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CBC INTERNATIONAL SERVICE CELEBRATES 25TH ANNIVERSARY

25

YEARS

CBC IS was inaugurated officially by the Prime Minister of Canada twenty five years ago on February 25th, 1945 after being authorized by Order-in-Council, a little more than two years earlier in 1942. By the time the war ended, shortwave programs were booming into Europe regularly in English, French, Czech and German. Since the immediate war period, the shortwave program service was modified steadily with two basic aims in mind: to help promote world peace and to tell the world about Canada. The Voice of Canada first went on the air with a staff of only a few dozen. Today, CBC IS transmits to most parts of the world in eleven languages and hires a staff of about 200. During those 25 years, the Service suffered some setbacks and even risked abolition, only to emerge stronger than ever. However, the possibility of a recurrence of these setbacks has been virtually eliminated with the recent integration into the National Service.

Sackville Expansion: Our 25th Anniversary celebrations were recently accelerated by the release of the following official announcement:

"Plans for the development of the CBC's shortwave transmitting facilities at Sackville, New Brunswick, include the eventual installation of five 250 kilowatt transmitters to supplement the three existing 50 kilowatt units which have been in operation since 1945. The antenna arrays will also be improved to handle the increased power. Due to present financial restrictions, completion of the entire project has to be phased over four or five years. However, two of the new 250 kilowatt transmitters should be in operation early in 1971. For an initial period of approximately twelve to eighteen months, these transmitters will be directed only to Europe.

In 1945, when the CBC International Service began regular shortwave broadcasts, Canada was in the forefront of the international shortwave world with only some twenty countries engaged in this activity. Now there are about 150 countries with international broadcasting services and Canada has slipped out of the top 50 in terms of number and power of transmitters. Radio-Canada's transmitters operated for seven hours daily in 1945. Today, the transmitters are operating twenty-two hours a day, serving not only the International Service but also the Northern and Armed Forces Services."

MEMBERS IN THE LIMELIGHT

Our first Member in the Limelight is Mr. Everett L. Slosman (Member 7113) of 404 Loder Avenue, Endicott, New York 13760, USA. He is 34 years old and is Director of Radio and Television for an Advertising Agency. His receiving equipment consists of a Hallicrafters SX-99 and a Philco 2131 Portable. He uses a Q Multiplier on the Hallicrafters. Antennas are a 40 foot "L" oriented N/S and a 40 foot "L" oriented E/W for the Hallicrafters and a 5 foot whip for the Philco. Mr. Slosman relates his DX experiences as follows: "I started shortwave listening two years ago through filling out QSL cards as a broadcaster. While DXing on the broadcast band, I have logged many people I have worked with. Just recently, I logged CHML in Hamilton and got a verification letter back from a buddy I went to College with. We haven't seen each other in years. I also run into a lot of friends of my wife who was in Canadian broadcasting for several years. I listen to Radio Canada for news and SWL information and to VOA for sports not broadcast in the USA. My hobbies include Stamp Collecting, Travel, Photography and Sports. I was a professional broadcaster for 10 years and for the last 5 have been in charge of broadcast advertising production for two advertising agencies. My wife has been in broadcasting for 10 years, including 5 years in St. John, New Brunswick and Vancouver. We met at a cocktail party in Binghamton, while she was employed at a local station. We have two boys, ages 3 and 2. I am a member of the Newark News Radio Club and the Canadian International DX Club. My current DX score is 54 countries logged, 20 American States logged and verified, 6 Canadian Provinces logged and 4 verified, 6 continents logged and verified, 135 stations logged and 126 verified for a total of 178 QSL cards. This was conducted on shortwave, medium wave and the Utility bands. I am currently in charge of production and syndication of a special one-hour children's program aired weekly. We subscribe to McLean's magazine and are naturally quite interested in Canadian happenings. Each summer we travel to my in-laws in New Brunswick. In fact, I consider myself a bonafide expert on how to really enjoy the beauties of Canada."

