - 10/18 0737 "Butch & Chris with TAK" slogan, local spots and T-40 music. (WH-CO)  
 KSTA TX COLEMAN - 10/14 faded in with Texas farm report news, spot for Coleman Nat. Bank, o/u WCFL. (DA-CO) (Time?--NH)  
 10/19 0704 C&W music, Texas AgriBusiness Network & local spots. (WH-CO)  
 10/21 0741 C&W music, ag features, Cross Palins Community Calendar (C.P. is a town near Coleman). Fair, o/u QRM (XEYOY, WLUP, others). Was looking for WTAK--still need Alabama here! New, TX #85. (ØW-CO)  
 KJJT TX ODESSA - 9/18 0000 Spanish very strong, s/off in EE. (DA-CO)  
 WRQT? ??? - 9/5 0000 mostly casual banter by guy & gal with occas. AdCon. Sounded like a pirate?? Very weak. (DA-CO)  
 1020 KCKN NM ROSWELL - 9/8 0100 new class., Spanish parttime. (DA-CO)  
 1030 KCTA TX CORPUS CHRISTI - 10/18 0813 local spots & ID into relig. (DA)  
 1060 KYW PA PHILADELPHIA - 9/4 0200 "All news all the time KYW." (DA-CO)  
 KGFX SD PIERRE - 10/20 0713 ending local news, C&W music, local PSA's and spots. (WH-CO)  
 1190 KVSF KS BELOIT - 1-15 0707 s/on, weather, FFA spot, o/KJLA. (DA-CO)  
 WOWO IN FT. WAYNE - 10/18 0752 local spots & ID. State #33. (DA-CO)  
 1220 KVSA AR MCGEEHEE - 10/19 0650 short ID ending f/c with tone burst and gone. (WH-CO)  
 KDFC CA PALO ALTO - 9/16 0028 class. music to ID, in static. (DA-CO)  
 KBNO CO DENVER - 10/26 0802 s/on 0802 "Good morning. This is KBNO, Denver, signing on for another day of bilingual broadcasting." (JT-CO)  
 WSLM IN SALEM - 10/18 0804 "25kw, ?'s most powerful station" sounded like Salem? Under CJRB & others. (DA-CO)  
 WTCN MN STILLWATER - 10/14 0727 MN farm news & weather, no ID. (DA)  
 KDDR ND OAKES - 10/19 0752 American Agriculture Net, K-double D-R jingle and Eagles song. (WH-CO)  
 1230 KVOC WY CASPER - 10/21 0900+ dominant on Beverage for 20 min. (DA)

1230 UNID ??? - 10/15 0000 ment. of Little Rock. Call something like "K20U solid gold." Poor in slop. (DA-CO)  
 1250 KIKC MT FORSYTH - 10/21 0905 "Montana Headlines," spot on parade in Billings, legal ID 0915. (DA-CO)  
 KNEU UT ROOSEVELT - 10/4 s/on 0659, local news and C&W music. (WH-CO)  
 KKFX WA SEATTLE - 10/23 0738 good briefly with ID "K-Fox." (JW-OR)  
 1260 KWYR SD WINNER - Noted s/on 10/18 0458 with SSB. (WH-CO)  
 1270 KDJI AZ HOEBROOK - 10/26 0859 s/on 0859 with SSB. (JT-CO)  
 KTPI ID TWIN FALLS - 10/18 s/on with SSB into NBC News. (WH-CO) (You left out the time on this one, Wayne.--NH)  
 1290 KHSL CA CHICO - 9/5 0051 promos & ID. (DA-CO)  
 KLLF TX WICHITA FALLS - 10/17 0640 "Christian Radio KLLF" & local spots. (WH-CO)  
 1300 KROP CA BRAWLEY - 10/8 0100 ID on hour. (DA-CO)  
 1320 KOLT NE SCOTTSELUFF - 10/20 s/on 0700 o/u KEMX. (WH-CO)  
 KEMX UT SALT LAKE CITY - 10/20 0655 oldies to ID on hour & Mutual News. Ex-KCXP. (WH-CO)  
 1380 KHJJ CA LANCASTER - 10/1 0900 s/on, SSB "Lancaster-Palmdale." (DA)  
 KSRV OR ONTARIO - 10/23 0723 fair with local spots, ID, into C&W music. (JW-OR)  
 1390 KMIX CA TURLOCK - 10/10 0153 C&W music thru 0200 ID. (WH-CO)  
 1410 KWYO WY SHERIDAN - 10/6 0015 "10:15 here at KWYO." (DA-CO)  
 1420 KMOG AZ PAYSON - 10/14 0219-0303 s/off with NA. Played pop vocals & country. "Rim Country Radio" slogan used. Announced hours as 5:30-midnight MST daily. Fair signal. (MP-CA)  
 1450 KCON UT MOAB - 10/23 0000 s/off at 0000. (JT-CO)  
 1470 KFQX TX ABILINE - 9/26 0200 legal ID. (DA-CO)  
 1480 KGXX MT SIDNEY - 10/6 0103 s/off & SSB. (DA-CO)  
 1490 KBOL CO BOULDER - 10/18 s/on noted weakly at 0740 with SSB & into easy rock music. (WH-CO)  
 1600 KGST CA FRESNO - 9/16 0000 ID in Spanish on hour. (DA-CO)  
 1590 KOGO CA VENTURA-OKNARD - 10/17 0226 oldies, "Solid Gold Ko Go." (WH)  
 1600 KSSA TX PLANO - 9/26 0102 Spanish, but legal ID in EE. (DA-CO)  
 UNID ??? - 9/27 0038 "It's 58 degrees at KRXO 108." (DA-CO) (KRXV Englewood, CO?--NH)  
 1610 TIS WA CHIEF JOSEPH DAM - 10/23 0700 description of power generating plant, dam, and area recreational facilities. Male voice. Fair signal. First time heard this location. (JW-OR)  
 KNHD262 WA DISCOVERY BAY - Hood Canal Bridge TIS heard 10/23 0708. Wash. Dept. of Transportation. Female voice. Fair signal. (JW-OR)

