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KGEZ MT..... 600 Dec. 1 0200-0300

KGEZ-600 - P. O. Box 169 - Kalispell, MT 59903
<<http://www.cyberport.net/kgez/, or e-mail E-Mail: mulligan@cyberport.net>> will conduct a DX test from 2:00 to 3:00 am EST on December 1. Thanks to IRCA's Lynn Hollerman <<gmholler@hiwaay.net>> for that info.

From the publisher ... There's some nice DX catches inside this issue. That's the good news. The bad is that the ol' cupboard is just about bare, so if you've been sitting on an article or column, now is the time to get it in. I do have some neat Historical Moments from John Bowker, and some older newspaper clippings, but that's about it!

DX GTG: Ray Arruda's 20th annual Thanksgiving GTG in "The Lower Deck" at 47 Burt Street, Acushnet, MA will be open to all on Saturday, November 22, starting at noon.

Area Code Changes ... From Chris Cuomo: **CALIFORNIA** 209 / 559 Split occurs November 14, 1998 - The area south of the border of Mariposa and Madera counties, and to the south of Dos Palos will be assigned the new 559 area code. The 559 NPA will include Fresno and Visalia.

NORTH CAROLINA All three area codes in the state will be split. 704 / 828 Split date TBA - The Charlotte area will retain 704, while all other areas will switch to 828. The new 828 a.c. will include Asheville, Hickory, Shelby, Salisbury, Statesville, and the Smoky Mountains region.

910 / 336 Split occurs December 15, 1997 - The Greensboro, Winston-Salem, and Burlington areas, plus all areas to the north will switch to a.c. 336. Fayetteville, Lumberton, Southern Pines, Rockingham, and Sanford will retain 910.

919 / 252 Split date TBA - The Raleigh-Durham area will retain 919. All other areas to the east will switch to 252 including Greenville, Wilmington, Rocky Mount, Jacksonville, New Bern, and the Atlantic Coast.

PENNSYLVANIA 412 / 724 Split occurs February 1, 1998 - Most of Allegheny County will retain 412. The 724 NPA will completely surround the

412 NPA, and include Greensburg, New Kensington, Washington, and Butler. This plan replaces a previously considered overlay.

ALBERTA 403 / 780 Split occurs January 25, 1999 - The northern part of the province will switch to a.c. 780 - The 780 NPA will include Edmonton and Grande Prairie. The 403 a.c. will be retained in Red Deer, Stettler, and all cities to the south.

ALABAMA 205 / 256 split occurs March 28, 1998 - The Birmingham and Tuscaloosa areas will retain a.c. 205. The remainder of the northern half of the state including Huntsville, Gadsden, Decatur, Sycaluga, and Hamilton will switch to a.c. 256.

I might add that the 785 change apparently so far is in name only, as several have reported trying to dial 785 instead of 913 and not being able to get through. I tried to dial a N. Kansas number myself, using 785, and couldn't get past an operator message without using 913. So there may be no rush in actually using those numbers to dial in, although they are probably useful in narrowing down stations' locations if they give area codes in ads and promos.

DXChange ... Bill Swiger - Rt. 1, Box 142A - Bridgeport, WV 26330, 304-842-4635 is looking for a GE Superadio II and wants to sell DL1 plus amp and Super MWDX5A phasing units; a Hewlett Packard VLF comparator and 4-foot HP loop antenna; a manual HP 8556A Spectrum Analyzer LF Section; and a Radio Shack Long Range TRF #12-656A

Welcome to these new members ... Herbert Newberry, Jr. - Newborn, GA; John F. Wilson (re-joins). We mailed out 755 DXN's last week.

DX Time Machine

From the pages of *DX News*:

50 years ago ... from the November 8, 1947 DXN: It was announced that a year's subscription for \$1.00 on Foerster's Loose-Leaf Logbook, published by Art Foerster, Indianapolis, IN, would bring the log plus 3 or 4 updates as needed.

25 years ago ... from the November 11, 1972 DXN: Carter Scholz, Providence, RI was offering a Lafayette HA-700 receiver for \$100.

10 years ago ... from the November 9, 1987 DXN: Randy Seaver's article on MW field strength prediction methods ran in this issue.

AM Switch

Jerry Starr
c/o WHOT Radio
4040 Simon Road
Youngstown, OH 44512-1320

Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC and listeners

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	Old call		New call
920	KDES CA	Palm Springs	KPSI
1040	WMTX FL	Pinellas Park	WWBA
1230	KZUS OR	Toledo	KPPT
1260	KPSO TX	Falfurrias	KLDS
1370	KRAF OK	Holdenville	KKNG
1510	WJIC NJ	Salem	WNNN
1550	KRGO UT	West Valley City	KMRI
1650	KBTL CA	Costa Mesa	KGXL*

Note: The call change on 1650 took us by surprise. The FCC never released the information that (a) this station had been granted, or (b) it had been assigned the call KBTL. Both pieces of information were rumored in the DX press last year but nothing official from the FCC was forthcoming until now. We still have not seen any notification that this station has received an official grant (or even an STA) but that would be necessary for it to be assigned a call. More as this unravels.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1650 AR Fort Smith: 10000/1000 U1 (KWHN)

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

900 CKVD PQ Val d'Or: to 98.3 FM
1170 KOWO MN Waseca: add 60 watts nights, antenna to U1
1230 CJTT ON New Liskeard: to 104.5 FM
1400 KTUC AZ Tucson: 530/530 U1
1430 WNFO SC Ridgeland: 213 D1, city of license to Sun City-Hilton Head, SC (corrects typo in FCC Public Notice that was shown here in Issue #5 as Sun City Hall, SC))

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

1230 WKBO PA Harrisburg: 590/590 U1, relocate transmitter
1300 WTLS AL Tallassee: relocate transmitter site
1050 CICF BC Vernon: should have been 10000/4000, not 5000, in #5

OTHERNESS

860 KPAM OR Troutdale: new station is ON THE AIR
1220 KQEJ CA Fowler: CP for 370/370 U1 on 1210 kHz expired but the FCC has granted a replacement CP for the same facilities
1280 KKAL CA Arroyo Grande: listed in Issue 4 as being in AZ, should be CA
1330 KDQR ND Wishek: station is SILENT
1340 KIDS MO Springfield: station is SILENT (operator had purchased the license and leased the studio and transmitter from the former licensee but a disagreement over lease payments has resulted in the loss of the use of those facilities)
1370 KKNG OK Holdenville: silent station is ON THE AIR
1470 WPAO OH Farrell: stations again operatingi fulltime (had been daytime only since returning to the air earlier this year)
1570 WPGM PA Danville: station is SILENT
1530 WVFC PA McConnellsburg: CP to add 250 CH is on

THANKS: Wayne Heinen, Bill Hale, Ed Krejny, Al Merriman, MSJ
73 and Good DX, Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

Jerry & BKF

Are you expiring?

We hope not! To avoid expiration, mail your remittance to the *DX News* Membership Center early. Allow at least three weeks after mailing your check or money order for new renewal data to appear on your mailing label.

Domestic DX Digest

West: **Bill Hale** phantom2@ezec.net

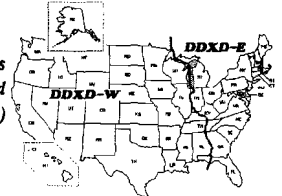
6124 Roaring Springs Drive - North Richland Hills, TX 76180-5552

East: **David Yocis** DavidYocis@aol.com

97 Clinton Ave. - South Nyack, NY 10960-4603

DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-br. ELT

(Division line is
between East and
Central time zones)



DDXD-West MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- Included this week are some vacation loggings from "easterner" Leslie Wood who resides on Long Island, New York. Believe it or not, the letter (although mailed to my OLD address in San Marcos) is dated 15 July, postmarked 16 July and delivered 24 October!! Sorry for the delay, Leslie, but this one can be chalked up to the good old postal diservice. But I did edit out some "non-DX". Speaking of vacations, we also have picture postcard (in the form of a DX report) from Rick Dau.
- I received several E-Mails from Colorado regarding the fact that many stations were off due to the tremendous snow storm of October 24 and 25. Hopefully, some good DX was garnered.
- A nice turnout this week!! Let's keep those dials a-turnin' and capture some of those wild signals.

REPORTERS

RD-IA Rick Dau Iowa City Sony ICF-2010 <iowarocker@hotmail.com>
RD-IL Rick Dau Mount Vernon Sears car radio
RD-KY Rick Dau on U.S. 51-62 near Wickliffe Sears car radio
RD-MO1 Rick Dau on I-55 near Sikeston Sears car radio
RD-MO2 Rick Dau on I-70 in St. Louis Sears car radio
RD-MS Rick Dau on I-55 in Horn Lake Sears car radio
RD-AR Rick Dau on I-55 near Blytheville Sears car radio
GJ-CA Gary Jackson Sacramento
LW-CO Leslie Wood North Merrick, NY visiting Englewood Panasonic TRF
TRH-CA Tim Hall Chula Vista ICF-2010, KIWA Loop <halls@inetworld.net>
JW-CO John Wilkins Wheat Ridge Drake R8 + 4-ft box loop
JR-OK John Reed Ponca City Sylvania R1414/URR with R1490/GRR17 Q5er + Noise reduced wire, Palomar loop <jtreed@poncacity.net>
GB-FL Gerry Bishop Niceville Dollar Rent-a-Car Dodge Stratus <gerryb4991@aol.com>
BC-KS Bill Collins Prairie Village <billcollins@prodigy.net>
FA-ID Frank Aden, N7SOK Boise FRG-7 with 4 ft box loop, HQ-180A with MW-1 <wvll23a@prodigy.com>
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SPECIAL

- 810 WHB MO Kansas City - 10/16 2159 - Legal ID, in QRM, . . . we're the Farm, 810 WHB Kansas City, then news (NBC, I think). Poor in QRM (KGO and others). Ex: KCMO. (JW-CO)
- 960 KPXQ AZ Phoenix - 10/18 2100 - Legal ID: When you need the best features and talk 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, this is Q-96 KPXQ Phoenix and into ??? Swamped by KKFN-950 splatter. Ex: KOOL. (JW-OK)
- 1060 KDUS AZ Tempe - 10/17 2305 - Arizona Fall League baseball game, Mesa vs Grand Canyon. Ads and legal ID every _ inning (The Valley's Sports Authority, AM 1060 KDUS Tempe-Phoenix). Good signal. Ex: KUKQ. (JW-CO)
- 1480 KLMS NE Lincoln - 10/15 0956 - With Denver Broncos promo, other program notes and call ID. Back to these original calls, ex: KMEM/KFMQ. Fair, in KRAE null. (JW-CO)

Need more information about AM DX'ing?

Mail a First-Class stamp to NRC Publications - P. O. Box 164 - Mannsville, NY 13661-0164
and ask for the NRC Product Catalog.


