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Czechoslovak Short-Wave Service

From *World-Radio* we learn that the Czechoslovak Post Office has placed an order for the supply of a British high-power short-wave telephone and telegraph transmitter for installation at Podedbrady, near Prague.

This transmitter will be used primarily for broadcasting for the benefit of Czechoslovaks resident in distant countries, and for spreading a knowledge of Czech and Slovak culture.

The carrier energy of the transmitter will be 35,000 watts, and it will have a wave-range of from 3 to 21.43 megacycles (100 to 14 meters). Quick wave-change arrangements are being provided, which will enable the almost instantaneous selection of any of four spot waves.

"Hier ist der Reykjavik, Iceland"

"Hier ist der Reykjavik, Iceland. Here is the new short-wave transmitter at Reykjavik, Iceland, testing on a wavelength of 24.52 meters (12.235 meg.). We are now changing over to a wavelength of 33.11 meters (9.06 meg.), and shall be on the air again in about ten minutes."

Such was the announcement intercepted by an English listener between 4:50 and 5:15 P.M. on July 10 and reported to *World-Radio*. It was stated that they were using about 7,000 watts in the aerial and that further tests would take place on July 11 at the same hour.

On May 25 last, Robert Rossi notified us that the Icelandic State Broadcasting Service, Post Office Box No. 547, Reykjavik, Iceland, had informed him that they expected to start broadcasting with TFK on 9.06 megacycles (33.11 meters) towards the end of June, beginning about 3:00 P.M., C.D.S.T.

The station reported as TFK, Mr. Rossi has identified as YNGU, Managua, Nicaragua, which he was hearing irregularly on an announced frequency of 9,000 kilocycles with poor modulation. We have been awaiting official word from Iceland. Hence our delay in reporting the honest error that Mr. Rossi promptly and frankly admitted as, to use his own words, "mistaken identity."

(See *Bulletins No. 136 and No. 138*).

Sunday Broadcasts from Chile

A half-hour program is broadcast from 8:30 to 9:00 P.M. on Sundays by the Compana Internacional de Radio, S.A., Casilla 16D, Santiago, Chile, South America, over their short-wave station CEC on 10.67 megacycles or 28.12 meters.

In Tune with Rio

Station PRF5 at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, has advanced its schedule one-half hour and is now heard from 5:00 to 5:45 P.M., Edith F. Reeks informs us.

"La Voz de Táchira"

Station YV10RSC, "The Voice of Tachira," was heard exceedingly well on August 5 after 10:00 P.M. on an announced frequency of 5,720 kilocycles (52.45 meters) testing a new transmitter that will shortly be installed in the city of San Cristobal, capital of the state of Tachira, Republic of Venezuela. Reports of reception are requested.

"Ondas Populares"

In the February number of *RCV*, official organ of the *Radio Club Venezolano*, it was announced that permission had been obtained by Sr. Gonzalo Veloz Mancera from the Venezuelan Government to install in the village of El Valle, State of Libertador of the Federal District of Venezuela, a new radio station to be known as YV9RC and licensed to operate on 6.40 megacycles (46.88 meters) and 1.01 megacycles (297 meters).

In the July 11 issue of *La Esfera* it was announced that the most modern equipment for the construction of this new 500-watt station had been received at Caracas and that special grounds had been prepared for its installation in "The Gardens of El Valle." Before this news was received, however, one of our members, Miss Edith F. Reeks, had been hearing what was believed to have been YV9RC testing. On July 27 it was on the air after 10:00 P.M., on July 29 it signed off at 9:50 P.M., and on July 30 and August 1 it signed off at 7:50 P.M. Harold Wright, president of the C.S.W.R.C., heard it between 10:00 and 11:00 P.M. on August 1 communicating with other stations.

Sr. Veloz is well known among the radio fraternity of Venezuela, both as an engineer and as a program director. The C.S.W.R.C. wishes him every encouragement in the transmission of "Popular Waves."

(See *Bulletin No. 135*).

"Ondas de la Heroica"

Radio Broadcasting Station HJ1ABD, "Ondas de la Heroica," operates daily from 7:30 to 9:30 P.M. on a frequency of 7.281 megacycles (41.20 meters). Reports of reception are requested and are acknowledged with a very attractive QSL card. The address is Post Office Box No. 252, Cartagena, Colombia, South America.