We now journey down to Chile to meet our second Member in the Limelight. He is Mr. Roberto Munoz Labrador, P.O. Box 355, Los Andes, membership No. 7136, 30 years old whose occupation is Import Assistant. Roberto started SWLing seriously about three years ago but has been a long time listener to Radio Canada's transmissions. In his own words he goes on to tell about his DX experiences as follows: "Like most shortwave listeners, my interest in the hobby came about through accidental twiddling of the knobs on a shortwave receiver and listening to radio stations from far away places really fascinated me. Since that day, I have monitored continuously. Besides listening to Radio Canada, I am a regular monitor of the Deutsche Welle, Radio Nederland, the VOA and the BBC. I am also a member of Radio New York Worldwide Listener Club and many other overseas countries. Last March 1969 I was granted a certificate in recognition of my interest in this hobby by Popular Electronics Magazine and my call sign is CE2PE1A. My Philips RB-695 receiver hooked up to an outdoor dipole antenna allows me to listen comfortably to my favorite programs which cover a wide scope such as News, Comments and Interviews. To record these items of special interest, my Grundig tape recorder serves the purpose very well. My other hobbies include Photography, Stereo music and travelling. I especially enjoy travelling and so far I have been to Peru, Equador, Honduras, Argentina, Uruguay, Brazil, Mexico and USA. I like to exchange tapes and at present I am tapesponding with people from the USA, Canada, England, Scotland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Germany, South Africa, New Zealand and Australia. It is very enjoyable to exchange tapes with such far away countries. We chat about almost anything in a very informal way. In my opinion, this is a very good way to make friends and to promote international friendship. I wish to thank you for selecting me as a Member in the Limelight and wish to offer my kindest regards to all of you and congratulate you on the fine work you are all doing at Radio Canada."

CAROLINE COMEBACK

"We Shall Overcome" was the theme played when Radio Caroline left the air almost two years ago. Undoubtedly, many fans will have come round to think, it was just one of these empty slogans. However, they may soon prove to be wrong. The father of offshore-radio, Ronan O'Rahily, has not at all been inactive over the past months. He had two Super Constellations fitted out with television equipment. Once ready, one of the two will circle 12 miles off the British east coast, while the other plane will stand by. They will refuel at bases in France and Holland. Advertising will come from international companies, from Canada and the U. S. The Postmaster General of the U.K. has already threatened that the project - Caroline TV - will be illegal under the Marine Broadcasting Offenses Act, but Ronan, the ruddy Irishman, and probably most controversial radio businessman in the world, is convinced that Caroline TV cannot be touched this way. The operation is on a much more international basis than his former radio venture. He has also nominated a team of radio experts to choose TV frequencies that will keep other broadcasting free from interference. Thus, only an international agreement could stop the operation. (H. P. S.)

RADIO DENMARK

Radio Denmark will discontinue their English & Spanish programs. Effective April 1, 1970. Unless listeners write and urge them to keep their current skeds. Information direct from Radio Denmark informs that they will use 11 MHz during the winter to North America. Unless a protest is made, Radio Denmark will use only Danish. Write your protest to: Mr. Hans Solvhoj, Director General Radio Denmark, Rosenornalle 22, Copenhagen 5V, Denmark.

WWV SURVEY

Standard Frequency Station WWV is conducting a survey of its listeners in regard to its present format. It is believed that this will involve the proposed change from morse code to voice announcements for the propagation forecasts. All listeners are urged to send for a questionnaire to: WWV, National Bureau of Standard, Boulder, Colorado 80302, USA.

Radio Denmark and WWV Items contributed by Melvin L. Flannagan, Jr. (1336) 313 S. W. 5th Street, Charlottesville, Virginia.

DXing RADIO ANDORRA

In a recent letter, John S. Carson (8689), Patterson School, Lenoir, N.C. 28645, USA, wrote as follows: "For about two months I have tried without success to DX Radio Andorra. It is reported to be on 5995 kHz at 2300 GMT. It has also been reported that this same station is no longer working the shortwave bands. Can any club members help me by providing this information plus current schedule? "

QSLing RADIO TELEGRAPH

"On June 17, 1969 I received a taped test transmission from Tropical Radio Telegraph Company at 1230 GMT on 9132.5 kHz. The announcement was as follows: 'This is a test transmission for adjustment purposes from a station of the Tropical Radio and Telegraph Company. This station is located near Panama City, Republic of Panama'. I received my QSL on December 15th, 1969. The address is: Tropical Radio and Telegraph Company, Apartado 1773, Panama 1, R.P." (Gus K. Lott Jr. (3717) 1809 Hillmont Dr., Th. C-3, Nashville, Tenn. 37215, USA).

