

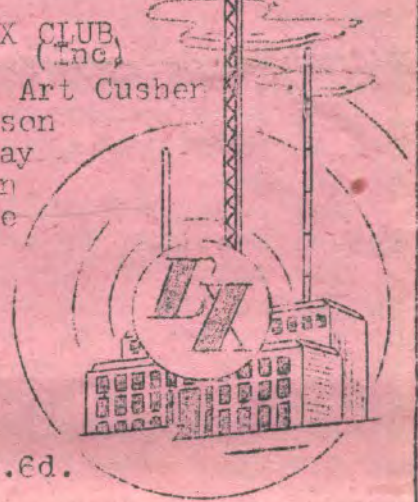
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The New Zealand DX Club has given itself a fine Christmas present! On December 24, 1945, our Club was incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act of 1908. The Club and its Branches are now fully protected while the benefits of incorporation are many. A copy of the Constitution will be included in the next issue of "THE DX-TRA" and extra copies will be sent to branch secretaries to hand on to those members who are not fortunate enough to receive "THE DX-TRA".

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## "THE DX-TRA" COMMITTEE ON TOUR.

At the invitation of Headquarters, Alex Allan, Arthur Cushen and Merv. Branks visited Auckland during the holidays. The delegation left Invercargill on Thursday, December 27, and travelled through to Wellington. At Dunedin Des Lynn, Murray Lamont and Ron Williams (pleased to see you back again, Ron) were on the station and Dave Silcock was Christchurch representative. Bob MacGregor and Basil Drake met the tourists at Wellington where we were their guests. Only 5 members (Bob, Basil, Neville Drake, Des Hickey and John Miller) attended the meeting but several were met on the return journey (Peter Doile & Murdoch Riley being additions) while Bill Brims burst in upon us a day late for the meeting. Palmerston North was reached on the night of January 1 and Stan Key and Basil Coombe were our hosts. During the stay there Rus Lacey, Brian Scott, Ivan Cronin, John Stuart and Rex Smith were met as was Southland-member-on-holiday, Owen Todd. Arriving Auckland on January 5, Clarrie Lloyd and Bill Masson met the visitors and hospitality was provided by Bill Masson and Malcolm Allison's parents. (Unfortunately Malcolm was in hospital for an operation through a war injury. However, he is progressing favourably). At executive meetings Hank Barr, Fred Collins, Chas. McMillan, Ted Andrews, and Stu and Mrs. Bennett were also met while 17 attended the branch meeting including several "old-timers". Merv. had the honour of "chairing" this meeting. Lloyd Clayden came in from Matakana one day to tell how to log 250 watters! One trying dxer always complained about the noise in his location. Arthur paid him a visit and did he hear much? Well is that dxer's face red! Mrs. Barr and Mrs. Lloyd were warmly thanked for the good things provided during HQ meetings. Infact, everywhere we went, we were right royally entertained and the fellowship and enthusiasm prevailing augurs well for the future of our Club. Stan Key turned out at 4.20 a.m. on the return journey--not to see the blonde--but to deliver his DX-TRA notes! At Christchurch Dave Silcock, Doug Greenslade and Denis Shipley did the honours and several of the chaps were met, while at Dunedin Jack Fox, Eric Whitworth and Jimmy Martin (the latter overate and nearly missed the bus) were further members met. As to business, well a report on that follows!

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DXERS IN CONFERENCE.

Special meetings of Headquarters, in conjunction with the visiting "DX-TRA" Committee, were held at the residences of Hank Barr (on January 6) and Clarrie Lloyd (on January 8). Bill Masson presided over Mrs. M. Bennett, Stu Bennett, Hank Barr, Fred Collins, Chas McMillan and Alex Ailan, Merv Branks and Arthur Cushen. By request Clarrie Lloyd and Ted Andrews (past presidents) were present. An apology for absence from Allen Ross.

Following a lengthy discussion on matters arising out of the last annual meeting, an understanding satisfactory to all was reached.

The rules of incorporation were discussed and several amendments were suggested (a) Club members to elect Executive and secretary, and the Executive to elect its own officers; (b) "THE DX-TRA" Committee to be elected by branch wherein the bulletin is situated; (c) "THE DX-TRA" Committee can initiate legislation through HQ and shall act in a consultative capacity with HQ but shall not have voting power outside of branch. These suggested amendments will come before members in due course.

A suggestion was brought forward by the delegation that H.Q. be shifted to Otago with the Executive composed of Otago and Southland members. After much discussion the meeting recommended that in the meantime H.Q. still function in Auckland.

Merv brought forward plans for the betterment of "THE DX-TRA" including the running of a fortnightly "tip" sheet between publications. Many other valuable suggestions were made. However, it was pointed out that more modern equipment would have to be procured. A fund for this purpose had been instituted and this would again be brought to the notice of branches.