REPORTERS

DA-CO/Doug Allen, Woodland Park, CO/Kenwood TS 430S, 160 meter dipole, and 800' NE/SW Beverage  
 MF-CA/Martin Foltz, Mission Viejo, CA/HQ180A, 1' square loop antenna  
 TRH-CA/Tim Hall, Chula Vista, CA/ICF-2010, Radio West loop  
 NH-WA/Nancy Hardy, Aberdeen, WA/FRG-7, Radio West loop  
 WH-CO/Wayne Heinen, Aurora, CO/TRF  
 JT-CO/Jeff Tynan, Parker, CO/Sony 2002 with JT-4 loop  
 PS-KS/Paul Swearingen, Topeka, KS/Sharp PU610, HQ-180, Martens loop  
 ØW-CO/John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO/R-1000, R-390A, 2½' box loop  
 JW-OR/Jack Woods, DX'ing at Corvallis, OR/Barlow Wadley XCR-30, Hot Rod loop

# Elvis rules over these stations

By Dennis Kelly  
USA TODAY

General manager John Stolz is having the "most fun I've ever had" in 20 years of radio since his station, Cincinnati's WCVG (1320 AM), started the nation's first all-Elvis format. The station has even launched a trend: Elvis-radio impersonators. There are now at least two other all-Elvis formats in the USA - KLVS (1290 AM) in Portland, Ore., and WHOS (800 AM) in Decatur, Ala.

WCVG gets a daily call from "Elvis Presley." "He says, 'Hey baby, I'm going to take care of you.' And he always says he's going to send us a couple of Rolls-Royces," Stolz says. Each of the three small all-Elvis stations was desperately searching for a format niche in FM-dominated radio. "What we decided to do was 'narrowcasting' to the nth degree, and Elvis was the only artist we could do it with," Stolz says. By using 400 of Elvis' 650 records, the station can go almost two days without repeating a song. So far, ratings haven't soared. "They've had no impact in the market," says Ron Rodriguez, editor of L.A.-based trade newspaper *Radio & Records*. "They're a small station in the suburbs and don't have a signal powerful enough to cover the entire area."

Stolz's all-Elvis format started Aug. 1. When Arbitron's last ratings period closed Sept. 15, WCVG didn't record even one-tenth of one percentage point — the minimum needed to show on the ratings books. But a rush of publicity and greater demand for air time has helped push WCVG's ad revenues up 700 percent for the quarter that ended Monday. The station now charges \$27 for a 60-second commercial, vs. \$5 when the format was country. How long can all-Elvis radio last? "I think it's going to make it a year or two years," Stolz says. "As long as there are Elvis fans out there, we'll be doing an Elvis format."

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198 ENGLAND Droitwich 9/9 0243-0330 peaked with good signal - often coped w/little difficulty. Some QRM from beacon "DIW" in Dixon, NC. News and information - talking about unemployed and trade unions w/news at 2300 from BBC World Service. (Holbrook)

730 MEXICO 10/16 0430 strong at times, but fair to goodmost of the time. Noted "Mexico" in the ID then chorus sang something, not sure what. Over CKAC. (Wyllie-MA)

750 VENEZUELA YVKS Caracas 9/23 0220 strong signal, EE and SS rock and heard an ID "Venezuela, Caracas 750". (Wyllie-RI)

890 UNID 10/7 0110 SS mx, fast kind of songs, 0117 into sports over WLS. Who is this? (Wyllie-RI) Colombia or Cuba here, most likely the former - Chuck

900 CUBA CMKB Cacocum 10/7 0131 fast SS songs, ID as Radio Progreso Cadena Nacional. This was // to 660 KHz. Not heard here before. (Wyllie-RI)

930 CUBA Ciego de Avila CMID 10/15 0417 R. Reloj, time ticks, news, "RR" code ID's. Weak but good signal. (Wyllie-MA)

940 CUBA CMDI Colon 10/15 0424 Radio Reloj time ticks, news, "RR" ID's. Much stronger than on 930. (Wyllie-MA)

1020 VENEZUELA La Asuncion 10/8 0225 lively SS mx, strong most of the time, splash from 1030 WBZ. ID as "Margarita" also noted gong at 02225. (Wyllie-RI)

1100 ANTIGUA ZDK 0129 9/30 good o/WWWE with reggae music. (Wyllie-RI)

1160 CUBA CMCV La Julia 10/13 0127 R. Taino jazz mx and SS mx. EE talk by man and EE ID's. Only SS was in songs. ID as "Cuba, your island in the sun, this is Radio Taino, Tour Radio in Havana, yours for the listening". (Wyllie-MA)

1610 ANGUILLA The Valley 9/30 0103 Caribbean Beacon with religious programs, noted CNN news and national news at 0105. Strong signal. (Wyllie-RI)

Hank Holbrook - Dunkirk, MD SP400, 100' SW LW  
William Wyllie - Franklin, MA Realistic 2200  
William Wyllie - Prudence Island, RI Fisher 418

535 GRENADA R. Grenada nice sig 10/9 0039 mx, 0040 male annrc w/mention of Radio Grenada, followed by light rock mx. First time in a while. (Merriman) (Then turn your radio on... Chuck) Morne rouge 10/10 0212 good w/EE telephone talk show. (Connelly)

549 ALGERIA Oran - Les Trembles 10/10 0210 good w/female AA chant. (Connelly)

555 ST. KITTS Nevis ZIZ noted at various times the evening of 10/8-9 with what sounded like a sporting event, male annrc, poor readability. Are we playing cricket by any chance? (Merriman) (Nope, gotta be ice hockey or motoball - Chuck) 10/10 0213 good w/soul oldie "Take Time To Know Her" (Percy Sledge 1968). (Connelly)

580 PUERTO RICO San Juan WKAQ 10/10 0215 strong and totally dominant w/Washington and Puerto Rico news items then SS WKAQ Radio Reloj ID. (Connelly)

585t SPAIN Madrid 10/10 0216 SS mx, in WEEI-590 slop. (Connelly)

