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*** AND SO GOODBYE . . . ***

In more than a decade of writing this column I had the painful duty of reporting the demise of many members whom I had learned to call friends. But as distressing as it was, no announcement was nearly as difficult as that I must make now . . . to tell you that the Newark News Radio Club will end its long career with the April Bulletin.

There is no way to cushion the announcement. The simple fact is that the club's finances compel the ending to its more than 54 years in service to DXing. While the treasury is not exhausted at this writing, continued operation only could produce debts which could not be paid. In view of that fact, the NNRC Executive Board, on February 20, decided to set in motion the necessary machinery to dissolve the club.

On February 20, the Board voted to make the April issue the final Bulletin. It shall meet again on April 24 to complete the details necessary to the club's ending. If you should like to attend that final Board session . . . it will begin at 2 p. m. on that Saturday and will be held at the Hilton Gateway in Newark, New Jersey.

Before proceeding with an explanation of the events, I should like to take a moment to complete a happier job and announce the . . .

*** WINNERS OF THE 4TH ANNUAL DXING CONTEST ***

These members will be awarded plaques for placing first in their categories: SHORTWAVE -- Frank Welch, 217.6 points. MEDIUM WAVE -- Rick Overmann, 210.7. AMATEUR -- W. C. "Steve" Stevenson, 78,000. UTILITIES -- Robert French, 1,201.

All participants will receive a Certificate of Achievement to mark the final contest. Those who will get the "Honorable Mention" Awards are: SHORTWAVE -- James Young, 209; John Wilkins, 180; Leslie Nice, 171; James Clifford, 168; Gene Purdum, 162. MEDIUM WAVE -- Robert Colegrove, 185; Hank Holbrook, 174.5; John Brandel, 144.5. AMATEUR -- Harold Schrock, 59,495; Larry Danko, 35,107; Ralph Hartman, 34,632; Doug Ilioff, 24,895; William Schultz, 21,320; Ewald Bartunek, 14,745.6. UTILITIES -- Ewald Bartunek, 345; Louis Horacek, 324; Patrick O'Connor, 269.

We want to note that the winners in the Shortwave and Medium Wave categories gained their victories courtesy of bonus points awarded for receivers used. James Young placed first in the former on the basis of raw score; Robert Colegrove led the scoring in BCB in actual points awarded for station receptions.

Of course, we want to give our special congratulations to the winners, but we also want to say thanks to everyone who took part.

And this final entry in the . . .

*** NNRC RADIO EXCHANGE ***

FOR SALE . . . AEA Morse/Baudet/RTTY Reader, with 32 character display, brand new, \$225. Gilfer-modified YAESU FRG-7 receiver, excellent condition, \$230. Allied SX-190 receiver, \$100. Tim Doyle, P. O. Box 6046, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648.

As everyone knows, costs have increased by leaps and bounds in recent years. We have been fortunate in that some of our major expenses have remained nearly the same. But one we could not control -- postage costs -- and it has compelled several increases in dues to keep the club solvent. Indeed, the problem became so frequent, with the postoffice upping costs every few months, that the Board finally adopted a By-Law change to remove dues raises from those rules. That way it became free to act immediately, if the members believed it necessary.

When the Board met in November it had on the table a proposal to raise the dues. We had delayed action to determine what the postoffice would do. (As you know, first class postage was increased twice last year.) By the time of the meeting, the rate had been established at 20¢, so we could decide reasonably how much to raise the dues.

In November, too, we became aware that our cash reserve was in bad shape. Our receipts vary throughout the year, with the amounts very low in the summer and usually high enough during the late fall and winter to build an excess over month to month expenses. That excess, then, our reserve, provides a cushion for the low-income period. We knew that we had a problem, but we had our good period ahead of us. Moreover, we voted the dues increase which we hoped would bring in additional money.

That was not to be. Almost always when we increase dues, we lose members. In December at the new rates, the receipts were excellent. They gave cause for optimism. But the loss of members became more obvious in January, when the income was much below what it should have been. I wrote in the March issue that we did have financial problems, but I dared believe that we could overcome them. By the time of the meeting on February 20, I knew that my optimism had been a mistake. We should have shown an excess of receipts over disbursements for that month; instead we had to dig into our reserve.

The Board faced a hard decision on February 20. We devoted the entire meeting to discussion of the problem, although even before we began it seemed obvious we had but one course of action. Among things we did discuss were ways to save money. Our Bulletin takes most of our money; any method of saving money had to affect it. We discussed the change to bi-monthly publication, a cutting of size of the newsletter by eliminating some columns . . . one member suggested we publish a single-page Bulletin for a few months to rebuild our cash reserve. At one time in NNRC's history such ideas probably would have been accepted by the members. Today that would not be the case.

In the final stages of the discussion, it became obvious that the decision had been made for us -- the NNRC must cease operation. Our only election was to determine whom. And in reality that was not a choice.

On February 20, we had sufficient cash on hand to publish one more Bulletin and pay all outstanding bills. We also had a small surplus, with the possibility of adding a few more dollars to the amount by the sale of our address machine. We could print an April issue without fear of incurring debts we could not pay. To continue beyond that date was a question mark. We might be able to publish another issue or two, but the pattern of receipts strongly indicated against it. One thing was clear -- we had to end the NNRC's long service to DXing. And with the future so clouded, so fraught with risk, the Board did what reason dictated should be done.

To decide to dissolve the club was a difficult and melancholy duty. But to have the NNRC face a disastrous ending was even more disturbing. We chose to cease operation while we could enter the club with reasonable dignity. Our group has built a fine reputation through the years, and we wanted to retain as much of it as was possible.

As I noted, the club treasury is sufficient to cover all bills. Our only indebtedness will be to the members. We shall be able to make some limited refunds of dues. While we cannot repay all the money, we shall use all funds left over after debts are paid to make refunds. These will take considerable time to make, so please don't expect a check before sometime in May. If you have money coming, we shall get it to you as fast as possible.

One thing that we can do for all members . . . We have nearly 5,000 NNRC Seals in stock, and the Board has agreed to dispense them to the members without charge. If you would like some Seals as souvenirs, you can get them by sending an SASE (self-addressed, stamped envelope) to:

Vladimir Cucura, Jr.
437 Arlington Street
Reading, Pennsylvania 19611

I do not have the space for a long discussion of what happened. While finances is the immediately compelling cause, the reasons why they have fallen off so much are many. Possibly one word as much as any other can describe what happened -- change . . . change in the club's membership, change in the lives of people, distressing change in the economic picture of our country. All of those played important roles in the club's demise, and so did other cause I cannot take time to mention or even, possibly, know. No one thing compelled the ending of the Newark News Radio Club.

What space I have remaining I should like to use to thank everyone for the encouragement and help they have given me through the years. For the most part, I have enjoyed this monthly visit with you, and I shall miss writing the column. My job has made me many new friends, for which I am grateful, and I have found a considerable satisfaction in it. I want to express special thank you to the members of the Executive Board with whom I have worked intimately and to the Editors of the Bulletin who have made my job as Chief Editor so much easier. And another thank you goes to the publishers of the Bulletin for their fine and responsible job. I am deeply grateful to everyone.

And now a final goodbye . . . Good DXing to everyone! It is a great hobby, and I am delighted to be a part of it.

THE PIONEER DAYS

by Carroll H. Weyrich

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From the pages of Vol. 1, No. 24 dated March 2, 1936, the National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C. conducted European and Buenos Aires tests for the purpose of determining the relative absorption of radio waves at broadcast frequencies over the North Atlantic at widely different latitudes. The Bureau's tests showed that the Argentinians were received with many times the signal strength of the Europeans. Test receptions were conducted in Europe at the same time. The tests for the European stations concluded January 15, 1936 and the South Americans on January 30, 1936.

In the High Frequencies edited by Earl Roberts, the following Hams were reported:

Vane Jones reported the best ham DX from ZU6P heard February 21 at 2:35 PM while working a New York Ham.

Nick Hock ran a close second with HK1RN, 14.108 mcs., at 6:30 PM; CO2FB 14.110 mcs. and NX2Z, the Greenland station, 14.395 mcs. at 4:45 PM.

Mort Meehan also heard NX2Z on February 14 stating that he had been of the air for 3 weeks for repairs caused when a high voltage line was used in error. Also heard were VP2OD, LU5CZ, XE2FM, HI7G, HI5X, HI60, TI2AV and K4DDH, lately, and says that W2BSD has a schedule with F8DR and G5ML at 2 PM daily. W2BSD was heard telling another ham that F8DR uses 1500 watts, G5ML, 200 watts and VO1I averaging about 175 watts.

Phones: YVR, 9.168 mcs. was heard 6:35 PM calling in Spanish...Vane Jones reported YVQ the same day at 2:28 AM working with WNC. The S. S. New York whose call was understood to be DJNY was heard at 8 PM February 23 and the Queen of Bermuda, VQJP, was received at 2:42 PM February 24 working with W00.....Mort Meehan states that F2S3, LSY3 and HJY can be heard around 10 AM irregularly. Mort also heard WCG and WQP testing with EAQ between 3 and 4 PM in preparation for a program to be rebroadcast at 1930 GMT on February 23. WQP and WQD were testing with EAQ, HBO and PPU on the same day at 2:30 PM, while WMF was calling GBW and LSN at the same time.

In the Members' Reports and Comments section for March 2, 1936, the following reports were received:

Earl Roberts, Indianapolis, Ind.: "Heard Bordeaux and Fecamp on February 8 at 2:10 AM; 1YA the 10th, and one I believe to be 4YA on 790 kcs. at 4AM. The one on 790 with a dance orchestra was the loudest. New stations include KALB, KIUN, KNEL, KIUP, KSEI, KVSO and KRLC. WLNH dedicated their February frequency check to the club and gave us a fine program."

Phil Nichols, E. Hartford, Conn.: "DX has picked up some. Logged CMKW Santiago, Cuba on 1190 weakly 2:55-3:30 AM February 2. Also caught WATL in Atlanta and then KNET on 1420 very weakly at 4AM. WSPA is back with a fine letter. KFBK is at present sending out pamphlets describing their new station but I am in hopes they will send verifications later."

Ray Everly, Newton, Ill.: "New veries are from XEPB, WPAR, CMCO, CKIC, and KELD. The total log is now 929 of which 900 are verified."

Bill Applegate, Chicago, Ill.: "Because of the intense cold here I haven't had the will power to get up much to DX confining it mostly to Saturday nights. I did go for the South Americans though and was much pleased in landing LS2, LR1 and LR4 which is something for me. Other additions since January are XEAQ, KDON, WMFG, KIUP, WMFR, WHBB, WMSD and WTAL."

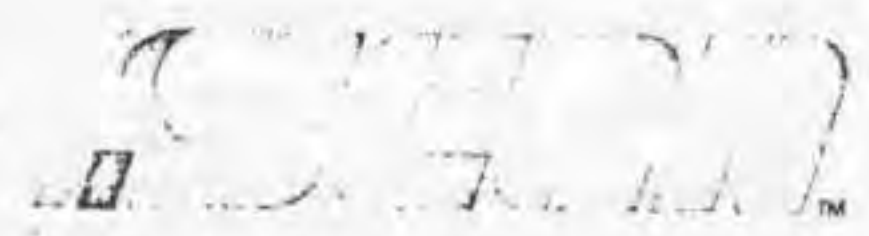
Floyd Biss, Brittmount, Minn.: "Returned from a trip to Crookston, Minn a short time ago where I visited my brother Raleigh for a week. We used to DX together and it was like old times to be at it again. CMBX was heard on 1400 kcs. February 9; WSMK has not been on lately with their Night Watchman program and KTM has signed off at 3 AM occasionally, but to offset these, XEAW and WIND are on nearly all night again."

This just about does it for this time and we invite comments regarding this page. They are always welcome and we hope you enjoy reading about the 1930's when we really had great times DXing.

And now a word about scanners, the law, and you...

BEWARE

SCANNER ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA



February 2, 1982

Suite 1212 • 111 E. Wacker Drive • Chicago • Illinois 60601

Dear Member:

This coming Monday, February 8th, the right to own and use a scanner radio will be defended in a Philadelphia courtroom.

As you may be aware, the city of Philadelphia recently began enforcing an old ordinance, which was actually enacted before the scanner radio was invented, but which has been interpreted to apply to scanners. This law attempts to make it illegal to sell, possess or use a scanner radio -- even in a private home -- within the city limits. We believe this law (the only one like it in the entire U.S.A.) is unconstitutional.

The hearing on this issue is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., Monday, February 8th, Room 675, at the Philadelphia City Hall. It is important that we demonstrate that there is public interest in this issue and we ask that all SCAN members and friends in the Philadelphia area make a special effort to attend. Please be assured that you are not being asked to be identified as a scanner owner or participate in any way. But your presence in the courtroom audience can make an important difference!

Furthermore, I am sure that you will find these proceedings of great interest and that your time will be well spent. There will be testimony from myself and others to tell the court who we are and how we use our radios. Come join us and see the court in action.

Even at a sacrifice to your own work or personal schedules, I urge you to attend. Nothing less than the traditional American right to listen to the airwaves is at stake.

Yours truly,

Robert A. Hanson
Robert A. Hanson
Managing Director

P.S. If you have any personal experiences of how your scanner has been helpful to you, or how it may have helped you aid local law enforcement efforts, please contact the attorney who is handling this case: William A. Fitzpatrick
Fitzpatrick & Young, Attorneys
Phone: (215) 925-3543

via Armand Di Filippo (Thanks - ed.)

This move has particularly bad overtones and may very well adversely affect our radio listening hobbies. As I see it, attempts by local and state governments to outlaw scanners, "pirate" HBO receivers, and even radar detectors are attempts to monopolize segments of one of the few free things left-- THE RADIO SPECTRUM!

While I do not know the outcome of the above proceedings at press time, I will do my best to find out the results and report them here.

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FREE AFTERNOON + SPARE CHANGE = BETTER RECEPTION

The Radio Canada International "Inexpensive FET Preselector"

Two years ago I was looking for an antenna tuner or preselector which could be used with my portable untuned indoor broadband antenna. I heard RCI offer the plans for an "Inexpensive two transistor preselector" which would add 4 to 6 S-units depending upon the antenna and receiver used. I sent for the plans and was able to construct the project literally overnight. Most of the parts I found in my junk box. My only purchase was the metal case and the FET transistor. RCI recommends housing the project in a metal box. It also works without the box but I found that the box acts as a shield from unwanted noise and interference and is therefore preferred. The coil must be constructed by the builder but this part was quite easy. I used a bit of white glue to ensure that the windings stayed on the dowel. I also found that the transistor values were not critical and I substituted equivalent and cheaper types. For Q-1 I used a Radio Shack RS2035 N channel FET and for Q-2 I substituted a 2N3904. I would also recommend putting the battery clip outside the metal box thus making it unnecessary to open the box to change batteries.

The plans for the RCI preselector were free. I was pleasantly surprised to find that it exceeded its advertised specifications. In practice it actually added more than 6 S-units with my set up. RCI says that it is designed to operate from 5.5 to 22 MHz but I have found that mine works well in the 60 meter band also. The plans for the RCI preselector are provided here through the courtesy of Mr. Ian McFarland and Radio Canada International. He also reports that they have had many nice comments on this preselector over the past few years and that many builders, like myself, have found that performance exceeds the claims made for it.

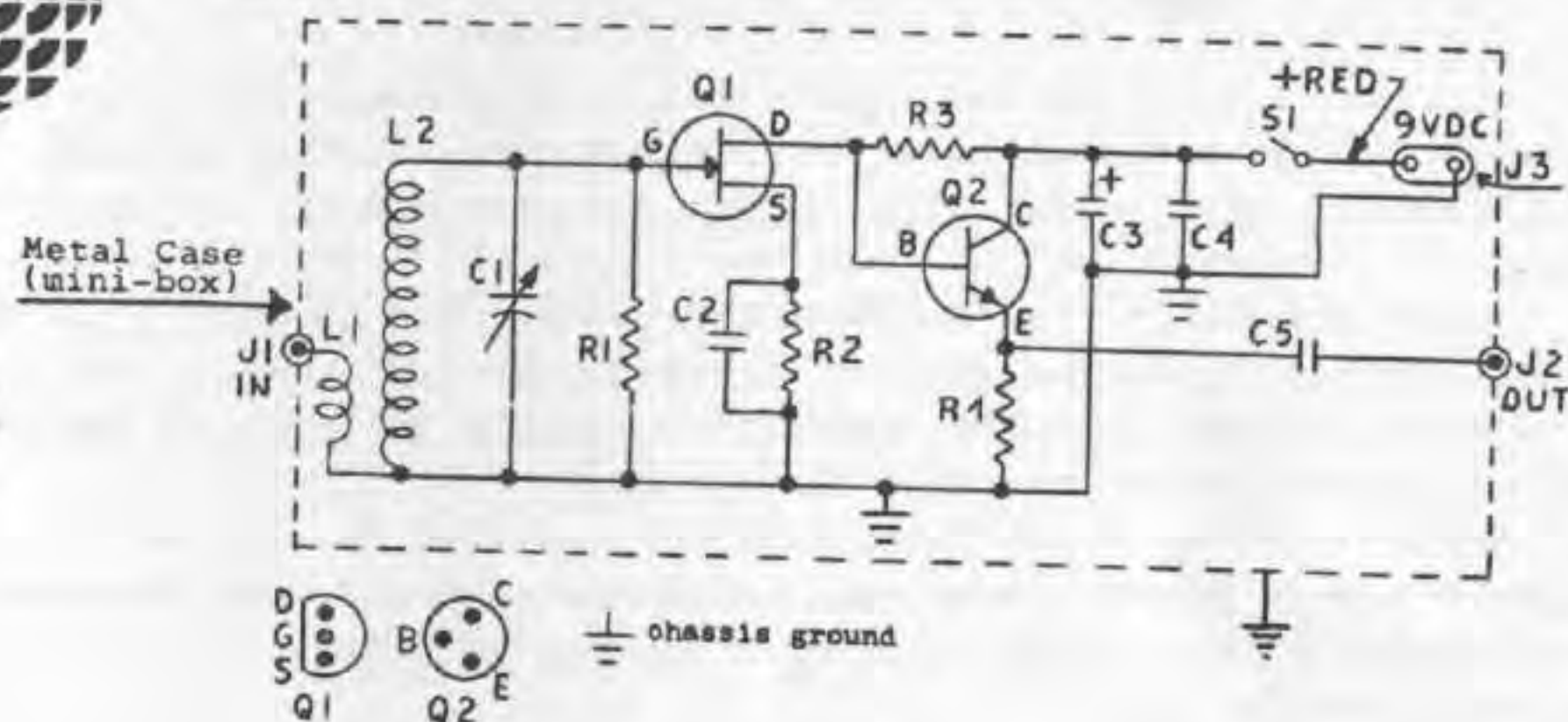
I have found that the RCI preselector is quite portable and fits easily into a suitcase. With a wire antenna and the RCI preselector, the reception capabilities of my Sony ICF-5900 are considerably enhanced. This makes it unnecessary to rely on the Sony's pop-up whip antenna when traveling. When not travelling the RCI preselector combined with an untuned indoor broadband antenna make up my auxiliary antenna. (Often this combination works best on the tropical bands.) Performance has been quite good. The RCI preselector can provide a satisfactory means of enhancing reception for the apartment dweller who must rely on a random wire antenna and for whom the factory made active antenna is not the answer.