A remit to be presented by "THE DX-TRA" had the approval of all. Viz: "Membership to the NZDXC be 6/6 for initial year (including badge, membership certificate, capitation fee, bulletin and other club privileges) and 4/- for succeeding years (including capitation, bulletin and other club privileges). The case of brothers in same household was brought up and it was thought that some adjustment could be made whereby one bulletin would suffice for both members.

A slogan or motto for the Club was mooted and Bill Masson offered a prize of a pair of book ends in N.Z. wood for the best slogan received. More about this next issue.

As the North v South Island competition had not met with the success anticipated it was suggested that new methods of running this be gone into and that each branch enter a percentage of its membership.

With the incorporation of the Club it is illegal to use the club badge without permission. Members requiring cards etc using the badge, must first get an O.K. from the National Secretary to present to the printer with the order.

Other matters discussed included new membership certificates, stationery and report forms, new divisions and handsome certificates for ladder competitions, a certificate for all entrants in ladders, headed letterheads for members.

Many and varied were the other subjects touched on--yes, even a dx poem!--and it was felt that the meetings had been of immense value to the future welfare of our Club.

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JUST DIALING AROUND.

The 24-hour Clock. Following a suggestion we are using the 24-hour clock in "What Short-waves Say". The change is in the nature of an experiment so please advise which system you prefer. The principle of this time method, which abolishes the use of a.m. and p.m., is briefly: 0001-1200 is 12.la.m. to mid-day; from mid-day to midnight instead of the time beginning at 12.lp.m. it continues on till 2359 hours (11.59p.m.) Thus, to arrive at 7.5p.m. on the 24-hour dial add 7 hrs 05mins on to 1200 hours, the result being 1905hrs.

North v South Competition. Lists of veries received in the North v South Competition must be in the hands of "THE DX-TRA" by Feb. 11.

WHAT'S ON THE AIR.

(By KEITH)

• WVUQ Verifies.

AUSTRALIA.-601 to be erected at Collie will not be built for another 6 months at least. The transmitter site has not yet been chosen.

(Radio Listening Post).

OCEANIA.- WVUS(975) has changed location from Noumea to Tontouta in New Caledonia. The new location is 15 air miles away and a commercial model RCA low transmitter is now in use. Reports are requested, the chief engineer being Jimmy Hayes, RM3/c(USNR) (Milne)

WVUQ(690) lkw. "Serving the armed forces in the Solomon Islands" is now verifying reports

INDIA.-VUG(658) Trivandrum, operates on Wednesdays and Saturdays only from 2.0 or 2.15a.m. to 3.45a.m. The station is not controlled by AIR but State owned and call was formerly VTR. This information from M.K.N. Abraham, M.Sc., Radio Supervisor, YMCA, Trivandrum, South India.

HAWAII.-WVTZ(1360) Marine Corps Air Station, Ewa, c/o Fleet Post Office San Francisco, Cal., is located at Oahu, Hawaiian Islands and operates 3.30a.m.-8.30p.m. NZDST. (NRC)

AMERICA.-New: ---(1190) 500w. Tezulilan, Pue., KCOR(1300) 1000w. San Antonio, Tex., ---(1340) 100w. Apatzingan, Micho., CKOK(1450) Penticton, B.C., ---(1490) 250w. Clearfield, Pa., ---250w. Johnstown, Pa. 100w., --- Chihuahua, Chih. These stations have construction permits only. Change Call: XEOM(1340) to Coatzacoacoas, Ver., KUAL(1490) from KEW, Brownsville, Tex. Change Power.- KFVD(1020) Los Angeles 5000 from 1000, KJBS(1100) San Francisco 1000 from 500, ---(1260) Monclova, Coah., 250 from 100; ---(1430) Neuva Rosita, Coah., 250 from 100. These stations Construction Permits only. Now in Operation.- CJGX(940) Yorktown, Sask.(ex 1460), CHUM(1050) Toronto, Ont., KPKW(1340) Pasco, Wash., WBAY(1370) Rochester, N.Y.(ex 1240), CFAB(1450) Windsor, N.S. (VRC).

American Office of War Information is now United States Information Service.

Our reporters now state call of Pasadena station on 1110kc. is KXLA.

RAMBLING ROUND RADIO ROW.

(by MERV)

Down DX Lane.