590 CUBA La Julia R. Reloj 9/13 0225 poor mixing with WKHX w/WWV style time pips // 760, 790. (Bueneman)

600 CUBA Urbano Norris R. Rebelde 9/13 0225 good o/WSJS w/SS talk about Cuba, mentions of Havana // 710. (Bueneman)

630 PUERTO RICO San Juan WQBS 10/10 0220 good w/salsa mx, local ads, salsa slogan, WPRO nulled. (Connelly)

655 EL SALVADOR R. El Salvador YSS 10/23 0343 fair to poor with heavy WSM and light WFAN splatter w/Latino mx. (Bueneman)

655 UNID first noted 10/8, weak carrier only detectable w/BFO, 10/10 0110 romantic mx in SS, signal in and out w/WSM splash, readability poor at best. Up to fair level at 0120, mx, no annrcs noted. WRTH still lists YSS here. (Merriman) They're all that's here although not with the signal of 10 years ago - Chuck

670 CUBA 10/10 0230 totally dominating channel with Cuban news. (Connelly)

700 JAMAICA JBC Radio One, Kingston coming in S8 in WLW's null. Don't know if they had different antenna or what after hurricane. A pleasant surprise for country # 26. (Phillips)

710 CUBA R. Rebelde 9/13 0229 blowing away WOR w/SS talk // 600. (Bueneman)

738 SPAIN Barcelona 10/10 0238 SS pgm, poor. (Connelly)

744.d UNID 10/10 0240 carrier. (Connelly)

790 CUBA Pinar del Rio R. Reloj 9/13 0230 mixing with WNWS with no trace of WQXI w/WWV style time pips // 590, 760. (Bueneman)

810 BAHAMAS ZNS3 Freeport 10/9 2303, list of programs to be heard in the coming week, followed by discussion program. Good sig, on top. Still 1 kw? (Merriman) As far as I know - Chuck

891 ALGERIA Algiers 10/10 0244 good w/AA chanting and violins. (Connelly)

895 ST. KITTS - NEVIS (probably) 10/8-9 2348-0030+, mx seemed to be a mix of Caribbean and rock, male annrc in EE, only readable in spots, annrc at 0009 included an ID that sounded like "VON (pronounced "Vaughn") Radio, 895 AM". After a dozen listens to the tape I'm only 90% sure of the "Vaughn" but the "895 AM" is very clear. Been hearing this since shortly after the info appeared in DXN but this is the first time I've tried for an ID. Signal poor at best, Montserrat-885 (listed 1 kw) always stronger. Not a new country if you have ZIZ or Paradise. (Merriman) They are calling themselves "VON" - for Voice of Nevis I guess - Chuck

1040 CUBA 10/10 0445 SS Cuban pgm totally dominating channel. (Connelly)

1080t VENEZUELA Barcelona YVQJ 10/10 0256 SS talk mentioning Venezuela, o/u WT1C. (Connelly)

1090 MARTINIQUE Port de France 10/10 0254 good w/calypso mx, Caribbean accented FF talk, Caribes jingle; WBAL looped. (Connelly)

1107 SPAIN 10/10 0301 SS news, fair o/SAH cluster. (Connelly)

1110 COLOMBIA R. Reloj female signing, Andean type mx, ID "Radio Reloj, La Voz de Cali". KPAB doing maintenance, carrier still on, unid Mex likely XERED on different Beverage 0627 10/01. (Wasylik)

1127.t COSTA RICA San Jose TISHB 10/10 0451 SS male vocal, badly hacked by WNEW. (Connelly)

1134 SPAIN 10/10 0303 bits of SS talk by woman, in WNEW-1130 slop. (Connelly)

1134 YUGOSLAVIA Slavic lang 0058 then 0100 time pips, apparent ID and news. At 0203 after (?? CH) to be news there were two bursts of RTTY or high speed CW; back to music at 0205, faded out 0207. (Wasylik)

1155a UNID 10/10 0449 drifts, AC modulated rough carrier - a Cuban jammer? (Connelly)

1314 NORWAY pop music, good signal 0049 10/10. (Wasylik)

1323 EAST GERMANY muddy audio, probably EE (Radio Moscow World Service) 0055 10/10. (Wasylik)

1377 FRANCE Lillie 10/10 0445 poor w/man and woman in FF. (Connelly)

1395 ALBANIA poor to decent audio 10/10 0110. (Wasylik)

1467t MONACO Monte Carlo 10/10 0443 bits of mx, slopped. (Connelly)

1476 AUSTRIA muddy audio, female singing 10/10. (Wasylik)

1521 SAUDI ARABIA Duba 10/10 0314 xlnt, like a local w/male a-cappella AA chant; European pop mx way under. This and 891 were the strongest TA's. (Connelly)

1555 CAYMAN ISLANDS Gun Bluff 10/10 0316 station is still on. I think there was a rumor of this going to a 10 KHz multiple channel or off totally. (Connelly)

1564.8 UNID 10/7 0005 to after 0030, male annrc in SS, slow quiet mx, AST TC's, loop said Dominican Republic (your loop talks ?? Chuck) (Do you talk back to it? Chuck) possible and I heard what sounded like a Radio Maiba ID but Objio reported Amanecer here in 2/14/88 DXN so maybe them. Very good on peaks, slow fades. Noted again 10/9 0107, nice signal. (Merriman) Amanecer is definitely here - Chuck

1570 TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS Atlantic Beacon 10/19 9439 fadey with XERF/domestic stns w/religious programming. "This is the Atlantic Beacon, broadcasting from the Turks and Caicos Islands" ID. (Bueneman)