UNIDs and UNID HELP

- 800 UNID ?? - 10/24 0600 - This is 93.7 came up. Nothing else heard to figure out who this is. (FA-ID)
 830 UNID ?? - 10/25 0500 - Q Radio by male announcer. Came up in mess. Nothing else heard. Any ideas? (FA-ID)

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 1540 KTGG+ MI Spring Arbor - 10/4 0008 - Faint under KXEL with code IDs and march music. Makes up for the no-show test of a few years ago. (RD-IA)

TIS & OTHER STUFF

- 530 TIS NM Albuquerque - Just back from Albuquerque, and the same test messages are still running on 530 and 1610. I would presume this is non-stop since January or February, whenever I first reported them. Heard all week long (10/21-10/25) at any hour of day checked. (BG-FL)
 TIS ?? - 10/20 1050 - Woman saying . . . if you would like to make a call, please hang up and try again or call your operator. . . then telephone noise. Suspect Martinez, California as they appeared afterwards. (GJ-CA)
 540 WPDI CO Denver - 7/2 1115 - With Aviation Department, Denver International, Parking Hotline 342-4048. (LW-CO)
 1570 TIS CA Chula Vista - 10/19 1230 - Chula Vista Community Church carrier current station noted on car receiver with sermon from Sunday morning drive-in service. This church used to use the Harbor Drive-In in National City for their drive-in service (using 830 kHz transmitter still in use at that drive-in), but have since moved the service to their own parking lot and set up operations on 1570 kHz. (Church is located on East J St. close to the I-805 overpass). New, for CA #261 and my closest unheard. (TRH-CA)

 1610 TIS ?? - 10/17 1059 - While listening to TIS at Bryce Canyon National Park, another signal came in with woman talking about the effects of El Nino and how to prepare for it, then faded out. No ID?? Must be along California, Oregon or Washington coast. (GJ-CA)
 1620 UNID ?? - 10/29 0100+ - Very strong rock station, continuously running songs, no IDs or any announcements. Very deep fades at times, sounds like the Greenacres pirate but this is coming from the east. (FA-ID)
 1690.798 STLMO MOS. Louis - 10/16 0730 - One minute CW with ID, 1 min BPSK (sounds like a carrier). (JR-OK)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 550 KCRS TX Midland - 10/17 0758 - Call ID, weather, news. New Here. (JR-OK)
 KTSA TX San Antonio - 10/17 0756 - Call ID, ad for cars, news, then Rush Limbaugh. New here. (JR-OK)
 570 WAAX AL Gadsden - 10/24 0715 - UPI and Alabama local news, call ID. New here. (JR-OK)
 570 WVMI MS Biloxi - 10/21 0735 - Call ID, sports news. Audio was distorted. (JR-OK)
 580 KLBG LA Alexandria - 10/21 0754 - Call ID and Pure gospel all the time with gospel music. (JR-OK)
 650 WSM TN Nashville - 7/6 0315 - With national weather on Interstate Radio 65. Fair. (LW-CO)
 670 WMAQ IL Chicago - 7/6 0346 - With All-News. Fair. (LW-CO)
 680 WPTF NC Raleigh - 10/23 0620 - With ID, under KFEQ. (BC-KS)
 710 KCMO MO Kansas City - 10/24 0746 - Call ID, traffic reports. This frequency used to be WHB in KC, but these stations have switched. (JR-OK)
 770 WEW MO St. Louis - 10/22 0739 - NOS music, news call ID. New here. (JR-OK)
 780 WBBM IL Chicago - 7/2 0414 - Fair, with All News, mention of Taste of Chicago and a convention. (LW-CO)
 800 CKLW ON Windsor - 10/22 0752 - Canadian & Windsor news, weather. Some QRM from SS station. New here. (JR-OK)
 970 WDAY ND Fargo - 10/23 0723 - Weather, news, call ID. Good signal & new here. (JR-OK)
 990 CBW MB Winnipeg - 10/23 0735 - Canadian news, weather and call ID. Huge signal, sounded like a local. (JR-OK)

- 1030 KTWO WY Casper - 7/2 0408 - With K-two slogan, weather for local area, then C&W music. (LW-CO)
 1070 KATQ MT Plentywood - 10/23 0710 - With ad for Bank of Montana, mixing with KNX. (BC-KS)
 1090 WBAL MD Baltimore - 10/22 0615 - With traffic report. (BC-KS)
 1500 KOMH OK Pawhuska - 10/16 0759 - Fair, with Oldies 1500, KOMH, Pawhuska-Bartlesville heard during satellite feed. Ex-KRIG. (RD-IA)
 1570 WTRB TN Ripley - 10/13 0443 - Fair, with ID including mention of Country 24 hours-a-day, 1570 WTRB. (RD-IA)

0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

- 600 WMT IA Cedar Rapids - 10/17 1559 - Fair, with 600 WMT, Cedar Rapids, Iowa ID, just before CBS News. Signal barely over WREC. (RD-IL)
 800 KREI MO Farmington - 10/18 1430 - Good, with Missouri Tigers football // KRHW-1520. (RD-IL)
 860 KTRB Ca Modesto - 10/17 0903 -SS programming with phone requests at 524-5872, PDT time checks, ads, and many La Picosita (not sure of spelling) slogans. Seems to be a new slogan. Program name was La Regadera (The Shower). (JW-CO)
 KARS NM Belen - 10/16 0925 - With Paul Harvey News, ad for BBQ place in Las Lunas, New Mexico Gold slogans, local news at 0930. Legal ID at 0959: You're listening to the only daily source of local news . . . this is KARS-AM Belen. Fair, with some KOA-850 slop. (JW-CO)
 910 KLCN AR Blytheville - 10/18 1421 - Weak, with local ads and KLCN ID heard. (RD-IL)
 930 CJCA AB Edmonton - 10/22 0900 - Pounding in with legal ID and news from Alberta News Network. (JW-CO)
 960 KLTF MN Little Falls - 10/25 0811 - News, weather, sports. New here. (JR-OK)
 1200 WBCE KY Wickliffe - 10/19 1501 - Excellent, with mix of country gospel and contemporary Christian music. Amateurish-sounding female DJ promised to read the weather forecast right after this song, then went right into another song after that one finished! She apologized to her listening audience. Gotta love small-town radio! (RD-KY)
 1220 KGIR MO Cape Girardeau - 10/19 1545 - Fair, with St. Louis Rams football vs. Seattle // KTRS-550. (RD-MO1)
 1280 WGBF IN Evansville - 10/18 1412 - Fair, with ad mentioning Evansville during Indiana football broadcast. (RD-IL)
 1490 WKRO IL Cairo - 10/19 1455 - Excellent, with talk program with woman discussing safety of children on America's schoolyard playgrounds. The audio from this guy is STILL incredibly muddy, thereby explaining why Midwestern DXers who work the graveyard channels have so much difficulty hearing this one. (RD-KY)
 1590 WPCO IN Mount Vernon - 10/18 1405 - Weak, with Indiana football vs. Ohio State. (RD-IL)

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

- 580 WIBW KS Topeka - 7/3 2305 -With slogan All-Sports Radio. (LW-CO)
 830 KUYO WY Evansville - 10/24 2028 - Religious talk, call ID, weather. Ad for Sunrise Shopping Center. New here. In loop null of WCCO-MN. (JR-OK)
 900 CKBI SK Prince Albert - 10/16 2300 - With Broadcast News, ads, CKBI 5-Day Forecast, then Lou Harrison with program featuring Roy Orbison music. Good signal over XEW. (JW-CO)
 930 WKY OK Oklahoma City - 10/18 2055 - Play-by-play of Oklahoma City Blazers vs Fort Worth Flyers hockey. Dominant E-W signal. (JW-CO)
 1020 KJJK MN Fergus Falls - 10/6 2120 - Good, with Dusty Springfield's I Only Wanna Be With You off the bird, then AM 1020, KJ Oldies ID. (RD-IA)
 1060 KIJN TX Farwell - 10/17 2038 - REL program to 2046 sign-off announcement by Gene McKinney. Announced 10 kW and would be back at sunrise. Good signal, with fading. (JW-CO)
 CKMX AB Calgary - 10/21 2217 - With program notes, Calgary's only Adult Standards radio station - great songs, great memories, AM 1060 CKMX and into NOS music. Heard later at 2300 with legal ID and into Chinese programming. Fair, in KDUS null. (JW-CO)
 1100 KCCF AZ Cave Creek - 10/14 2043 - MoR vocals, metro Phoenix traffic, frequent IDs.

Legal ID at 2100:40 right after power cut: *From the Valley of the Sun*, AM 1100 KCCF *Cave Creek, Arizona*. First new station of the season. Arizona #60. (JW-CO)

- 1110 WKRA MS **Holly Springs - 10/19 1801** - Good, with ID during what sounded like black gospel music. (RD-MS)
- 1140 KSVN NV **North Las Vegas - 10/16 2045** - With Sports Fan Network program, legal ID at 2059:55 as *The Fan*, AM 1140 KSVN *North Las Vegas*. A service of America Radio Systems. Power cut a minute later and KHTK took over. Ex: KXNO. (JW-CO)
- 1210 KQTL AZ **Sahuarita - 10/13 2111** - Program note for *Caminos de Ayer*. Radio Mundo slogans. Fair, in QRM. (JW-CO)
- 1220 WLSD VA **Big Stone Gap - 10/12 2045** - Fair, with sign-off. First time ever noted at sign-OFF rather than sign-on, which is when it normally gets out very well. (RD-IA)
- 1230 WMLR TN **Hohenwald - 10/15 2359** - Atop briefly, with "WMLR, Hohenwald, Tennessee" ID, then news. (RD-IA)
- 1260 WDKN TN **Dickson - 10/13 2000** - Fair, with end of *The Jeff Fisher Show* (Oilers coach) hosted by Joe McConnell, then sign-off with station address included. (RD-IA)
- 1270 WQKR TN **Portland - 10/12 2050** - Good, with ad for hardware store in Portland, Tennessee mentioned in ad. Good conditions into Tennessee and Virginia tonight, as WCRK-1150 was also in. (RD-IA)
- 1300 CJME SK **Regina - 10/16 2326** - Local ads, *More Feel-Good Oldies, only on Regina's best oldies, CJME*, then into a Jerry Lee Lewis tune. Fair, no sign of KVOR. (JW-CO)
- 1320 KSIV MO **Clayton - 10/19 2335** - Good, with REL discussion. Tuned to 1460, but KIRL wasn't on. Heard while driving by Noah's Ark Motor Inn, site of the 1979 NRC Convention. (RD-MO2)
- 1410 KRIL TX **Odessa - 10/17 2005** - Poor, with legal ID in QRM: *Praise 1410, KRIL Odessa-Midland*. Haven't heard for a while. (JW-CO)
- 1420 WRCG GA **Columbus - 10/19 1959** - Fair with WRCG, *Columbus, Georgia* heard just before news. (RD-AR)
- 1580 KFDF AR **Van Buren - 10/19 2159** - With legal ID at 2159:50: *The best sports talk, 24 hours a day - KFDF 1580 AM Van Buren-Fort Smith, and KPBI 1510 AM, Greenwood*. AP news followed. Fair, in XEDM null, and amazingly good if they were using their listed 45 watts. (JW-CO)

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

Totals:	1230	1240	1340	1400	1450	1490	Total
Tim Hall Chula Vista, CA	19	14	19	19	16	13	100

DDXD-East

Deadlines for DDXD-East are weekly on Tuesdays.

Lots of new folks to welcome this week: *Marty Waters* is a new member sending loggings for the first time. *Michael Hawk* re-joins the DDXD family of reporters; Mike had been a reporter to DDXD-West a few years back when he lived in Nebraska and we're glad to have him here in the East! Mike is looking forward to receiving the new *Log* ... have you ordered yours yet? We're also glad to have a visit from California's *Tim Hall*, whose loggings from a recent trip East were forwarded from *Bill Hale*. *Paul Choroszy* is another new reporter, helping *Steve Francis* confirm his 48th state! Welcome, everybody!