KORE s.o. 7.00 Mondays; WRR s.o. 6.00; KTUL at 6.00 Sunday; KXOA to 7.15 Thursdays good sig; KFNB KSMA KMYC and KSAN all sign at 8.0 on 1450; KWG s.o. at 8.00; KVEG good s.o. 8.03; KROY and KCOK so. at 8.0; KYUM at 7.00 Sun; WKVM Aricebo P.R. at 9.00 Sundays.; KFSG(1150) to 8.0 Mondays; KFSO(560) good to 8.15; KCY s.o. 7.00; KFEL good 8.00-9.00; KJBS fair all niter; KOIN s.o. 8:0 Mondays; KTOH s.o. 9.15; KXOA(1490) reported 8-8.14 on Saturday January 5; WRR s.o. 6(Clayden's Corner)+++ WKWF(1600) opens 12; KTMS opens 2.30; KPJ opens 2.45; CKWX logged at 3.26; KDB till 8.15 Sundays; WROX Xmas Party 8.33 23/12/45; KXLA logged 10.8(on all night); KFJZ logged 12.3 best Sunday nights, WHBF logged 12.28; WCRS freq. check 28/12/45 8.52; KTW "Stanton Special" 28.12/45 10 12p.m.; KORE Flood news till 9 29/12/45; KGLO logged 1.15; CKNW till 10.0 Sunday nites; KWILon all nite flood news 30/12/45; WTMV logged "Sunrise Serenade" 9.30 30/12/45; KWBR all night; KWBU 12.34; KVOA 12.46; WING New Year Party 1/1/46 8.2; WNOE 9.4 1/1/46; KXOA till 8.15 4/1/46 with "Midnite Melodies"; WASK "Stanton Special" 29/12/45. 8p.m. (M. Lamont)+++KMPC s.o. 8.20 Xmas nite; KEX s.o. 9.00 Xmas nite; KGW s.o. 8.0 Sunday; WWL heard 11.30; KGU 8.15, KMBC 11.40, KPRC 12.15, KOA 1.45, KPRC 2.15, KPO 8.0; KXLA(1100) an all niter, good all nite, gives call sign in song form. (Brian Scott's Signals from the Swamp)+++KXL at 2.15, KGER news at 1a.m.; WJZ all nite; CBR heard at 3; KSRO news 2.45; KPRO KARM KYA have news at 2a.m. (Hector McMillan)+++WDBJ(960) logged 11.24, WIP(610) 10.2, WSGN(610) 11.31, WJZ(1600) 12.2, WHB(880) 12.40, KFTR(550) 12.30, KGBX(1260) 1.12, KWFT(620) 11.59½(o), KSKY(660) 12.30(o), KFOR(1300) 1.7, KWBR(1310) 12.7, WHIO(1290) 10.46, WTOC(1290) 11.0(o), KOAC(550) 2.1, KGGF(690) 12.32a.m. guests heard, December 14, WEGO(1410) 8.10p.m; Dec. 15, WLAY(1450) 8.30p.m.(special 1 hour program); Dec. 21, KVNU(1230) 8.24, KYUM(1240) 8.36, KNJB(1240) 8.46, KXO(1230) 9.5, WHBB(1490) 9.17; Dec. 22, WMLT(1340) 9.1, Dec. 24, WKFU(1450) 8.31, WGNC(1450) 9.3, WFNC(1450) 9.33, WGTN(1340) 9.42; Dec. 26, KPKW(1340) 8.41, KSMA(1450) 9.2; Dec. 28, WPAD(1450) 8.4, WORS(1450) 8.40, Dec. 30, WGRM(1240) 8.25, KWIL(1240) 8.32; Jan. 2. KRMD(1340) 8.15, KHMO(1340) 8.30. (Frank Wilson).

KNIGHTS OF THE NIGHT.

(By MERV)

Dialing Distant DX.

If you have a good early evening Yank location now is the time to "be in"--if you haven't try the midnighters around 1a.m. Once again an appeal to reporters to keep b.c. and s.w. notes separate. Also digest how your notes appear below and follow that style writing in the "3rd person". Then follow up with detailed notes suitable for "Rambling Round Radio Row", "Dxing at Dusk" etc. Now the doings:-

FRANK WILSON, Dunedin, dxing at Long Beach over the holidays confides that he made 38 new loggings, 7 second reports, and one police just off the band. Verifications received from WRDW KEYS KPOW also second qsls from KARM WLAG KOA KMO KRRV and KGER. Now has 300 U.S.A. stations verified. the loggings are: WEGO WLAY WDBJ KVNU KYUM KWJB KXO WHBB WIP WSGN WKWF WHB WMLT KSW (1658 Berkeley Police Department, California) KFYR KGBX KWG KPRO WROX WKEU WGNC WFNC WGTM KWFT KPKW KSMA KSKY KVOR WPAD WCRS WGRM KWIL KWBR WHI WTOC WHTB (1230 9.10p.m. Special Broadcast 5 lb. of Candy offered for furthest DX report) KRMD KHMO KICD KOAC KXOA KBNE WVUS WASK KPAB KWEW...To say the least a "Frank" report.

ERIC WHITWORTH, Dunedin reports a "One Night-Stand" at Murray Lamont's shack which resulted in five new loggings. Reported since December 28 are: WVTR KXLA KTYW WASK KFVD XEMO KSAI XEG KOMO KWTO WKWF KWBU WVTK KSRO KUJ CBR 2CH VUW WVTM VUL and VUB. Verifications from WVUT, A.E.S. (1086) 250w. Casablanca, Franch Morocco, (first report from England) and VKG (1630) 500w. Melbourne Police...Who won the race?