1575 UNID (Spain or Portugal) 10/10 0318 SS or PP male vocal, poor. (Connelly)

1584 SPAIN 10/10 0433 SS talk by man o/other audios and low-pitched het growl. (Connelly)

1593 WEST GERMANY Langenberg 10/10 0432 pop mx, poor to fair w/rapid fades. (Connelly)

1629 AUSTRALIA 2RPH Sidney and 3RPH, Melbourne. Many US DX'ers who concentrate on getting domestic stations only should have little trouble locating this pair of 500 watters so many thousands of miles away. They arrive here with surprising signal strength these October mornings between about 1000 to 1200 GMT, a minimum of fading noted. The only problem is knowing which station you have, for there are two of them, and beating between them is constant. Their mutual interference makes voice ID's hard to hear amid the local QRN, but you can be sure you're getting Australia inasmuch as 1629 is a clear channel. Their signals were so strong and steady I got to wondering if some local image was getting in on 1629, so I checked it out in the daytime, no trace of anything there. The loop antenna on my HQ180 tells me these stations are arriving from about 3 or 4 degrees south of due west. They null with the loop about 356-357 degrees. I have them on tape 10/19 and

10/23, including for the first time, some tunes I was able to name. Announcers for these two are male, but I wish one of them would give that job to some female in these hours so we would have some way to tell em apart. They offer no signals of any sort on the hour or half hour. Believe me, these down under midgets transmit a giant signal. (Martin)

Eric Bueneman - Woodstock, GA DX200, SM2
Mark Connelly - W. Yarmouth, MA ICF2010, Palomar loop
Gene Martin - Denver, CO ?????
Alan Merriman - Annandale, VA NR525, Datong FL3, 2 slopers, 1 E-W & 1 N-S wire, R. West loop, FRT7700 tuner R745, SM1
Dan Phillips - Franklin, TN R7, 5 Beverages, 1 LW George McLachlan, Dave McBride

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\*\*\* WKJR-1520 \*\*\* (9 unlighted towers)
\* \* \* WKBZ-850 (4 lighted towers)
WHAT TO LOOK FOR: Note that, at night, only the 4 WKBZ towers have lights!
CONTRIBUTED BY: Philip Boersma

TOWER TIP KY-7 WCII-1080 10KWD/1KWN LOUISVILLE, KY
I-64 I-265 I-65
State Street Daisy Ln
OHIO RIVER
CITY OF LOUISVILLE, KY
WHAT TO LOOK FOR: Four towers visible from I-64 in New Albany Indiana.
CONTRIBUTED BY: Dick Truax, Louisville, KY
Send a rough sketch and a few words about a.m. towers in your area to John D. Bowker, 14 Canoe Brook Drive, Princeton Jct., NJ 08550.

FORMATS

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Welcome to another edition of Formats. This column is being brought to you by The M Street Journal, who continues to help us out with many changes, and Joel Hermann, a relatively new member from out in Storm Lake, IA., who updates us on radio in America's Heartland. There seems to be a lot of farm programming out there. In addition, your editor has included a few items. And here is the latest from the world of radio....

- 540 KWMT IA Fort Dodge - CWM, A(i) (JH).
560 WHQB TN Memphis - Oldies (M).
570 WNAX SD Yankton - CWM, Farm, CBS (JH).
590 WOW NB Omaha - CWM, A(i) (JH).
590 WROW NY Albany - EZL//FM (M). I heard that they were silent (TF).
600 WMT IA Cedar Rapids - Full service AC, CBS, L. King, (JH).
620 KMNS IA Sioux City - CWM, MBS, L. King (JH).
640 WOI IA Ames - NPR, News/Talk, Classical overnights (JH).
660 KCRO NB Omaha - REL, USA Net. (JH).
660 WFAN NY Big Apple - Now here, as you know...just for the record (TF).
710 WHB MO Kansas City - Oldies (JH).
790 KOQO CA Clovis - Spanish // FM, except for Oakland A's BB in season (M).
800 KXIC IA Iowa City - SMN Oldies, A(i) (JH).
850 KWDF IA Waterloo - Contemporary Christian, USA Net (JH).
940 KIOA IA Des Moines - Oldies, A(e). (JH).
950 WBBK NY Rochester - CWM (M).
960 KMA IA Shenandoah - Full service AC, A(i) (JH).
970 WAVG KY Louisville - Oldies (M).
990 KAYL IA Storm Lake - NOS/MOR, A(i) (JH).
1010 KLSS IA Mason City - AC//FM, MBS (JH).
1030 KKSA CA Folsom - Silent (M).
1040 WHO IA Des Moines - AC, Talk, Farm, A(i), Talknet, CWM after 0100 (JH).
1050 WUKQ NY Gotham - Ex-WFAN, WHN, WMGM, now trying to be the WQBA of New York with Spanish (TF).
1070 KILR IA Esterville - Oldies, A(i)//FM (JH).
1090 KNWS IA Waterloo - REL (JH). With THAT call, they are REL????(TF).
1100 WGMM GA Woodbine - Silent (M).
1110 KFAB NB Omaha - Full service AC/CWM, NBC, Talknet (JH).
1150 WMET MD Gaithersburg - AC, Talk, Jazz (M).
1150 KWKY IA Des Moines - Contemporary Christian and Sports (JH).
1170 KKAR NB Bellevue - Omaha - News 0600-1900, CBS, MBS, L. King (JH).
1190 KDAO IA Marshalltown - AC, A(c). (JH).
1210 WGSF TN Arlington - Contemporary Christian (M).
1230 KFJB IA Marshalltown - Oldies, A(Dir) (JH).
1240 KICD IA Spencer - Full service AC, CBS (JH).
1250 KCFI IA Cedar falls - CWM, A(Dir) (JH).
1250 WXXU PA York - CWM (M), as back in WNOW days (TF).
1290 KOIL NB Omaha - Oldies (JH).
1300 KGLO IA Mason City - Full service AC, CBS (JH).
1320 KELO SD Sioux Falls - Oldies, A(Dir). (JH).
1330 KWLO IA Waterloo - AC, NBC, Talknet (JH).
1340 WMQX NC Winston-Salem - Oldies //FM (M).
1350 KRNT IA Des Moines - Transtar MOR, CBS, L. King (JH).
1360 KHAK IA Cedar Rapids - CWM, A(e) // FM, now 24 hours (JH).
1360 KSCJ IA Sioux City - AC, A(i), Talknet (JH).
1380 KCIM IA Carroll - Full service AC, CBS (JH).
1390 KJYY IA Des Moines - CWM // FM (JH).