STATION NEWS

- 540 WLUX NY **Islip** - Re: SK-PA's request in 65/3 for this station's address, SRDS Radio Advertising Source lists 425 Smith St., Farmingdale NY 11735. (DP-HI) [That's what the newest *Log* says as well. - DY]
- 620 WJWR NJ **Newark** - 10/15 2000 - Now using these calls, ex-WXLX, One on One Sports format 24 hours, no network news at any time. (JH-NJ)s
- 790 WSGW MI **Sagnia** - 10/20 - Adds Michael Reagan Show per program today. (DP-HI)
- 860 WGUL FL **Dunedin** - In addition to its own FM, now simulcasts 104.3 FM and WINV-1560, which is apparently back on the air now. NOS, probably satellite-fed. (TRH*FL)
- 990 WDCZ NY **Rochester** - 10/24 1809 - Good with promo for Christian Karaoke Night on

"*The Praise Company*, 990 WDCZ Rochester." Another one that seems to change calls about once a year. (MB-ON)

- WNOX TN **Knoxville** - 10/31 2301 - Ex-WIVK with end of Tennessee high school football playoff post-game show, list of sponsors, ID. Fair at best under WDCZ, WZZD. (DY-NY)
 - 1060 KHYM? TX **Gilmer** - 10/14 0720 - Back on the air, apparently // KVNE-FM 89.5 ID "KVNE Gilmer-Tyler-Longview," ad for Hawkins Electronics at 903-509-1500. (TRH*GA)
 - 1450 WCLM? VA **Highland Springs** - 10/16 0700 - Appears to be back on the air with Solid Gold Soul format. Local quality signal in Richmond, but no ID noted. (TRH*VA)
 - 1560 WINV FL **Inverness** - Apparently back on the air // WGUL-860. (TRH*FL)
- UNID and UNID HELP**
- 720 UNID - — - 10/26 2118 - "*Good Time Oldies ... ZN*" (or TN?). Either WRZN or CHTN? (MH-VA) [CHTN, definitely. - DY]
 - 1050 UNID - — - 10/14 0804 - Fair and fading with AccuWeather, "*weather watch 1050*," slogan "*Praise 10-50*." (TRH*GA)
 - 1090 UNID - — - 10/26 0400-0612 - Often heard with C&W satellite feed and slogans "*The best country on the planet*." Never ID's. (MH-VA)
 - 1130 UNID - — - 10/26 1735 - Jacksonville vs. Pittsburgh NFL game over WBBR. (WM-MD) [WDFN, probably, with CBS feed. - DY]
 - 1150 UNID - — - 10/14 0745 - Oldies, calls sounded like KTRK but seemed to give EDT time check. (TRH*GA) [CKOC? - DY]
 - UNID - — - 10/22 1845 - REL programming, sign-off without ID. (WM-MD) [WNLN? - DY]
 - UNID - — - 10/25 2330 - "*Oldies 1150*," mention of Hatticut? (MH-VA) [Probably CKOC, Hamilton. - DY]
 - 1160 UNID - — - 10/13 1844 - ID "*WDXE AM 11-60, playin' all your gospel favorites*." Sure rings a bell, but can't find this call change listed anywhere. (TRH*GA) [WJFJ? - DY]
 - 1220 UNID - — - 10/14 0512 - Fair with C&W, calls sounded like WTMD. Probably WKMT-NC. (TRH*GA)
 - 1230 WFVA? VA **Fredericksburg** - 9/28 2108-2130 - OLD, ID's as "*All your favorite songs on WJMA*." WJMA-1340 is in Orange VA, near Fredericksburg, so maybe these are now //? Reports out to see. (DT-JAM)
 - 1240 UNID - — - Re: DY-NY's log in 64/30, possibilities for the ESPN station include WSDR-IL, WBBW-OH, WRTA-PA, and WIOV-PA per ESPN's Web site. (DP-HI)
 - 1250 UNID - — - 10/15 0650 - Ad for Ledford(?) Pest Control in Charleston (or Carrollton?) at 766-5280. First ID sounded like WHBC, then into what sounded like "*WBNE traffic*." (TRH*VA) [WTMA? - DY]
 - 1270 UNID - — - 10/26 0459 - ID as "*Oldies 107*." (MH-VA)
 - 1280 UNID - — - 10/12 2141 - Blues format, slogan "*The home of the blues*." Calls sounded like WLBC or WLBT. (TRH*FL)
 - 1340 UNID - — - 10/15 2258 - Good with C&W, ID sounded like "*AM 13-40 WTMK Roseville*," may have mentioned something about having been on the air over 50 years. Suspect WENT. (TRH*CT) [Probably. - DY]
 - UNID - — - 10/16 0059 - PSA for Clinton Community College Foundation, slogan "*North Country*." (TRH*CT) [WIRY is in Clinton County, I believe. - DY]
 - 1400 UNID - — - 10/14 0421 - "*We're the station playing ... W-99*." (TRH*GA)
 - 1440 WJAB ME **Westbrook** - This is SF-TN's unID in 65/2, all sports, ID's as "*Portland's sports authority*" and "*The Big Jab*" quite often. Heavy NFL coverage, live New England Patriots game. (PC-ME)
 - 1440 UNID - — - 10/16 0605 - "*Sports all day, all night, sports radio WJAG(?)*," One on One Sports network. (TRH*CT) [As above. - DY]
 - 1450 UNID - — - 10/13 0515 - Slogans "*News Radio 9-70 WFLA*." (TRH*FL)
 - UNID - — - 10/15 0612 - Ad for East Tennessee Hospital. (TRH*VA)
 - 1510 UNID - — - 10/19 0619 - FF religion, CJRS? (MH-VA) [CJRS has been off the air a couple of years now; WNRB does some SS religion. - DY]
 - 1550 UNID - — - 10/14 0633 - Georgia news read by woman, calls sounded like WBNM. (TRH*GA) [WWWN, also known as 3WN? - DY]
 - 1570 UNID KY? - — - 10/25 2005 - USA news, mention of // 1370 and Kentucky. (MH-VA)

LOGGINGS: 0000-0800

- 550 KFYZ ND Bismarck - 10/25 0700 - ID at top of hour after 70's top-40 song by the Emotions; local news with woman announcer, spot for a cattle feed then announcer Phil Parker played a Steely Dan song. Fair with WKRC, WGR. (NJW*MI)
- 560 CJKL ON Kirkland Lake - 10/23 0000 - Weather, ID, C&W music. (WM-MD)
- 580 WKTY WI La Crosse - 10/25 0726 - Under local CKWW with Green Bay Packers promo. (NJW*MI)
- 590 KHBS AR Hot Springs - 10/21 0614 - Fair with ad for local heating contractor, mention of Hot Springs, ID. (MB-IN)
- 770 WEW MO St. Louis - 10/26 0703 - SSB at 0700 sign-on, "Good morning, this is WEW," followed by local news. Fair in a jumble of stations. (RCP-IN)
- 810 WPIN VA Dublin - 10/25 0741 - In WGY null with gospel music, contest promo saying "Your winning connection, WPIR-FM," also ID mentioning "greater Roanoke." (NJW*MI)
- WDMP WI Dodgeville - 10/25 0729 - "Hit Kicking Country WDMP," with C&W, in WGY null with WPIN. (NJW*MI)
- 830 WCCO MN Minneapolis - 10/7 0104-0108 - Female announcer reporting temperatures in various Minnesota cities, calls, into local talk show. Usually not heard here since WCRN came on the air. (MW-CT)
- 870 WQRX AL Valley Head - 10/26 0723 - Playing gospel music early on a Sunday morning, 3-day weather forecast, ID "This is the Big 8-70, WQRX." Very good over WWL, unID SS. (RCP-IN)
- 890 KVOZ TX Laredo - 10/14 0736 - Good with EE/SS ID's and address. (TRH*GA)
- 930 WSLI MS Jackson - 10/14 0659 - Good, "Your first choice for sports, 9-30 WSLI, Jackson, the sports ticket." (TRH*GA)
- 990 WEIS AL Centre - 10/14 0738 - Fair-good with ad for Josie's Pizza in the Uptown Center, ad for Midway Varieties on Highway 9 between Centre and Cedar Bluff, school menus for Cherokee County, C&W. (TRH*GA)
- 1030 WWGB MD Indian Head - 10/15 0742 - Back on the air with "Praise and Worship" program and ID's. (TRH*VA)
- 1040 WYSL NY Avon - 10/21 0758 - Fair over fading WHO with local sports, "The news continues on News-Radio 1040 WYSL." (MB-ON)
- 1060 WCOK NC Sparta - 10/15 0715 - Sign-on with SSB, ID mentioning owned by Sparta Independent Radio Corporation, studios on Highway 21. (TRH*VA)
- 1080 WUFO NY Amherst - 10/26 0600 - Mention of Buffalo, coverage in "southern Ontario and western New York," but no calls heard. (MH-VA)
- WKGX NC Lenoir - 10/26 0600 - ID "The foothills' ... station, WKGX." (MH-VA)
- 1090 WBAF GA Barnesville - 10/14 0721 - Fair-good with ad for Alamo Building Supply in Barnesville, slogan "All your country favorites on Lamar County's own Country 109." (TRH*GA)
- 1110 KTLD LA Pineville - 10/14 0723- ID "KTLD news-talk radio, Alexandria," into Daybreak USA program. (TRH*GA)
- 1140 WAKK MS McComb - 10/14 0725 - Fair with ad for Crystal Restaurant at I-55 and Delaware Avenue in McComb, then ID. (TRH*GA)
- 1150 WDEL DE Wilmington - 10/7 0058-0101 - "Your traffic, weather, and news station, WDEL Wilmington," into CNN news. (MW-CT)
- 1160 WJFJ NC Tryon - 10/14 0746 - Very good with ad for a lawn care company at 704-894-2957, then jingle. 1160 is a nice "graveyard" channel in the South! (TRH*GA)
- WODY VA Fieldale - 10/14 0445 - Good with gospel music, "WODY, your Christian information station." (TRH*GA)
- 1170 WMLB GA Cumming - 10/14 0747 - Fair-good with ad for Forsyth Appliance, weather by man, slogan "Mountains Lake Radio AM 11-70, the best country in the country." (TRH*GA)
- 1180 WJNT MS Pearl - 10/23 0030 - Promo for radio show, ID. (WM-MD)
- 1240 WSKI VT Montpelier - 10/16 0105 - "12-40 WSKI, bringing your old favorites and your new favorites ... serving your community for 50 years, 1947-1997." (TRH*CA)
- 1260 WNRK DE Newark - 10/29 0722 - Fair-poor with ad for Spencer Funeral Home, promo for the Birthday Club on "Oldies Radio WNRK," WNRK jingle into "Georgie Girl" by the Seekers. (MB-ON)
- WNDE IN Indianapolis - 10/31 0749 - Good with promo for Indiana University football vs. Illinois, "I.U. football, it's a whole new ball game on 1260 WNDE." (MB-ON)
- WBUD NJ Trenton - 10/29 0741 - Fair with local news, "WBUD news time is 7:41" into