JOHN DRYSDALE (2160t) Dunedin, has logged KSAI KMBC KXLA WBAP 2HD KWKH KPRC KARK XEMO KTRB KSRO XELO KGO KFRC KGW...At it again.

MURRAY LAMONT, Dunedin, has had limited sessions at the dial over the holidays but condx were good so reports are away to WKWF WHBF WTMV WING WNOE KWBU KUOA KXOA KUJ KTMS KWBR KWIL KORE (last two on late with flood news) KFUN KTW ("Stanton Specials") WROX (Xmas Party) KXLA KFJZ KDB KGLO CKWX CKNW and WCRS. WHTB was logged on Jan 1 with a special program and prizes of a 5lb box of candy and 2 lb. box of cigars were offered for the best and most distant report. Veries WVUT WLAY KXYZ (2) KTMS VUC and XEW (20 months)...Spit-ting Sparks!

MAURICE ENRIGHT, Cardrona, a voice from the past, has received veries held up by censorship from WEXL XELO XEMO KMO KROY (87 watts) and WWL. He expects to attend 3rd yr course at Christchurch Training College next year...What did XEMO say? He deosn't reply usually.

JACK SCOTT, now Camaru, has reported KJBS while veries have rolled in from KALE KOMO KFMB KFVB WSB WCKY WSM WLS and 3BA...How's the new location?

"THE GLOBE LISTENER" Dunedin. A nite at the Spit yielded WASK KORE KFVD KSAI KXLA XEG KOMO KWTO WKWF KWBU KSRO KTMS KUJ KTYW CFPL CKWX VUL. Tnks. Monty...Better than your own "fox"-hole?

DES LYNN (202 0t) spent a good night's DX at Murray Lamont's crib at The Spit and logged: WASK (special for NZ fair strength) KORE KOMO (opened 10.58) KWTO WKWF (opened 12) CFPL KWBU (strongest Yank sig he's heard) WVTK KSRO (opened 1.59) KTMS KUJ (o 2.45) CKWX and one on 1420 with 1240 Club at 2a.m. - who? One or two Indians were audible and also heard KINY very faintly. Thanks 190 0t...But why take out your spite on the Gulbransen and Vera Lynn?

HECTOR McMILLAN, Glen Oroua, reports verifications from KGER KFJX KFOX KHJ KALE KECA WNOX WOR WVUS. Reports out to KGCX (test) KYA KJR KPRO KJBS KSRO KGW KMPC KXL KPO WJZ WVTR...Hope set O.K. by now.

BRIAN SCOTT, Glen Oroua, declaims conditions as "lousy" except for a few bright spots, when reports were managed to WVUS WWL KMPC KMBC KPRC KFRC KOA KGU KEX KPO WTAM KGW. Postie has been on holiday-only verifs WBBM KIRO KOIN 5CL 5AN VUY...Signals at the swamp fair enough!

BILL HAMER, Napier, has verifications back from WOWO KROW KGGM KVOD KTFI WLS WVUT 2SM XEW. Reported are KH3L (close 8p.m.) KXEL KOTA (both tests). Also a report to WUMS on doubtful reception of special on 3rd, January. C.W. was copied on frequency between 8.45 and 9p.m.- but, was it WUMS?...I wonder.

ALLEN ROSS, holidaying at Thames, has reported KJBS KXLA KSAI WVTR XERB and 5DR...Sorry we missed you.

ERN. MOORE, Brisbane, Queensland has logged KOTA (1a.m.) WISN (1a.m.) KFAB KLRA WDSU KTFI KVCV (2a.m.) KROY (2.a.m.) KSO KGHL KWBU and A.F.N.

KNIGHTS OF THE NIGHT(Contd)

Tokio(1360) sign off at 2a.m. Veries are 9AB(New Guinea) WOAI and 3BA...Gavan will have to look out!

DAVE THOMAS, Proctorville, Ohio reports a verie from WVTK while other nice catches are WKLS,Greenland, and WYLG(1240) 50w, Bermuda...Thanks for details of HOJB.

RODNEY SIMONSEN, Rongotea, has reported KALE KGA KXLA KGCX KLO and KARM. A WLBK(1420) heard signing off at 2a.m., location not heard...Sorry about page 4.

KEITH ROBINSON, Kapuka, has reports to KDKA KTRH and KXLA. Veries from XEMO KXL WOWO WVUQ KOH KFOX WUY and KTFI...Quietening down?

BILL MILNE, says only report is 3YA! Veries from KIEM KWJJ KSL KFAO WNAX KJBS KGER WJR WVUT WVUS...The Xmas feeling?

LLOYD CLAYDEN, Matakana, reports 37 loggings: WTAQ KRKO KSFO KXLA KWBR KOY KFSG KALL WROX KAST KXOA KORE and on test KPKW KICA WMLT KOAL KAVE KSMA WSON WEED WKEU WASK WLSJ KRMD KHMO KFVR(550) WLAY WWSR(1420) and KYCA. 2nd. reports to KRE KDB KVOE KROY KTOH WRR WFEB and KGIR. Veries from WING KXYZ(all reports from axers answered) WOWO WHIO KHUB and KRNT (18 months)... A poor month?