James C. Clifford
VII Corps FAS O&I
APO New York 09178



INEXPENSIVE FET PRESELECTOR

This preselector covers a range of 5.5 to 22 MHz approximately. It has a gain of about 4 to 6 S Units at any given frequency, but the actual gain will depend on the receiver & antenna being used.



CONSTRUCTION DETAILS.

Coil L-1 - 2 turns of no. 26 enameled wire/close wound on top of coil L-2. Coil L-2 - 15 turns of no. 26 enameled wire/close wound on a piece of 5/8 inch diam. wood dowel.

For best results the preselector should be housed in a metal box, however it will work if constructed on a piece of board. It will also work best if built on a printed circuit board, which you would of course have to make yourself. If you hand wire it, as opposed to putting it on a printed circuit board, make sure you keep all leads as short as possible in order to keep oscillations to an absolute minimum. And also make sure all solder joints are good, as this will also help to cut down on the oscillations. Current drain of the unit is about 3 ma from a nine volt battery, which makes it quite inexpensive to run.

PARTS LIST.

C-1... 365 pf Tuning Capacitor. C-2, C-4, C-5... .01 mfd - 15 WVDC
C-3... 100 mfd. - 15 WVDC. J-1 & J-2 - Phono Jack. J-3 - Battery holder.
L-1 & L-2... see construction details. Q-1... 2N3819 'N' Channel FET Transistor. Q-2... 2N3646 'NPN' Transistor. R-1... 100 K $\frac{1}{2}$ watt resistor.
R-2... 680 ohms $\frac{1}{2}$ watt resistor. R-3... 1K $\frac{1}{2}$ watt resistor. R-4... 3.9 K $\frac{1}{2}$ watt resistor. S-1... Single Pole-Single Throw switch.

This preselector plan was originally featured in the Summer/74 issue of the R.C.S.W.C. Bulletin.

Grove Enterprises is an innovative, up and coming firm that specializes in monitoring accessories. They have recently expressed an interest in sponsoring seminars at various places around the country. The only problem is to find enough people in an area to make a monitoring seminar worthwhile. If you and your friends are interested, please write Bob Grove at the address on the next page.

A recent innovation of Grove is the Scanverter, which allows reception of the military/government UHF frequencies (225-400 MHz). On the next page is a flyer recently received on the Scanverter.

GROVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

BRASSTOWN, NORTH CAROLINA 28502

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225-400 MHz on YOUR AIRCRAFT SCANNER!

Delivery: March, 1982

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Scanverter connects between your outside antenna and your scanner and requires 12 VDC power (AC adaptor available). No adjustments are necessary; everything is automatic.

Additional features include:

- High sensitivity, low noise microstripline design
- All metal cabinet for superior shielding
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- 11-pole filter for low out-of-band interference
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But the initial production run is limited to 100 units, not enough to satisfy the overwhelming interest in this unique instrument. To be assured of prompt shipment, **ORDER NOW!** 1-800-438-8155

CVR-1 Scanverter \$99.95 includes interconnecting cables and full instructions (plus \$2.00 shipping).

AC adaptor \$8.00 if ordered with CVR-1

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PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE: If your equipment fails to perform as advertised, call 1-800-438-8156 for a return authorization number within 15 days of shipping.

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Well, this is it. My sincere thanks go to everyone who has helped me with the preparation of this column in the past. Good DX'ing!

Grove Enterprises, Inc., 1108 King Arthur Ct., Sykesville, MD 21784

Well gang, this is it. The club has closed up and gone out of business. You have already read all about it on the opening pages of President Gene Vonderembse's column. This is the last issue. We found out about it just after the last bulletin was completed and there simply wasn't time to notify everyone in case you would like to have a few parting words. It's a sad shame that a club as fine as ours has to go down the drain especially after 54 good years of operation.

We would like to recommend another good Shortwave Club for those of you who may not already be members of it. It's the West Coast club headed up by good friend Stewart Mackenzie, W6GAA, and if you'd like information on the club, write to the American Shortwave Listeners Club, 16182 Bellad Lane, Huntington Beach, California - 92649. I'm not sure if they have a 'sample bulletin fee' or not so you might send along \$5.00 just in case, if only to partially cover the postage. There is another club that is around that preaches friendship but through the years have carried a rather inane column written by 'anonymous ones' that has managed to tear the friendship idea all to bits. Too bad, for it's an otherwise good club, but columnists like that one have no place in our hobby.

As for myself, I would like to get into another editing job but we will have to let our regular reporters know when and where later on. I've already made membership inquiries into another club and if I join it will be my first club affiliation other than NNRC since the early 1940's.

The item of old business before going further and it's sad news. Last month we asked our readers to send get all cards to a good friend of ours, John Bloodgett. He was not a NNRC member but he was in the broadcast field as a producer of big band radio programs. Amelia and I - and Betty and Cathy Bloodgett - would like to thank all those who took the time to send John a card. Unfortunately, on the way that the last bulletin was making, John passed away from a terminal illness. Three days later the music world was saddened by the sudden passing of another musical great, Charlie Spivak.

Scattered throughout this column will be some photos of our great printing team over at Art Press in Barrington. John, Bob, and Cliff have done an outstanding job for us and we appreciate their efforts. In return for their fine work we'd like our readers to know that they are able to handle your printing needs, from letterheads to QSL cards. Drop them a note at Art Press, 124 Clements Bridge Road, Barrington, New Jersey - 08007, or phone them at 609-547-8953. Tell them what you want or need and be sure to mention that you are a NNRC member. The boys there join us in grieving at the passing of our club.

I suppose there might still be some of the old timers around who remember some of the long-gone clubs. There were the International Radio Monitors with headquarters in Utah, The Universal Radio DX Club (California), The Grand National Radio Club (Michigan-?), the R 9 Listeners League, and others. When I first began in the hobby in 1938 I sooner or later belonged to all of them but after World War II became more active with NNRC and have stayed with them all these years.

My first column was in December of 1949. I received a letter from then-President Irving Potts who inquired if I was interested in taking over the column from Jim Hart who was giving it up for reasons of health. Amelia and I took it on as co-Editors and handled it that way for several years until she got herself elected as a club vice-president (a position she has held ever since) and at that time I took over the column myself. My first column - or page one of it - will appear elsewhere in this issue.

A few of the more interesting loggies in that first issue were as follows:

- 18100 KUH2, Honolulu; point to point transmission to US West Coast with CBS. Had California and Oregon football games. S/off 0245. (Everett Shirley, Pa.)
- 15160 VIT-7, Delhi, India; good signal with English announcements at 0700. (John Oskay, New Brunswick, N.J.) THESE TIMES WERE ALL EST.
- 14970 FZL, Radio Brazzaville, French Equatorial Africa, heard on Thursdays with English program beamed to USA 1800-1815. (Chuck Gerran, Jamestown, N.Y.)
- 11913 Chungking, China; fair signal at 0800. (John Oskay)
- 11790 WRUA/WRUS, Boston, with Sunday DX program at 1400-1420. They will swap VOA QSL cards; write VOA, New York City 19. The program is sponsored by the American Radio Relay League. (Mank Bennett)
- 10640 WES48, Lake Success, New York, on loan to Great Britain for relaying UN proceedings; heard in English with BBC relay at 2000-2030. (Charles Sutton, Toledo, Ohio)
- 9767 OTC, Leopoldville, Belgian Congo; P. I. Box 505 (with a description of their QSL card). (Remember their great nonstop goodwill music programs?)
- 3480 ZQI, Jamaica, heard very good at 2000. (John Oskay)

...and a lot of other goodies from Tom Kneitel, William Milne, George Cox, George Hutton, Herman Dallmeier, Munroe Carlton, and others....

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Newark, 1, N.J.

SHORTWAVE SECTION

Mail all reports to Hank and Amelia Bennett, 302 Laurel Avenue,
Woodlynne, Audubon-6, N. J.

As was announced in the last NERC Bulletin, we have been appointed as Shortwave editors, through the kindness of Irving Potts and the Board of Directors. We were very pleased to receive said appointment and we shall do our level best to maintain the high standards set by our predecessor, Jimmy Hart. We wish to thank each and every one for the fine co-operation we have received in the form of tips, reports, and congratulatory letters, and, although it may take us a couple of bulletins to iron out the bugs and get the system running smoothly, we shall do our best. Please keep the reports coming and in connection with that, please make note of our address. In order to avoid having rubber stampings on your letters and cards, kindly insert the "Audubon-6" as shown above. Thanks again, and here we go--

Radio Station HJDE, Medellin, Colombia, will present a special DX program dedicated to all SW and BCB DX'ers, on Monday, December 19, from 0400 to 0500 EST. It will be in the 49-meter band on 6145 kcs., and they will run 10,000 watts. The program will consist of a variety of South American music with both English and Spanish announcements. This program will also be etherized via HJDE on 770 kcs, with 10 kw. The management of HJDE would appreciate COMPARATIVE reports on SW and BCB reception. All reports should be addressed as follows:

Senor William Gil S., Geronte,
"La Voz de Antioquia"
Estaciones HJDE-HJDE
Medellin, Columbia, South America.

Our thanks go to George Hotten for this timely information.

Anyone desiring a copy of RCA "Ham Tips" for Sept.-Oct. '49 may have same by sending us three cents in stamps. This issue contains a useful Frequency Multiplication and Division chart for all ham bands from 2 meters to 160 meters, along with types of emission used in each band.

Your editors are in receipt of a letter from Mr. O. P. Ferrell, (Editor of CQ Magazine), whose address is Radio Amateur Scientific Observations, 121 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia, 7, Pa. He is chief of a contract with the U. S. Air Force and at the moment is investigating the phenomena of sporadic-E (known by some as the heaviside layer). The specific frequencies being investigated now is 50 to 54 megacycles. About 350 amateurs are cooperating in this study and he urgently solicits the aid of SWL's who are interested in those frequencies. He asks that reporters send him the dates, times, call letters, frequencies, and locations of DX stations that are heard. They supply forms and stamped return envelopes. Reporters are rewarded with a monthly newsletter and, for the more active reporters, a Certificate of Participation. For further information, kindly contact Mr. Ferrell or your SW editors.

NEXT DEADLINE FOR REPORTING IS DECEMBER 23, 1949.

In 1955 we were approached by the Editor of Popular Electronics Magazine to take over the duties of their then-present editor, Kenneth Board. This we did and held that column together until the magazine closed it in 1970. During that time the WRG form of Monitor Registration was born by a gentleman in Ohio and shortly taken over by the magazine as an advertising gimmick. In due time they decided that there was too much involved so I asked for the program, which was granted, and we've been running WOX ever since. This one is still very, very much alive and in business. P. O. Box 3333, Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034. Please include return postage for information and an application blank.

The present day Board of Directors is a far cry from the members who comprised the Board back in the 1940's. Gone are such well known names as Irving Potts, Jimmy Hart, Walt Townley, Les Kraemer, Harold Williams, Harold Robinson, and others. Still remaining among the old timers to see the club pass away are Ben Feinstein, our secretary of many years, Gene Bataille (a charter member yet!), John Tweedie, our long-running Broadcast Band editor-expert, Earlton Lord, from Corning, New York, "Uncle" Murray Buitkant, Bob Koppelon, and others. A few more from those days who have since passed on include Floyd Backus, Anson Boice, Rudy Precourt, Charles Sutton, Charles McCormick (our Utilities editor for many years), Al Koempel, and J. Art Russell.

My comment that the present day Board members are a far cry from the old timers is not to be taken as criticism. The present day Board members are every bit as devoted and hard working as were their predecessors. The biggest change is in the Board meetings themselves.

In the old days and for many years the monthly meetings were held at homes of the various officers and directors. Ample refreshments and dinner was a part of each meeting. Today's meetings have deteriorated to a business meeting in a hotel or motel room and this is due mainly to economics involved in the cost of refreshments and a big dinner. Still, these meetings were for the purpose of operating the club and taking care of all business attendant, rather than as a social gathering, and to this end, it was accomplished. It was refreshing to note that one recent meeting was hosted by NNRC'ers Connie Wasserman and Steven Albert and we're only sorry that we were unable to be in attendance because of working hours but we did hear that it was a fine meeting. Amelia and I had hoped to once again have a Board meeting at our home this spring or summer. Now, this is no longer possible.

In the early days and for many years the club produced a bulletin on the mimeograph process. The Newark area members would meet in a room of the Newark News newspaper, the club sponsor, and crank out the bulletin, collate, lick stamps and envelopes and get the bulletin out into the mail. In due time Charles Smith of Collingswood (who served as my local Board meeting bartender) took over the duties of mimeographing, collating, and mailing and he held this tedious job, with his wife, Lorraine, for several years. When he had to turn this job back to headquarters, Amelia and I took it over and continued with publication of the bulletin to this day.

In the 70's, when it came to be "Bulletin Weekend", Amelia and I would start grinding out mimeograph copies of anywhere from 40 to 50 pages of nearly 1000 copies each and we'd have stacks of paper in the dining room, in the kitchen, in the bedroom, in the living room (and in THAT room, too). Then came the collating and beware to anyone who was within the confines of our house. We interfered with a couple of romances; the kids would have their friends in and they'd be put to work. Usually they volunteered rather than be thrown out for refusing. We even waded an old girl friend from nearly a half century ago to come over for dinner that weekend. The bulletins got out though!

Still later we went into the printed bulletin and with it rather hard and fast deadlines that we had to impose in order to meet the printer schedules (they would hold up other jobs in order to give us top service). More than once we had to put in long distance phone calls to various editors to find out where their material was. More often than not my own column had to take a backseat space-wise until we found out how much other material we were getting. Sometimes we had to cut our column short and at other times we had to scrounge around to find another page or two in order to come up with a complete bulletin.

It was rapidly getting to the point where the aggravation involved in producing the bulletin wasn't really worth the time and effort. Likewise, with the column, it had recently gotten to the point where we had only a handful of dependable reporters. We're tried to stress through the years that no matter how YOU value your report, it has to be of some help to someone else - SEND YOUR REPORTS IN! We've recently had several suggestions from our members as to what could be done to possibly increase participation but the closing of the club puts an end to all of that, but we do sincerely thank those of you who took the time to send in your comments.

We were speaking of Board meetings in the old days. The meetings were always held on a Saturday afternoon, with a starting time of around 4 PM or so and they were always at the home of one of the Newark area directors or officers. On occasion, in better weather, we might travel to Harold Williams home in Connecticut, to Harold Robinson's in Green Lane, Pennsylvania, or to our home in Collingswood. The Baltimore gang usually hosted a combined convention-meeting. Anyway, the refreshments would be served and the meeting would be underway. Around dinner time the precious hostess would put out a spread that would easily match anything offered by a fine restaurant. Sometimes it was a regular sit-down dinner; others might have it buffet style, but always plenty of everything. If the meeting wasn't already finished, we'd have dinner and finish the meeting afterward. During the meeting one of the officers would take up a strictly voluntary collection from those present - usually a nominal offering of two dollars - and this would in turn be given to the hostess to at least partially cover some of the expenses involved in preparing the meal. Sometimes it met the expenses; usually it didn't; but no one minded. And Prexy Irving Potts always strongly emphasized that if anyone present was not financially able to chip in, he was still welcome to take part in the meeting and the goodies and no one was ever the wiser.

Three of the board meetings brings to mind some interesting tales, I hope. At one time my buddy Bob Cooper, from



Bob, at the press, ready to roll the NNRC Bulletin.

Palmyra, New Jersey, was also on the Board and frequently we'd go to the meetings together. One month I was having a problem with time - or lack of it. I could prepare the column and miss the meeting or go to the meeting and miss my deadline. But Bob and I solved this one. At the time we had a Plymouth station wagon with fold down back seats. I invited Bob to go along in our car if he'd do the driving. This was OK with him. He drove and I sat in back with my trusty typewriter and pounded out a column as we headed north on US 130 and US 1. Dern near finished it in that 80 mile trip to the meeting, too. We surely got the eye from passing cars, too!

Another time Bob and I were en route to a meeting, probably at Al Sauerbier's home in Jersey City. As we hit the New Brunswick area, the predicted snow flurries (ha!) showed up. But we kept going. When we left to return home we were in the midst of a blizzard. I got Bob home and when I drove in the driveway, just in time for 'Gunsmoke', we had an even foot of snow in the driveway and I had had it!

Still another time we were hosting the Board at my parents' home on Atlantic Avenue in Collingswood. We lived just one block from the main drag and in between the two streets was another street that had the police station and borough garages on it, plus a large parking lot. On the day of this particular meeting but unknown to us at the time of the original date-setting for the meeting, Collingswood had one of the largest firemen's parades ever held in the area. We had fire trucks in the parking lot across the street, we had fire trucks all up and down Atlantic Avenue, on the side streets, and then some. The poor guys and ladies who were trying to get to our home had to park as far as five and six blocks away and hoof it over to the meeting. On one other occasion, at the same locale, the meeting had begun, bartender/publisher Charlie Smith had taken care of everyone's needs and all went well until the magical hour of 6 PM when the electronic chimes in the Methodist Church, just a few hundred feet away, began their evening 10-minute concert. That ended our efforts until after dinner.

One of our former editors, who shall remain nameless, was always present at the meetings and a good guy he was, too. He was well liked and often had real good suggestions to offer for the betterment of the club. But he would never get started until he had had a couple of good drinks and then you could just see him getting steam up. He'd get all red in the face and pretty soon he'd get going on his pet subject, whatever it was. He never became inebriated but he simply couldn't talk, argue, discuss, or whatever, until he was -uh, properly prepared.

I'll never forget the meeting we

had at - well, we won't tell you where - but the host, not a drinker himself, served the beer drinkers their favorite suds, in a tall glass - warm, with ice cubes. Try that one sometime!