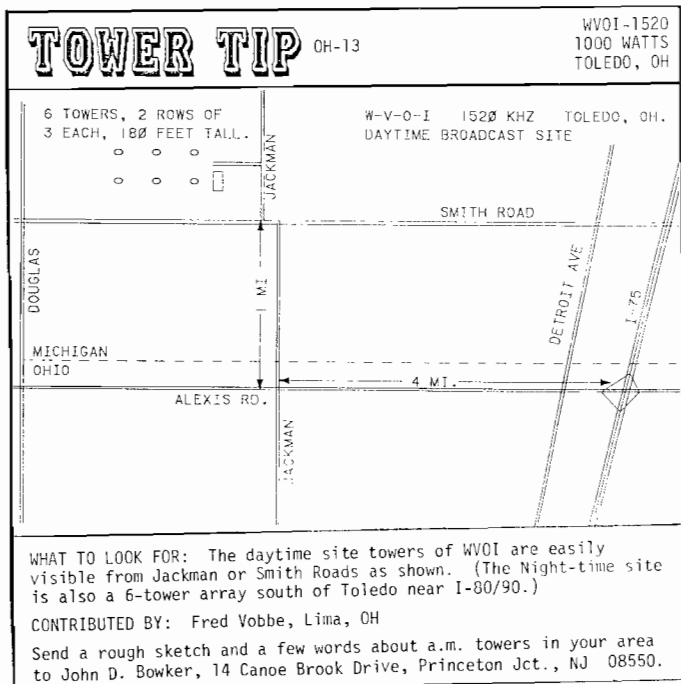


- 1410 KKLO KS Leavenworth - Drops New Age for Contemporary Christian (M).
- 1420 KESY NB Omaha - EZL // FM (JH).
- 1430 KASI IA Ames - CWM, APR News (JH).
- 1430 WENE NY Endicott - "Where oldies come to play" (TF).
- 1430 WRLT TN Madison - Soft AC // FM (M).
- 1450 KCDR IA Cedar Rapids - SMN Stardust (JH).
- 1460 KSO IA Des Moines - Transtar CWM, MBS (JH).
- 1470 WMMW CT Meridan - Noted w/ Motivational stuff to turn on all of Meridan, Wallingford, New Haven, and the ships on L.I. Sound!!(TF).
  
- 1470 KWSL IA Siouix City - Oldies, A(c) (JH).
- 1490 KBSO MT Laurel - SMN Z-Rock (M).
- 1490 KEZO NB Omaha - AOR//FM (JH).
- 1490 KRIB IA Mason City - Oldies, A(e). (JH).
- 1540 KXEL IA Waterloo - CWM, A(i), some REL overnights, Interstate Radio Network CWM overnights (JH).
  
- 1560 KCJJ IA Iowa City - Transtar 41 (JH).
- 1600 KCRG IA Cedar Rapids - AC/ Oldies A(i) (JH).

And there you have everything that I have to date. Keep the formats rolling in. Your fellow NRC'ers (in the midst of the DX season) will thank you.

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# Station Profile

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On the second floor of a small office building, several staffers of Covington, Kentucky's new radio station stood in a primitive (by today's standards) studio as announcer Sid Teneyck opened the large circular microphone and ID'ed the fledgling radio station - WCKY - Covington, KY. The date was September 19, 1929, and showman L.B. Wilson was signing his latest venture on the air. The five foot tall Mr. Wilson and his

brother had previously performed on vaudeville teams, and, as owner of three Covington theatres, he nurtured a sensitivity to public tastes. Now his dream of owning a radio station became a reality, as his 500 watt station, on 1490 khz. began operating. Listeners all over the eastern half of the United States became familiar with WCKY (for Covington, KY). He ID'ed as "WCKY, Covington, KY, one minute from Cincinnati". In 1987, announcer Teneyck was still alive and living in Covington.

In October, 1929, the economy collapsed, but Mr. Wilson's sense of showmanship drove WCKY to profitability. The owner left his financial and theatre pursuits to devote full time to WCKY - his business philosophy "day in and day out, broadcasting deserves extreme care" could be a lesson for all of the contemporary AM stations which have gone silent. He ruled the station as a benevolent autocrat. When his announcers struck for more wages, he sent each of them a telegram stating that "You don't work here any more". But other positive deeds cultivated the staff's love for the irrepressible, flamboyant bachelor.

In the first years, Wilson regaled Cincinnati with hours of live variety programming. With quality programming, L. B. added promotions, giving a Ford away each week on the air, during the depression years! In 1933, WCKY began to feed programs to CBS, its network. The station continued to expand, the programming improved, and Mr. Wilson ingrained into his staff his credo - to **PROVIDE PUBLIC SERVICE**. Mr. Wilson declined a possible Republican nomination for governor, to devote his energies to WCKY. This dedication paid off in many awards, recognition, and profits.

WCKY's first transmitter, a "Horizontal T" antenna was at the present site - just west of Covington, high on a bluff over the Ohio River.

### Public Service

WCKY has always emphasized service to its public. In 1937, the Cincinnati area was ravaged by the worst floods in history. WCKY, particularly hard hit, was forced to use an emergency diesel generator - but stayed on the air. its staff worked around the clock broadcasting emergency bulletins. When Ashland and Louisville stations left the air, WCKY added their emergency flood bulletins to its own work load.

### 10000 watts

In July, 1937, WCKY increased power to 10,000 watts non-directional, and went to 1510 khz. Loyal employees gave Mr. Wilson 10,000 chocolates. He sent most of them to friends and colleagues in radio, along with greetings from the WCKY employees.

On July 27, 1941, WCKY increased its power to a directional 50,000 watts and now covered half of the United States. The station left its Covington quarters for studios in Cincinnati's Gibson Hotel. And, in 1941, WCKY moved to 1530 khz.

## WCKY at War.

Always public service minded, WCKY set up an official War Bonds booth in the middle of Cincinnati's Fountain Square, and sold hundreds of thousands of war bonds. The station's famous mobile trailer "The only one of its kind in the world - complete studio on wheels", covered its three state market, soliciting material for scrap, blood drives, and bond sales.