LINDSAY BELL(1758) on a sheep station at Mossburn has veries from 6IX and 3KZ but no reports away...Wool gathering?

ARNOLD BAINBRIDGE(1738) also at Mossburn, has veries from 2CH and 5SE, also ZL2GX...A rolling stone gathers no moss.

PETER DOILE, Wellington in New Ply outh for holidays, reported WLKE (1365) WVTH(1420) WLAC WHAS KTRH KSRO and KFI. Also heard were WVUT(660) from 8p.m. till closing at 10, WLKE(1365) signs 2a.m., Jap on 810 from 8.45p.m. to after 2a.m., AFRS on 1390kc with news at 1.30, then "Make Believe Ballroom" until 2.0 when signed with Star Spangled Banner... Partics of WVTH please!

ARTHUR T. CUSHEN, Invercargill lists veries as BLA1(653) 100kw. Cologne, Germany, KFBE KEW and WVUQ. Reports to WLKE(1370) Sendai, Japan, signs 2a.m., WLKG(1350) AFRN Japan, also signs 2a.m. KXLA(news 2a.m.) and these at the Rocks. KFAB KPRC WFLA WVL KJBS KGCX and JCAK2(?) on 870kc.

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DX FLASHES FROM AMERICA. (By Keith) With the Clubs Over There.

KOH(630)Reno, Ne., operates 2a.m.-8p.m.; XEMO(860) P.O. Box 117 San Ysidro, Cal. operates 1.30a.m.-8p.m.;WOW(590) Omaha, Neb. s. ed 11.30p.m.-7p.m.;KALL(910) Salt Lake City, tests 7.30-8.05p.m.;KINY has been testing at 10.40p.m. on Mondays. A Bill now before Congress advocates setting Hawaii's time 2 hours ahead of EST instead of the present 2½ hours; KFI Auxiliary(640kc. 5kw.) tests 8.01p.m.-10p.m. Tuesdays(NRC)+++ Reports to AFN stations in Pacific can be addressed to Mr. Bradford Smith, U.S. Information Service, P.O. Box 3740, Honolulu, T.H.(NNRC)+++Among stations with applications to increase to 50kw. are KSFO(560) KMPC(710) KJW(740) WGBS(710) WCFL(1000) WEW(770) KOMA(1520) KEX(1190). KFAB(1110) is now in Omaha, Neb.(URDXC).

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MORE RAMBLING ROUND RADIO ROW.

January 2, KICD(1240) 8.47; January 4, KXOA(1490) 8.6, KBNE(1450) 9.4, January 6, KBNE(1450) 9.22; January 7, WASK(1450) 8.18, KPAB(1490) 8.51; KWEW(1490) 9.3(Frank Wilson)+++ WVTR(590) Tokyo at 1.0; KTYW(1460) s. o. 8.0; KWTO(500)11.28; KUL(1420) 2.45(Eric Whitworth)+++ WXLG made Ron Free a member of the "WAA Lodge" and sent a membership card to which a small piece of coral is glued. The face of the card bears the following inscription "This certifies etc. etc. is a member of the Fraternal Order of Rock-happy Residents of Kwajalein, Rock Happy Roger, Maitre d'hotel." The address for WXLG Kwajalein is: Harry C. Risney, 1st. Lt.F., Officer in Charge, Armed Forces Radio Station WXLG, A.P.O. 241, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco.+++KOTA "Chief Signal Station of the Old Sioux Nation" has special broadcast till 10p.m. on 1st. Saturday of each month till February+++WHBQ(1400) hot now on all nite+++KWIL(1240) on till 9p.m. Sunday+++WXLQ(1240) U.S. Army Radio Station, Kindley Field, Bermuda opens at 9.30p.m.+++Plans are being made for a "Radio City" in Quebec, complete with TV and television at a cost of \$125000. (VRC)

## THE SHORT-WAVE MAIL BAG.

(By ARTHUR)

## High Frequency Highlights.

Interesting veries from PCJ(15220) Paris(11730, to increase to 100kw in August) Rangoon(6045,11860) CFRX XEWW HJFH WLWS(6370) WLWL(11810) and HCJB(4105). Reports to XEFT(9557,6p.m.) VLC8-VLA3 XMTW(18540,10p.m.) CKLO(9630,9.45a.m.).

RAYMOND KELLY, Wellington has verified AFN, London(6080) XGCY(6040) after 2 years, and XEWW.

ERIC WHITWORTH, Dunedin, received these in the mailbox: Leopoldville (9785) Near East Broadcasting Station, Jaffa(6135) first report from England, and HVJ(9660). Reports to "Radio Milan"(9625)7a.m., VLC10(13 metre band) 7p.m., Rangoon(11855) 12.30a.m., CKLO(9630) 10a.m., 6 K's and 5 W's.