I guess the highlight of my broadcasting career (?) took place one warm summer night over at what was then WKDN in Camden, N. J. I had arranged a wee-hours test program that was to occur something like 3 to 4 AM and we were going to play records and make announcements for NARC members but anyone was invited to send in reports or, if they wished, to call in. On that particular night, we had had some heavy lightning storms and there was plenty of QRM up and down the coast. We received exactly NO reports and exactly one phone call from a guy that lives a mile away. He let us know in

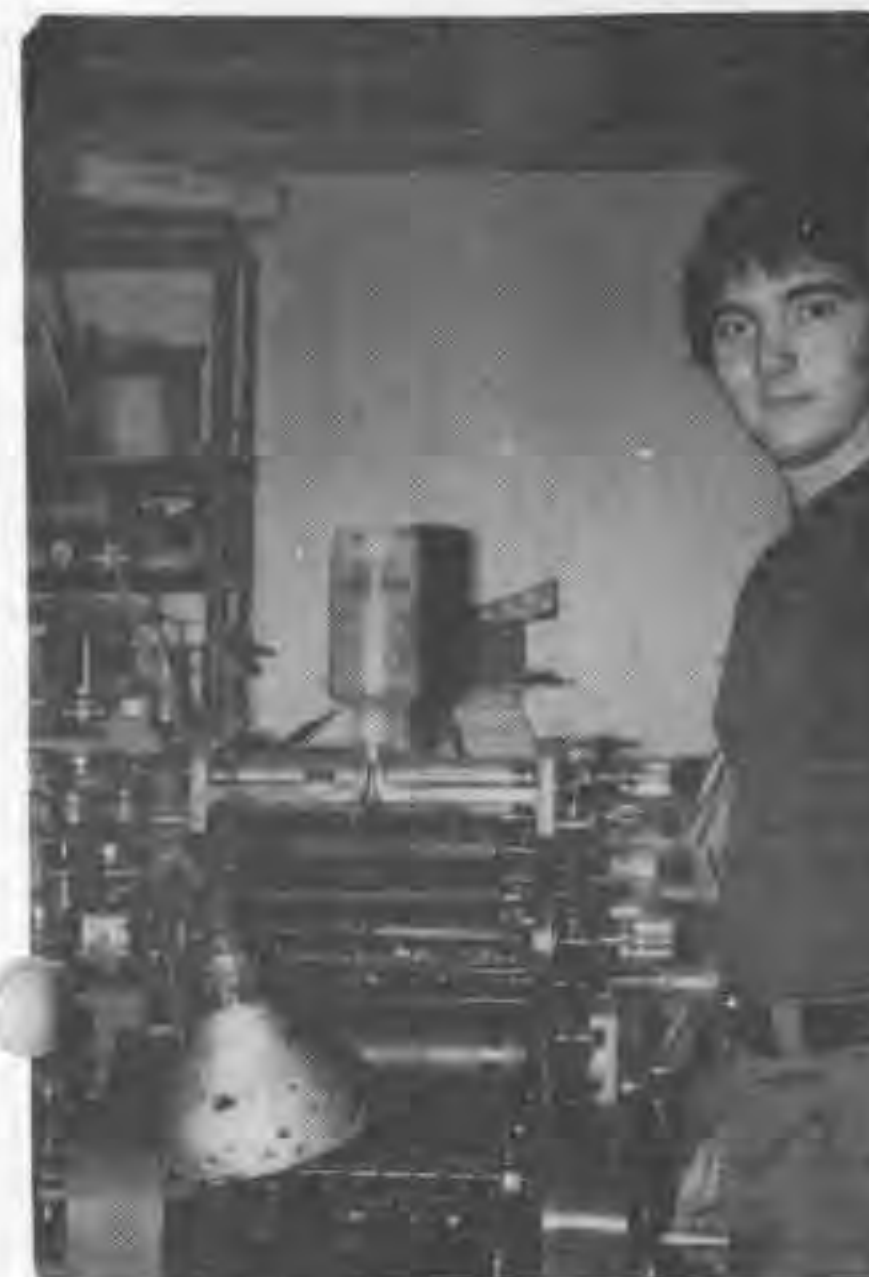


"Not bad, if I do say so myself!"

no uncertain terms that his clock radio was set to activate when WKDN signed on (as a daytime station). When WKDN went on at 3 a.m. and woke him up, he called in to let us know how well he was hearing us (he also let us know a few other things, too!). That ended my broadcasting days. That was with Bob Huston who was last heard from with Radio Swan. Remember that one? And in spite of claims made by a certain out-of-country DXer, Radio Swan REALLY was on Swan Island. We have some dandy photos of it...

When we went over from mimeographing to printing, we had to find a printer somewhere in the area who would be able to handle a bulletin the size of ours, keeping economy and dependability in mind. Amelia and I shopped around and got a lot of weird prices, all of which were way out there somewhere. Then we stopped in at Art Press and yakked with the boss man. We were convinced that they were good, they were reasonable, and they were dependable. So they got the business and have had it ever since. That was back in July, 1978. They would print up everything, fold and staple it and all we would have to do, besides maintaining the membership list, would be to run off the mailing wrappers, staple this one, apply stamps, and mail them. The boys and gals over at Art Press were also sorry to hear of the passing of the club. Don't forget to send some business their way.

During recent years that has come into being two phases of shortwave listening which, we believe, have no real part in the hobby. One is the pirate broadcaster, specifically those operating within the U.S. As you know, pirating is very much against the laws of the FCC and no matter how innocently one does it, it still is not legal. What occurs in other countries is the business of those countries and such stations might justifiably fit within the scope of news. But in our own U.S., they are not legal and as such absolutely no publicity should be given them. We have been through this a couple of times with our own Board of Directors and have received a total of nothing by way of a reply. Nonetheless, Editor John Santosuosso is a darned fine editor and our comments on pirates are not to be considered as any criticism of his efforts. The other phase is this monkey-business of harmonics. No one, in their right mind, with a properly tuned receiver, can hear harmonics, with a few possible exceptions. Even the one DXer who swears by harmonics was once quoted as stating that perhaps his receivers were slightly deliberately mistuned in order to hear harmonics, but what does this accomplish? What good are harmonics? No



Cliff, at the smaller press, ready to run wrappers.

the capital city? Nope, I struck out, too, without looking it up. I'd be willing to bet a year's extension of your membership if anyone could come up with the correct answer, if we had a club, that is. I'd even bet that good old SP9 doesn't have the answer for this one... without looking it up, that is. If you don't know, drop us an SASE and we'll tell you. Belize? Nope...

Fellow Editor Matt Zahner sent in a few words with his last column: "Have done some shortwave work here as well some exotic broadcast band stuff. Health is OK. But I'll miss the stress and pressure of typing at 2 AM for the deadline. It has been, though. I'll be in touch. Just hope that my farewell to my family of 'orphans' is not too mushy or a tear jerker. Boze drabunov (God Love You)."

A note Amelia from Editor John Santosuosso: "Thanks for your outstanding job as Bulletin Editor. You made all of our jobs much easier. Although Hank and I may disagree on what should be in the bulletin, please convey to him my thanks for all the hours and hard work he put into his column and dedication to NARC. I hate to see the club fold, but you two certainly did what you could to keep it going. Thanks to both of you for everything". (Fellow Editor John once upon a time lived right here in our home town of Collingswood but we have never had the good fortune of meeting him. Perhaps in due time when he comes back for a visit, he'll buzz us at 854-7388 (area code 609 for anyone who may also be so inclined).

From Roy Fansler: "Word from Gene V. indicates this will be the last bulletin. This note is to let you know that Ray and I appreciate all the work you and Hank have put into the club over the years. I joined the club while in high school some 22 years ago and you both were involved then - that's a lot of time and effort with hardly a word of public recognition. I hope Gene gives you your due in the last issue". (Note from Hank: Nothing is needed. I had my boo'ful wife right by my side all these years to help me, to guide me, to help me think things out, and to be here when she was needed. What else could I ever need?)

broadcaster wants to admit having them, and only those stations that are dopey enough to do so will actually verify a report of a harmonic signal. Harmonics are akin to trying to avoid your shadow on a sunny day, hearing your voice come back to you on a mountain top, or trying to find the end of a rainbow. This column has for a long time given publicity to these harmonic listings in order to keep the flow of really good material coming from Brother Bill but as far as I can determine, NARC was the only club that did publicize those harmonics, in spite of the fact that we were criticized about this practice several times from members of our Board of Directors. Nonetheless, the harmonic enthusiast is probably the top DXer in the world today, bar none, and we hope that his continued persistence of harmonic-loggings will not tarnish his otherwise fine reputation.

Years ago we had two very fine DXers named George Cox and John Beaver. John was already married and George got married. We haven't heard from either of them for many years and have often wondered why they stopped reporting. Letters to Mr. Beaver long ago went unanswered. Another of our until-recently reporters has suddenly discontinued his reports but we attribute that to the fact that he has many irons in other fires. If we can get to the next World's Fair, we may be able to get in an eye-ball QSO with him...

Speaking of our devoted Board of Directors, the number of DXers that have been on the Board through the years (ACTIVE DXers, that is) is sufficient to count on one hand and have room left over. Through the years some of them were topnotch DXers on shortwave, broadcast, or Ham Bands but in more recent years it was pretty rough to get any kind of a report out of any of them. Emil Vandevelde did a good job of representing the Board for awhile and to him, we send our sincere thanks.

British Honduras became independent from England in 1981. But does anyone out there in radio land know the name of the capital city? Nope, I struck out, too, without looking it up. I'd be willing to bet a year's extension of your membership if anyone could come up with the correct answer, if we had a club, that is. I'd even bet that good old SP9 doesn't have the answer for this one... without looking it up, that is. If you don't know, drop us an SASE and we'll tell you. Belize? Nope...

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One day many years ago Amelia and I had been invited to visit the office of Popular Electronics at One Park Avenue in New York City. We'd had luncheon and finished our business and were just leaving the building. Out on the corner someone grabbed our arms and wanted to know what we were doing in the big city. Turned out to be no less than 'Uncle' Murray Buitekant, one of NNRC's hardest working and most devoted Board members. Naturally, a mini-board meeting was held then and there in the shadows on the crossing lights.

'Uncle' Murray--? Well, a long time ago when we would have Board meetings, our kids would also be present and they quickly turned Murray into their favorite 'uncle'. They've often said that if they could have their choice of uncles, they would want someone like Murray Buitekant.

While I was writing for Popular Electronics, we received a tremendous quantity of mail. Good mail, crank letters, and anything in between. One came in from a young person in Chicago who stated that he lived on the 12th floor of a ten-story (underlining is that of the editor) apartment and he wanted to know what type of antenna would be best for him. How would YOU have answered that one? I won't tell you how I answered it.

Readers of my book will have to suffer a moment for this repeat story. When New Jersey finally passed the Amateur Radio License Plate bill a number of years ago, we got 'em - W 2 P N A - for our big green Chevie Van. We figured that we'd be greeted on the roads and highways by other ham radio operators with the usual which is Morse for "Hi", just as we toot at others. Well, that summer we were travelling around New York State after having found the mouth of the Delaware River (a stream three inches wide) and were headed back towards our hideout in Fulton County. We happened to be in Sharon Springs at the time, parked for a moment, when someone did manage to spot our license plates and gave out with a loud and lusty and better than nothing, I guess, it turned out to be the driver of a Sharon Springs garbage truck. I guess maybe that was the only that we ever received while using those license plates. Our car now sports Amelia's favorite nickname - M E A and if YOU ever spot it, flag us down for a yak or two.



Good friend Denis Wilson and your beautiful wife, Susan - this is for you...later this summer, perhaps a day or two after Labor Day, give us a call at 835-8363, in your telephone area. That will be where you visited us a couple of years ago. We're hoping to be there but we haven't gotten the OK yet. We're hoping...

Since the telephone is a form of communications, this might be worth the space it takes to tell it. In our post office we have a safety meeting each Saturday morning for ten minutes or so. The subjects are usually most timely - how we should avoid lightning (a winter time discussion) or how to avoid slipping on the ice (you guessed it - this was in July) or why we can't carry radios on us while we're delivering mail. Recently one of the meetings wound up with a short discussion by our estimable supervisor on why we should be careful not to fraternize too closely with many of our newly hired female letter carriers. In short, keep our hands to ourselves. As the uh, discussion was coming to a close, our office radio came through with Ma Bell's current favorite advertisement of "Reach Out And Touch Someone". That ended that safety talk.

5FDP - Charles George, Dallas: An organization which I have belonged to since I was 11 died recently due to a fatal case of intolerance among the members. I would hope this never happened to NNRC. Our hobby keeps growing. A couple of my reports this month include Ghana on 4915 at 0600 in EG/XX with EG news, African mx, then into probably SH talk. An UNTO showed up on 4910 at 0630 with FR talk and ste-l band mx. On 4853 I found R. Sanaa, Yemen, at 0400 in AR with talks & IR mx. And on 4783 at 0700 it was R. Mali, in FR dual 5995, with talk, rock mx and traditional African mx.

thru with a good list this month. Some includes:
 11675 2045-2100 EG R. Kuwait, with music of "Whistlers", Loretta Lynn, and Rod Stewart.
 9865 0001- GR V. of Greece with IS & ID.
 9580 0225- EG R. RSA with commentary.

Where did Amelia tell us to put this ballot?

Regular reporter George Munz from South Hackensack, N. J. came
 21740 0220-0235 EG R. Australia with music and Australia Fair.
 17880 0130-0145 EG HCJB, Quito, with "What In The World".
 11815 2330-2345 EG Libya with news & Bee Gees music.
 5985 0345-0355 EG V. of Free China, with music.

In his final report to NNRC, Michael Hawk, WDX4KI, of Hampton, Virginia, included these, among others:
 17895 0233-0300 GM R. Deutsche Welle, with news, music, commentary, and sign off.
 15455 0306-0314 EG R. Moscow with news, comments on the "Let Poland Be Poland" TV Program.
 15325 0240-0256 EG R. RSA, Johannesburg, with a Special Report and news in brief.
 15245 0333-0345 XX La Voix du Zaire, with music and some comments.
 6070 0416-0433 EG WYFR, with Open Forum hosted by Harold Camping.

From Wheat Ridge, Colorado, comes a few items from member John Wilkins:
 11835 0058-0120 SP R. El Espectador, Uruguay, with ads, news, classical music and a lengthy ID.
 11815 2305-2358 EG R. Jawahiriyah, Libya; anti-US rhetoric; Green Book quotes; press review; into AR 2358.
 6155 0328-0358 WRNO, New Orleans; rock mx, record promos, slogan: Rock of New Orleans.
 4800 0400-0424 VN R. Lesotho; anthem, religious message, news, ORM from 4801's Ecuador outlet.
 3250 0400-0424 EG/AR R. Five, South Africa; rock mx, DJ chatter, time chex, jingles; Springbok 67 promos.

WRNO, New Orleans, has this current schedule:

- 1800-2200 on 15420
- 2200-0000 on 11955
- 0000-0200 on 9725
- 0200-0500 on 6155
- 0600-0800 on 6115

We're grateful to John Flanagan for this updated sked, and also to longtime friend Layoyd Kunev of Detroit who also reports that their address is Box 100, New Orleans. John also writes: You seem upset in the January issue. Maybe you could run a special DX pgm over one of the SW stations similar to the old courtesy pgms that were a part of BGD a few years ago. WRNO would be a good bet. Don't get discouraged - you're still the best darn Editor I know. I hear that your reporter Glenn Hauser is planning a half hour DX pgm on WRNO. I think a story on High Adventure Ministries in Free John gets into the act, too, by trimming our bulletins. I don't know how very interesting. Wish I had a talent for writing. Sorry you were not at home when I called. Maybe someday. (609-854-7388 or, if I'm not there, try 609-627-7380 most any evening after about 1900 EST. Sure would like to hear from you or any of the gang. Ed.)

From Charles Edwards, 3KRX, in Philadelphia, comes these words of wisdom: "I want to be in on any final words...I feel pretty low about the demise of the NNRC. It was bound to happen, I guess, due to economic conditions. I shall miss the publication and most of all your "Beautiful" editing of the SW column and the variety of interesting messages from the members. I'm sure that my feelings will be shared. I surely hope you and Amelia can find something else with which to put that good talent to use. I also add "So Long" to all of the other club members. God bless. (Anyone want to give Charles a buzz on the landline? No collect calls of course, but try him at 215-549-8380.)

2RW, Bill Gilbert, of Kings Park, New York, forwarded these in his last report:
 21685 2030 EG R. Meterland with news.
 15325 0210 EG R. RSA with African news.
 596- 0106 EG SWL Digest but who?
 9580 1133-1215 EG R. Australia with Australia tonight; news.
 15155 0230-0300 EG HCJB, Quito, with review of Collins 9-390A receiver; John Trautschold had this station feature.
 15290 0213- EG Radio do la Brasil, a Radio Aras station, with news of Brazil; commodity news and wine report. Man and woman commenting with a reverb usad.

Stewart Mackenzie, WDX6AA, of Huntington Beach, California, sent a lengthy report. Here are a few:
 17755 0400 NH-60s, Tokyo, with English at this s/on time. Used a 1600 GMT tape as announcer give time and freqs for that slot and stated this was an Asian newscast. Someone put on the wrong tape!
 3270 0435 Religious str in language with man in talk; choppy speech at times; maybe faulty tape. Language sounds Afro. No 0500 ID, hymns at 0502; ID 0505 for Republic of ...? Hymns 0506; suddenly off at 0514. Swaziland-?
 11755 0612 FR Gabon One with disco mx; also at 2015 with pop mx & gal DJ. Man ID 2100; more disco mx.
 4840 0457 SP R. Isidro, Honduras; music and all annts in SP.
 4965 0523 Namibia (R. Sw Africa) with EG hymn; AK ID 0526; more hymns; a choir to past 0530.

Always dependable Chuck Edwards, WYX4ICR, from Graham, N. C. included these:
 160 1200-1230 EG R. of Israel, Jerusalem, with news, Thank Godness it's Friday! ads, and weather.
 100 0240-0245 EG R. Pakistan, with ID newscast, ID, and frequency list.
 17830 0200-0230 EG R. Bras, Brazil, with selections of music in between news and weather.
 17705 0345-0430 EG R. New Zealand, Wellington; selections of band mx, news, weather, Sound About.
 12070 1215-1235 EG R. Ulan Bator, Mongolia, with news, Music of Mongolia, and ID and frequency list.
 11790 1400-1445 EG V. of Indonesia, Jakarta; news, comments, native music, feature talks, and an ID.
 9720 1345-1430 EG R. Korea, Seoul; Special Program; Industrial Scene, folk tales, ID, and frequencies.
 3300 0400-0430 EG IGNA, Guatemala City, with Bible Study Program. We had three inches of snow over a recent weekend. Will try to get a letter off to you shortly.



John gets into the act, too, by trimming our bulletins.



Hey, Bob - we got all this paper in and now we find out NNRC is going out of business??

WDX2RVC, Ed Insinger, Summit, N. J. writes: The news about NNRC shocked me despite the fact that recent issues projected an imminent gloom regarding the future of the club. I had no idea the end would come so soon. Having been at the head of an effort to bring members together through local meets, I sensed the absence of cohesion in the club. I sent out about 80 letters of intent for starting a get-together and the response was empty. Nothing positive; no foundation to build on; no positive feedback. It was most disappointing. Let me take this opportunity on my behalf, to thank you for the many SWBC items you compiled, to aid my SW pleasure and fulfillment. Your editorship has been a guiding light and one I looked forward to each month. In looking back, I realize such efforts and expertise are what made the NNRC exist for 54

years. It will always be remembered by myself and many others who benefitted from its information-filled pages. Yes, I look forward to future correspondence on a regular note, Hank. Perhaps we can exchange some warm DX news. The following three items are the extent of my activity this month:
 Iceland - Icelandic BC Service, 13797.7 at 1900 GMT. Must be Icelandic language. Talk interspersed with brief music. USB steady and USA fair.
 Libya - Radio Jamahiriyah, "The Voice of the Socialist People of Libya", English program on 11815 at 2330 t/in; highly propaganda oriented. Powerful signal but only fair overall; no real loss.
 Vatican - Vatican Radio, 6015 program at 0100 to USA; suffers from background QRM.