- paid political message to vote yes on Public Questions 2 and 3 to protect New Jersey's drinking water. (MB-ON)
- 1270 WCGC NC Belmont - 10/26 0533 - ID jingle, tentative as tough to discern in the jumble of stations. (MH-VA) [Could also be WBCB, sounds similar. - DY]
- 1280 CFMB PQ Montreal - 10/31 0755 - Fair-poor in CFYZ null, fighting WADO's SS, with commentary in Italian on the Ontario teachers' strike, several mentions of Ontario premier Mike Harris. "CFMB" jingle noted at 0759, ex-1410. (MB-ON)
- 1310 KNOX ND Grand Forks - 10/20 0741 - Surfaced briefly over CIWW's oldies with announcement "at 6:41 the information you need to know around the clock, we're AM 1310 KNOX," into local "KNOX Weather Watch" weather. (MB-ON)
- WDOD TN Chattanooga - 10/13 0544 - Good with slogan "Unforgettable 13-10 WDOD" and NOS format. (TRH*FL)
- 1350 WSMB LA New Orleans - 10/13 0528 - Good with ID, slogans "Talk radio 13-50" and "We're So Much Better" (acronym matching calls), news and weather by man. (TRH*FL)
- 1360 WGEE WI Green Bay - 10/26 0159 EDT - ID by man "here on 1360, WGEE" clear in pile, confirmed on tape. (DY-NY)
- 1370 WTAB NC Tabor City - 10/15 0616 - Good, mixing with WSPD, with NC news, ads, "WTAB 13-70 sports, the voice of the Stallions ... your station for NC State football, AM 13-70," jingle "Country music and you and WTAB." (TRH*VA)
- 1390 WKIC KY Hazard - 10/9 0303-0340- C&W music, ID "Nobody plays more ... WKIC," very poor. (DT-JAM)
- WMPO OH Middleport - 10/8 0345-0355 - C&W music, ID "WMPO your golden old..." very poor.
- 1400 KART ID Jerome - 10/11 0254-0320 - Network talk show, news, ad, and ID very clearly as "KART." QRM from WZAZ and others, poor. (DT-JAM)
- WOND NJ Pleasantville - 10/13 0500 - Fair with ABC news, PSA from NJ Broadcasters Association, promo for "All About Real Estate" program on "Radio 14 WOND and 15-80 WONZ," NJ lottery info. (TRH*FL)
- WICK PA Scranton - 10/15 0001 - Wilkes-Barre weather, ID "1340 WYCK and 1400 WICK." (TRH*VA)
- 1430 WTTT MA Amherst - 10/16 0659 - Sign-on, "WTTT is licensed to Hampshire Broadcasting Company, Ltd. ... operates on an assigned carrier frequency of 1430 kHz with a power of 5,000 watts ... Route 9 in Amherst." UPI news. (TRH*CT)
- 1450 WMAJ PA State College - 10/26 0024 - ID, weather, promo for morning program, list of sponsors, mention of State College. (DY-NY)
- WQNT SC Charleston - 10/13 0458 - Promo "Your home of the Clemson Tigers, WQNT News-Talk 14-50 Charleston." Back on the air. (TRH*FL)
- 1460 WGNA NY Albany - 10/16 0606 - Fair with C&W, ID as WGNA-FM. (TRH*CT)
- 1480 WADR NY Remsen - 10/16 0505 - Weather for Utica, slogan "Your star station, Utica." (TRH*CT)
- 1600 WKXF KY Eminence - 10/15 0452 - "AM 1600 bluegrass radio WKX," ad for Mormon church, weather, ID. (TRH*VA)

LOGGINGS: 0800-1600

- 810 WJJQ WI Tomahawk - 10/25 0818 - "North Woods" weather forecast, spots for Tomahawk IGA/Foodliner, Sacred Heart/St. Mary's Hospital, Minocqua Vision Center, and King's Bakery, in WMJH null. (NJW*MI)
- 880 WMEQ WI Menomonie - 10/25 0850 - Fighting WRFD with ID after Glen Campbell song. (NJW*MI)

LOGGINGS: 1600-2400

- 580 CFRA ON Ottawa - 10/18 1808-1810 - "News-Talk Radio 580, You'll never miss a thing," into Dr. Joy Brown program. Over WTAG. (MW*MA)
- 660 WVAL MN Sauk Rapids - 10/25 2000-2008 - Legal ID plus several "Rockin' 101" liners, playing rock music by Nirvana and Led Zeppelin. Fair in WFAN null. (NJW*MI)
- 720 CHTN PI Charlottetown - 10/21 1956 - OLD mixing with WGN's sports talk, WGN partially nulled. ID, "Good Time Oldies," weather at 2002. (DZ-NY)
- 740 WVCH PA Chester - 10/26 1726 - Religious sermon, invitation to visit church in 610 area code, promo, ID, fair-poor in CBL null. (DY-NY)
- 750 CKGB ON Timmins - 10/21 2026 - C&W in WSB null, followed by weather with Celsius

- temps, singing ID. Another ID 2030, ad. Also SS station here with World Series. (DZ-NY) [SS is probably Caracas. - DY]
- 770 WCGW KY Nicholasville - 10/23 1845 - REL music under WABC, sign-off, ID. (WM-MD)
- 840 CHUR ON North Bay - 10/19 1828 - Tentative with several OLD back to back, Everly Brothers, "Wake Up, Little Suzie," etc. Very poor and way under WHAS. (RCP-IN)
- 870 WMTL KY Leitchfield - 10/21 1915 - C&W music over WWL, ID. (WM-MD)
- 880 KRVN NE Lexington - 10/23 1858 - Song by Mindy McCready followed by ad for Munday Chevrolet in Hills City, Kansas. Great signal with WCBS barely audible. (RCP-IN)
- 920 CJCJ NB Woodstock - 10/24 2314 - C&W music atop with ID "Frederickton's new country, 105.3 KH(?) <schew sound effect> CJ Radio, 920 Woodstock, 990 Plaster Rock, 1140 Perth-Andover," so now // 105.3. (DY-NY)
- 930 WZNN NH Rochester - 10/20 1920 - NOS music over, under WFMD, ID. (WM-MD)
- 940 WCPC MS Houston - 10/25 1958 - Presumed with tornado warnings broadcast for northeastern Mississippi. (DY-NY)
- 950 WGTA GA Summerville - 10/24 2045-2050 - High school football game, ID. (WM-MD)
- 990 WALE RI Providence - 10/24 2040 - Talk show, ID. (WM-MD)
- 1000 WXTN MS Lexington - 10/20 1822 - Black gospel music mixed with preaching to 1830 sign-off with SSB. Very good and way over WMVP. (RCP-IN)
- 1010 WIOI OH New Boston - 10/25 2148-2203 - Presumed with Marshall vs. Eastern Michigan football, local spots at 2203. Missed ID at station break, but Marshall University webpage lists WIOI on the Marshall radio network. Fair with CFRB. (NJW*MI)
- 1020 WKZE CT Sharon - 10/26 1915 - Sign-off, "at this time, federal regulations mandate ..." (MH-VA)
- 1030 WWGB MD Indian Head - 10/24 1753 - Fair over nulled WBZ with gospel music, rundown of gospel concerts, "more great gospel music till the sun goes down on the Sound of Gospel, 1030 AM WWGB." (MB-ON)
+ 10/26 1714 - Gospel music, promo for morning show "on WWGB," fair under WBZ. (DY-NY)
- WBGS WV Point Pleasant - 10/16 2306-0017 - "The Ministry Station," "This is the station with the power," and call ID. Daytimer blasting over WBZ throughout the evening. (MW-CT)
- 1050 WAMN WV Green Valley - 10/24 1930 - ID heard in mess. (WM-MD)
- 1070 WIWS WV Beckley - 10/21 1835 - OLD music in mess, ID. (WM-MD)
- 1090 WKCW TN Kingsport - 10/24 1945 - Country gospel music, ID in WBAL null. (WM-MD)
- 1110 WUHN MA Pittsfield - 10/27 1732 - Fair over CKTY with "WUHN Radar Weather" into C&W song by Tanya Tucker. (MB-ON)
- WNAP PA Norristown - 10/24 1845 - Black gospel music, sign-off, ID under WBT. (WM-MD)
- 1160 WAMB TN Donelson - 10/13 2319 - Good with beautiful music, ID "WAMB, WAMB-FM Donelson." Ad for local sewer and drain service. (TRH*GA)
+ 10/25 1841 - Presumed fading atop WSCR with promo for "Newschannel 5, Newsradio 1430." (NJW*MI)
- 1200 KFNW ND West Fargo - 10/25 1920 - Christian music, ID 1928 and weather by woman, into more soft Christian music. Good over WCHB, others. (NJW*MI)
- 1230 WFVA VA Fredericksburg - 10/21 1855 - NOS music in muck, ID. (WM-MD)
- 1250 WARE MA Ware - 10/25 2150 - Tentative with NOS and possible ID in big jumble. (MH-VA)
- 1280 WONW OH Defiance - 10/21 2310 - C&W music, ID. (WM-MD)
- 1320 WJGR FL Jacksonville - 10/21 2300 - USA Radio news, ID in mess. (WM-MD)
- 1350 WRNY NY Rome - 10/25 2026 - High school football game, ads for Rome, ID for three stations including 1480 and 1350. Mostly under WOYK, WTOU and WGFL in the mix as well. (DY-NY)
- WTOU OH Akron - 10/5 2213-2224 - UC or soul music, ads for Goodyear, ID on 10/6 0400 as WTOU. Poor. (DT-JAM)
- 1380 WRBQ FL St. Petersburg - 10/12 2200 - Noted running OC all night after 2200. (TRH*FL)
- WYNK LA Baton Rouge - 10/27 1900 - Surprising with ID "101.5 WYNK." (MH-VA)
- 1390 WROA MS Gulfport - 10/12 2029 - Fair, mixing with WTXC, weather and ID by man. (TRH*FL)

- WXTC SC Charleston - 10/12 2258 - "Nobody plays more music," into C&W. (TRH*FL)
- 1420 WRCG GA Columbus - 10/12 2200 - Noted ID, slogan "The Valley's local news authority." (TRH*FL)
- 1430 WMYS IN Indianapolis - 10/14 2306 - Good with Bloomberg stock report, "Great memories, WMYS" into NOS. (TRH*VA)
- 1440 WJLL NY Niagara Falls - 10/26 1644 - Oldies show, ID, weather in Buffalo, Bills just lost football game. (DY-NY)
- 1450 WBYU LA New Orleans - 10/12 2205 - Good with "WBYU, playing the music of your life." (TRH*FL)
- 1510 WAUK WI Waukesha - 10/19 1808 - "You're listening to the Sports Fan Radio Network, WAUK," fair in WLAC null. (RCP-IN)
- 1530 KGBT TX Harlingen - 10/22 1905 - Fantastic signal, walking all over WSAI. Program in SS but call to station confirmed it was they, followed to 1930 sign-off with prayer and Hallelujah Chorus from The Messiah. Tape sent to station. New address: 200 South 10th, Suite 600, McAllen TX 78501, (956) 423-3910. V/s is Sergio Pizzano, C.E. (RCP-IN)
- 1570 WTWB FL Auburndale - 10/12 1656-1733 - ABC news, REL music, gone at 1733. QRM from HIAJ, unID EE. (DT-JAM)
- 1590 WCSL? NC Cherryville - 10/13 2356 - Tentative with ad for business on Main St. in Lincolnton. Seemed to be them with Monday Night Football. (TRH*GA)

TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS

- 530 TIS DE Rehoboth Beach (WNRD656?) - 10/7 1155 - "Welcome to Rehoboth Beach," park and ride information. Good at Lewes DE ferry, poor next day in Cape May NJ area. (HH*DE)
- HAR GA Atlanta - 10/13 1836 - Georgia Department of Transportation HAR audible briefly near I-75/85/20 interchange. (TRH*GA)
- HAR VA Richmond - 10/14 1955 - Noted signs near I-64/195/295 junction for highway advisory radio, but nothing active either day I passed through the area. Only TIS noted active in Richmond was the airport one on 1610 kHz. (TRH*VA)
- 830 TIS PA Conshohocken? - Rebroadcasting NOAA Weather Radio KIH-28 (162.475 MHz) with a brief taped voice-over every 6 minutes "This is a test message from the training session in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania." Best I can do by locating it by car is somewhere near the Plymouth Meeting - Conshohocken border. This is only a few miles distant from the PA Turnpike HAR at Valley Forge, which is still on the air with a test message. This new one is much stronger, and overlaps all three of my previously reported Turnpike HAR's. (RJE-PA)
- 870 TIS VA Vienna (KFC718) - 10/26 1200 - Fairly common in the day here with mentions of Wolf Trap Farm Park for the Performing Arts events. Band has to be nice and quiet to hear this one. (MH-VA)
- 1060 TIS FL Clearwater - 10/12 1750 - Airport TIS good with tape loop by man, no sign of the other 1060 TIS listed at MacDill AFB. (TRH*FL)
- 1610 TIS FL? — - 10/12 2123 - UnID station with NOAA weather for northern Florida and southern Georgia. Also noted the next night from GA, and one sounding just like it was noted the following night from VA. (TRH*FL)
- TIS MD Worcester County (WPFJ882) - 10/9 1455 - Station is located at the Bridge on Route 90. Noted in and out in Ocean City MD, pretty good 1600 on the Garden State Parkway. Surprised to hear this one in NJ! Giving traffic info. (HH*MD)
- TIS MI Port Huron - 10/25 1947 - Man repeating "This is a test message for 1610 AM, for the Blue Water Bridge Crossing." No signs on I-69/94 in Port Huron advising of this. Signal very good near bridge; poor with QRM from other TIS stations in Brighton. (NJW*MI)
- TIS MN Unknown (WNAZ242) - 10/25 0011 - Iron Trail trivia, directions to information center, mention of U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame in Eveleth. Exact calls and location unclear, obviously somewhere in northeastern Minnesota. (NJW*MI)
- TIS NJ Atlantic City - 10/9 1534 - Atlantic City Convention and Visitors Authority, long tape on entertainment, etc. in Atlantic City. Good in parts of Ocean City MD. (HH*MD)
- TIS NC Durham (WPHE255) - 10/15 0536 - Duke Medical Center TIS with information about parking rates. (TRH*VA)



- TIS - — - 10/15 0546 - Tape loop by man mentioned mining and a national forest, looped E-W. (TRH*VA)
- 1620 TIS VA **Shenandoah Valley (WPJM404)** - 10/15 0526 - Noted three stations using these call letters, giving information about various attractions along I-81 and I-64 and the Shenandoah Valley. (TRH*VA)
- + 10/26 0430 - Weak with mentions of Skyline Drive and Civil War sites in the area, mixed with one or two other TIS's. (MH-VA)
- + 10/26 0607-0610 - Briefly on top with female talking about George Washington National Forest, Blue Ridge Parkway, Skyline Drive, etc. (NJW*MI)
- 1630 TIS NY **New York** - 10/24 0450 - Parking rates and information, different program from 1700 kHz. Heard from time to time here. (HH-MD)
- + 10/26 0517 - Fair with Kennedy Airport parking prices and "Thank you for tuning in." (MH-VA)
- HAR - — - 10/26 0830 - The "1630 Time Lady" who used to be 7 or 8 minutes behind the real time is now 53 minutes ahead; didn't switch back to Standard Time. (NJW*MI)
- 1640 TIS TX **Dallas-Fort Worth Airport (WQO767)** - Mixing with weak KXBT, in fairly well this season. (RCP-IN)
- 1680 TIS TX **Dallas-Fort Worth Airport (WQA767)** - Dispensing departure information, generally heard less well than 1640 kHz with more QRN on this channel. (RCP-IN)
- 1700 TIS NY **New York** - 10/12 1917 - Mentions of Flushing Meadows and driving conditions. (MH-VA)
- + 10/24 0432 - Fair to good, giving information on highways entering JFK Airport. A bit stronger than 1630 kHz and not //. (HH-MD)

REPORTERS

MB-ON	Mike Brooker	Toronto ON - RF-2200, RFB-45
MB-IN	Mark Burns	Terre Haute IN - R8, Kiwa loop, 80' LW
PC-ME	Paul Choroszy	Biddeford ME - UnID help
RJE-PA	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell PA - Car radio
TRH*	Tim Hall	Wandering the East - Various locations
JH-NJ	John Hanz	Old Bridge NJ - Channel Master 6518
MH-VA	Michael Hawk	Reston VA - R70, homemade 2' loop
HH-MD	Hank Holbrook	Dunkirk MD - R8, 120' LW, car radio
WM-MD	William McGuire	Cheverly MD - DX-380
DP-HI	Dale Park	Honolulu HI - Local news and unID help
RCP-IN	Robert Pote	Greenwood IN - R8A, Quantum loop
DT-JAM	Don Trelford	St. Ann's Bay, Jamaica - R2000, LW's NW-SE, E-W
MW-CT	Martin Waters	Wallingford CT - Superadio II
MW*MA		DXing at Amherst MA - Car radio
NJW*MI	Neil Wolfish	DXing at MARE DXpedition at Brighton MI - ICF-2010, Radio West loop, R71A, 800' LW
DY-NY	David Yocis	South Nyack NY - R71A, Kiwa loop
DZ-NY	Dan Ziolkowski	Hamburg NY - Sony 2010, Kiwa filters, Kiwa pocket loop



ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD

//:parallel to :00: on the hour AC:Adult contemporary AP:Associated Press BBD:big band C&W:country & western CCR:contemporary Christian radio CHR:contemporary hit radio CID:code ID CL:call letter EZL:easy listening EE:English FF:French GOS:gospel LSR:local sunrise LSS:local sunset NFL:National Football League NBA:National Basketball Association NHL:National Hockey League NPR:National Public Radio OC:open carrier PRI:Public Radio International PSRA:pre-sunrise authority PSSA:post-sunset authority QRM:man-made interference (power lines, etc) QRN:natural interference (lightning, etc) QTH:location PRI:Public Radio International REL:religious ROK:rock n' roll RS:regular schedule \$:stereo SID:singing ID SRS:sunrise skip SS:Spanish SSB:Star Spangled Banner SSS:sunset skip TC:time check TT:test tones UC:urban contemporary UPI:United Press International VID:voice ID

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Jim

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 549 ALGERIA, Les Trembles, OCT 25 2131 - energetic group AA vocal, strings, percussion; good. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 567 IRELAND, RTE R.1, Tullamore, OCT 21 2303 - news by woman in EE mentioned a murder trial in Texas; briefly up with a good signal. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 603 SPAIN, RNE5, Sevilla / Palencia, OCT 21 2311 - // 639 with SS talk mentioning Maria; good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 612 MOROCCO, Sebaa-Aioun, OCT 21 2235 - AA vocal, strings, flute; excellent. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 25 0223 - group AA vocal; fair. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 25 2132 - AA vocal in an almost-operatic style; fading up. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, RNE1, OCT 21 2239 - SS teletalk; to good peak. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 25 2129 - fast SS talk by man; good. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 639 SPAIN, RNE1, La Coruna et al., OCT 21 2240 - // 621 with SS teletalk; fair through CBN/WNNZ slop. OCT 21 2311 - up to good level with SS // 603. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 648 SPAIN, RNE1, Badajoz et al., OCT 21 2241 - // 774 & others with SS teletalk; fair. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 666 PORTUGAL, RDP, Lisboa, OCT 21 2230 - Ella Fitzgerald or similar '40s-era female jazz vocal; to fair peak. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 666 SYRIA (t), Damas-Sabboura, OCT 21 2312 - AA Koranic chanting seemed // to a very strong 783. Signal was poor, in a jumble with Portugal and at least one other. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 684 SPAIN, RNE1, Sevilla, OCT 21 2242 - SS talk; over a music station that was likely Serbia. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 25 0517 - SS teletalk; loud. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 684 UNID, OCT 31 0325 - suspect Serbia with weak, muddy audio, looped further north than usual Spain signal, which was not evident today. [Renfrew- NY]
- 693 UNITED KINGDOM, BBC, Droitwich et al., OCT 21 2229 - BBC news & documentary; fair, dominant. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 711 WESTERN SAHARA, Laayoune, OCT 25 2127 - AA vocal and strings at low modulation level on huge carrier; WOR phased. The 50 Hz growl (from weaker Libya) didn't show up until several minutes later. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 756 GERMANY, Deutschlandradio, Braunschweig/Ravensburg, OCT 21 2222 - // 1422 with piano jazz; good, over Spain. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 756 SPAIN, R. Euskadi, Bilbao, OCT 25 0523 - man in SS; poor to fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 765 SENEGAL, Dakar, OCT 21 2247 - African-accented FF talk; good with the loop pointed southeast to null Switzerland. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 25 2137 - heated discussion or argument in a local language (choppy sounding, a bit like AA); excellent at S9+20 and better, sometimes stronger than WABC. Whatever technical problems this station may have had now seem to be corrected. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 765 SWITZERLAND, RSR, Sottens, OCT 21 2247 - classical music was strong with the loop pointed northeast. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 774 SPAIN, RNE1 synchros, OCT 21 2242 - SS talk // other RNE1's; good, slightly over Egypt. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 25 2245 - SS man mentioning R. Nacional España; over Egypt with a fast SAH resulting. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 783 SYRIA, Tartus, OCT 21 2315 - AA Koranic vocal; totally dominant and very loud, about the best signal I've ever heard from this. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 819 MOROCCO, Rabat, OCT 25 0515 - // 612 with AA chant; fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 836 AZORES, RDP, Pico da Barossa, OCT 21 2253 - fair with operatic romantic vocal. This station was noted on 837 a few days later: it's not the first time this has jumped back to its correct 9-kHz-multiple channel. [Connelly*rw-MA] (see 837 below)
- 837 AZORES, RDP, Pico da Barossa, OCT 25 2144 - here (ex-836) with PP talk; strong, evenly mixing with Canaries SS talk. Just because this has reappeared on 837, don't discount the possibility of it jumping back to 836 without warning. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN, COPE synchros, OCT 25 2144 - SS talk over/under Azores; loud. [Connelly*Y-MA]