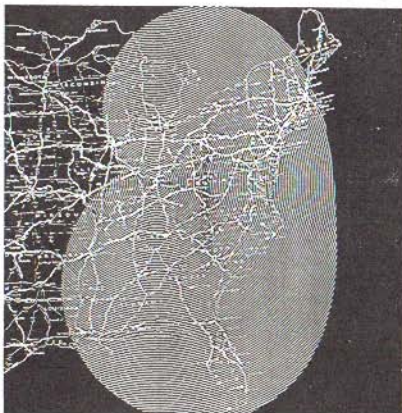
Additionally, WCKY aired daily inspirational, patriotic programs, including "Call to the Colors", a sunset pause in the city's activities, observed throughout the war in the downtown area, daily, at retreat. WCKY, on the week of March 20, 1943, raised 2801 pints of blood through the airing of a dramatic

production "Let Freedom Ring", with the only commercial being an appeal for blood by the Red Cross.

Wartime DX - WCKY daily received mail from battlefront listeners, and the Marines on Guadalcanal noted that WCKY was the only U.S. station heard there regularly. Thus, WCKY started an early morning program for these troops, airing messages to them from their loved ones.



## NIGHT COVERAGE



50,000 Watts, Cincinnati, Ohio  
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AM 1530  
WCKY  
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WCKY was long a CBS affiliate when, in 1945, Mr. Wilson decided to drop its network to concentrate on local programming, or, as the owner called it, "Block Programming". America began to enjoy WCKY - produced institutions such as "Make Believe Ballroom", "The Jamboree", "Waltz Time", "Breakfast Time", "The Nighthawk", and "Chapel". The local programming was a hit - over 590,000 cards and letters were received, endorsing the changes.

News - WCKY built one of the nation's largest news staffs. L.B. Wilson's news reporting policy called for "No commentary, no coloring, no withholding of news, local, regional, national, or international". WCKY also opened a New York office, to better serve its sponsors and agencies, who were using the clear channel station to reach maximum audiences.

WCKY also offered a lot of music, employing a studio audience, and, by contrast numerous country music acts. In 1948, WCKY went 24 hours, no silent period. Its public service programming, Mr. Wilson's priority, ranged from a local civic series "The Fountain Speaks" to a series of "Reports to the People" by the governor.

## WCKY Jamboree

In the early 1950's Mr. Wilson began WCKY's most famous program, the WCKY Jamboree, from 8:00PM to midnight. Both live acts and recorded talent were supplemented by commercials from sponsors looking for the jamboree to sell everything from tombstones to prayer rugs and live baby chicks! The jamboree was a major profit center. Overnight programming aired recorded middle of the road music.

In 1953, WCKY installed a 200 kw generator at its transmitter site, to insure uninterrupted service through any eventuality.

L.B. Wilson passes on.

In 1960, Mr. Wilson died suddenly of a heart attack. A lifelong bachelor, he left no family. Thus his will gave the option to buy stock in his station to three people whom he cherished - his secretary, his chief engineer, his chief engineer's sister, and his brother. Thus, the station, worth millions, went to three employees in a most unusual bequest!

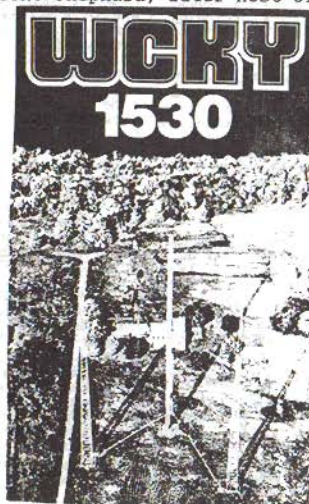
In 1963, WCKY moved from the Gibson Hotel to the Carew Tower, the tall building portrayed in the lead into "WKRP in Cincinnati". WCKY broadcast from the Carew Tower for 20 years, moving to its own two story building at 219 McFarland Street, on the edge of Cincinnati's business center, from which it operates today. WCKY shares the building with its sister station, WWEZ-FM, 92.5 stereo. WWEZ airs, live assisted, the Sudbrink easy listening music mix. The move brought both stations under one roof, and reflected the present owner's policy to own property rather than to rent. A tour of the building visits the FM facility on the street floor. WCKY occupies the Lower floor. Offices are found here for the sales department, management, and the talk show hosts, whose spaces are piled high with clippings, books, and other references.

The broadcasting area consists of two talk studios, two production studios, a news booth, immediately adjacent to the busy news room, and the control room. About 60 employees work for WCKY - WWEZ.

Today, WCKY is owned by Federated Media, whose president, John F. Dilly III is also president of the national Association of Broadcasters.

WCKY has over the years affiliated with every radio network, and was the first station in the U.S. on which both NBC and CBS co-existed on the same broadcaster. Today, WCKY's talk and news format is augmented by CBS news on the hour (as it has since 1970). At night, Mutual, CBS, and ABC feed, including Talknet, are heard.

Many famous air personalities have worked at WCKY. the Jamboree's hosts, Derwood Kirby and Rus Hodges were guests at night in millions of homes in the eastern half of the country. Gene Shephard, later host of "Gene Shephard's America" on PBS is a WCKY alumnus, and he is remembered as "Loving to talk...it was hard (for his engineer) to get him to shut up!"



The Famous WCKY QSL card.

WCKY presently broadcasts with a Harris MW 50 KW transmitter, and backs it up with a GE BT 25-A 50KW. General Electric manufactured only seven of these models. WCKY's unit is the only one left in the U.S. The others have long been scrapped. The Harris transmitter is the eighth to be used by WCKY.

The station's transmitter has always been at the top of a 450 foot high bluff overlooking the Ohio River. Today, a small studio is located here to back up the Cincinnati facility. WCKY's 50,000 watt signal is non directional daily, but goes into an easterly pattern at sunset Sacramento time, as it must protect KFBK, 1530, whose 50 KW signal blankets the West Coast.