STAN KEY, Palmerston North, on 80m has written 12 ZL's also KWID (9855) on 2 tubes. Veries HCJB(12455) KNBA(7575) ZL2BA.

ERNIE MOORE, Brisbane, has logged LRR(11880) news in Spanish 11p.m, ZPA5(11955) 11p.m., HILZ(6315). Veries from XEWW XEFT CHTA WGEO(9530).

JOHN DRYSDALE, Dunedin lists VUD5(15190) Belgrade(9425) CBFX(9630) 5p.m., WRUA(7250) and KCBA(6170) written. Veries from XEWW KRHO(17800) KGEX(15210) KGEI(15130) and KNPX(17780).

JOHN CAMERON, Mataura, reports an interesting time listening to ZL's and lists the calls heard.

JACK FOX, Dunedin confesses that owing to exams DX confined to hams, reports to 10 ZL's WGVJI(Saipan)20m and AFRN, Tokio(3100)9p.m. Veries WNBI W8BRB KA9 and ZL's 2QR 3FH 3GM 4FK 4HT.

MURDOCH RILEY, Wellington, spent Xmas in Nelson and reported AFRN Tokio(5760) CE1174 CE1180 YN2W(6935) XERQ HC200(7350) YNFT(7490) COCX TGWA. Veries from Singapore(9558) saying transmitter is Jap 25kw, soon to increase to 100kw, when tubes arrive, KROU(17780) KRCJ(15190) VLV7 KCBF(9750 17850) KNBA(7805) KWIX(17760) OAXLA XEWW WWV(2500) WNRI(13050) and WNRE(15280).

FRED COLLINS, Auckland has reports to VUC2(3305) 1a.m., AFRN Tokio (3100) 11p.m., WNRA(18160) 5.30a.m., WLWO(17800) 5.45a.m. Veries from XEWW and AFN-London(6080).

JOHN MILLER, Wellington has veries from Leopoldville(9785) HCJB (12455) WLW0(15250) WLWL(7575,9897) and WLWS(6370).

REX GILLET, Adelaide, has veries from OLR3A CLR4A VQ7LO(6060) XEWW Rangoon(11855) and some K's. DX restricted due to power shortage, but "Radio Macassar"(9370) 10.30p.m., Brussels(17845) signs 11p.m., Singapore heard now on 7220, 6090 at midnight.

DES HICKEY, Petone, has reported LRI(9690) XERQ XEQQ YV5RM(4965) opens 10.30p.m. YV5RM(4920) YV1RX(4800) opens 10.30p.m. HJRK(6105) HJCF(6240) YNOW(6850) YNFT(7490) HILZ(6310) TGQA(6405) CE960 GOKG(8960) COHI(6455) COCX(9270) signs 5.30p.m. relays CMX, YSPB(6150) KU5Q(9280) "Radio Tatuam"(6067)8pm. Veries from Andorra, Paris(9520) CBRX(6160) WLWL (9897,11810) WNRE(15280) XEWW CHTA and CHOL. COBQ(9220) heard relaying CMCQ to 6p.m., most South Americans logged late on New Years' Day.

KEITH GADEN, Killarney, Queensland, reports fine signals from TAQ signing at 12.30a.m., KNPX(6060) not as good as on 7805kcs.

ALLEN ROSS, Auckland lists veries as CFVP YV5RM HB22(14538) 10 K's and 10 W's. Reports to Saigon(11780) COCX COCQ COKG Belgrade(9425) CE1174 HJFK HJFB HJDE HCJB(15115) HJCB VLW3 Rangoon(11855) XMEW XORA XPSA WOOC(15200) WLWS(15130) WCBX(15270) Bandoeng(12280) Singapore(6090) British Forces Network(7210) Radio SEAC(15120,11765) Morocco(7520) KU5Q (9280) CE1180 TAQ XEFT XEOX XETT CKLO(9630) VUD(11760,15350,11830), Radio Maroc(9082) 5a.m., CE1190. Most of the Latins late over the Xmas period.

MAURICE FOWLER, Nelson admits no loggings but these veries, KRHO KWIX Paris(9520) Berne(9185) Radio Espania(9375) CHOL CKXA CFRX CHTA CBFX VLA VLV7 VLC5.

RON GRAY, Christchurch, gives veries as WNRA(14570) HEK3(7380) ZLW3 HEF4(9185) RNB(9785) YV5RM(4920) nice card, KNPX(15240) WLWR(9750) KRHO(15250) KWIX(11870) KNPX(15150) and KMOX on b.c. Reports out to VUD6(11830) FZI(9440) CKCX(15190) signs 9.30a.m., VUD2(15290) 10.30p.m, XETT(9555) 4p.m., Berne(14462) 9p.m., ZLW3(4015) contacts Portland Is. 8p.m., KCBR(13050) KNPX(6060) KCBR(11700) signs 6p.m., LU6AJ CX4CS LU4AC PY20S on 20 and 6 ZL's.