- 855 SPAIN, RNE1, Murcia et al., OCT 21 2257 - SS teletalk; fair. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 864 EGYPT, Santah, OCT 21 2258 - male a cappella Koranic AA vocal; good. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 864 FRANCE, Paris, OCT 25 0540 - // 945 with FF talk by man, then mellow FF vocal; poor to fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
 873 LEBANON (t), Beirut, OCT 21 2316 - I'm not 100% sure if this is still active, but someone was running AA music behind dominant SER Spain. Syria-783 was huge at the time (annihilating Spain/ Portugal), so the propagation certainly seemed right for this. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 873 SPAIN, SER R. Zaragoza, Zaragoza, OCT 21 2316 - SS teletalk; atop AA music station. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 891 ALGERIA, Algiers, OCT 21 2317 - male AA vocal & wild instrumentation, then AA talk by man; good. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 25 0502 - woman in AA, then vocal; good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 25 2154 - man & woman in AA; good. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 944 unID African, OCT 25 2250 - Angola or Sao Tome here with bits of music and a het from something weaker on 945. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 945 FRANCE, Toulouse, OCT 25 0500 - man in FF said "bonjour", FF folk-rock vocal followed; excellent. Still strong when re-checked at 0542 UTC. [Connelly*H-MA]
 954 SPAIN, R. España, Madrid, OCT 25 2249 - excited SS teletalk by man & woman; good. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 963 PORTUGAL, R. Renascença, Seixal, OCT 25 2248 - mellow vocal (style of Al Martino or Vic Damone), then woman in PP; poor, over others. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 981 ALGERIA, Algiers, OCT 25 0543 - group AA chant; fair to good. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 25 2155 - AA folk-style vocal with steel guitar; good. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1008 CANARY ISLANDS, Las Palmas, R. Las Palmas / RadioVoz, OCT 25 2243 - slow SS talk (not // SER); poor, in WINS slop. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1017 GERMANY, Rheinsender, OCT 21 2325 - good signal: folk-rock vocal, GG talk by man, then the "Chariots of Fire" theme by Vangelis was played. Spain (fast SS talk) was audible way under. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1044 SPAIN, SER synchros, OCT 21 2237 - dominant & loud with usual newstalk in SS. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 25 0544 - woman in SS; starting to fade out. [Connelly*H-MA]
 1044 MOROCCO, RTM Sebaa-Aioun, OCT 21 2215 - presumed with local drumming and call-and-response vocals, dominating Spanish SER synchros. Slop from 1040 domestics phased. [Novello-NC]
 1053 UNITED KINGDOM, Talk Radio synchros, Start Point et al., OCT 21 2328 - blaring US-style ad for the "200 Non-Stop Party Hits" set of CD's. Bits of numerous '70s / '80s rock and disco hits were played; good, atop Spain & others. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1062 DENMARK, Danmarks Radio, Kalundborg, OCT 19 0410-0432 - Good with man in Danish and variety of soul and pop music, including Elton John's "Candle in the Wind". [DeLorenzo-MA]
 1089 UNITED KINGDOM, Talk Radio synchros, OCT 17 2325-2335 - Man and woman in EE. Decent signal strength but very poor readability because of severe WBAL-1090 sideband. [DeLorenzo-MA] OCT 21 0000 - ID "This! Is Talk Radio" and into Independent Radio News. Reasonable signal considering splash from 1090. [Novello-NC] OCT 21 2331 - EE talk mentioning the Rolling Stones. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 31 0321 - Noted from 0250 with Brit talk, mentioned "Southampton" and "Britain", news at 0300, lots of "tweaking" necessary to stay with audio in WBAL slop (but the best audio ever heard on this one!), finally heard "Talk Radio" slogan at 0321, new. [Renfrew-NY]
 1098 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, OCT 21 2333 - a bit of SS talk fighting its way through a raucous low-pitched growl. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1098 SLOVAKIA, Slovensky Rozhlas, Nitra, OCT 17-18 2340-0018 - Good in peaks with man and woman in Slavic language (presumed Slovak), current Eastern European rock music and 1950's "Doo-Wop" music. If Slovakia would be country #86 heard. [DeLorenzo-MA] OCT 22 0046 - disco-influenced Muzak (ouch!); good strength, well over Spain. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1107 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, OCT 25 0547 - SS teletalk; fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
 1116 SPAIN, SER synchros, OCT 22 0042 - // 1044 with SS teletalk show with woman moderator; fair. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1125 CROATIA, HR, Deanovec, OCT 21 2336 - talk // 1134; evenly mixed with Spain. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 31 0305 - weak, but parallel to 1134 program, second time I've heard this one. [Renfrew-NY]
 1125 SPAIN, RNE5 synchros, OCT 21 2336 - SS talk over/ under Croatia. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1134 SPAIN, COPE synchros, OCT 25 2238 - fast SS talk; totally dominant. [Connelly*Y-MA]

- 1134 CROATIA, Hrvatski Radio, Zadar, OCT 18 0021-0030 - Fair with local folk music. [DeLorenzo-MA] OCT 19 2255 - symphonic versions of Queen songs "Bohemian Rhapsody" and "We Are The Champions" to 2300. Three pips and "Hrvatskaya" ID by W at TOH, then into nx. Good signal. [Novello-NC] OCT 21 2334 - Slavic newstalk / teletalk; local-like, often better than WBRR! [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 22 0157 - mandolin music 0200 times tones followed by ID by woman "Hrvatski Radio", then talk. Fair signal in the clear. [Ziolkowski NY] OCT 31 0242 - strong, clear signal (best ever) with usual Balkan pop music program. [Renfrew-NY]
 1179 SPAIN // CANARY ISLANDS, SER synchros, OCT 25 2237 - man & woman with fast SS political teletalk; LOUD. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1197 LESOTHO, BBC relay, Lancer's Gap, OCT 25 2200 - "Lilybolero" interval music, BBC news in EE; to fair peak over others. OCT 25 2236 - up to good peaks with BBC discussion program. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1206 FRANCE, R. Bleue, Bordeaux, OCT 21 2355 - Edith Piaf vocal, brief FF talk by woman, then "A Whiter Shade of Pale" by Procol Harum; excellent, blasting in. Something else was way under with talk: Israel perhaps. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 25 0550 - // 945 with nostalgic female vocal; poor to fair. [Connelly*H-MA]
 1215 SPAIN, COPE synchros, OCT 25 2235 - fast SS talk & teletalk; to fair peak. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1215 UNITED KINGDOM, Virgin Radio synchros, OCT 21 0015 - "Talk of the Town" by The Pretenders, and, almost predictably, Oasis. Tough copy in splash from both sides. [Novello-NC] OCT 21 2359 - rock song ended, EE male DJ said a few words, then news headlines were read by a woman; fair signal. [Connelly*rw-MA] OCT 31 0310 - noted in passing with good signal, rock music. [Renfrew-NY]
 1224 SPAIN, COPE synchros, OCT 25 2202 - // 837: man & woman with SS teletalk; poor. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1251 LIBYA, Tripoli, OCT 25 2203 - AA news by man; good with just a bit of local WBUR-1240 slop. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1296 SPAIN, COPE, Valencia, OCT 25 2203 - woman with SS teletalk show; loud. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1314 NORWAY, NRK, Kvitsoy, OCT 22 0039 - Louis Armstrong vocal; absolutely LOCAL-LIKE (overwhelming the adjacent domestics). [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1349 MAURITANIA, R. Mauritanie, Nouakchott, OCT 25 2204 - flute music; fair through slop. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1386 UNID, OCT 19 0445-0505 - Poor with light piano music and man and woman in unreadable language. DF bearing due Northeast. [DeLorenzo-MA]
 1386 unID, OCT 25 2206 - a fair amount of RF, but the audio was murky. Guinea probable per receiving site characteristics, time of day, and propagation. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1386 RUSSIA, Voice of Russia, OCT 21 2150 - with EG program about computers, // 5940 but with satellite delay. Bolshakovo listed. Held on for about half an hour in all, fair to good signal. [Novello-NC]
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 1422 ALGERIA, Algiers, OCT 25 2208 - AA vocal & strings; dominant, poor to fair. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1422 GERMANY, Deutschlandradio, Heusweiler, OCT 21 2222 -piano jazz (// 756); fair. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1458 unID, OCT 25 2227 - male operatic vocal in heavy slop. CKRB-1460 is less a problem on Cape Cod than it is north of Boston, but 1458 is still a tough channel to DX. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1467 FRANCE, TWR, Roumoules, OCT 25 2210 - absolutely HUGE (S9+30 and better) with choral hymn, then US EE preacher. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1475.1 BENIN, ORTB, Cotonou, OCT 25 2212 - fast drumming & vocal; fair but fadey. [Connelly*Y-MA]
 1485 SPAIN, SER synchros, OCT 22 0036 - SS teletalk with a musical interlude; messy. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1503 unID, OCT 21 0035 - open carrier with something else way under. Iran possible, based on propagation. [Connelly*rw-MA]
 1521 SAUDI ARABIA, BSKSA Duba, OCT 21 2258 - Qur'an, few words by M, very short vocal anthem and off promptly at 2300. [Novello-NC] OCT 25 0308 - male Koranic AA vocal; good to excellent. Fading was fast and "ripply", like polar flutter, but the signal stayed generally strong. [Connelly*H-MA] OCT 25 2215 - local-like (way over S9) with high-energy AA strings and drums, then male vocal. [Connelly*Y-MA] OCT 25 2321 - Poor with arabic man singing.

- with my passive loop & high noise floor, audio on these guys is rare [Hawk-VA] OCT 31 0321 - strong het on WWKB, weak but readable Koranic reading. [Renfrew-NY]
- 1544 ALGERIA - CLANDESTINE, Tindouf, OCT 25 2222 - fast AA talk by man at light audio level on a massive S9+25 carrier. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1548 KUWAIT, VOA, Kuwait City, OCT 22 0010 - "VOA Business Report" talking about the day's 139 point advance in the Dow-Jones average; HUGE signal, amazing for the distance. A British station was way under with a woman doing a teletalk or interview show. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1559 unID (Middle East ?), OCT 22 0004 - bits of AA talk & a big het against the residue of phase-nulled WQEW-1560. This station has been noted in Spain and it might be the "Iraqi Army Radio" anti-Saddam Hussein clandestine that shows up on various split frequencies above 1500 kHz. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 1566 INDIA, All India R., Nagpur-Buttibori, OCT 22 0022 -Indian-accented EE talk by a woman mentioned agriculture and trade topics, then the words "external service"; poor to fair at best. I had to chase a jumpy phase null of WQEW's slop to pull this through. By 0030, the channel became jumbled with Iran & others getting into the mix. Getting India made sitting in the car on a cold night at the Rowley salt-marsh well worth the effort. [Connelly*rw-MA] (I'd be willing to sit IN the salt marsh to get this one! - Jim)
- 1575 SPAIN, SER synchros, OCT 25 2220 - fast SER SS newstalk; fair. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1619.5 NETHERLANDS, Scheveningen, PCH, OCT 21 0012 - this is still on the air (it's supposed to be going silent soon). Usual repeated cycle of "PCH" Morse code ID and 8 data bursts. Very strong. [Connelly*rw-MA]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 540 MEXICO XEACH Tijuana, BCN AUG 24 - Noted for first time with a man announcing call letters in Spanish "Eh-keys eh ah say ah-jay", second man in English with slogan "X-Bach Stereo 5-40" and mention of cable FM frequencies on Cox Cable and Southwestern Cable systems in San Diego. No mention of KKGO- FM, even though XEACH was three seconds behind XEACH. Also no mention of co- channel simulcaster KNOB Beverly Hills even when monitored in West L.A. Note that it is not XEBCH. Incidentally, I tried to visit their offices at 1500 Cotner Av. in West L.A. but they wouldn't buzz me in. [Park-CA] (You must have fit that "DXer" profile - Jim)
- 550 CUBA, R. Rebelde synchros, OCT 25 1013 - // 670 with SS political talk; barely atop jumble. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 550 VENEZUELA Cadena Mundial, OCT 29 0510-0546 - music program, good in WGR null, ID as "Cadena Mundial" at 0510 following lottery numbers, call letter ID at 0546. [Renfrew-NY]
- 555 ST KITTS AND NEVIS ZIZ OCT 25 0209 - weak with drum beats. Used to hear hets on this in Nebraska, but never audio. [Hawk-VA] OCT 25 1005 - bits of Carib-EE news; weak, but still audible at this late time. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 570 CUBA, R. Reloj, OCT 25 1008 - Reloj program still active here; loud, atop domestics. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 600 CUBA, R. Rebelde, CMKV, Urbano Noris, OCT 25 0953 -good: // 670 with SS male vocal and jazz instrumentation including brass, xylophone, & drums. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 630 MEXICO XEFX Guaymas, SON, SEP 25 0524 - SS, poor, but clear through local KHOW with musica romantica, ID: "XEFX, Los Profesionales de la Radio" (heard twice). I wonder if Hurricane Nora had something to do with this reception as they haven't been heard again. New! [Knight-CO]
- 640 CUBA, R. Progreso, Guanabacoa / Las Tunas, OCT 25 0950 - dominant: this was running the R. Reloj program at this time. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 650 MEXICO XETNT Los Mochis, SIN, OCT 22 0204 - SS, very good with ID: "XETNT, Radio 65, La Ley en Los Mochis y en el occidente de Mexico en musica", into ad string. [Knight-CO]
- 660 MEXICO XEACB Ciudad Delicias, CHIH, OCT 20 0204 - SS, very good most evenings with with "6-60" and "La Tremenda" slogans. Mexican pop music. Local ads. [Knight-CO]
- 670 CUBA, R. Rebelde, CMQ, Arroyo Arenas, OCT 25 0943 -Cuban music // 710; good. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 690 COLOMBIA R. Deportes, OCT 29 0602 - music program, full ID at 0602 with call letters, then more music, blasting away through CBF. [Renfrew-NY]
- 690 MEXICO XETRA Rosarita, BCN - Now announcing this city of license instead of Tijuana at the top of the hour in Spanish. [Park-CA]
- 700 COLOMBIA, HJXC, Cali, OCT 25 0946 - "R. Net" ID, Bogotá mention; dominant, way over WLW. [Connelly*H-MA]