Central Massachusetts is represented by this report from long time friend Francis Welch of Worcester:
 Heard R. Cayenne, French Guiana, on 5055 several times with 0900 s/on. Must be a new frequency for them as it is not listed in WRTM 82. I've listened to WIND several times; programs are mostly rock and religious. Not much to really draw an audience; I haven't heard any news or any informative programs. They do, however, have a lot of ads for their t-shirts. I've been thinking about buying another receiver but it might not pass the thinking stage. I'm leaning toward a SONY ICF 6800. From write-ups I've seen, it seems to be a good receiver. Does anyone know anything about it? (Frank Welch, 35 Harland Road, Worcester, Mass.-01606, for answers). Have you ever tried a monthly quiz in your column? Might spark some interest. For instance: what station used WEEKLY BEACH in its ID?...or who was the announcer for the first VOA program? If you heard Larry King's show on Feb. 25, you have the answer.
 11914 0940-1030 SP R. Nacional, Paraguay, good lvl with vocal and instrumental music.
 11770 1030-1050 FR R. France International, with program of Jazz mx and a poor signal.
 6150 1030-1100 R R. Armonia, Venezuela, with vocal music; 1058 ID for SW & MW outlets; LA de Hulla DRM.
 6080 1015-1030 SP R. Zaraza, Venezuela; poor level and QRM; music & announcements; ID 1030.
 6025 1030-1100 SP R. Illimani, Bolivia; poor to fair; AFRTS QRM from 6030; instrumental & vocal music; 1030 ID.
 5062 1020-1030 SP R. Nacional, Ecuador; good lvl with many annts, and some music.
 5055 0900-0930 FR R. Cayenne, Fr. Guiana, several times for s/on anthem, news, mx. New frequency-?
 4820 0925-0954 SP R. Mundial Tricolor, Venezuela; pgn with male ancr; mentioned WYFR and RDW several times.

The Pacific area (California sometimes, Hawaii sometimes) is represented by Chuck Boehnke, WDX6CC:
 I'm remis in my reporting. I'll do better if I can find the time. We've had very poor reception and I hope it gets better soon. I have a lot of noise here and it's hard to hear anything except during infrequent periods when there is a bit less noise. Most of the noise seems to be in the power lines and hard to work with. Most of my neighbors watch TV 24 hours a day and the birdies are something else. I suppose that most clubs and organizations have the same problem. A few dedicated souls do all the work and the vast majority sit around and either do not contribute or come up with complaints. It always amazes me that someone who does nothing at all to help out can feel they have the right to complain about something that someone is doing on a voluntary basis. Human nature, I guess. Like one I received from someone who wanted to know why his material was not included in a recent column. Simple. I couldn't read it! I always write them and explain why I didn't use their reports. But don't you get discouraged - your column is the backbone of NNRC. We don't need a new SW Editor; we need more participants. Perhaps we could use a sort of point system such as the one that SPEEDX has. Did I tell you about the Zenith "Conseltone" radio circa 1947 that I picked up at a flea market? A table model; it needed a little work, and now it works like a champ? Really does have "Console Tone". The cabinet is perfect, as is the dial and the rest of it. I had to replace a few tubes, realign it and behold, 1947 revisited. (You get old programs on it?? Ed.) Is 8CB only. Hope to be going to Hawaii again on May 12 but depends on things at work....
 15275 2030-2100 SP REF Canary Relay; excellent with good SP mx; "From Santa Cruz de Tenerife".
 11945 0730-0800 EG R. New Zealand with news, national weather, and old time show tunes. Some QRM; otherwise good.
 9750 0800-0930 FR R. Tahiti; best hrd Saturday nights. Usually hardest to hear of the shortwave channels. Dual to 6135, 11825, 15170, and medium wave 738 kc. On January 31, 1981, HEARD ON ALL FREQUENCIES!
 6660 0820-0900 XX UNID, maybe China; twanging CH type mx and people talking; maybe a dramatic pgn; weak, noisy.
 6150 0515-0600 SP La Voz de Huila, Nelva, Colombia; back to back LA mx with frequent IDs; strong but poor audio.
 5995 0700-0830 EG R. Australia in Pacific Island service. Usually very good here. Also carried on 9760 and 11820 with QRM here. Very interesting program about the goings on around some of the Islands in the Pacific; some most beautiful music, too. One of their better efforts.
 4875 0815-0830 SP R. Super, Medellin, Colombia; good with pop LA mx and many ads and IDs. Every other word is Radio Super.

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Europe is represented in this final issue by comments and a report from Captain James Clifford, APO New York, in Germany. A lot of my mail, including NNRC bulletins, has been missing but now has caught up to me. I hope by now your contributions have increased. I think the greatest reason for many people not reporting is that they feel their reports are not good enough. This is, of course, nonsense. You have taken the right attitude in stating that anyone's logs may be of interest to others. You also include reports on the easier-to-hear stations and this, too, is correct. Your column is fine for the SWL, the DXer, the new member and the old member. NASWA editors constantly fuss about "quality" and urge members to send in "only your best logs".

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The Family that Prays Together Stays Together.

That kind of elitist nonsense is why I dropped that club. As for changing format, DON'T! As for a new Editor, the NNRC without Bennett's SW column would not be a club. I further agree with your comments on the nonuse of standard report forms. They foster all sorts of gibberish. A schedule that I've just received from Radio Korea: To America and Latin America at 0200 on 11810; 0530 on 11810; 1000 on 9570; 1330 on 9720, and 1600 on 11830. No alternate frequencies were listed. A few of my recent tunings include:
 15355 2015-2200 EG WRNC, New Orleans; apparently a test to Europe - as not a relay of Mr pgn. Had several ads of APRL by various celebrities; religious pgn; later mx. Promised a special OSL to first 1000 reporters. At 2200 tried to listen in on 11890 but heavily QRM'ed.

- 15105 2000-2115 EG R. Free Grenada; Countdown of Top 40 hits. This Sunday program is usually out before reaching # 1. They are aware of this - they told listeners to tune in next week to find out what this week's # 1 WAS.
 - 13797 1830-2002 Rikisutvarpid, Reykjavik, Iceland; all talk pgn in Presumed Icelandic; IDs sounded like "Utvarp Reykjavik" and "Inda Reykjavik". Just as pgn started to get interesting with some mx it went off in mid song.
 - 11800 2015-2030 EG SLBC, Colombo, Sri Lanka; daily 15 minute EG pgn; news first, then a music request pgn. They have been asking for prospective advertisers to write to them but in six months I haven't hrd any commercials.
 - 9855 1415-1431 GK CRT, Thessaloniki, Greece; slow GK songs; mx mostly strings to 1430 s/off by man who gave ID as Radiophonia Makedonias.
 - 4810 2155-2230 FR ANY, Africa Number One, Moyabi, Gabon; modern African mx with a man ancr; some old rockenroll; some newer songs from US & Europe, mixed with African music.
- The Gateway to the West is represented by Emmett Hoffmann who reports that their 24 inches of snow has disappeared and once again they are enjoying some normal weather and temperatures. He also reports the following:
 6165 0240-0256 EG R. Nederland with special Valentine pgn; Smiles Across The Miles with host Tom Meijer. They claim the first Valentine card was produced in the 16th century.
 9700 2230-2249 EG R. Sofia, Bulgaria; ID, freqs, news, commentaries, and talks.
 9745 2215-2230 EG R. Baghdad, Iraq; local & regional news headlines; chanting; instrumental mx.
 15260 1630-1700 EG BBC-London; Correspondents news reports; Letter From America with Allstar Cooke.
 21600 1537-1550 EG Deutsche Welle, Cologne; Africa Service; Saturday Special pgn; commentary.
- DON'T DROP YOUR COLUMN is the word from Vladimir Cucura, WDX31, of Reading, Pennsylvania. He also adds: "Had to take the shack apart to remodel. Been off the air three months. Carpenter finished the den and shack. Got rid of the DX160 and the 2800 and picked up the Drake R-7 with 6.0, 4.0, 3.0 Sherwood filter...receivers in the shack are the FRG7 and DR7. He included, among others, these:
 21655 1635-1648 EG/AR UAE, Dubai; in EG woman with news and ID; 1645 into AR.
 21460 1700-1715 FR Brussels, Belgium; xylophone IS; woman with ID as La Voix de LiAmitie; light mx & talk.
 17825 0009-0025 EG R. Japan; light mx & ID in pgn Tokio Calling about talk on Japan and music of Japan; this was a new frequency for them in March.
 7225 0430- AR RTVT, Tunisia; man with ID, s/on annts and Koran chants; dual 15225.
 7170 0750-0807 FR R. Noumea, New Caledonia; woman with light music; 0800 man with ID and news.
 6900 0514-0535 TK Turkish State Meteorological Society; non-stop Turkish music.
 6340 0455-0510 TK Turkish Police Radio; IS, anthem, ID, short annt for Turkish music.
 6250 0545-0601 SP R. Malabo, Equatorial Guinea; man in long talk; mentioned Equatorial Guinea; more local mx.

Gene Purdum, East Lansing, Michigan, writes that he couldn't find much time for radio listening this month. He does some bicycle racing in April and May so February and March of each year are filled with days of 8 to 10 hours in the saddle on training rides, toning up muscles that got soft from sitting in front of the Yaesu FRG-7700 all winter.

A few of his latest offerings include these:

15505 1925-2000 AR Q8X, Qatar; Middle East music; ID 2000.

15220 2030-2101 EG R, Nederland via Madagascar, with the Happy Station Show.

9610 1250-1311 EG VLV9, Perth, Australia, with classical mx, ID, and news.

9022 2004-2017 EG VOIRI, Tehran, Iran; woman with commentary on Islamic revolution; march music.

And a special thanks to Roger Legge of McLean, Virginia, for his efforts through the years in publishing his USSR High Frequency Broadcast Newsletter. You can get yours for \$3.00 for 10 issues in N. A. or \$4.00 overseas. Write him at Box 232, McLean, Virginia 22101.

Lastly, Nathan Murff, WDX5AM, adds these few as his parting shot:

3210 0331-0405 PT R, Mocambique, Maputo; very deep voiced man with pgn of Afro pop mx; songs in EG, FR, PT.

3277 1220-1240 XX R, Kashmir; man here with a long talk with breaks for their subcontinent mx mostly played on a sitar-type instrument.

4965 0300-0500 XX/XX RSA, Namibia; easy listening mx and pop and classical nature. Big Ben (or similar) chimes at 0445, then news program; ID 0500 as R. RSA from Namibia. Then sports.

Well, boys and gals, this winds up my 32 years and 9 months of service to the Newark News Radio Club. What more can be said? I've enjoyed every minute of it although at times I was ready to tell the powers to be where they could put this column. And I've been tempted to tell a few characters the same through the years. But all in all it's been a most rewarding experience. Amelia and I have met some very wonderful people through this column and God willing, we hope to have them as our friends for many years to come.

At another time and in another place, we shall meet once again. Please remember us in your prayers and please drop us a note from time to time, or a phone call.

And in closing this column we'd would like to offer you this parting photo, taken last summer at the Crazy Horse in Johnstown, New York, with our favorite Keeper of the Spirits, and she is also the daytime manager. If we ever have the good luck of running into any of our NNRC friends, come join us at the Crazy Horse, and we'll have Grace serve us our favorites. On us, of course.



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UTILITIES

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FINAL ISSUE

If you are in the habit of turning directly to the Utilities column, I have the sad duty to ask you to turn to President Vonderembse's pages and read about the demise of the Newark News Radio Club effective with this issue.

AERADIO

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| 13356 | KEA5 | New York, NY hd 1903 calling N707SH (RHF) |
| 13343 | KSF70 | Oakland, Calif. hd 0138 with VOLMET best (LN) |
| 13306 | KEA5 | New York, New York hd 1856 wkg Air Mexico 451 (RGD) |
| 13304 | | Kano, Nigeria hd 0158 clg Niamey (RGD) |
| 13270.5x | WSY70 | New York, NY hd 1902 with VOLMET best on USB (RHF) |
| 13270 | VFG | Gander, Nfld., Canada hd 0138 with VOLMET best (LN) |
| | WSY70 | New York, NY hd 2240 VOLMET best replaces 13272 kHz (RGD)
also hd 0210 with VOLMET best (LN) |
| 11387 | | Air Canada 951 hd 2400 wkg New York (RB) |
| 11300 | STK | Khartoum, Sudan hd 0044 clg Cairo (RGD) |
| | | Addis Ababa, Ethiopia hd 0059 clg Khartoum (RGD) |
| | | Aden, South Yemen hd 0300 wkg Addis Ababa (RGD) |
| | | Cairo, Egypt hd 0036 clg Jeddah (RGD) |
| | | Nairobi, Kenya hd 0305 wkg unid aircraft (RGD) |
| | | Tripoli, Libya hd 0259 clg Khartoum (RGD) |
| 11282 | | San Francisco, California hd 0228 wkg a United flight (RGD) |
| 8945 | | Speedbird 263 hd 0206 wkg New York (RB) |
| 8879 | EIP | Shannon, Eire hd 1134 wkg Gander (RGD) |
| | VFG | Gander, Nfld., Canada hd 1134 wkg Shannon (RGD) |
| 8868 | WSY70 | New York, NY hd 1906 with VOLMET best (RHF) (This in March-Ed.) |
| 8847 | | Papeete, Tahiti hd 1239 wkg unid aircraft (RGD) |
| 8843 | | San Francisco, Calif. hd 0314 wkg Singapore 02 (RGD) |
| 8840 | | Hong Kong hd 1204 clg Hanoi, Viet Nam (RGD) |
| | | Singapore hd 1205 wkg Hong Kong (RGD) |
| | | United 5555 hd 0259 wkg New York (RB) |
| 8826 | | Lagos, Nigeria hd 0328 wkg Romanian 981 (RGD) |
| 5674 | CSY | Santa Maria, Azores hd 0510 wkg Capitol 999 (RGD) |
| 5533 | EIP | Shannon, Eire hd 0502 with VOLMET best (RGD) |
| 5519 | KSF70 | Oakland, California hd 1136 with VOLMET best (RGD) |
| | KVM70 | Honolulu, Hawaii hd 1131 with VOLMET best (RGD) |
| | | Auckland, New Zealand hd 1121 with VOLMET best (RGD) |
| | | Hong Kong hd 1145 with VOLMET best (RGD) |
| | | Tokyo, Japan hd 1142 with VOLMET best (RGD) |
| 2889 | EIP | Shannon, Eire hd 0331 with VOLMET best (RGD) |
| | CW | |
| 16254 | TNL | Brazzaville, Congo hd 2244 wkg 5ST (RB) |
| 11390 | UGAB | Moscow/Tushino, USSR hd 0049 wkg "76165" (RB) |
| | UXUC | Airfield #877, USSR hd 0057 with wx (RB) |
| | "76165" | CCCP-76165 hd 0045 wkg UGAB (RB) |
| 8842 | RFNV | Moscow, USSR hd 0414 wkg COL (RB) |
| | ROWCE | CCCP-86502 Aeroflot 493 hd 2318 wkg RFNV (RB) |
| 8817x | UGN | Serdtskamen M., USSR hd 0531 clg "41024" (RB) |
| | "46145" | CCCP-46145 hd 0559 wkg UGN (RB) |
| 1613 | "RAB" | Rabinal, Guatemala beacon hd 0054 (LH) |
| 404 | "LVV" | Delavan, Wisconsin beacon hd 1152 VR 25 W (HH) |
| 400 | "MS" | Madison, Wisconsin beacon hd 1104 VR 25 W (HH) |
| 388 | "CPJ" | Crawfordsville, Indiana beacon hd 1112 VR (HH) |
| 356 | "RCX" | Ladysmith, Wisconsin beacon hd 1152 VR 25 W (HH) |
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| 18675 | FPS67 | Paris, France STF hd 1905 with Fr/Eng mkr (LH) |
| 9106 | ZBH | Grytviken, South Georgia Island hd 0004 wkg unid (RGD) |
| | ZHF44 | Faraday Base, Antarctica hd 2350 wkg Grytviken (LH) |
| | ZHF45 | Rothera Base, Antarctica hd 0000 wkg Grytviken (LH) |
| | | Neumeyer Base, Antarctica hd 2357 wkg Grytviken (LH) |
| | CW | |
| 15908 | WEY35 | New York, NY hd 0108 with QRA marker (RB) |

Your Editor's
contest totals:
110 Countries
1053 Stations

15480 HMM56 Pyongyang, North Korea hd 2327 with V/CQ mkr (RB)
 14875 WFE34 New York, NY ITTWC hd 1848 with QTT marker (LH)
 13583 HMS19 Pyongyang, North Korea hd 2327 with V/CQ mkr (RB)
 13385 RULE Vostok Base, Antarctica hd 0015 wkg UGE2 (LH)
 RUZU Molodezhnaya, Antarctica hd 0058 clg UDY (LH)
 UDY Novolazarevskaya, Antarctica hd 0023 wkg UGE2 (LH)
 UGE2 Bellingshausen, S. Shetland Islands hd 0015 wkg RULE (LH)
 12843 UGE2 Bellingshausen, S. Shetland Islands hd 0044 wkg USNA. New frequency for these Antarctic stations. (RB)
 9368.5x USZ Dikson Ostrov, USSR hd 0233 clg RGXS (RB)
 9105 XAM200 Leon, Gto., Mexico hd 0417 wkg XAX200 (RB)