WHAT SHORT WAVES SAY.

(By ARTHUR)

Special from HCJB.

- Airmail news from HCJB of a special on the 4105kc transmitter will interest all, some other varied loggings also listed. This page is now featuring the 24 hour clock, times being in NZDST 12 hours ahead of GMT. Further news on this time change elsewhere in this issue.
- 16540kc. XMEW, Kunming, China, with AFRS broadcasts, being well received at 2000
- 15220 PCJ, "Herrijzend Nederland", Emmastraat 52, Hilversum, Holland, verified by letter and promised a card shortly. Transmitter now operated by Government and no longer associated with Philips. Announcer Ed Startz is still with the station, but Bob Wybrands isn't, "Because of unpatriotic behaviour". Schedule is 0100-0230 daily on 15220kc. 0700-0800 and 1300-1400 on 9590kc., with extended transmission by half an hour on Wed. and Sunday.
- 11950 ZPA5 Encarnacion, Paraguay, relaying "Radio Belgrano" 2245-1400 (Hickey)
- 11860 XMHA, "Your Armed Forces Radio in Shanghai" news at 2245 (Whitworth)
- 9680 VLA3, 375 Collins Street, Melbourne, with VLC8 (7280) transmitting to Britain at 0315, good signals.
- 9650 WCBN, CBS, New York, AFRS broadcasts 0800
- 9630 CKLO, CBC, Montreal, with CHOL in the European transmission, news at 2145. CKLO and CHOL testing to Australia daily 2230-2330 at fair strength.
- 9615 XERQ, Mexico City, on late over Christmas, asking for reports in English at 1930.
- 9500 XEWW, Apartado 2516, Ayuntamiento 54, Mexico D.F., verifying reports dating three years back with nice picture post card, still heard to 1845.
- 9370 "Radio Macassar", Celebes, English programmes and recordings 2230-2300 on Monday Wednesday, Friday, other transmissions in Dutch. Good signal but much morse. Uses "Colonel Bogey" (Gillett).
- 6090 Singapore, with the transmitter on 7220kc. signs off 0330, programmes mainly Malay, news 0230. (Ross)
- 6067 "Radio Tetuan" Tetuan, Spanish Morocco, 100w. fair in Spanish 1930-2000. "La Voz de Espania, North Africa" news 1930, then recordings. (Hickey)
- 6060 KNBX, San Francisco, AFRS and Japanese programmes to 2345 (Coombe)
- 6045 "Rangoon Calling", Burma Broadcasting Service, c/o CAS(B) 12th. Army, SEAC, Rangoon, Burma, verified by letter, gives power 7500w. Station officially opened Nov. 15. English broadcasts are: on 6045kc. 1215-1330, 1715-1800; on 11855kc. 1400-1430, 1815-1845, 0030-0200. Other programmes are in Burmese and Hindustani. Rangoon time is 4½ hours behind NZDST.
- 6015 AFRN, Tokio, usual programmes to sign off at 2100. (Hickey)
- 4875 HJFH "La Voz de Armenia", Armenia, verification signed by Migual Angel Arango, Administrator. HJFH heard 2300 last March.
- 4155 HCJB, Quito, airmailed news of special DX programme on 975kc and 4105kc. on February 3, 1946, 2000-2300. Reports would be very much appreciated.
- 3100 AFRN, Tokio, good signal, signs 0200, seems to be the only regular transmitter in use now. (Collins).

JOTTINGS. - British Forces Network, Delhi, supplies this latest schedule: 1230-1400, 6220kc. and 4860kc; 1830-2000, 9590kc; 0200-0530, 7210kc+++ Leopoldville broadcasts 0400-0915, 0930-1645, 1745-1915 on 9785 kc., 2130-0100 on 17770kc. English broadcasts 0030-0100, 1215-1315, 1315-1645, 2230-2330 (Miller)+++ Frequencies of Argentine Stations: 9690kc. LR3, LRI; 9600kc. LR4 LRX; 9315kc. LR4 LRS LRS-1; 6180kc. LW2, LRM; 6120kc. KRX-1; 6090kc. LRI; 5990kc. LRS-1. LRX (9660) 2230-1500 kw.; LRX1 (6120) @245-1305 6kw.; Transmitter soon to increase to 10kw. (Riley).

THE SHORT-WAVE MAIL BAG (Contd)

RODNEY SIMONSEN, Rongotea has reports to CKCX (15.19) XEWW (9.5) XGOY (7.153) and one or two Hams. Veries are JCKW (7.22) XGOY (11.9) VLA6 CAX1 PZC (15.405) YV5RN HCJB (9.958)... Yes amateurs count on ladder.

BILL MILNE, Invercargill lists veries as CFRX XEWW Radio Nacional de Espana WLWO (15.25) WLWS (7.832½) WLWS (6.37) AFRN (6.08) VKX (2.130c).

WITH OUR BRANCHES.

(By ERV)

A Good Beginning.