For years, the directional pattern was broadcast from a three tower array, but in the mid 1980's, a tornado leveled two towers, and WCKY's engineering staff has rebuilt the transmitter site. The non directional and reference tower is the original, having been in place since 1935, but three additional 350 foot tall, guyed towers were added in a parallelogram, pushing the night signal east to listeners from Key West to Labrador.

Today, WCKY, one of only two 50 kw AM stations in the Queen City of the Ohio River, presents a most interesting talk format, with up to the minute news around the clock for Cincinnati. Its morning drive news block is supplemented by provocative, informative locally produced talk during the day, and network talk at night.

The editor is deeply grateful to WCKY CE Ted Kendrick and retired CE Jim Raney for all of their help in preparing the WCKY Story for DX News. Jim was at WCKY for decades, and was instrumental in installing many of the eight transmitters used over the life of the station. His vivid memory supplied many of the details for this profile. Jim is familiar to many NRC'ers as the person who verified reception reports for DX'ers all over the world.

## Dial Porter County radio for what you want

by Toni Griffith  
The Vidette-Messenger

Porter County Broadcasting listens to its listeners, said its president, Leigh Ellis.

Getting out on remote locations in the community, keeping an ear to the ground, is how stations WAKE and WLJE determine their format and programming.

A need is seen, and the stations attempt to meet it, said Ellis.

What county residents have said they need is a station that tells them what's going on in their own backyards. What they don't need is another Chicago clone, said Ellis.

"WAKE formats basically to the people of Porter County. It fills people in on everything around the area, from the YMCA to civic meetings, from City Council to the school board, road closings, zoning meetings — things that affect the people here.

"We're trying to offer something they can't get at any other radio station on the dial." If WAKE tried to be just like every one of the 30 or so stations in the Chicago market it would end up being just another piece of a gigantic pie, said Ellis.

"We'd be just one slice in 30. We try to be one of one."

From the minute WAKE goes on the air at 6 a.m., its news and music are locally geared, said Ellis. There are chats with the Flint Lake Weather Station so that listeners get weather forecasts that tell them if it's going to rain here, not in Chicago.

There are five- and 10-minute newcasts liberally sprinkled throughout each hour that give listeners insight into the workings of local government. And the music that's played is aimed toward an age group of 20-plus.

"You're not going to hear anything newer than 1975," said Ellis.

That's because the 16-18-year-olds who listen to

heavy metal aren't all that interested in what's going on in the community, so why play to that kind of audience?

There's Howard Cossell on sports, Paul Harvey commentaries and the popular Swap Shop where listeners can buy and sell those golf clubs that are cluttering up the garage.

There's "This Week in Dunes Country," broadcast live every Thursday from Chesterton. Ross Amundsen, president of the Duneland Chamber of Commerce, fills listeners in on what's happening in the north county.

Fridays, John Schurlein does the same for Valparaiso, in a relaxed, conversational show broadcast from the Big Wheel restaurant. The show touches on zoning laws, the impact of the Indiana 49 bypass, Porter Memorial Hospital and news of interest to the business community.

One example of how WAKE checks the pulse of its listeners is the inception of a new show, airing in October, geared toward senior citizens. "Senior Side" will talk about Social Security, travel, exercise and banking ideas, just for starters. "Again, we're back to doing what the public wants. Those over 60 are one of the fastest-growing population bases in the country."

Yet there's no local radio show that speaks to seniors' concerns. The Senior Side will, said Ellis.

Where WAKE's format and programming are county-centered, WLJE's is regional. It touches base with the five counties in the northwest Indiana area: Porter, LaPorte, Lake, Jasper and Newton.

Those counties have a lot of folks that love country music, said Ellis. Before WLJE, there was no station they could tune to to hear the music they love.

So WLJE gives those people what they want, said Ellis. The WLJE remote vehicle is a familiar sight at events of

note in the area. They've broadcast live from the County Fair, the Popcorn Festival and the Portage Grand Prix

Jamboree. WLJE's presence is as much to see and hear as to be seen, said Ellis.

"We try to get out in the community to determine what they want."

One thing country listeners want is to know more about their favorite recording artists, said Ellis. For the past 18 months, "Tune-In" magazine, distributed by WLJE, has been filling listeners in on the performers. The magazine is free and asks for feedback on WLJE's programming from its readers by way of a straightforward questionnaire.

One of WLJE's biggest success stories is its country nights at Lake Eliza and the Portage and LaPorte Holiday Inns.

It started a few years back when the disco fad faded. Here were these great dance halls sitting empty. WLJE moved in. Country night offers a place for country listeners to dance to their kind of music. It also offers free two-step dance lessons. The event packs them in, said Ellis.

"They're hanging from the rafters." There'll be an extra-special country night Oct. 10 at the Portage Holiday Inn, a party to coincide with the telecast of the country music awards.

(You can find WAKE at 1500 AM. WLJE is located at 105.5 FM.)

### Straight to heart

WNWI gets to the heart of what concerns county residents by conducting frequent surveys, "assessments." The station uses the results to target programming aimed at addressing those concerns, said station manager Mickey Hershman.

"We program by getting involved and becoming aware of problems in the community, by knowing the needs in the

community," said Hershman. So, besides music, civic organizations are provided a forum through talk shows. It might be the Kiwanis Club talking about peanut day or the Cancer Society announcing a fund-raising effort.

Another half-hour show on Saturday explores important issues via a host-guest format.

The WNWI staff knows people are always concerned about the weather, especially in a farming community. Weather reports are given every 15 minutes, some lengthy, some agribusines, some a state summary. The proximity to the Dunes also dictates marine-shore forecasts, said Hershman.

Because WNWI is an Associated Press affiliate, it is able to offer short features and vignettes produced by AP throughout the day. There's "Chip Talk," an informative state-of-the-art feature about computers.

The needs of parents are met by the "Kids' Stuff" feature that deals with child-raising problems. In addition, there are snappy reports on health and medicine, pets and people.

WNWI keeps farmers up to date with 13 minutes of agri-business reporting bright and early, at 6:05 a.m., a shorter report later in the morning and a new 13-minute report at 12:30 p.m.