MARITIME
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13138 8PO Barbados hd 1752 testing on USB (2RVW)
 13122.5 WOM Pennsuco, Florida hd 2130 with traffic list (LN)
 13116.3 WOM Pennsuco, Florida hd 2140 wkg "Aphrodites" (LN)
 12435.4 HO2058 "Inagua Tide" hd 1240 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 HO5237 "Inagua España" hd 1236 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 HOEB "Inagua Beaver" hd 1217 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 HOOJ "Inagua Island" hd 1212 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 HP2451 "Inagua Sands" hd 1231 wkg WMP VR at Port of Spain (HH)
 HP3307 "Inagua Surf" hd 1245 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 H3HU "Inagua Light" hd 1312 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 H3VZ "Ceille Erickson" hd 1350 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 H8BP "Inagua Shore" hd 1313 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 KCGH "Caguas" hd (time?) wkg KXS206 VR 1 kW (HH)
 ZGDS "Risa Paula" hd 1320 wkg WHQ VR 250 W N. Coast of Cuba (HH)
 ZGOG "Castaneda" hd 1340 wkg WHQ VR 250 W Windward Passage (HH)
 3FMJ "Inagua Ranger II" hd 1205 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 3FMN "Inagua Gull" hd 1230 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 3FMO "Inagua Beach" hd 1241 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 3FNP "Inagua Pilot" hd 1234 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 3FNQ "Inagua Spray" hd 1319 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 3FRC "Inagua Trader II" hd 1243 wkg WMP VR San Juan, PR (HH)
 3FUZ "Inagua Bay" hd 1220 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 3FXL "Inagua Sound" hd 1327 wkg WMP VR (HH)
 12435 KPCV "Borinquen" hd 1342 wkg KXS311 and KXS206 VR 200 W (HH)
 WEWW "Fortaleza" hd 1305 clg KXS311 VR 1 kW (HH)
 12432.3 A8BI "Pan Antilles" hd 1230 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 GQOV "Atlantic Resolute" hd 1332 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 HO3973 "Panaribe" hd 1239 wkg KZN VR South Pass Buoy, La. (HH)
 HO3974 "Panamerica" hd 1336 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 HO3975 "Panatlantic" hd 1333 wkg KZN VR Miami, Fla. (HH)
 TEB23 "Costa Rica" hd 1244 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 TEB24 "Central America" hd 1335 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 WYQ5902 "America" hd 1146 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 WYQ5906 "Amazonia" hd 1244 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 ZGBW "Atlantic Sky" hd 1335 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 ZGBY "Atlantic Sun" hd 1336 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 ZGDA "Caribbean Trailer" hd 1340 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 ZGDT "Atlantic Intrepid" hd 1235 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 ZGDU "Atlantic Clipper" hd 1342 wkg KZN VR at St. Lucia (HH)
 ZGGM "Eline" hd 1228 wkg KZN VR (HH)
 ZGHH "Current Trader" hd 1241 wkg KZN VR Pascagoula, Miss. (HH)
 5MCR "Atlantic Express" hd 1401 wkg WEJ VR 150 W (HH)
 12429.2 C6YL "Nopal Dana" hd 1454 wkg KFN465 VR (HH)
 KFN463 Miami, Florida hd 1454 wkg ships VR (HH)
 KSLB "Sealand Pacer" hd 1414 wkg WRF VR 1 kW (HH)
 KUF773 Marcus Hook, Pa. hd (time?) wkg "New Jersey Sun" VR 1 kW (HH)
 KYRH "Trinity" hd 1422 wkg KUY VR 1 kW (HH)
 OYEP "Nopal Minerva" hd 1454 wkg KFN463 VR at Curacao (HH)
 OZOM "Nopal Optima" hd 1455 wkg KFN463 VR (HH)
 WNDJ "Sealand Economy" hd 1419 wkg WRF VR 100 W (HH)
 9V2733 "Nopal Explorer" hd 1457 wkg KFN463 VR Port of Spain (HH)
 12424.3 WBV Port Richmond, N.Y. hd 1352 wkg "Heidi Moran" VR (HH)
 WEJ Miami, Florida hd 1246 wkg "Tampico" in Spanish VR (HH)
 8805.7 VIS Sydney, Australia hd 1055 with traffic to unid. (RGD)
 8294.2 WJD Tampa, Florida hd 1221 wkg "Gulf Eagle" VR (HH)

8291.1 WMBX "Creek" hd 1859 wkg unid. station; VR off E. Mexico (HH)
 8241.5 ELPH "Fairwind" hd 0525 clg Coast Guard Portsmouth, VA (RGD)
 6200 KCBO "Martha R. Ingram" hd 1200 wkg Portsmouth, VA USCG VR (HH)
 4125 KDR St. Louis, Missouri hd 1149 wkg "Alexus" (2RVW)
 WIX Lakin, West Virginia hd 1133 wkg the "Jewel" (2RVW)
 2590 WOX New York, NY hd 0429 with notices broadcast (RGD)
 2582 VCN Grindstone, M.I., Canada hd 0424 wkg unid. (RGD)
 2522 WOX New York, NY hd 0430 with notices broadcast (RGD)
 CW
 22575 KFS San Francisco, Calif. hd 2036 clg CQ (RGD)
 22230x LEBG "Oro Chief" hd 1137 clg GKB7 VR 1.6 kW (HH)
 16940 XSW Kaoshiung, Taiwan hd 0215 clg CQ (FP)
 16743.2 JFZG "Hakusan Maru" hd 0115 clg JCT and JCU VR 1 kW (HH)
 16724 6ZIE "Golden Canary" hd 1050 clg GKD VR 500 W (HH)
 16720x GDYU "Texaco Plymouth" hd 0200 clg VIP VR 1 kW (HH)
 GRHQ "Scythia" hd 1103 clg GKB VR 1.5 kW (HH)
 PCPZ "Amstelwal" hd 2354 clg NMR VR 250 W (HH)
 5MFS "First Venture" hd 1100 clg PCH61 VR 1 kW (HH)
 13385 UDTI "Sovietskaya Ukraina" hd 0015 clg RUZU and UGE2 (RB)
 UYYA "Estoniya" hd 0016 clg RUZU and UGE2 (RB)
 13056 UJQ7 Kiev, Ukraine hd 0624 clg 4LA (RGD)
 13047 SVB5 Athens, Greece hd 0639 with DE SVA marker (RGD)
 12988.5 3BM5 Bigara, Mauritius hd 0129 clg CQ (RGD)
 12874.4x HPN60 Canal Radio, Panama hd 1230 with marker (FP)
 12844x XFS2 Ciudad Madero, Tam., Mexico hd 0117 manually clg CQ (RB)
 12821.1x DZF Bacoor, Philippines hd 1349 clg CQ (RGD) (listed 12828--Ed.)
 12709 GKR3 Wick, Scotland hd 1145 with DE GKR marker (LH)
 12668.4 JCX Naha, Okinawa, Japan hd 0015 clg CQ (FP)
 12661 6VA6 Dakar, Senegal hd 1733 clg CQ (LH)
 12660 YIR Basrah, Iraq hd 0417 clg CQ (LH)
 12545.8 GTIA "Ivybank" hd 0325 calling GKB VR 1.4 kW (HH)
 8746.8 WOM Pennsuco, Fla. hd 0413 with QTT and CP call to GUNP & others (RB)
 8682 J2A8 Djibouti, Djibouti hd 0356 clg CQ (LH)
 8646 LPD86 General Pacheco, Argentina hd 0241 with V mkr (LH)
 8607 HPN60 Canal Radio, Panama hd 1100 with marker (FP)
 8525 9KK6 Kuwait, Kuwait hd 0342 with marker (RGD)
 8478 TIM Limon, Costa Rica hd 0552 clg CQ (RGD)
 8471.7x SUP Port Said, Egypt hd 0549 with V/CQ mkr (RGD) (listed 8473--Ed.)
 8469 FFD St. Denis, Reunion hd 1329 clg CQ (RGD)
 8400 USNA BMRT "Zhenchug" hd 0034 wkg UGE2 Bellingshausen (RB)
 6503x WLO Mobile, Alabama hd 0444 with DE WLO marker (RGD)
 6495 GKE3 Portishead, England hd 0443 with DE GKE marker (RGD)
 6470 JCX Naha, Okinawa, Japan hd 1232 clg CQ (RGD)
 4302 OX22 Lyngby, Denmark hd 0622 clg CQ (RGD)

MILITARY
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156800 NMN70 Chincoteague, VA USCG hd 1329 wkg CGC "Madrona" VR 25 W (HH)
 13215 Albrook AFB, Panama USAF hd 1259 wkg Andrews (RGD)
 Andrews AFB, Maryland USAF hd 1249 wkg SAM 24130 (RGD)
 McClellan AFB, Calif. USAF hd 0308 wkg Scott (RGD)
 Scott AFB, Illinois USAF hd 0308 wkg McClellan (RGD)
 Portsmouth, VA USCG hd 2205 with wx best (LN)
 13111 NMN San Francisco, CA USCG hd 1030 with wx best (LN)
 13110 NMC McMurdo Sound, Antarctica USN hd 0322 wkg Siple (RB)
 11552 Palmer, Antarctica USN hd 0310 wkg Siple (RB)
 Siple, Antarctica USN hd 0310 wkg Palmer (RB)
 South Pole, Antarctica USN hd 0314 wkg Siple, chk 12225 RTTY (RB)
 MAC 80220 (C-5A aircraft) hd 0113 wkg MacDill (RB)
 8993 Honolulu, Hawaii USCG hd 0323 wkg "Magic Dragon" VR (HH)
 8291.1 NMO Trenton, Ont., Canada CAF hd 0035 with wx best (LH)
 6753 CHR Portsmouth, VA USCG hd 1010 with wx best (LN)
 6505 NMN MacDill AFB, Florida USAF hd 0507 wkg unid. (RGD)
 5688 Navy 3HG2 hd 0323 calling MacDill (RB)
 4746 TEAL 30 (USAF plane) hd 0214 wkg MacDill (RB)
 2678 NMA Miami, Florida USCG hd 0352 wkg unid cutter (RGD)
 2670 NMG New Orleans, LA USCG hd 0241 wkg unid. (RGD)
 CW
 16876 FUG La Regine, France Navy hd 1908 with V marker (RHF)

13030x	FUF	Fort de France, Martinique Fr. Navy hd 1636 with V mkr (LH)
12889.5	NMO	Honolulu, Hawaii USCG hd 0015 clg QRU? (FP)
12809	VTG	Bombay, India Navy hd 1530 with V marker (FP)
12743	NRV	Barrigada, Guam USCG hd 1740 clg CQ (LH)
12700	NMR	San Juan, Puerto Rico USCG hd 0320 clg CQ (LH)
12665	FUM	Papeete, Tahiti Fr. Navy hd 0330 with V mkr (FP)
11435	OVC	Groennedal, Greenland Danish Navy hd 2030 wkg OVH (LH)
9050	NMO	Honolulu, Hawaii USCG hd 0359 clg CQ NUKO (RB)
8624.1	FUM	Papeete, Tahiti Fr. Navy hd 1330 with V mkr (FP)
8470	ZRQ4	Fisantekraal, South Africa Navy hd 0546 with V mkr (RGD)
6334.5	CTH47	Horta, Azores Port. Navy hd 0200 with V marker (FP)
4300.2	GYA	Whitehall, London, England BRN hd 0543 with marker (RGD)
4221.3	GYU	Gibraltar BRN hd 0556 with DE GYU marker (RGD)
3039x	IDR8	Rome, Italy Navy hd 0439 with V marker (RGD)
500	NMG	New Orleans, La. USCG hd 0255 wkg JBBG (LH)

MISCELLANEOUS

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18108	KK2XJM	Daytona Beach, FL exper beacon hd 1612 on A0 and USB (LH)
10104x	KK2XJM	Daytona Beach, FL exper. hd 0036 wkg KK2XGH on USB (RB)

CW		
14817	AYA	Buenos Aires, Argentina INTERPOL hd 0034 clg FSB St. Cloud (LH)

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Thanks to all for your reports. And special thanks are due to reporters Bob Burton and Hank Holbrook, who, to the best of your Editor's recollections, have reported to each and every one of the the 157 Utilities columns your current Editor has done. NEW AERADIO FREQUENCIES Reuben Dagold reports hearing what appears to be a re-alignment of the aeradio frequencies, first noted 24 Feb 1982. New channels heard include: 13309 South America, 13306 North Atlantic, 13300 ?, 13270 N. Atl. VOLMET, 13261 East Pacific, 11300 East Africa/Mid East, 11282 East Pacific, 8879 North Atlantic, 8885 ?, 8878 ?, 8855 South America, and 8843 East Pacific. Could well be a change made at last WARC, in your editor's best guess.

CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS TO FEB. COLUMN Rick Matthews sends the following info. The location of Faslane (MGJ) is in Scotland, about 56N 5W. Also, callsign for Chiclayo on 8896 is OAC2.

NEW CALL SIGN ALLOCATION From latest ITU information, V3A-V3Z is Belize.

GOOD-BY

This is a hard note to write. It is sad to see financial troubles bring an abrupt end to the Newark News Radio Club. It is the end of an institution. And with the end of the NNRC, so comes the end of this UTILITIES COLUMN. To all who have contributed over the years, THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT. It has been much appreciated. I hope that the 157 columns by your current editor have brought you as much enjoyment in reading them as they have your Editor in doing them. It seems ironic that this last column is the first your Editor has done via computer/word processor.

After doing this column for so long, it will seem strange, indeed, not to face a deadline each month for copy to be into the hands of Amelia Bennett, the publisher of the Bulletin for the past several years. To her, thanks for a job well done. And it will, undoubtedly, seem strange to the loyal supporters of this column not to have a monthly deadline to get reports into the hands of the Editor.

We all must feel a sense of shock at the sudden end of the club, and hope that it may somehow magically or miraculously be resurrected. But, it seems it is not to be. Perhaps, someday, a reborn NNRC may arise? Who knows? But, until then, seek out and join and support one or more of the other thriving clubs which share your interests. Contribute to them as you have to this column over the past years. Don't let the demise of one club be the end of your interest in the hobby—DXing will go on.

Lastly, I will still be glad to correspond with anyone who desires information on stations, etc. My address is on page UTIL-1 of this last Utilities Column.

To one and all of the readers of the NNRC Utilities Column, good-bye, vays con Dios, do svedaniya, aloha, and auf wiedersehn.

Robert H. French

ALL TIMES: NEWARK NEWS RADIO CLUB ROY L. FANSLER K9UE
 24 Hour GMT ROUTE 3
 Deadline: 1st Sat AMATEUR SECTION FAIRFIELD, ILL 62837

ANTARCTICA...DK6RK will be operating from Atka Bay (70½S 08½W) until May, 1983. The callsign is DPØLEX and favorite frequencies are: 351j, 7015, 14015, 21025; 3650, 7060, 14205 and 21210 khz. He has a schedule with his QSL manager DL6NI on Mondays at 1700 or 2000 GMT; on Thursday at 2000 GMT; on Saturday at 1600/1800/2100 GMT and on Sunday at 1800/2000/2100 GMT. These schedules are usually on one of the following frequencies: 21015, 14015 or 14205 khz. 4K1A is active from the Soviet section of Antarctica and Gene Allen heard him on 20 meters at 2050 GMT. VP8ANT is very active on most bands, including 160 meters.

DX NEWS SHEET...The NNRC Amateur Gang congratulates Geoff Watts...his weekly DX NEWS SHEET reached sheet number 1000 with the January 27, 1982, issue!

ZONE 23...UAØYAD has been giving out this rare zone around 14030 khz around 0300 GMT. UAØYAE is also active. JT1KAI has been heard on 14027 at 0100 GMT and JT1BH was reported on 14035 khz at 1300 GMT.

MELLISH REEF...Rumor has VK2BJL going there in May....

AUCKLAND/CAMPBELL ISLAND...ZL3AFH/A can be found near 14005 khz daily after 0730 GMT and he joins the Open House Net on 14331 khz at 0930 GMT Tuesdays. QSL via ZL2HE. Art Blair suggest that those looking for ZL4OY/A on Campbell might concentrate on weekends as the station seems to be more active then. Art heard him at 0257 GMT on 21370 khz.

CROZET...Several reporters listed F8BWG this month. He seems to like 14005-015, 14160 and 14260 khz after 0300 GMT.

CEUTA/MELILLA...EA9JV has been using his special call ED9IFP and shows about every day around 28505 khz after 1530 GMT. Steve Stevenson got him on 28740 khz at 1549 GMT. Ray Fansler worked EA9KQ on Melilla at 2342 GMT on 14067 khz.

ABU AIL...J28AZ hopes for a 17-23 April operation from there.....

SOLOMON ISLANDS...H44SH is said to be working on his 5BWAS and is alert for USA stations. He works the low bands: 3794, 3895 or 7218 khz at 1200-1300 GMT. AD1S is the QSL manager.

MAURITIUS...The 3B8 stations offer lots of activity on all bands. 3B8CF is on CW, 3B8DA has been heard on 14222 khz at 1200 and 1300 GMT, 3B8FG haunts the low end of 20 meter CW around 0300 GMT, 3B8DQ, 3B8CD and 3B8AS are also active.

FRVCH POLYNESIA...FO8HA has been reported on 14015 khz around 0600 GMT. FO8HI shows on 14245 khz every day after 0600 GMT. QSL via WB6GFJ. FO8HO has been heard on 21305 khz at 0700 GMT. Mike Eilers worked FOØPT on 14026 khz at 1008 GMT.

SYRIA...OE5JTL/YK can be found about any day between 28525-540 khz after 1500 GMT. QSL to OE5UYL.

OMAN...A4XJO operates on 28003 khz at 1400 GMT and on 7005 khz after 0300 GMT. QSL via WB3JRU. Stevenson heard A4XIJ on 14210 khz at 0500 GMT.

TJBOUTI...J28DM has been showing via long path around 1530 GMT. Try 28015 or 14205 khz. QSL via F2GA. J28DL likes 28585 khz after 1930 GMT. His QSL manager is F6ESH.

IVORY COAST...TU2HJ appears every Monday at 0330 GMT in the 14200-230 khz area. QSL via W3HNK. TU2IN has been heard on 28612 khz at 1600 GMT and TU2LC was reported on 14004 khz at 2200 GMT.

EAST MALAYSIA...9M8PW is a frequent check-in to the Family Hour on 28575 khz at 2330 GMT. QSL via G4DXC.

DX REPORT... Alan Leith, VE3FRA, puts out a bi-weekly DX REPORT based on the Geoff Watts DX NEWS SHEET, but adapted for North America. Subscription rates are \$17.50 for USA, \$19.00 for Canada, \$28.00 elsewhere. Contact Alan at 10 Fairington Crescent; St. Catharines, Ontario L2N 5W3.

SVALBARD... Andy, JW0P has been active on 7002 khz at 0300 GMT; 14027 khz at 0200 GMT and 14205 khz at 0130 and 2030 GMT.

WPE SHORTWAVE CLUB... WA9VLK is organizing a SWL club geared towards Amateur Radio operators and particularly those who hold WPE (Popular Electronics Shortwave Registration) callsigns. To receive a questionnaire and to be put on the mailing list, send a large SASE to Vern A. Weiss WA9VLK/WPE9GHP; 895 West Park Drive; Kankakee, Illinois 60901.

NEW REPORTER... We welcome Jon Tackett who last reported to this Section about 15 years ago! Jon lives at St. Joseph, Missouri and logs the DX with a Sony CRP-1 receiver with a built-in whip antenna. Welcome back, Jon!

AFRICA SAFARI NET... Lavoyd Kunev advises that this net operates each day on 21285/295 khz; takes lists on 21305/315 khz with lots of good about 1700/1800 GMT.

"10 BEST DX CATCHES"

RAYMOND SEREIKI, 3243 S. Emerald Avenue; Chicago, Illinois 60616
SSB: VP8QI British Antarctica 14224 0128...6W8FZ Senegambia 14203 2258...9Y50NP Trinidad 14196 0005...JW0P Svalbard 14205 0132...ZS1AU South Africa 14201 2115...JK5QBE Ukraine 14213 1333...OX3JF Greenland 13217 2321...EA8TE Canary Islands 14202 0052...N6YA/VZ Antigua 14223 0356...KP2G Virgin Islands 14205 2349...(Realistic DX-300 & Built-in Whip).

THOMAS R. SUNDSTROM W2XQ, Box 175; Vincentown, New Jersey 08088-0175
QSO: SSB. CN8BX Morocco 3793 0203...CW. 9Y50VV Trinidad 21021 0049...AC3Q/KX6 Marshall Island 21027 0108...SV1NA/SV5 Dodecanes 14025 2249...HZ1AB Saudi Arabia 14004 0137...EA9EU Ceuta 7012 0056...VJMS Belize 7035 0338...FY0POL French Guyana 0152...(Drake SPR-4/T-4XC & Dipoles/1000' Beveridge).