SOUTHLAND.-On December 18 at Lindsay Bell's and only 11 present. Correspondence was discussed at length. Lloyd Warburton's offer to engrave the trophies was accepted with thanks. Best of months: b.c. G. Goodsir KFMB(30pts) s.w. A. Cushen "Radio STAC" Colombo(114pts). The six-monthly competition resulted(senior): M.Branks(156pts) 1, K.Robinson(155) 2, A. CUSHEN(146) 3. Junior: G.Goodsir(140pts) 1, J.Lyall(132) 2, L.Bell(98) 3. Aussie 3-monthly: G.Goodsir(43) 1, L.Bell(42) 2, A.Bainbridge(41) 3.

--ANDY CHAPMAN, 145 Liddell Street, In'gill.

OTAGO.- At Ron Williams with 11 members present. A great deal of correspondence pushed through and a new member Ian Jeffery welcomed. President J. Fox put forward a lot of new ideas including a Ham best of the month, three teams competing for most veries, and most s.w. verifications for 3 months starting January 1 1946. A long and heated discussion on "What constitutes a Verification?". Competition results: B.C.: M.Lamont KTUL, s.w. I. Brinsdon FK8AA.--I.N.BRINSDON, 19 Serpentine Avenue, Dunedin.

MANAWATU.-A meeting held at 77 North Street with 14 members present. The President Colin Nicholls resigned owing to pressure of night work. Correspondence was accepted and the Branch arranged the billets for the visiting "DX-TRA" delegation. At the conclusion of business the members enjoyed the usual Xmas beano. Competition results: Jun. b.c. I.Richardson KFMB(26 pts), Sen. b.c. T.Watkins WBZ(20), S.W. R. Davis WWV(71 pts).--STAN R. VEY, 3 Maire Street, Palmerston North.

AUCKLAND.- On January 9, we had the pleasure of having Merv. Branks, Arthur Cushen and Alex Allan present. Merv occupying the chair for this most auspicious occasion. Pleased to see so many old members to meet these chaps from Invercargill. Arthur gave his impressions as a DXer and I hope that the able way in which he stated our hobby will help to arouse the locals here. Merv. outlined the future policy of "THE DX-TRA". The six monthly competition resulted: Broadcast Junior Cup: Les Lewis(93½pts) Senior cup: Allen Ross(102½pts), President's cup: Les. Lewis(407½pts), Ladder: Les Lewis (49pts) Short-wave: Commercial and Shield Allen Ross(759½pts), Radiotron Trophy: Allen Ross(176½pts). Ladder: Allen Ross(83pts).--F.C.COLLINS, Park Flats, Princes St. Auckland.

HAWKES BAY.- Monthly meeting at Hilton Meyer's on December 11, 5 members being present. Considerable correspondence was received and discussed. Competitions: Senior b.c.: W.Hamer KGAM(23), junior b.c.: D.Redshaw and H.Meyer KFMB(24), Short-wave: D.Redshaw VLA6(15.);; W.R.Hamer, c/o 2YH, Napier.

WELLINGTON.- Five members at the special meeting on December 29 to enable members to meet "THE DX-TRA" delegation. A letter received from Headquarters expressing pleasure that the Branch had been formed. Merv. and Arthur addressed the meeting. Several other Wellingtonians also met the delegation during its visit.--JOHN MILLER, 203 Willis Street, Wgton.

CANTERBURY.- 10 present at November meeting in YMCA rooms. The Otago Cup for best ver1 in six months was won by Noel Day with KVOR, Dave Silcock 4WK 2 and D. Greenslade WBT 3. Because of the difficulty in securing a room the December meeting was abandoned. On January 11, six members attended an informal gathering at Doug Greenslade's to meet "THE DX-TRA" delegation. The next meeting at Colin Oldridge's.

--GARRY W. LATHAM, 76 Shirley Road, Christchurch.

THE SHORT-WAVE MAIL BAG(Contd.)

TERRY MACKRELL, Wellington, ex RNZAF, ex Palmerston North, has reported 12 K's 4 VL's CKCX CHOL WOOW WOOC 5 VUD's KU5Q XGOY HCJB(9985 and 12425) Paris(11800) Moscow(15700) Algiers Belgrade Radio Saigon(to be under French control after December 1)...Welcome back. Glad to see you still have the "craze".

ROGER LEGERE, Washington D.C. notes these items from recent reception: Radio Bissau, Portuguese Guinea (7095) 10-10, 30a.m., HC1VT(7000) Ambato, Ecuador signs 3p.m., YNFT(7500) signs 3p.m., YNQ(6915) "La voz de Victoria", Managua signs 3p.m. Veries from KU5Q ZIT7 Ponta Delgada HI2A HI2T CXA19 HHCM H3GF YSO HC2DC YV7RB PRC5 YNQ HEI2 HET3 HEK3 HEK4 HEO4.

NOTES FOR NEXT MONTH CLOSE AT 5 DUBLIN STREET ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 11, 1946.