NEW QSL CARD

As of February 25th, 1969 the CBC International Service will acknowledge your reception reports with a new Anniversary QSL card.

PEN-PALS AND GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

- Peter Vaegler (8603) 22 Greifswald, Schillstr. 14/15, E-Germany - In English or German - collects postal view cards and stamps.
- Herbert E. Deppe (4514) 42 Marseburg, Goethestr. 66, E-Germany - postcards, stamps, German and English.
- Ernesto Blandon-M (7823) Barrio-Monsenor, Carrillo, Matagalpa, Nicaragua.
- Alois Solc (8102) Melnik, Sidliste stred 2579, Czechoslovakia.
- Wolfgang Friedrich (2569) 14 Orianenburg bei Berlin, Wormser Str. 3 - with USA, Canada and Australia - German only.
- Gerald M. van Zanten, P.O. Box 49, Napier, New Zealand. (612)
- Juan Moas Madrigal (4782) Ave. 23 No. 3407, Marianao 13, Habana, Cuba - exchange stamps.
- Bill B. Blake (640) Burnsville, West Virginia 26335, USA - USA stamps, coins, flags. Pen-pal with Caribbean area.
- Frank Swanberg (8430) 14528 S. Woodlawn, Dolton, Ill. 60419, USA - in English with Europe, Asia or Africa - exchanging stamps.
- Madeleine Verrielle (1114) 25 Bd. de La Liberté, 83-Draguignan, France, with Canadian lady about 48 years old.
- Mark Van Sickle (8226) 3565 Key Corners, Dubuque, Iowa 52001, USA, age 13, English.
- Tony Jones (6213) 458 Moss Lane East, Manchester 14, Lancs., England - correspond with members interested in regional broadcasting stations of USSR.
- Charley Thomason (6968) 8261 Airline, Baton Rouge, La. 70815, USA - exchange stamps, 1st day covers, QSL cards and pen-pals 20-30, outside USA.
- Vlastimil Lipert (7359) Záluží 21, p. Roudnice nad Labem, Czechoslovakia, exchange stamps, postcards and records. Czech and English.
- Jan Oravec (1421) Osvěčimská 1120, Nejedek u K. Var, Czechoslovakia - writes Hungarian, German, Czech, Slovak and Russian.
- Pavel Kraus (2393) Čechovo nám. 13, Praha 10, Czechoslovakia - especially from Colombia - exchange stamps and postcards.
- Ota Kubík (7514) Havlíčkova 603, Kolín IV, Czechoslovakia - exchange postcards and records - German and Russian.
- Milan Černý (4985) Gottwaldova 1799, Žatec, Czechoslovakia, exchange badges, records and pennants.
- Pavel Javůrek (6709) gen. Svobody 13, Stětí, okr. Litoměřice, Czechoslovakia - with Holland, Great Britain, Italy, Spain & Portugal - exchange badges - German, Spanish, Italian.
- Rudolf Odvárka (8108) Fr. Křížka 21, Praha a7, Czechoslovakia - exchange postcards, German, Czech and Italian.
- Bernard Chrétien (669) 21 rue Metz, Apt. 16, 92 Nanterre, France - has receiver for sale.
- Waerzeggers Karel (8381) 44, Wacherzeelse baan, B-3010 Wilsele, Belgium - Flemish, French, English and German.
- Eric Ballu (8382) No. 20 Résidence du Clos Dame Cjille, (77) Pontault-Combault, France, with Canadians - stamps.
- George Levasseur (7454) 81 rue Stanislas Girardin, 76 Rouen-France. Exchange 60 or more year old French stamps for new Canadians.
- Emile Gerodez (4989) rue Wauters Joseph n°33, 7301 Wasmuel, Belgium - Exchange Canadian stamps bearing photo of Queen Elizabeth - also current stamps.
- Miroslav Valek (2976) Dobratice 30, akres Frýdek, Mistek, Czechoslovakia - exchange hockey magazines, pictures, badges.
- Joost ten Cate (7549) Jaagpad 50, Delft, Holland - in English with Canadian.
- J. D. Brodie (7438) Box 391, Stouffville, Ont., Canada, exchange stamps and FDC's.
- Robert A. Smith (3106) 6607 Horsepen Rd., Richmond, Va. 23226, USA - wants Radio Euzkadi schedule, frequency and address, number of IRCs required for airmail reply.
- Aarno Saarinen (4753) Koljontie 50, Kalera, Finland - with young Canadians about DXing and receiving equipment.
- Gary Goltz (7847) 6449 Nicholson St., Pittsburgh 17, Penna. 15217, USA - would like to receive a tape from a member who recorded Part I of IDs.
- Le Roy Porter Ackerman (624) 2728 West Colter St., Space B-34, Phoenix, Ariz. 85017, USA - pen-pals to help him with Spanish and Portuguese.
- Michael R. Preston (8375) 35 Meadway, London, N. W. 11, England - English, French or German.