JON TACKETT W0-9935, 3515 Gene Field Road 12-7; St. Joseph, MO 64506
SSB: A4XJQ Oman 21301 1820...9J2TJ Zambia 21274 2004...TU2JJ Ivory Coast 14215 2225...9N1MM Nepal 14210 0125...JW0P Svalbard 14204 0104...FC9UC Corsica 14210 2220...JY5US Jordan 14220 2313...TL8CK Central African Republic 14207 2151...VQ9CW Chagos 14220 2218...T32AB East Kiribati 14212 0835...(Sony CRP-1 & Built-in Whip).

FRANK WHEELER WDX3DX, 6589 Wattsburg Road; Erie, Pennsylvania 16509
SSB: 28 Mhz. DL2LZ West Germany 1300...DL0UF West Germany 1450 TI6YM Costa Rica 1702...I2SM Italy 1417...5P6JZ Barbados 1910...YU4CA Yugoslavia 1456...G4BJQ England 1235...8P6OL Barbados 1400...DL4MO West Germany 1236...DL2VS West Germany 1255...(Hallicrafters S40B/Realistic DX-160 & Single Wire 175' Long).

JIM PICKERING, 109 Dogwood Drive; Williamsburg, Virginia 23185
SSB: 14 Mhz. TL8CK Central African Republic 2129...5N2LED Nigeria 2154...8Q7AV Maldives 1231...9L1DR Sierra Leone 2237...DU9RG Philippines 1223...3X1Z Republic of Guinea 0005...AP2ZA Pakistan 1356 CNSEJ Morocco 0030...OX3JF Greenland 2157...TF3KC Iceland 2206...(Realistic DX-160 & 33' Longwire).

LAVOYD KUNEY WDX8AD, 7618 Beaverland; Detroit, Michigan 48239
SSB: S79RD Seychelles 21292 1750...S8TH Transkei 21292 1800...Z21GH Zimbabwe 21292 1850...VP8LP Falkland Islands 14224 0015...3C0AC Annobon 21295 1309...CR9AN Macao 14210 1336...3X1Z Guinea 14203 2120 5V7HI Togo 14198 2130...8Q7BN Maldives 14225 1345...PB8WG Crozet 14225 1614...(Kenwood R-1000 & Eavesdropper).

"10 BEST DX CATCHES"

ART BLAIR WDX6GXV, 71 Surrey Street; San Francisco, California 94131
SSB: DM1SAC West Germany 28415 1634...YJ8RG Vanuatu 28510 2348...FK8DH New Caledonia 28585 0102...Y37XL East Germany 28462 1606...ZL40Y/A Campbell Island 21370 0257...5H3KG Tanzania 14194 1544...PB8WG Crozet Island 14225 1725...CR9BH Macao 14195 1620...LU5ZI South Shetland Is. 14215 0429...XF4MDX Revilla Gigedo Island 14196 1543...(Kenwood R-1000 & Vertical/10 meter Dipole).

REUBEN G. DAGOLD, 7008 Plymouth Road; Baltimore, Maryland 21208
SSB: C31UN Andorra 28515 1607...3V8AA Tunisia 28605 1603...TYA11 Benin 28546 1709...FP8HL St. Pierre & Miquelon 28532 1555...ZD7BW St. Helena 28551 2335...EA1ABT Spain 21285 1943...D68AM Comoros 21285 1935...HR1JSH Honduras 21356 1810...Z21GE Zimbabwe 21292 2325...CG5AGM Canada 21283 2307...(Kenwood R-1000 & Random wires/MFJ 1020).

MICHAEL J. EILERS K8OCK, 1925 Benjamin Ave NE; Grand Rapids, MI 49505
QSO: CW. FO0PT French Polynesia 14026 1008...UK2RDX Estonia 7038 0725...VP2E Anguilla 7029 0650...V3MS Belize 3530 1122...KV4FZ Virgin Islands 1823 0937...SWL: SSB. OE5JTL/YK Syria 21355 1804...3X1Z Republic of Guinea 21355 1945...VK3AW Australia 10133 1033...CW. AH8B American Samoa 3502 1202...VK3DKW Australia 3524 1000(Ten Tec Delta & 20, 80 meter Dipoles).

RAY FANSLER K9IT, Route 3; Fairfield, Illinois 62837
QSO: CW. SV0CG Greece 28010 1440...EL2AV Liberia 28087 1518...V3MS Belize 28011 2018...FY0POL French Guyana 28061 2026...3B8FG Mauritius 14017 0311...9Y50VV Trinidad 14007 0150...EA9KQ Melilla 14-067 2342...3B8CD Mauritius 14032 0316...(Ranger/Collins R390 & Beam).

STEVE STEVENSON WPE3AZC, 5200 Oleander Road; Drexel Hill, PA 19026
SSB: ED9IFP Melilla 28740 1549...3C0BC Annobon 21295 2036...TR8DX Gabon 21310 2134...CW0A Uruguay 21372 0119...D68AM Comoros 21289 1956...F5RV/FC Corsica 21260 1705...CN8BX Morocco 21297 2157...9U5WR Burundi 14195 2328...Z26JJ Zimbabwe 14332 2241...A4XIJ Oman 14210 0514 (National NC-190 & Dipole).

AL MATAS W2-6838, 674 Driggs Avenue; Brooklyn, New York 11211
SSB: 21 Mhz. JX7FF Jan Mayen 1210...14 Mhz. FK8DR New Caledonia 1025...YJ8BO Vanuatu 1100...YB2DI Indonesia 1140...VU2DM India 1150...2K2EL Niue 1155...PW8BK Willis Island 1115...VS6HH Hong Kong 1115...3B8AE/9 Rodriguez Island 1150...3E8DB Mauritius 1150...(Lafayette HA-350 & Indoor Antenna).

EUGENE S. ALLEN WDX6BZ, 134 Bret Harte Way; Vallejo, California 94589
SSB: 21 Mhz. D68AM Comoro Island 2029...3C0CB Annobon 2049...14 Mhz. 4K1A Soviet Antarctica 2326...VIBZAC Uzbek 0421...9N1MM Nepal 0116...EP2TY Iran 0359...PB8WG Crozet Island 1630...VK9NS Norfolk Is. 0632...3X1Z Guinea 0107...3.8 Mhz. TYA11 Benin 0622...(Hammarlund HQ-129 & Longwire 12 meters long).

MIKE WITKOWSKI WDX9JFT, 4206 Nebel Street; Stevens Point, Wisc. 54481
SSB: 7Q7LW Malawi 28507 1957...5H3BH Tanzania 28582 1924...VK9NND Norfolk Island 28555 0207...FK8CR New Caledonia 28510 0134...9L1EX Sierra Leone 21345 2309...CR9BK Macao 21293 0056...LU5ZI South Shetlands 14213 0436...3X1Z Republic of Guinea 14210 0134...AP2AL Pakistan 14204 1319...T32AE East Kiribati 14233 0435...(Yaesu PRDX-400 & TA-33 Jr.).

CHARLES C. BOEHNKE WDX6CC, Box 223; Los Gatos, California 95031-0223
SSB: ZL2FR New Zealand 28678 0029...JA1FJJ Japan 28605 0025...VK9NS Norfolk Island 28592 0018...6D5AE Mexico 28560 0003...DJ0IA West Germany 7210 0832...FM: 6D5OT Mexico 29600 2015...KH6IJ Hawaii 29600 24...KX6QX Marshall Islands 29600 2130...KL7JHR Alaska 29600 2213...JR6QJV Okinawa 29600 2303...(Yaesu FRG-7 & Gotham V-80).

JOHN WILKINS WDX0W, 4440 Dover St.; Wheat Ridge, Colorado 80033
SSB: JH5HLK Japan 21262 2313...JK1BFQ Japan 21289 0229...ZL0AEX New Zealand 14208 0705...CW: FY0POL French Guyana 7011 0607...5W1DC Western Samoa 7004 0655...ZD8JGN Ascension Island 21018 2010...(Kenwood R-1000 & 60' Longwire).

"10 BEST DX CATCHES"

RALPH R. HARTMAN WDX9CR, 1500 Light Road, Apt 211; Oswego, IL 60543
 SSB: XF4MDX Revilla Gigedo 28485 1648...ZS3NH Namibia 28546
 1657...EA9GZ Ceuta & Melilla 21354 1829...5Z4NQ Kenya 21355 1857...
AP2AI Pakistan 14205 1304...JY3ZH Jordan 14208 1454...9U5WR Burundi
 14202 0016...2D7BW St. Helena 14214 0219...T2GMM Tuvalu 14206 0537...
LU5ZI South Shetlands 7079 0752...(Drake R4C & Random Wire).

LARRY S. DANKO WDX2QQ, 208 Walnut Street; Livingston, New Jersey 07039
 SSB: 28 Mhz. QASBE Peru 2243...J73CB Dominica 1735...LZ1KDF
 Bulgaria 1342...21 Mhz. GM3JAW Scotland 1257...EA8VV Canary Islands
 1838...14 Mhz. LU5ZI South Shetlands 0529...ZS4AF South Africa 0532...
TU2JL Ivory Coast 0600...YB0FG Indonesia 1329...UK2GAB Latvia 0805...
 (Lafayette BCR-101 & 10 meter indoor Longwire).

RICHARD E. LAWRENSON, SR WDX1QY, 28 Carl Drive; Tiverton, RI 02878
 SSB: ZL1BUS New Zealand 14182 0645...ZL1WE New Zealand 14223
 0710...VK2BKD Australia 14212 0720...J3AE Grenada 14211 0110...UK1OAF
 E. Russia 14203 0145...UK1TBB E. Russia 14203 0145...EA8ZE Canary Is.
 14210 2350...EA6GB Balearic Islands 14222 2352...F2SI France 14215
 2230...4X4FR Israel 14212 2135...(Realistic DX-300/Hallicrafters SX-122
 & 180' L Shaped wire at 20').

BILL SMITH W1-7897, Locust Street, RFD 238W3; Douglas, Mass. 01516
 SSB: 28 Mhz. HZ1AB Saudi Arabia 1457...Z21GJ Zimbabwe 1535...
 3X12 Guinea 1815...21 Mhz. 7X4BL Algeria 2133...5N0KUY Nigeria 2135...
 14 Mhz AH2AC Guam 1246...(Drake SPR-4 & Piece of wire in the house).

ROY FANSLER K9UE, Route 3; Fairfield, Illinois 62837
 QSO: CW. 3D2VU Fiji Islands 21026 0250...TG9NX Guatemala 21019
 0106...4S7WP Sri Lanka 14004 1212...VU2BEL India 14007 1243...FY0FOL
 French Guyana 14045 1315...V3MS Belize 14035 1249...3B8DB Mauritius
 14022 0305...UK8MAA Kirghiz 14022 0259...P42C Netherland Antilles 14-
 063 0240...VK6RZ Australia 14008 1300...(Johnson Ranger/R390 & Beam).

*Indicates New Prefix "QSLs RECEIVED" Indicates New Country

TOM SUNDSTROM...AB5X...C31HD...KC9U...KI1B...LX2BQ...P41C...SV1NN...XE1PR
PA0LVB/3A...PA0VDV/3A...5H3TM...5Z4CS...N0TG/6Y0.

ART BLAIR...AF9J...CP6EL...D68AM...JE3SEN...JE6KYA...KI2G...KB3PD...
KM5A...K18Y...KG9T...KG0E...KI0C...NS4L...PP5JB...VO2CZ...WH2ACR...Z21GB
6E5MX.

EUGENE ALLEN...KC1R...KE7A...KE9D...KE9H...KG7H...KG9D...KG9L...KI2M...
KI0W...KJ7U...KJ7Z...KK7Y...KK8K...KM8E...KM8U...KM0Q...KQ8M...KR60...KR8I
KV60...NJ4I...NJ4Q...NM4L...5N0WPC...K5VRX/SV5...4S7NB...7Z2AP...AK5R...
J5HTL...JG2DBW...J13CAC...JR7C00...NP4B...NR4A.

STEVE STEVENSON...Y25LO...JA5AB...Y53YF...NR4U...Y76ZL...JH3LPT...KC9FK
KG7B...N6YK/V2A...KJ9G...K08K...KD9M...Y52WG...KS5S...JH6JMN...OG2AA
NJ4U...JH5HLK...KE3G...KC1A.

AL MATAS...C02CI...G4JRR...G4J0Z...G3TIH...VK2HHV...JA1DZZ...OE1PC...VK3GQ
VK5DF...VK3DET.

RAY FANSLER...J5HTL...P47A...W6KG/PZ1...6E5MX.

MIKE EILERS...YU2RZX...Y21CF...ON4GU...P3MS...DJ4AR...PA3AMN...KA9AHH...
KD0U...KA5AZT...NC4F.

JOHN WILKINS...AI3Y...AK4G...KB1U...KC3A...KC3Y...KC8BE...KC8KO...KC9S...
KC0DX...KD3A...KD9E/6...KD7P...KG0E...KI2M...KI8X...KJ2V...KJ7K...
KJ7W...KJ8E...KK8I...KM5R...KN2B...K08Y...KV6H...KV6I...NC6T...NE4X...
NG4S...NG4X...NJ4Q...NJ4X...NL7N...NO4K...NQ4V...KC9T...KE1R...KE9K.

MIKE WITKOWSKI...CG5AE...FR0FLO/J

RICHARD LAWRENSON...P47A

"QSLs RECEIVED"

LARRY DANKO...EI1DH...OR5NT...YO3KWJ...F6FCH...M1IPA...Y24UK...CT2CY...
SP8RJ...Y45SA...OK1KTW...Y22DG...VP1FB...NL7K...EA1YA...KG4GN...KT60.

BILL SMITH...A9XDD...G3MUV/CE0...EC8PI...EF7TV...FM7WO...PO8HL...H5AK...
HD8GI...KA6NOR/M (BMW 3201 on I5, Bakersfield, Ca)...KG0C...KA6NPL/KH0
KE9I...KE9U...KK0Q...KM0P...KN7F...KW4T...LU7EIF...NC6T...NG4E...NJ4F...
NL7P...NP4AT...KP2A...S79MC...SN0WPC...W9SWM/V2A...VP2MIX...W7UKG/AM/0 (Up
 39,000')...WD6DUQ/3...Y24ZG...4V2B...6W8HL...8P6KX...W6QL/8R1.

ROY FANSLER...EC3CP...F8EX...I0ZQ...J5HTL...KA5LGI...KB7HH...LU6DYR...
LU6UE...OK3CAN...P47A...VK3BRC...ZL1AU...6E5MX.

DX TIDBITS....

Mike Witkowski and Ralph Hartman warn us not to put any call signs on the envelope when sending mail to VK30T (QSL manager for VK9XT and VK9YT). Does this mean that call signs should not be used when sending direct to all Australian amateurs?

Mike advises that Mexico is celebrating 50 years of amateur radio and hams there may use special call signs during 1982. XE1 stations may use 6D5; XE2..6E5; XE3..6F5.

The XQ prefix will be used for the CE hams (Chile) who are in the advance license class.

QSL INFORMATION...Thanks W2XQ, WPE3AZC, WDX6GXV, WDX8AD, K9IT, K9UE, WDX9CR, WDX9JFT and WDX0W.

QSL VIA	PA0GGM	QSL VIA	AA4NC
A6XJG	QSL VIA PA0GGM	VP2EE	QSL VIA AA4NC
CN8BX	" " AK3F	VP2EJ	" " WA8CZS
CW0A	" " CX1BL	VP2EL	" " PA0VDV
FK8CR	" " F6EWK	VP2ES	" " K8CV
FK0AF	" " FK8DD	VP2ESE	" " WB4QBB
FR7AI/J	" " W0AX	VP2EU	" " K8MR
FR0FLO/J	" " W0AX	VP2EV	" " K8ND
FY0FOL	" " YASME	VP2EX	" " WB8PVA
G5DSD/GU	" " WA4WPO	VP2MDB	" " W2WSE
H44SH	" " AD1S	VP2VFT	" " K1IJU
HC1SK	" " SM6DYK	VP2VFU	" " K1IJU
HK0EHM	" " WD9DZV	VP2VJV	" " K1IJU
HS1AMM	" " VE3GCO	Z26JJ	" " K6ZDL
IR00NU	" " I8UDB	ZD9EU	" " W4FRU
JY3ZH	" " DJ9ZB	ZD8JGN	" " W9CN
JY8NKO	" " JH7OHP	ZF2CK	" " WB9QPN
KP2C	" " KM5S	ZF2FU	" " W2LZX
AC3Q/KX6	" " AC3Q	ZL0AEX	" " K8UIR
LU5ZI	" " LU2A	3C0AC	" " N4NX
OD5RZ	" " VE5QY	3C0BC	" " K4PHE
OY9R	" " K2IJL	3X1Z	" " W4FRU
P42C	" " W1BIH	5Z4CM	" " W5BCB
PJ4CR	" " WB2LCH	5Z4CS	" " JI1VLV
SV0AO	" " KA2FRP	6D5AB	" " XE1AE
V3MS	" " W0CP	6D5Z2A	" " XE1Z2A
VK9YM	" " K1MM	6E5MX	" " XE2MX
VK9NM	" " DJ5CQ	9J2JN	" " WB2IZN
VP1VFI	" " K1IJU	9J2JW	" " WB2IZN
VP2E	" " K8ND	9Q5MA	" " K1VSK
VP2EAA	" " W0RLX	9Y50VV	" " W3EVW
VP2EB	" " WB8DQP		Art Blair needs info for YU7AU
VP2ED	" " PJ7ARI		
VP2EDX	" " WA8CZS		

K1MM.....Box 73; Framingham, MA 01701
 CX2BJ.....Box 18168; Montevideo, Uruguay
 DK2OC.....Klopstock Str. 2; D-1000 Berlin 21
 ED9IFP.....Box 340; Melilla, North Africa, via Spain
 FP8HL.....Box 1107; St. Pierre
 6D5AE.....Box 19500; Mexico City 19 DF

"CLUB STANDINGS"

REPORTER	HIC	*HIC	VIC	*VIC	HPX	VPX	HIZ	VIZ	VIC	VIS
1. Nate Rosen	332	341	332	341	914	887	40	40	6	50
2. Bill Smith	316	338	315	335	1806	1734	40	40	6	50
3. Lavoyd Kuney	311	338	308	330	-	-	40	40	6	50
4. Steve Stevenson	318	328	315	325	1806	1474	40	40	6	50
5. Art Blair	317	319	313	316	1191	1163	40	40	6	50
6. Mike Witkowski	309	319	305	314	-	411	40	40	6	50
7. Al Matas	325	315	310	350	-	-	40	40	-	-
8. Gene Allen	309	321	298	310	1711	1437	40	40	6	50
9. Ralph Hartman	307	316	292	300	-	979	40	40	6	50
10. Gus Stellwag	299	329	287	313	-	--	40	40	6	50
11. John Wilkins	289	295	263	269	1503	1084	40	39	6	50
12. Roy Fansler	275	272	260	262	1007	892	40	40	6	50
13. Ray Fansler	-	-	251	255	-	-	40	40	6	50
14. Richard Lawrenson	-	-	168	-	-	-	34	34	6	27
15. Tom Sundstrom	210	211	196	197	-	671	-	38	6	50
16. Ewald Bartunek	213	-	183	-	888	546	40	40	6	37
17. Larry Danko	212	212	163	163	-	376	35	32	6	50
18. Mike Eilers	260	263	144	146	1207	520	40	37	6	50
19. Barry Smith	-	-	123	123	-	-	29	-	-	-
20. Morris Sorenson	120	-	72	-	-	27	35	27	6	41
21. Audie Kaufman	105	106	82	81	-	186	-	27	6	50
22. Frank Wheeler	197	200	13	13	668	28	36	9	5	17
23. Rich Westerberg	130	130	9	9	50	32	31	10	6	20
24. Bill Schultz	-	240	-	-	1189	-	40	40	-	-
25. Tom Erickson	84	-	47	-	-	-	-	-	6	50
26. Reuben Dagold	189	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

"CLUB CHATTER"

BILL SMITH...Got back into DXing a little this month using the SPR-4 and a piece of wire. Much work to do on the new house, probably won't be finished for years, but it gives a certain satisfaction.