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- 710 CUBA, R. Rebelde synchros, OCT 25 0943 - // 670 with upbeat Cuban vocal & rhythm section; audible behind WOR. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 740 MEXICO XEQN Torreon, COAH, OCT 24 0202 - SS, good with numerous station promo hype, lots of "Radio Capullo" slogans, program promo for "La Rey de la Noche". [Knight-CO]
- 760 COLOMBIA, RCN, HJAJ, Barranquilla, OCT 25 0957 - // 770: discussion program with woman in SS; good, over growl. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 770 COLOMBIA, RCN, HJXX, Bogotá, OCT 25 0957 - // 760 with woman in SS; audible through WABC. [Connelly*H-MA]
- 780 BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, ZBVI, Roadtown, Tortola, OCT 22 0052 - Carib-EE talk about football and other sports; over CFDR/WBBM. [Connelly*rw-MA]
- 820 MEXICO XE?? QTH?, OCT 20 0221 - SS, Very good with "Radio Lobo" slogans and jingles, Mexican pop music/musica tropical. No sign of WBAP. Another XE station underneath. This could be XEYX with a slogan change, XEUDO with a slogan change or ?? [Knight-CO]
- 840 CUBA, CMHW, Santa Clara, OCT 25 2300 - ID "Ésta es Dobleve, desde Santa Clara, en Cuba. "; loud / dominant. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 860 unID, OCT 25 2150 - festive Latin American music, slogan "la nueva ... Tropical !", then slow ballad; heard with CJBC nulled. This has been heard before, but not successfully ID'ed. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 990 MEXICO XECL Mexicali, BCN, OCT 26 0157 - SS, good peak over local KRKS with full ID including QTH, into Mariachi music. [Knight-CO]
- 1000 MEXICO XEFV Ciudad Juarez, CHIH, OCT 26 0145 - SS, poor through KKIM (who forgot to power down) with ranchera music and "...en La Rancherita" slogan. [Knight-CO]
- 1070 MEXICO XEOBS Ciudad Obregón, SON, OCT 26 0141 - SS, poor-fair under KNX with ranchera music and "Radio Mexicana" slogans. [Knight-CO]
- 1110 MEXICO XEWR Ciudad Juarez, CHIH, OCT 20 1252 - SS, good with EE oldies music, local ads, "Classic once died (11-10)" slogans, call ID. [Knight-CO]
- 1120 PUERTO RICO WMSWt OCT 25 0306 - many mentions of "Puerto Riqueño" and thought I heard "Radio Familia", but never any CL's. Are there any other possibilities? [Hawk-VA] (Venezuela usually has the strongest signal here - Jim)
- 1290 MEXICO XEAP Ciudad Obregon, SON, OCT 26 0047 - SS, Fair with Nortea music, ID: "...musica alegria, musica romantica, 12-90 Radio Sensacion". [Knight-CO]
- 1320 MEXICO XE?? QTH?, OCT 20 1305 - SS, very poor, Mexican National Anthem heard in QRM. possibly XESR signing on. [Knight-CO]
- 1352.3 unID, OCT 25 2232 - carrier here, not sure if Pan American or TA: years ago, YVTJ Venezuela was drifting on the high side of 1350, but this could be something else. [Connelly*Y-MA]
- 1375 ST PIERRE ET MIQUELON RFO OCT 11 0302 - FF, very strong...10 over S9 [Hawk-VA]

TRANS-PACIFIC

- 1314 JAPAN JOUF Osaka OCT. 23 1308 UTC - Woman talking fast in Japanese with several mentions of Osaka, talked over pop song by man. Over/under station in European language, probably China Radio Intl. in Russian. Poor to fair. [Park-HI]

MEDIUM WAVE STATIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA

- 630 ZMB Lusaka is actually on 628.9 kHz.
- 774 AGL Radio Cinco of Radio Nacional, presumably from Luanda is heard here, but in the past I have also heard Em. Prov. de Benguela on this frequency.
- 891 LSO Radio Lesotho has been reactivated on this frequency.
- 1170 BOT Radio Botswana here, location unknown.
- 1215 BOT Radio Botswana here, location unknown.
- 1278 AGL Em. Prov. de Cabinda is now on this frequency (probably ex 1570)
- 1350 BOT Radio Botswana here, location unknown.
- 1367 AGL Radio Nacional, Luanda, has been reactivated.
- 1400 AGL Radio Luito, Bi, is heard here.
- 1440 TZA Radio One, PO Box 4374, Da-es-Salaam, 10 kw, // 99.6
- 1475 BEN Contonou is on this actual frequency rather than 1476.
- [by Vashek Korinek via BE in ARC OCT 14]

A report in *Hard Core DX* from a traveller in West Africa comments that many stations are shifting to FM - Jim.

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BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA: 1242 Pale operating on this frequency and well heard in Germany 1800-1900 with continuous music. [HR (Germany) via BE in ARC OCT 6] The US Air Force has brought an AWACS aircraft to one of their bases in Italy. This aircraft is ready to lift and broadcast from the air over Bosnia, if the present struggle of the two governments cannot be solved. This aircraft is specially equipped to broadcast on AM-FM and TV. It is a C3 Commander aircraft that can stay in the air for 12 hours. It was last used during 1994 in Haiti. [Communications World via BE in ARC OCT 6]

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HOT TIP (via David Crawford), WCMQ-1210 is scheduled to enter the X-Band on 1700 kHz on TUESDAY, Spanish language, I believe.

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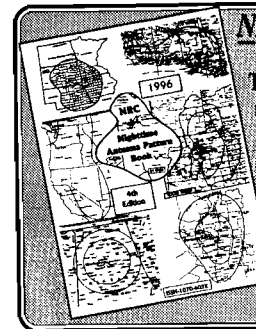


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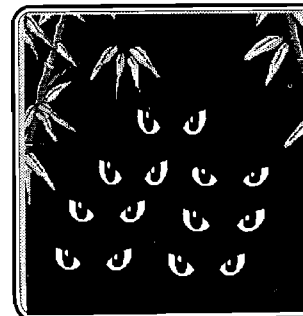
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News of the radio industry, of interest to DX'ers

Greetings, all ... The new morning team of George Woods and Shari Stone have moved into WOAI from Omaha ... KSFO is now airing Art Bell's "From Coast to Coast" live from 10 pm to 3 am and then rerunning the first three hours from 3 to 6 am. That's a lot of Bell! ... Some disgruntled local AM stations have bolted from under the wing of the National Association of Broadcasters. They will be called the American Community AM Broadcasters Association ... At age 85, radio vet Studs Terkel will retire on January 1st. He has been a fixture on Chicago radio for 45 years. He will then spend time with the Chicago Historical Society, organizing an archive in his honor, which will contain over 6,000 tapes ... IMUS back on in Cleveland, this time on WKNR ... Radio Disney has gone national after a six-month test at WKXH, KDIS, WYDE, and KCNR ... Phill Kline and Mary O'Holloran have joined KMBZ in Kansas City ... Here is a great radio name, Walt Starling. He is an airborn traffic reporter in D.C., gotta love it! ... Former Clinton right-arm man Dick Morris is shopping around for an on-air talk show gig. He has had on-air auditions in a few places. He may be headed for Jacor ... WKYN is now WBOB (Bob Means Sports - 1160) ... The Fabulous Sports Babe has moved his show from the ESPN Radio Studios in Bristol, CT to the ABC Radio Network's studios in New York City ... Steve McParlin is the new morning man on KNBR. He replaces station vet Frank Dill who retired at 34 years ... Will McDonough will be joined by his son Sean for a father-son sports combo to air on WBZ-1030 and the CBS Radio Network's NFL coverage in the Fall, the show to be called "The McDonoughs on Sports" ... KABC's weekend talkshow host for the last 19 years, Tom Hall, has passed away ... Neil Rodgers is moving from WIOD to WQAM in Miami. He won't hit the air until September 30th ... KNX recently celebrated its 29th anniversary as an all-news station ... If you would like to contribute to this column, I may be reached at the address above, InterNet PeteKZ1Z@AOL.COM, the FIDO system in the Shortwave, Ham or Broadcasting echo areas, The Oracle 1:141/1015, or amateur radio packet, KZ1Z @ K1UOL.CT. So much for now.

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1958	Dangerfield, Ben	PA	1996	126	33	426	331	85	44	151	8	10
1958	Anderson, Roger A.	VA/NY/PA	1993	105	28	1448	514	227	78	128	48	5
1946	Holbrook, Hank	MD	1993	103	26	2876	640	303	103	156	49	3
1933	Geary, Kermit	PA	1993	107	23	6190	988	512	243	147	61	2
1940	Morss, Stan	MA	1993	84	14	3922	424	218	65	221	1	3
1958	Merriman, Alan	VA	1994	93	14	1615	368	212	47	88	3	4
1950	Krejny, Edward	OH	1996	76	10	2733	441	208	126	91	6	0
1933	Cooper, Ernest	NY-MA	1980	79	6	4142	760	528	131	88	7	0
1960	Rugg, Andy	QC	1996	71	6	1705	208	87	48	66	0	1
1952	McIntosh, Eric	NZ	1965	63	4	686	635	301	2	45	253	81
1954	Starr, Jerry	OH	1974	51	3	1209	194	134	34	20	3	0
?	Callarman, John	?	1970	50	3	740	138	72	20	17	20	6
?	Sampson, John	NJ	1965	54	3	445	72	23	6	38	1	1
1962	Musco, Ron	CT	1997	44	2	1251	54	40	5	8	0	1
1958	Wesolowski, Ernie	NE	1995	24	1	2001	69	53	7	0	7	1
1955	Palmer, Richard D.	IL	1993	33	1	822	94	77	4	10	2	0
?	Fela, Joseph	NJ	1965	24	1	738	35	19	4	11	0	0
1958	Phillips, Dan	TN/AL	1974	26	1	567	40	21	9	5	3	0
1963	Scrimgeour, Gray	CA/ON	1971	47	1	526	440	354	10	18	31	26
?	Dellit, Sam	Australia	1978	37	1	362	218	109	0	5	80	23
1941	Kruse, Len	IA	1971	15	0	4080	77	61	3	0	13	0
1931	Steele, Sid	IL	1996	36	0	3096	299	104	12	2	8	1
1931	Wheeler, Frank	PA	1993	25	0	1885	78	68	7	1	2	0
1964	Heinen, Wayne	NY/CO	1996	38	0	1470	38	26	3	5	2	2
1964	Reynolds, Bruce	MO	1977	28	0	1103	121	111	6	2	2	0
1947	Luton, Relfe	NC	1973	23	0	1049	142	102	4	3	33	0
1964	Whatmough, Dave	ON	1994	13	0	1014	15	6	1	2	6	0
1962	Edmunds, R. J. (taped)	NJ	1993	43	0	897	56	845	37	14	0	1
1931	Holland, George B., Jr.	NY	1996	22	0	885	58	46	5	5	2	1
1975	Swearingen, Paul (taped)	KS	1997	22	0	746	95	43	16	0	0	0
1965	Kadet, Jeff	MD	1969	12	0	703	41	39	0	0	2	0
1964	Sorensen, Morris	ON/WB	1975	13	0	537	385	375	1	9	0	0
1968	Bytheway, Phil	WA	1982	9	0	457	20	0	0	0	0	0
?	Erickson, Don	CA	1982	6	0	442	9	8	0	0	1	0
1977	Wolfish, Niel	ON	1977	11	0	397	20	14	4	2	0	0
1976	Froemming, Gary	AZ	1994	17	0	338	92	85	7	0	1	0
1976	Renfrew, Jim	NY	1993	35	0	331	51	44	7	0	0	0
1962	Edmunds, R. J. (paper)	NJ	1994	7	0	266	13	10	3	0	0	0
1973	Mount, Paul	NJ	1995	6	0	230	25	22	2	0	0	0
1969	Karchevski, Bob	MA/CA	1975	24	0	204	141	112	0	0	6	0
1966	Bruner, Jesse R.	KY	1966	23	0	132	27	17	3	5	2	0
1965	Long, John	CT	1968	29	0	101	0	0	0	0	0	0
1975	Bartek, Daniel, Jr.	NE	1976	2	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	0
?	Falconer, Jeff	ON	1976	49	0	0	1175	0	44	0	0	0
1960	Lynch, Don	MA	1980	9	0	0	157	0	0	0	0	0

No updates again; second time in a row! Now's the time to review your totals and, if you haven't done so in the last couple of years, send me an update, even if it's only a guesstimate. Remember, only taped or paper veries are counted, and mainland U. S. and Canadians are not included in NA totals. Include your best catch from each continent and all other totals when reporting. Our next column will feature European totals.