DX PARADE (All times are GMT)Stations logged in New Zealand by A. T. Cushen

<u>kHz</u>	
5935	Managua, Nicaragua "Radio Nacional" heard about 0600 and sometimes past 0800
6035	Warsaw, Poland with an English program 0700-0730
6130	Cologne, Germany, opens 0800 this new frequency to Yugoslavia
6130	Madrid, Spain, interval signal 0720. Home service from 0730
6195	Trans World Radio, Bonaire in German to sign off at 0930
11825	Papeete, Tahiti with Maori programs to 0500 and followed by French
11855	Saudi Arabia, heard from Jeddah with English 0430-0530 with news at 0445, also has new transmission 1100-1200 with News at 1130
11880	VL8BM, Port Mosesby, New Guinea, a new station used to broadcast information to Australian Administration Stations in Papua, New Guinea. Verification gives power as 10KW and schedule is Monday to Friday 0100-0200 and 0430-0530
15170	Radio Veritas, P.O. Box 132, Manila, Philippines, testing 1130 to 1430 to South Asia. Also using 11830 kHz and asking for reports
15420	South East Asia, Radio Voice testing 1100-1200 to India and Pakistan and 1245-1400 to China on a daily basis. Plays orchestral music and asks for reports to SEARV, P.O. Box 4148, Manila
17380	All India Radio, Delhi using this off-band frequency in English 1000-1100 to North East Asia

Stations logged in Austria by H. P. Stumvoll

<u>kHz</u>	
1178	Voice of America, Okinawa, 1430
6010	Brussels, Belgium, excellent at 1445
9497	Clandestine Bizim Radio, in Turkish, excellent at 1015
15327	Radio Pakistan, news in English 1500; heterodyning Radio Canada until 1545
17720	WINB-Radio, Red Lion, Pa., USA; excellent at 1700
17875	Voice of America, transcriptions in German at 1700
21495	Radio Portugal, monthly DX program, Monday 1400

Stations logged in North America by Club Members

<u>kHz</u>	
5047	Radio Diffusion Togolese, Lome, French 2200-2230 (M. Chinsky-4797)
5980	R. Nac. El Salvador in Spanish 1140 (E. MacLeod II-4371)
6155	Austrian Radio - Various languages 0700 (G. Davey-7971)
7065	R. Tirana, Albania, 0630 English News (R. J. Scott-1807)
9540	VOA Relay, Monrovia, Liberia, 0205 (M. Berman-7198)
9690	ETLF Addis Ababa - Ethiopia, English 0330 (K. Brown-6583)
11720	Radio Pakistan in English 1945-2030 (M. Chinsky-4797)
11800	Ceylon Broadcasting, English, Ad. & Music 1457 (C. D. Sanders-7838)
11855	SAB Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, English Musical program 1900 (R. E. Redman-566)
11860	Ulan Bator, Mongolia in English 2200-2230 (Michinsky-4797)
11920	R. Abidjan, Ivory Coast in English 1830 (J. A. Figliozzi-7398)
15060	R. Peking, Chinese Peoples Republic 0200 (G. Maynard-7613)
15095	Liberia, Monrovia, VOA Relay 2230 (K. Brown-6583)
15255	Voice of Nigeria, Lagos, English 1900-1928 (J. Adams-3917)

Happy listening, good DXing and 73

On behalf of all of us here at Club Headquarters, a sincere thank you to all members who sent their greetings over the festive season.

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