RALPH HARTMAN...The bands were so slow that I took time to visit the Wheaton hamfest at Arlington Park on February 7. Based on the recent series in the BCE Section on the Colegrove Loop, I bought several variable capacitors which I hope will resonate on 40 and 80 meters. The basic design of the Colegrove Loop lends itself to considerable experimentation.

JON TACKETT...These new prefixes really throw me a curve. After many years out of the hobby they are hard to learn.

EWALD BARTUNEK...I have been an NNRC member for several years. I DX the broadcast band, utilities and amateur bands and collect awards, now have 668.

MIKE WITKOWSKI...Received a QSL from Poland, neatly cut open and then stapled shut, surprised anything coming out of the country this early.

MIKE EILERS...Santa bought me a 1982 US Callbook...will help with info for a postcard or SASE. Anyone have a new DX Book?

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We regret that this will be the last appearance of the NNRC Bulletin. For many of us the NNRC has been an important part of our DXing careers. Besides offering the chance to exchange DX information, the Club has opened the door to many lasting friendships between the members.

I want to thank everyone for your support while I have been editor. The Amateur Section has long maintained a solid core of reliable reporters, who by their consistent help, have made my job as editor an easy and enjoyable time. Thank you.

Nemark News Radio Club
Broadcast Band Section



To My "Family"

With sincerity and warmth, I say a sad and humble "thank you" for friendship and support.

It is hard to say "good bye" to you, who have called the NNRC your home. So, to you, my dx "orphans", I give you my best wishes.

-Matt

April, 1982

As you all know, I've geared this column to the average guy with the average receiver who gets the average dx. It has been the most interesting of my many hobbies and, recently, the most therapeutic. The absence of the Club and BOB column will leave a void, but the memories of your participation and cooperation will stay. For the time being, though, our formal contact will be involuntarily suspended. So, to all of you, from my first reporters to the last; from the earliest to the latest - from Oakhurst, New Jersey all the way to Los Gatos, California, and points between; from the ranches of Wyoming to the citrus belts of Florida (and how can I forget my adopted Illinois and mid-west) I say on behalf on myself and all of us in this area "Aloha", till we meet again.

And to Chuck Boehnke and Bill Gilbert: thanks for the tip that my 1260 unidentified was KGIL in San Fernando, California; also to Dave Johnson for the comments on my art work and the Colegrove loop; and to Bob Clark for the invitation to spend "a month" at his Wyoming ranch now that I am able to get about; and to Jim Barrow who says my 1480 religious broadcaster is WVCF, Occoee, Florida. Thanks, Jim, for the invitation to spend a week at your Palm Beach, Florida, home; and to Ralph Hartman, Illinois, for the detailed lists of solar flares and antenna great circle bearings. (I'll give your excellent critique on antennas to Colegrove when I see him at our next local "get-to-gether"); and to Jeff Moen for the offer of a trip to the Great Smokies in his house trailer beginning June 4.....

Incidentally, Ralph: There is a surplus firm in Chicago that has the item you need to replace the 100-400 pfd. compression trimmer you mentioned in your letter. I do not have the name; maybe your yellow pages....????

Leverly C. Belmont: "Greeting from DeRitter, Louisiana; I have a cousin in the club and I caught the dx bug. My initials are B.C.B."
Marge Zahner, Baltimore: "Thanks for the support. Matt needed it."
Nancy Clark, Wyoming: "Will somebody write to my husband, Bob, and tell him its dinner time?"
Ruth Barrow, Palm Beach, Florida: "Nice Florida listings. Accept the enclosed bumper sticker: 'We Are Friendly Floridians'...."

Since I am back at work part time and have less time for dxing, my results are not what they ordinarily would be. A select few of my catches follow:

- 549 ---- Saudi Arabia 10:15 pm, barely separable from 550 chatter; weak
- 567 2YA Wellington, New Zealand; played clear tape for Wackerman, Colegrove during one of their visits; sent copy of tape to Jeff Moen
- 725 ---- Ecuador with nice volume; taped, steady level; not in every night; Slav on 736-but no verification of location
- 810 ---- Bahamas, strong with KCMO interference, but WJY completely looped out
- 1332 ---- Italy, rather weak for a 300 kilowatt at sunset; 5:03 pm news
- 1359 ---- Berlin- parallel to 783; lost in 1360 splash; brief GG then fade
- 1440 ---- Saudi Arabia thru the slop on this frequency; 10:12 pm but required delicate orientation of Colegrove loop. Reaching for the recorder button, I jarred the loop; had one devil of a time finding same precise angle.
- 1485 ---- European Common Wave sounded like one of our graveyarders. Definite audio in English -BBC Radio One (1 kw); several Spain at 2 kw; following morning, heard the same jabber plus an Arabic (was this the 1 kw Morocco)
- 1530 ---- Vatican City, with sledge-hammer signals dominating the frequency at 11:30 pm in Slovak; usual chimes ID, then jammer. At last, somebody has been able to block powerful WCKY with help of Colegrove loop
- 1566 ---- Tunisia easy here, no problem; mixed with Swiss outlet
- 1584 ---- Common wave for Europe; as noisy as a pizza joint in South Philly-- usual bucket full of 2 kilowatts from Spain courtesy Colegrove loop; with only 40 foot longwire switched in, and no loop, frequency was just a mess of undistinguishable audio
- 1602 ---- Was searching for Madagascar but was annoyed by the numerous Spain 2 kilowatts. which have become boringly bothersome

Where is the location of the Voice of America station on 621 kcs? Picked him up while searching for Taipei, Taiwan early one morning (P.S. Never did get Taiwan though. Guess I just don't have the touch to get the hard ones.)

-mz

JUST A FEW LAST MINUTE ODDS AND ENDS:-----

Bill Gilbert, 26 Terrill Lane, Kings Park, New York, 11754
Would like information about the circuit on Mallcrafters S-120.
If you have one or want to contact Bill about it, write him direct. He offers the following:
740 CHYR 0125 man with news- then pop music
1140 WRVA 0125 and 1512 weather NBC news



1090 KLMN Ogden, Utah with Mountain Time sign off- this was the 18th station I've gotten on this frequency, occupied by 50 kw local WBAL. Best and most distant was CX-28 in Uruguay

mz

Les Polkoff, New York reports some Spanish speakers on 1485. Identifies them as the 2 kw jobs from Spain. He did his listening at the tip of Long Island with his friend's Racal receiver and a loop.

Chris Banheim, Pennsylvania: "I've gotten 8 daytime Florida stations; once you get the hang of it, it's not hard to do. I'm 2700 feet high with no interference."

Bob Wojec, Illinois, I'm near the Loop, the near northwest as we call it here in Chicago; bad dx country. You small country town guys in Baltimore have it real good; no wonder you can grab 500 watt Floridians."

Tony Highing, Woodland, New Jersey, wants to know the difference between a BCL (Broadcast listener) and a dxer.....

Well, Tony, a BCL just chooses a station and enjoys listening to the particular program, not caring too much about the distance, technical details or the like. A dxer, on the other hand, likes to search for the elusive or hard-to-get station, either because of great distance or low power.

Bob Clark, Wyoming, writes that he envies us eastern dxers because of the selection and variety of stations we have. He says he'd give a head of cattle just to be able to hear a European. Best he can do, he adds, is a handful from Canada. Judy Breighthenbach, Baldwin, Maryland, at the completion of a

trans-continental trip by van says that although she never considered dxing as a hobby, she can now understand the fuss people make over hearing distant stations. Her travels across country took her into some of the best dx pastures the country and although she didn't especially make any listings of her catches, she did, nevertheless, understand why her father, as editor of the broadcast band section is intense into radio.

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Sven Bornman, New York City, has made a "not heard" list in which he lists the stations he cannot hear because of his location in mid-M'nhattan. List now numbers over two thousand stations. At least, he plays the negative to his advantage. Novel, what???

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Bill (Rusty) Spott, Georgia, has sent the following list of all night Latins that he has heard from his home in Dumnis. Receiver is an all wave Zenith:

760	HIPI	Dominican Republic
580	TGY	Guatemala
1600	TGWC	Guatemala
590	XEE	Mexico
1050	XEG	"
620	HJEL	Colombia
730	HJCU	Colombia
980	HJES	Colombia
1230	HJLK	Colombia

He adds that there are many others, especially in Colombia, that run all night, but the above are the ones he has logged. Many of them dominate the frequency after midnight. Your higher powered stations from Colombia on at the lower end of the band. Best bet is to look for them there.

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Personal note: Yes, Reuben Dagold, I did hear all those Floridians, and to Larry Ludlow, a trans-planted Texan: 'A belated welcome to Maryland'.

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It's tough, closing out 2 decades of editorship of BCB. I have much of your mail to answer; you'll hear from me. Another era may be closing for me. I'm eligible to retire from State service after 30 years as an administrative law judge. But no private law practice; just dxing and travel...Palm Beach, Wyoming, and the Great Smokies- maybe to the shack in Piedmont, West Virginia.....

The following article was intended for the TV-FM section; that section is no longer around. After I reported to that section my success at logging BBC and French TV, several wrote and asked about the possibility of receiving Asian or Russian TV audio.

My brother Rick, K3YQQ an astronomer and engineer at Bendix Radio here in Baltimore; Al Bentz, and I put the following together:
Frequency: 56.25 megacycles Dates: June 10 through June 25

A meteor shower will peak on June 15, but we'll depend on trop openings. Pick a day with high humidity (75 %) at receiver location with a warm mist. Best to have rain over northern Europe. Point your Yagi about 15 degrees east of North. Russian signal will skirt Greenland, bend south and probably scatter on its trip down US east coast. Signals will be of 3 to 5 minutes duration with about 15 minute fade; this should repeat about 3 times.

Keep crystal at broadest position; use head set; and park on the frequency. For Leningrad/Archangel, best time is sunrise EST; uses 80 kilowatts Peking, China should peak at 8 am EST; has a 5 kilowatt transmitter

Watch the 39 megacycle utility band for openings. If it's lively, you're in!!!! (Change antenna direction to 7 degrees west of North for China) I stumbled upon the BBC-1, France, and Germany by accident one morning while just tuning around. The 3 of us do not guarantee you'll get Russia or China, but it'll be fun trying.

(We had pages of notes on geography, astronomy, trigonometry, and climatology to get these results. Hope they help you. mz)

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FOR FUTURE REFERENCE:.....

Keep in mind those graveyard frequencies, especially at midnight sign offs. Your local sunset on a regional frequency should be productive for daytimers. Central Americans make a nice showing Christmas Eve. Try for trans-Atlantics after Monday morning local sign offs; also sunset. Avoid all political references in your foreign reception reports.

Send to us, a stamped envelope with your bub questions. Any of us Baltimore area dxers will answer your most difficult question; we will help where and when we can.

FOR YOUR FILES:.....

Matt Zahner 722 1/2 Gough Street, Baltimore 21224 (301) 282-2437
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----- from the desk of C.Wackerman

After spending more than 10 years in a club, some more active than others, participating in the arrangements for two annual club put-ings, serving as reprint coordinator, and finally as acting editor of the broadcast band section, and at the same time spending enough time at the radio to report (occasionally) to at least three sections, I really feel like I've been kicked in the seat of the pants to be notified (second hand) that this is the final edition of the bulletin. I, for one, had no notice that there was any problem. I might have if I had been able to attend meetings in Newark, but with a job, family, outside activities, and obligations, that was not possible. I don't know what the problems are or have been, and I don't know if this could have been avoided. But, I am not ready to give up. If anyone is interested, several of us in the Baltimore area are prepared to publish a small informal bulletin covering as much of the hobby as possible as often as possible. We don't have a dues structure set up, we have no current intention of selling memberships, we don't even know if it will work, that depends on interest from you. If we receive reports and self addressed stamped envelopes we will (for a while) absorb the cost of printing. If there is sufficient interest, we will try for something bigger and better later. I know this won't replace the NNRC, nothing will, and I must emphasize that this neither has the blessings nor the financial backing of the board, it is strictly an informal effort of several of us "Marlanders." If you are interested, please send self addressed stamped envelopes, reports and material to:

BALTIMORE PUBLISHING COMMITTEE
c/o Charles Wackerman
7237 Fairbrook Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21207

Reports may also be called in to (301) 298-2299 (at your expense and not later than 10PM).

It has been a real pleasure working with you, hearing from you, and serving you, and I hope none of us give up the hobby.

734 C.W.

*legal sized envelope with 2 first class (20¢) stamps- c.w.

Arrangements are being made to have the entire plans of the Colegrove Loop available to those who want them. If interested, send me a postcard and let me know. You will be notified of the details later. Naturally, there will have to be a nominal cost to cover printing and postage. Many of you have already started the loop. You will still be able to get the entire plans. Why not put in your order now so we know how many to prepare. Use the same address as above: 7237 Fairbrook Road, Baltimore 21207 Maryland.

If you just want to be the mailing list, send your name. You will be notified of any material we will be having available. In the meantime, don't give up the hobby!!!!

.....C.W.

PIRATES, NUMBERS, AND CLANDESTINES

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Keep in touch!

FINAL 73'S

With the April bulletin of the NNRC both the club and this column become part of history. Doing the column has been enjoyable and meaningful to me. I am going to miss it very much. You contributors and readers have just been fantastic. As a result of your tremendous support writing the column was easy, and I learned a lot. Most important of all were the friendships which were made, and I am hopeful that these will continue.

The NNRC is a club with a rich tradition. We are all saddened by the loss of this good friend. But the members of this club can continue to make a valuable contribution to the world of DX/SWLing. I would urge everyone to join one or more new clubs and to get active in them. For those who may wonder what club would be best for them, a SASE to Association of North American Radio Clubs, 1500 Bunbury Drive, Whittier, CA 90601, will get you their latest list of clubs. If you have a copy of the WRTVH, check its extensive listings of DX/SWL clubs around the world.

For those who are particularly interested in the type of material which appeared in this column, I would make several specific suggestions. For North Americans probably the best source of clandestine material is Glenn Hauser's Listeners Notebook which appears monthly in FRENDX, bulletin of the North American Shortwave Association, 45 Wildflower Rd., Levittown, PA 19057. There is also good coverage of pirates and some limited attention to numbers. Pirate fans may also want to consider the Wavelength, bimonthly publication of Free Radio Campaign—USA, published by SP/4 Al Muick, 3rd Opns Bn USAFSA, CMR Box 1912, APO New York 09458. Numbers enthusiasts should take a look at SPEEDX, POB E, Elsinore, CA 92330. Numbers logs are included in Mike Chabak's monthly column. I would suggest sending \$1.50 to any of the above for a sample copy of their bulletin and additional information. Europirate fans may wish to read 5 IRCs for a sample copy of Shortwave News to Danish Shortwave Clubs Intl., Tavleager 31, DK-2670 Greve Strand, Denmark. Europirate expert John Campbell does an outstanding job for DSWCI. And perhaps you may want to consider starting a new club. You never know what might develop out of your efforts. Finally, I would add that I will be happy to exchange information with all DXers/SWLs and ask everyone to continue to stay in touch. Thanks again to everybody. You were superb! Now, for the last time, here we go with the news.

LOGGINGS AND QSLs

All times and dates are GMT. All dates are month/day.

The Pirates

- 6275 +0830-0945+ IT-FR-EG Italy: IBC, IT to 0855, then FR free radio px, 0912 Joe w/ rock, letters, said 6 from USA incl CT & NJ, said 6275 is 100 w, 11585 500 w, 2/7. Special QSL recvd for last yrs joint IBC/R One special DX program (Clifford, FRG).
- 6276 2350-0044* EG WJWA, rock and roll, freq IDs, TCs and weather, pirate nx, addr: POB 277, Intercession City, FL 32843; left air w/ xmtr probs, fair sig but ute QRM, 3/2. Understand runs 30 w and also uses 6225 (ed).
- 6280 +1010-1030* GM-EG Unid, suspect FRG, mx and canned EG jingles like "Music Explosion," ID as "This is R? calling on the shortwave 48 meters," at 1024 "Ladies and gentlemen this is the end of the test xmsn for today," another song and off, 2/14 (Clifford, FRG).
- 6466 0138-0207* EG R Free San Francisco, EU Svc, said would be relayed by UK 48 & 41 mb stns, 3 IRCs to John Arthur, POB 4948, Arcata, CA 95521, px incl cmtry on colonizing Mexico to solve USA's economic probs, good sig, obviously not a Eurorelay this time, 2/11 (ed).
- 6910 +1750-1805+ EG Eire: R Dublin, YL, pops, ads for carpet sale and pool room, 1/27 (Clifford, FRG).
- 7390 1040-1046* EG KCFR, w/ greetings for Tom Semensky, s/off anmt, ex level, 2/21 (Crawford, FL).
- 7390 *0630-0715* EG R Xenon, w/ Frank N. Stein, vy amusing, good level, 2/21 (Crawford, FL).
- 7424 W Germany: R Quadro, f/d cd plus stn info for 12/13 log. Cd says relay via WOIS. Based on info supplied by stn and pirate expert Gregg Bares, I have concluded that all xmsns by this stn, both in NA and EU, are relays. Gregg says the extreme efficiency of the W German PTT may be part of the reason (ed).

Numbers and Related Stations

- 3085 0500 SP YL, AM, 5-digit, repts 4027, 0530, 2/27 (Havana Moon).
- 4030 0300 SP YL, AM, 5-digit, repts 30 after on 3080, xmsn shook up the 4030 Mars net, 2/27 (Havana Moon).

- 4305/4670 SP Simulcast, "54 5" YL w/ 4-digit traffic, 4670 stronger of the two signals, 2/25 (Havana Moon).
- 4668/5812 0430 SP "54 5" YL w/ 4-digit grps, terminates w/ "fin." Keep close watch on all 54 5 freqs as traffic has been a rarity in the past. This YL speaks EG as well as SP. Has been monitored in past w/EG as well as SP 4-digit traffic. 2/27 (Havana Moon).
- 4832 0517-0521* SP YL, 5-digit, on top of R Reloj, Costa Rica, almost dead zero beat, same propagation characteristics, only 1 "final" at s/off w/ unmod carrier until 0524, 2/18 (Boehnke, CA).
- 6280 0505-0512 RM Gypsy mx stn, 0509 OM "termina" x3, again 0512, then off or fade, fair but heavy QRN, 3/7 (ed).
- 6572 0400 SP YL, AM, 5-digit, no rept freq hd, 2/27 (Havana Moon).
- 6770 0814-0819 SP YL, 5-digit, fair level, 2/7 (Boehnke, CA).
- 7520 0135 CW "A" beacon, 88 times per min, 2/25 (Havana Moon).
- 17895 1800 CW Beacon? R9, 1 min intervals, WRNO not on until 1815, abruptly off after a few secs, 2/21 (Havana Moon).