In between, there's lots of time for a wide variety of music. Most focuses on seniors from the '50s to the '70s. From 6 to 7 p.m., golden oldies reach back from 20 years ago to the big band era. Saturdays, there are up-tempo tunes from the '50s-'70s. Sundays, from 1 to 3 p.m., it's time for some classical music.

(WNWI is located at 1080, in the center of the AM dial.)

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# MUSINGS

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Reference item in Oct 3 DXN concerning the "War of the Worlds" broadcast in 1938: I recall hearing the original as a teenager. Our family often listened to the Orson Welles program, heard late Sunday afternoons in Seattle. We didn't think that the program described real happenings and were much surprised to learn the next day about the panic back East. Still, in 1938, the East Coast was a different world anyway. Did someone just say "It Still Is"?

The new station KBBM in Waldport is a real time-warp. As told by the owner, the xmtr is a tupe-type from the forties and the console is from the fifties. Real live DJs spin the big band era records and read the spots and the news. The signal quality is very good. The 250-watt daytimer is not heard very far east due to the hills of the Coast Range (except in proximity to the high voltage power line). Pat Martin has heard it to the north at Seaside. Maybe it will be heard in HI this winter. 73

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Hello There. It has been a while since I sent in a Musing. Recently someone in my Amateur radio club cleaned out a room. He gave me a Hammarlund H9-140 A in mint condition. Years ago in the 60's and 70's I could not find one. If anyone has info and manuals on this radio, please drop me a line. I am writing this listening to WMAL-630 and wondering what happened to all those CPC tests?. 73's

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Labor/Labour\* Day has passed, and for the first time in 20 years I haven't gone back to school. I am currently articling (something similar to indentured labour) with a Toronto law firm. I have a new location in Metro Toronto. Hopefully, being out of a valley apartment will help the DX. Nonetheless, I'm sure I will miss DXing in Winnipeg.

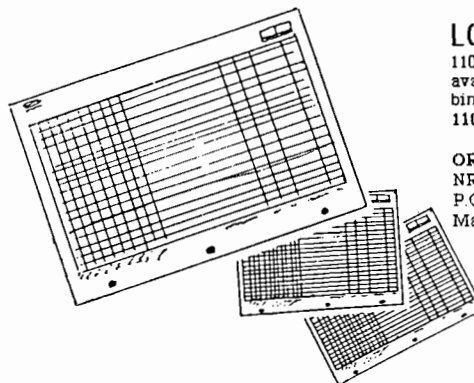
The summer of 1988 was not exactly all that wonderful for DX. Most of my time was spent on FM, with mediocre results. (If the last line about FM offended any BCB purists, my apologies). The 1988-89 season began on Sept 5 at 12:30 with WRAK-1400 logged with "14-K" ID. Hopefully, more catches will follow.

I should acknowledge visits this summer from Geov Parrish, David Arbogast (Former NRCer), George Greene and Bob "Mr. Verification" Walker, all on different weekends. Time to sign off. 73 and a special hello to my former DX colleagues in Winnipeg.

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DXChange ... I'm sorry to report that an NRC'er who contacted another NRC'er recently to purchase an item advertised in DXChange reported to me that he was having problems with the seller living up to his end of the deal. He was attempting to work out the problem, but if he cannot, we'll contact the seller and request that he not advertise or purchase any more through DXChange. Although we've never issued firm rules for DXChange, it should be understood that once advertised, an item is available on a first-come, first-served basis, with receipt of money by the seller being the determining point, and gentlemen's agreements honored. Also, non-DX items are discouraged as are best-offer or for-bid items, unless you have a good reason for being too lazy or unable to fix a price for the item.

*Opinion ...* We've received a number of comments about our stand on Tom Kneitel's and PopCom's selective negativism towards some radio clubs. For example, member Charles Broyles of Pittsboro, NC notes that he dropped his PopCom subscription, replacing it with DXNews, because he couldn't justify the expenses of a magazine whose "DX" lists were three months old by the time he received them. Apparently color photos of receivers and Alice Brannigan weren't enough to keep Charles' interest up! But keep in mind that we're not advocating that you drop your sub to any publication ... otherwise, you may miss something interesting, and you'll have no valid reason to complain any more.

Michael Bolitho, Toronto, ON, agrees with our comments and adds the following:

Tom Kneitel has used his editorial powers to wage a vendetta against certain DX clubs and certain individuals for too long. For example, he has rarely ever said anything complimentary about the Canadian International DX Club. Three years ago, he described CIDX as a "fringe" organization without mentioning the club by name. After some members wrote to *Popular Communications* [as I also did -pls] to protest, an explanation - I hesitate to use the word apology - of sorts was printed. There have been other veiled negative references to the club since then. How can any club official or member respond effectively when the magazine's editorial policy precludes publishing reader's [sic] comments?

Now Kneitel is waging his vendetta against clubs in general. A shame isn't it? A widely distributed publication like *Popular Communications* plays an important role in introducing and publicizing the hobby of radio listening. Tom's monthly spleen maligns the whole hobby and denigrates its participants in the eyes of outsiders. His efforts would be far better directed to improving the quality of the magazine and the accuracy and timeliness of the information in it.

I've been told that the CIDX blast occurred as a result of then-member C. M. Stanbury's comments several years previous in a *CIDX Messenger*. Even though CIDX officers disassociated themselves from the comments (which I've never seen), Tom maligns the club instead of the originator.

In all fairness, we should report that PopCom may be on the way to mending its errant ways. A form letter was sent from Tom to the NRC in an effort to gather more information about the club for a future article over clubs that sent bulletins to Tom. Furthermore, IRCA president Karl Zuk has been appointed, apparently, to replace columnist Mark Manucy, who wrote "Broadcast Topics", covering AM, FM, and TV. Manucy, an engineer (we believe) for WBAL, has written for several publications concerning broadcasting. But we always took his pronouncements with a large grain of salt after he bragged in one column that he never had bothered to join any radio clubs. How anyone could comment on club happenings while operating in such a vacuum? Let's hope that Karl, who as an employee of ABC/Capital Cities and an avid supporter of IRCA (but not a member of NRC) can offer his readers more authoritative fare. We'll be watching.

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