Geomagnetic Summary

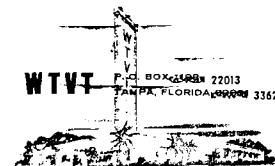
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High "A" values indicate possible auroral conditions

Geomagnetic Summary August 29 1997 through October 21 1997

GEO - Geomagnetic activity
 maf - major flare
 mas - major storm
 mis - minor storm
 pca - polar cap absorption
 SA - Solar Activity
 spe - satellite proton event
 ss - severe storm

Date	FLUX	A	K	SA	GEO	OTHER
8/29	92	12	1	moderate	quiet-active	-
30	92	9	1	low	quiet-active	-
31	96	4	2	low	quiet	-
9/1	93	4	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
2	92	2	2	moderate	quiet	-
3	93	16	5	low	quiet-mis	-
4	93	14	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
5	96	4	2	low	quiet	-
6	98	9	0	low	quiet-unsettled	-
7	102	3	0	low	quiet	-
8	119	10	2	moderate	quiet-active	-
9	116	14	3	low	quiet-active	-
10	115	16	3	low	unsettled-active	-
11	109	7	4	low	quiet-active	-
12	109	13	3	low	quiet-unsettled	-
13	108	9	2e	low	quiet-unsettled	-
14	z	z	z	z	z	-
15	98	9	3	low	quiet-unsettled	-
16	95	6	1	low	quiet-unsettled	-
17	z	8	4	moderate	quiet-active	-
18	88	16	2	low	quiet-mis	-
19	88	3	1	low	quiet	-
20	88	5	1	low	quiet-unsettled	-
21	85	11	4	low	quiet-active	-
22	89	8	1	low	quiet-active	-
23	92	3	1	low-mod	quiet	-
24	93	3	0	high	quiet	-
9/25	89	1	0	low	quiet	-
(9/26-10/2 unavailable)						
10/3	86	7	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
4	82	3	0	very low	quiet	-
5	z	z	z	z	z	-
6	84	3	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
7	84	6	1	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
8	83	12	4	very low	quiet-active	-
9	84	19	3	very low	quiet-mis	-
10	84	22	6	very low	quiet-mas	-
11	86	24	1	very low	quiet-mas	-
12	89	5	2	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
13	z	z	z	z	z	-
14	z	z	z	z	z	-
15	87	2	0	very low	quiet	-
16	88	2	0	very low	quiet	-
17	88	1e	1	very low	quiet	-
18	87	2	0	very low	quiet	-
19	z	z	z	z	z	-
20	83	5	1	very low	quiet-active	-
10/21	85	1	2	low	quiet	-



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"WOR -- Part Three"

By John D. Bowker

(The tape is rolling ... ready for cue ... and the golden voice of John Bowker comes out of the speaker ...)

And now, Historical Moments in Radio .. a collection of stories about the development of broadcasting on the a.m. radio dial .. and today I have some terrific new stories about the early and middle-years of WOR in New York. In earlier installments we talked about the station's early years in Newark and the start of the John Gambling morning shows.

And then we traced that fantastic story about tracking the lost dirigible, the Shenandoah by having listeners phone into WOR when they could hear the craft's engines overheard, and providing the captain with enough information right from the WOR broadcast to let him get his bearings and to land safely with no loss of life.

Today we'll take another look at the early formative years with plans to cover the 1920s, 1930s and 1940s on separate editions of this column.

First of all, however, I was impressed this month to receive a photograph of the radio department of the Bamberger Department Store in Newark taken in 1922. The sales area is large with regular glass show cases full of radios of all sorts .. the room is well lighted and uncluttered as you would expect of a department store .. and along one wall is a desk with a curtain next to it and a man standing by the display cases, and a sign proclaiming "L. Bamberger and Company Broadcasting Station, Call Letters WOR, Wavelength 355 Meters. The caption on this photo reads, "WOR's first studio with Chief Engineer J.R. Poppele shown at right".

The next clipping I have is from the minutes of a meeting held in April, 1923, at the Board Room of the Bamberger Store in Newark. The Chairman of the Board read the following statement addressed to Mr. Jack Poppele (pronounced Puh-PELL-ee):

Mr. Poppele, it is the consensus of the Board of Directors that we have received all of the value that we possibly can from WOR at this point. We consider the twenty thousand dollars invested in the station since our starting point one year ago to have been a worthwhile advertising venture for our radio department. It has been an interesting experiment, but we don't see much of a future for WOR and we agree that, at this point, the best thing to do is to turn back our license to the Government. Is there anything that you would like to say?" I won't quote from the entire response but Mr. Jack Poppele made the point that WOR was a medium for talking to people and he asked if that wasn't a valuable service to be tied to the Bamberger Store. Note that even then, none of the participants foresaw radio as an important advertising medium. In all, Jack must have convinced them to change their minds because, this past February 23rd, WOR celebrated its 75th year of continuous broadcasting in the New York metropolitan area.

Poppele had been with the station right from the start. Well, in fact, Poppele WAS the station right from the start. It seems the Bamberger Public Relations Director Walter Mohler had come up with the idea of trying out a radio station as a promotional gimmick for the store to help sell the new wireless radio sets they stocked. So an opening was created on the staff just in time for Jack Poppele, and ex-Navy wireless operator, to come walking in looking for job in their radio department. That was in January 1922.

After thoroughly planning WHAT they would set up as a broadcasting stations, and WHERE they would have it, Their next step was to climb aboard a train bound for Washington at 8 a.m. on February 20, 1922. Jack and his associate Orville Orvis went immediately to the Department of Commerce building there and, by the time they took their seats on the return train at 4 p.m., they had a license in hand for a 250-Watt radio station to operate at 360 Meters.

The next day in Newark a surplus World War I transmitter was connected to a temporary antenna system and on February 22, 1922, WOR signed on the air. The first sound heard on the new station? A recording of Al Jolson's "April Showers".

Poppele and Orvis had their hands full keeping the old radio equipment working and playing studio engineers all at the same time. They hired Karl Egge as the announcer; Karl slept there, ate there, and lived there according to Poppele's notes. Lee DeForest came over on occasion to help keep the transmitter adjusted properly. WOR would sign on each morning for a couple of hours, then take a break until noon .. another two hours, then a break until evening. In between times, the three man staff worked behind the counter selling radio receivers for L. Bamberger and Company.

On April 6, 1922 .. now that's over a full month after the first broadcasts were put on the air .. the transmitter was moved up to the roof of that store. By the end of 1922, two 65-foot masts had been installed in a nearby field with an eight-wire antenna strung between those towers. Now the station could be heard in Brooklyn, Staten Island and even way down in Atlantic City.

So, what did they broadcast? At first it was educational and informative talks .. story-telling for

children and other creative works cooked up by the staff on short notice. The first radio personality on WOR was Jessie Koeving who did a daily program of jokes and anecdotes. Another part-timer talked a local newspaper into printing a puzzle in the paper that children would be able to solve by listening to her program.

In October 1922, WOR made an arrangement with the British Broadcasting Corporation and, with Paul Whiteman's orchestra in the WOR studios in Newark, the signal was picked up by the BBC and rebroadcast to their European audience. WOR ended 1922 with another first. Since so many people would be receiving new radio receivers for Christmas, Poppele talked the Bamberger's management into letting them come into the closed building on Christmas Day and put WOR on the air. Remarkable idea! And who do you think was willing to give up Christmas cheer at home? Just one person -- Jack Poppele.

...and the rest is history. This is John Bowker.
(The tape stops. Silence, and lights off.)

Musings of the Members

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Time to check in again. Please add me to the e-mail list. (Did you send your address to Paul Mount, prmount@attmail.com? -pls) Our company is Fortress Technologies and is a name change from the former DSN. Last time, I wrote about the DX-375 problems around 1700 kHz and, shortly afterwards, found that the 1700 kHz image (RHC) was from Havana-6000 in EE and the 1710 kHz signal in SS was from Marti-6030, some sort of 3 x conversion problem around what must be the first IF in the 6 MHz range (the radio skips 6250 to about 7100). I could also hear 5910 on 1670 faintly. I've been doing some DXing with the DX-390 and the unpowered Radio West ferrite loop (from the '70s) coupling into the rx's own ferrite, have heard several Euro LW signals, best being 162 and 207 fair at 0030 LT with LW coil. The set is really not good enough to pick off most splits. Back in March I heard Kuwait-1548 on it at xmtr LSR, fair a few times, by tuning to 1547 and using "narrow" bandwidth. This is not a real DX radio. Was there an auroral activity evenings of 10/26 and 10/27? Even here in central FL, many freqs sounded like they do from the NY area in early evening, when there is a major aurora, being mostly a jumble of hets and covered with several SS, and there's a lot of SS heard even on stable nights, but the signals on non-au nights are much cleaner, for example 880 might be an even mix of WCBs and Progreso but on the 27th, I couldn't ID either one clearly. Now that the internet is available, it might be possible to do simultaneous DXing from widely separated locations during major auroras. Is there a southerly point, below which the aurora is not apparent on MW? I did not expect to hear apparent aurora this far south. When I get back to Jupiter, FL I'll check the reported 1000 operation. Buffalo K and his able sidekick sent me the revised coords for their operation and with GPS I easily found them, near Center St where it meets Indiantown Rd in Jupiter. There were two guyed towers in a field. They looked to be unmaintained and probably 10 years old; the doghouses were covered with brush and the tuning coil shed at the tower bases rusted out. However one tower had several satellite dishes on it, and there was a/c operating inside one doghouse (leased downlink for someone). I was there at the end of August and did not note them during daytime tuning around. There was a CP for a WJTS-1000 years ago and this must be the remnants of that. Another interesting event was WJNO-1230 in WPB taking over 1040 and the Boynton Beach (I believe) operation going to 1230 and becoming WJNA with e/1 mx. This switch took place over Labor Day weekend and was headlined in the Palm Beach Post that weekend. I never saw any advance notice in *DX News* about this. Apparently stations can move around like this with no advance CP publicity? I got the impression that WJNO, a well-rated talk/news operation, is getting a substantial power increase from being on 1040 and probably bought out the other station's frequency rights. We have a 1040 sports local in the Tampa area, but in late afternoon in Pasco county, just 15 miles north of here, WJNO covers them, at least the few times I've been able to check. WJNO is still simulcast on WJNX-1330. 73, Bob



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