The Clandestines

- 4950 0400 PT-EG LV de Verdade, OM w/ IDs in EG & PT, anti-Angolan govt talk, steel band & hi life mx, some audio distort, 44344, 2/5 (George, TX).
- 5105 0155-0219+ SP LV Cuba Independiente y Democratica w/ "Musica Libre" px incl EG disco, 0204 LV del CID reg px s/on & nx, 3/4 (ed on call from Crawford, FL). Gave list of 4 freqs but only caught 5105, 3/4 (H Moon).
- 5565 0307 SP R Quince de Septiembre w/ OM ancr, no sign of jamming, poor sig, deep rapid fades, 2/26 (Havana Moon).
- 6940 0145 SP R Farabundo Marti, freq IDs, OM attacking US involvement in EL Salvador & C America, corridos, marachi mx, interview w/ 2 men, could hear sound of recvr turned up when station uses a delay system, 2/28 (George, TX). 0118-0200*, 3/1, while Venceremos on (ed).
- 7075 0310-0340 SP R Antorcha Martiana, long cmtry by OM, 2/10 (ed).
- 7190 0125 SP Comandante David, 2/26 (Havana Moon).
- 7350 0220 SP LV Cuba Independiente y Democratica w/ OM&YL, 2/25 (Havana Moon). *0202-0234*, 3/2, incl 0224-0232 speech by CID leader Comandante Huber Matos (ed).
- 6998 0230 SP La Juventud Progresista Cubana, YL w/ tangos, rumbas, ballads, folk mx, 0315 Cuban Nat Anth, OM gave list of anti-Castro clans, then into long anti-Castro talk, 2/27 (George, TX). 0244-0330+, 2/24, w/ Comandante David, much martial mx & emotional pleas. RDF indicates vicinity of Bimini, possibly a shipboard xmtr (Havana Moon). 0319-0328, 2/21 (ed on call from Love, MO). *0235-0305, 3/2, w/ C David apparently now dropping all attempts to disguise voice (ed). Out of order (ed).

Contributors: Jim Clifford, Augsburg, Federal Republic of Germany. Dave Crawford, Oak Hill, FL. Havana Moon, Somewhere, USA. Chuck Boehnke, Los Gatos, CA. Charles George, Dallas, TX. Bob Love, Kansas City, MO. Editor.

HAVANA MOON ONE MORE TIME! The rumor dept. has it that the Cuban govt. will throw the switch on a 500,000 w AM xmtr in the near future. Xmtr will not be "rock-bound" and will be electronically "dirty." Possibly a 2nd such xmtr is in the final stages of preparation. A state broadcasting association in the SE is urging the US govt to jam Castro's AM broadcast operations. My guess is that R Marti will continue to remain on paper. The Comandante can do it better and much cheaper. A proposal has been made to convert a portion of the now closed Key West Naval base into an intelligence gathering operation. This intelligence group left Key West once before under rather strange circumstances. It didn't get along well with the locals and decided to seek safe sanctuary in Miami. R Marti? A source reports 1040 xmtr tests after 0500 Sun, counting in SP and audio tones. WRNO: The rock is bland and the overall image devoid of personality. Numbers: The following in the past have been active freqs for "54 5" xmsns: 4309, 0300 Mon; 4670, 0300, Fri; 5812/4670 simulcast, 0300 Fri; 9075, 0100, Fri; 10750, 2115, Sun; 14968, 2115, Sat. If in search of numbers, after 0500 on the 6 and 7 MHz freqs will be your best bet. It appears that a massive "traffic dump" occurs starting at about 0500. All 5-digit SP numbers xmsns do not occur on the hour and repeat at 15 past. Some start at 15 past and repeat almost immediately on a freq far removed from the 1st xmsn freq. Some also start at 30 past with the repeat on the hour. Must Reading: "Assault on the Liberty" by Jim Ennes (Random House). This is the heretofore untold story of one of the most colossal communication blunders in the history of the intelligence community. Mr. Ennes is well qualified to write on the subject as he was a cryptographic specialist on board the Liberty on June 8, 1967, when Israeli air and naval forces launched their devastating attack against the vessel. Thirty-four Americans were killed and 171 wounded in this attack. Alpha 66: Five members of this group were recently executed by Castro. This might have been avoided if Alpha 66 had not given such extensive advance publicity to their plans.

A BELATED ST. PATRICK'S DAY PRESENT: Tony Donlon of Dublin, Ireland, sends along this list of free radio stations operating in Dublin and nearby communities. If you need addresses for any of these write ye ad:

557 kHz (91.6 stereo)	Sunshine Radio	24 hours
738 kHz	Radio Leinster	0700-2100
828 kHz	Bray Local Broadcasting	0800-2100
846 kHz (88.5 stereo)	Nova International	24 hours
945 kHz	Treble T. R. Radio	0730-2400
1000 kHz	Southside Radio	0700-2100
1143 kHz (99.3 mono)	Alternative Radio Dublin	0700-0200
1161 kHz	Radio City	24 hours
1183 kHz	Radio Dublin Channel 1	24 hours
1250 kHz (90.2 mono)	Radio Dublin Channel 2	0800-2400
1385 kHz	Alternative Broadcasting Channel	1800-2300
1557 kHz	Diamond Radio	0700-2400
6240 kHz	South Dublin Radio	1000-1300
6280 kHz	Westside Radio	1000-1330
6910 kHz	Radio Dublin	24 hours

Irish Crackdown? The coalition govt. plans to run a bill through Parliament in 1982 to set up a local radio network. Pirates will be completely outlawed with fines of up to 10,000 Irish pounds (US\$20,000) being imposed. In addition to the above stations, the following are also known to be operating: Dublin Community Radio, Atlantic Radio, Telestar Radio, Suirside Radio on 6230, and Radio Caroline Dublin (Brian O'Flynn, Ireland, in Sweden Calling DXers, Bul. #1669, 1/18, via Vladimir Cucura, Reading, PA).

OTHER NEWS: Iran: The CIA has been sponsoring a clandestine station to broadcast anti-Soviet and anti-Khomeini information. It charges that Iranian Communists and other agents of the Soviet Union are gaining control of Iran. The name and location of the station were not disclosed (Leslie H. Gelb, NY Times, in Tampa Tribune-Times, 3/7). The Influence of Clandestine Radio: The army of El Salvador launched an operation against guerillas entrenched along the slopes of Guazapa volcano after R Venceremos broadcast a report that a leftist political leader had gone to the town of Guazapa to "organize a popular insurrection" (AP, Miami Herald, 3/2). Florida Pirates: WXOS Jacksonville operates on 1180 5 to 9 p.m. EST and all day weekdays. The FCC has left this station alone because there have been no complaints, and it is noncommercial (Tampa Tribune-Times, 7/5/81, via David Thomas, Tampa). Due to technical difficulties FM Radio X is currently unable to operate on either 88.7 or 104.1. It does hope to return to the air (Dave Crawford). Sexy Radio: Paris independent radio station Carbone 14 broadcast live a half-hour sexual encounter entitled "Love at First Sight." (Orlando, FL, Sentinel-Star, 3/2, via Terry Krueger, Casselberry, FL). Radio Marti: Instead of R Marti, some in Washington are suggesting buying time on Florida stations with established reputations and audiences in Cuba (Broadcasting, 2/1). The government is considering leasing time on an existing station to get Radio Marti on the air quickly. A board of ten members has been appointed by President Reagan to oversee the station. The philosophy of those selected is conservative, and only one is experienced in the field of radio communication (Broadcasting 1/25).



This is an authentic photo of a Soviet military radar site made deep inside the Soviet Union. The exact date, location, and name of the photographer cannot be divulged. (Havana Moon)

Special thanks to my Assistant Editor Bob Love and all you loyal contributors. Don't forget to write everybody! 73's from ye ad!



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Following is the continuation of the information which was started in the February bulletin. See February bulletin for list of contributors. Many thanks to all you good troops.

TV:

WGCB, Box 88, Red Lion, PA 17356. Prepared card after follow-up, hrd 8/10 QSLd 12/9 (Also I included Channel 61 on ppc, but had crossed that out. I had also reported that station which carries WGCB programs. "We have no output on Ch 61. It must be image response or local product intermod". It's hard for me to believe that they don't know about W61AN Newark/Brookside, Del. carrying their programs!!) By ppc signed by F.W. Wise!! (Holbrook, MD).

WTVE, 1129 N. 11th Street, Reading PA 19604. Prepared card after follow-up: hrd 7/19, QSLd 12/7, signer David J. Swartz, C.E. (Holbrook, MD).

WNGE-TV, Channel 22, Burlington, Vermont. Rpt for Sep 4, 1981. Got answer Sep 21, 1981. Sent letter & MAd. Answered by S.R. Cathrall, Director of Engineering (received in R.I.). In this letter he tells me my letter is first from R.I. they ever got. (Wyllie, MASS).

WNGE-TV, Channel 2, Nashville, Tenn. Rpt for May 29th, got answer Jun 8, 1981. Sent letter. Answered by Thomas J. Beauchamp, Assist. Mgr. Engineering. SASE. (Wyllie, MASS)

WETK-TV, Channel 33, Burlington, Vermont. (VERMONT ETC). Rpt for Sep 4, 1981. Sent letter. Answered by W.K. Edwards, Asst. Mgr. Got answer Sep 25, 1981. SASE (Wyllie, MASS).

WVTA-TV, Channel 41, Windsor, Vermont. (VERMONT ETV). Rpt for Sep 4, 1981. Got answer Sep 25, 1981. Sent letter. Answered by W.K. Edwards, Asst. Mgr. SASE. (Wyllie, MASS).

W25AA- not shown in verie). Letter for WHRO & TV-26, signed by Laura Hayes, Director of Public Relations (TV is part of the Accomack County Translator System) in Mappsville, VA, in 19 days. (Holbrook, MD).

FM:

WJSE, WCMD/WJSE Radio, P.O. Box 1665, Cumberland, MD 21502, 102.9mc. Fine letter. Signer is Jack Keller, Technician. (This past week WJVM Ch 9 did a feature on WCMD/WJSE. Having financial difficulties as owner left station almost a year ago & pay checks long ceased. Station manned by volunteers - high school students, etc. ERP on FM 50KW but only using 200W ERP!! Phone service cut, no wire service (read news from local paper), play old records but keep station running!!! (Holbrook, MD).

WBey, P.O. Box 166, Grasonville, MD 21638, signer unreadable - prepared card, heard 11/14 & prepared back 11/24 (Holbrook, MD)

WOCQ, P.O. Box 1850, Montego Bay Station, Ocean City, MD 21842. Letter QSL signed by Fary J. Smith, Sales Mgr. "You have the distinction of being our most distant listener, since we signed on the air June 25, 1981. Considering your proximity to WXTR in La Plata, it's amazing that you re-eived OC 104 FM". (Holbrook, MD).

WNBR, Wildwood, New Jersey (no address on card). QSL card, 100.7mc, given on air Maple & New Jersey Avenues, Zip 08260, WAAT (TV) on same card, signer is Carlton S. Owen, V/P Engineering, Channel 40 (in 6 days). (Holbrook, MD).

WXXI, P.O. Nox 21, Rochester, NY 14601, prepared card, signer is Dana E. [unclear] Engineer. Heard 7/13, verie 10/26 after follow-up. (Holbrook, MD).

WSBH, Southhampton Inn, NY, 11968, 95.3mcs. Prepared card - signer looks like W. Kahn. Heard 7/18 (not certain), verie 10/19 after follow-up (Holbrook, MD).

WKSU, Kent State University, Kent Ohio 44242, 89.7mcs. Letter signed by Richard N. Dain, C.E. Heard 7/31, verie 11/9 after follow-up (Holbrook, MD).

WOSE-FM, Port Clinton, Ohio, 94.5. Note written at bottom of copy of my report, and a nice red, white, and blue bumper sticker. Answered in 14 days. Signed by Randy Hugg, Program Director, address WOSE-FM Radio, "Voice of the Tri-Counties", P.O. Box P, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452 (Wheeler, PA).

WWZE, P.O. Box 100, Central City, PA 15926, 101.7. Verie signer, Rod Kaufman, C.E. Letter says in part: "I would personally like to take this opportunity and thank you for your reception report. It is of great value to WWZE that dedicated DX listeners submit their reports to us so that we can determine the coverage of our broadcasts". ERP 500w V & H, verie in 43 days (Holbrook, MD).

WHPA, P.O. Box 44, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648, 104.9. Verie signer, Louis J. Maierhofer, Pres. (in 17 days). Letter says in part: "This is the greatest distance reported as yet on WHPA". He refers to me as the "Friend of the broadcasters". (Holbrook, MD)

WWST, P.O. Box 384, Wooster, OH 44691, 104.5mcs. Verie signer, Michael J. Epler, C.E. (in 22 days). Letter - nice letter. Mine is their most distant report ever on FM!!! (Holbrook, MD)

WPNT, 1051 Brinton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15221, 92.9. Verie signer, Bob Henke, C.E. Letter in 76 days (Holbrook, MD)

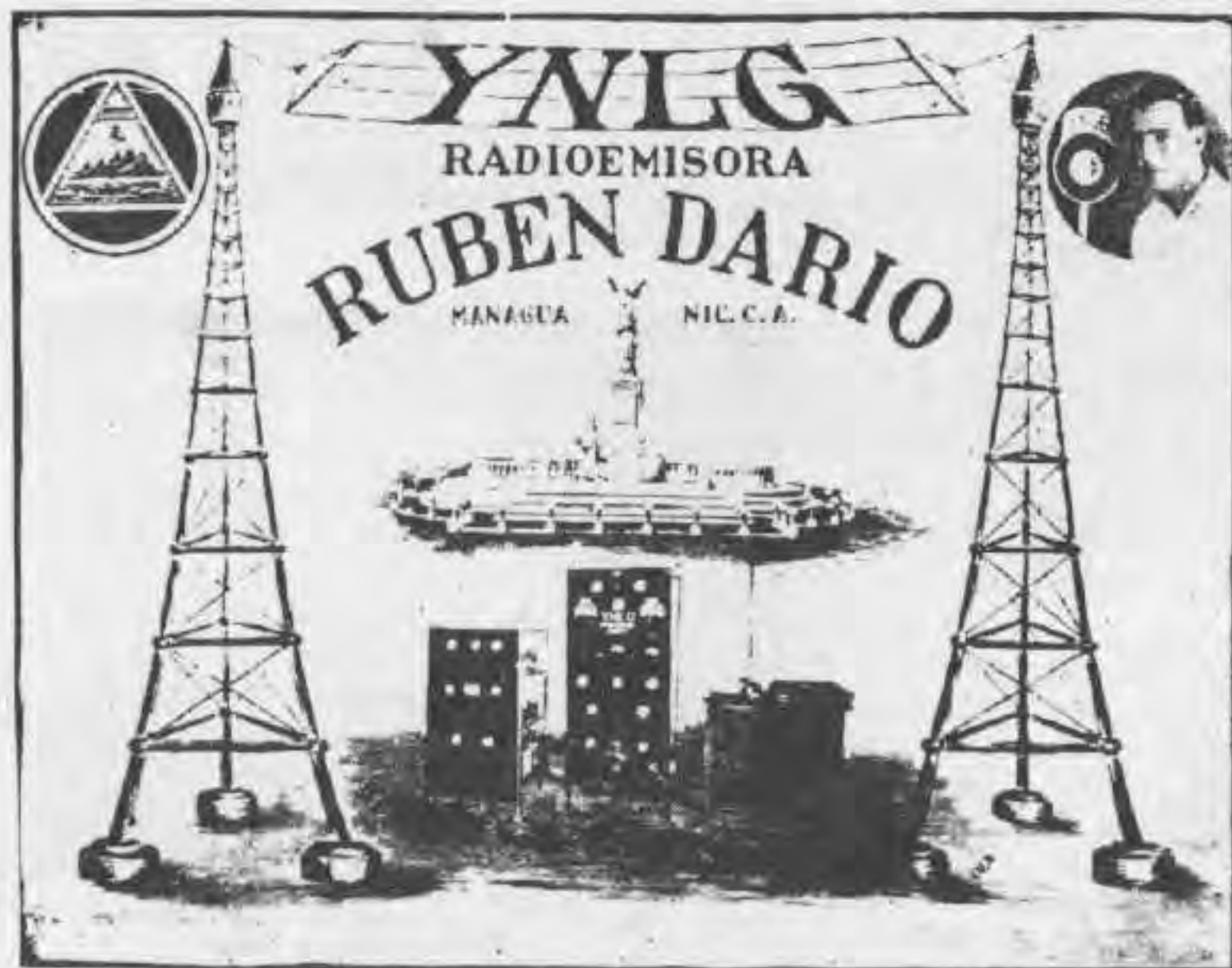
WTIJ, Bellow Falls, VT, 107.1 MHz, f/d letter in 9 days for mint stamp from Pres. Brian Dodge. This logging is from their first day of equipment tests; as of today WTIJ is still not on the air regularly (O'Connor NH)

WIXV, P. O. Box 192, Front Royal, VA 22630, 95.3mcs. Form letter signed by Jim Lawrence, Program Director. Heard 6/26 & verie recd 10/14 after follow-up w/ postage each time. (Holbrook, MD)

WJSV, P.O. Box 1107, Harrisonburg, VA 22801, 104.3 mcs. Letter signed by O.M. Voigt, C.E. Heard 10/16, QSL 11/24. (Holbrook, MD)

WLCC, Luray, VA 24505, 106.3mcs. Prepared card after follow-up. Hrd 7/31, verie 11/7 with postage each rpt. Signer is Michael P. Decker, P.D. (only 240w ERP!) (Holbrook, MD)

WHRO, 5200 Hampton Blvd., Norfolk, VA 23508, 89.5mcs (Holbrook, MD)



The Netherland Indies Broadcasting Company, Ltd. N. I. R. O. M. B A T A V I A. This is to certify that the reception report of Mr. Cyril O'Connor, South Island, New Zealand, dated 12-12-'56 and received at 1-10-'57 gives correct details about the N. I. R. O. M. program. The transmitter concerned is P.M.E. at Sandoeng on 12.64i m.



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To all of those who have supported this column:

By now you are aware of what has happened to the NNRC. Due to an accumulation of problems spearheaded by growing financial limitations, NNRC is suspending the bulletin. Frankly, at this time I do not know what the future will hold. Several of us are attempting to come up with something that may be useful in helping to continue the NNRC. But, at this time, it would appear that this is the last bulletin we will be seeing.

I have not included the recent contributions which you have sent me. I will be sending back all of them to you. The balance of this final column will contain QSL card coverage which we were unable to have last time.

THANKS to all of you, and 73's.

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