The director of this station, in a letter to the C.S.W.R.C., writes, "We usually broadcast a special program to our North American neighbors on the last Thursday of each month."

"The Voice of Colon"

Another Panama station is expected soon to be put into operation, according to M. E. Laul, short-wave columnist for the *Southern Radio News*.

It will have a power of 300 watts and will transmit Spanish and English programs nightly on 6.07 megacycles (49.42 meters) under the call sign HP5H, "La Voz de Colon."

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UP-TO-DATE SHORT-WAVE STATION LIST

C.S.W.R.C. FOREIGN RECEPTION CHART

Legend: Meg.—Megacycles; Met.—Meters; K—Kind of Station; B—Broadcast; E—Experimental; P—Phone; N—Station Notes; ●—Not Operating; ○—Not Heard; ▲—Not Tuned for; Q—Quality; R—Volume.

YOUR BEST GUIDE FOR FOREIGN RECEPTION IS THIS CHART

Table with columns: LOCATION, MEG., MET., DIAL, STATION, K, SCHEDULE, Day (Date), TU, WE, TH, FR, SA, SU, MO, TU, WE, TH, FR, SA, SU, MO. Includes a header for 'CENTRAL DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME IS INDICATED IN THIS CHART' and 'July 23 to August 5, 1935, Inclusive'.

Q1-Unreadable. Q2-Readable now and then. Q3-Readable with difficulty. Q4-Good readability. Q5-Perfect readability. R1-Extremely weak. R2-Very weak. R3-Weak. R4-Rather weak. R5-Fair. R6-Rather strong. R7-Strong. R8-Very strong. R9-Extremely strong.

"Broadcasting Caracas" Increases Power

In our Bulletin No. 139 we referred to the improvement in signal strength of YV2RC, Caracas, Venezuela. This improvement undoubtedly was due to natural conditions, as, according to *La Esfera*, their new 1,000-watt transmitter was not put into operation until July 12.

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Daventry Schedules

- 12:15 A.M. to 2:15 A.M. GSB and GSD
 - *6:00 A.M. to 8:45 A.M. GSG and GSJ
 - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon. GSF and GSG
 - 12:15 P.M. to 2:15 P.M. GSB, GSD and GSI
 - 2:15 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. GSB, GSD and GSL
 - 4:15 P.M. to 5:45 P.M. GSB and GSF
 - 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. GSC and GSD
 - 10:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. GSC and GSD
- *Begins at 6:30 A.M. on Sundays.

Zeesen Schedules

- 12:30 A.M. to 2:15 A.M. DJB and DJQ
- 3:45 A.M. to 7:15 A.M. DJB and DJN
- 8:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. DJB, DJE and DJQ
- 12:00 Noon to 4:30 P.M. DJC and DJD
- 5:05 P.M. to 9:15 P.M. DJA, DJD and DJN
- 9:15 P.M. to 9:30 P.M. DJD and DJN
- 9:30 P.M. to 10:45 P.M. DJC, DJD and DJN

Hitting the High Spots

- Aug. 11. 4:30 to 8:30 A.M. Sunday Program. VK2ME.
7:00 P.M. Empire Service. Daventry.
10:00 P.M. Buffs' Service. Daventry.
- Aug. 12. 6:15 P.M. Opera "L'Impresario." 2RO.
10:30 P.M. CLUB PROGRAM. HJ1ABE
- Aug. 13. 6:30 P.M. "Dog Days." Daventry.
8:30 P.M. German Army Band. Zeesen.
10:00 P.M. "Going Up." Daventry.
- Aug. 14. 6:00 A.M. The Mail Bag. VK3ME.
10:30 P.M. The Letter Box. Zeesen.
- Aug. 15. 9:00 P.M. Band Concert. YV2RC.
9:20 P.M. Ecuadorian Music. PRADO.
10:15 P.M. "Dog Days." Daventry.
- Aug. 16. 6:15 P.M. Opera "Fanfulla." 2RO.
7:00 P.M. Orchestral Program. Daventry
- Aug. 17. 7:25 P.M. Violin Recital. Daventry.
10:00 P.M. Novelty Orchestra. Daventry.
- Aug. 18. 4:30 to 8:30 A.M. Sunday Program. VK2ME.
7:00 P.M. I.B.C. Program. EAQ.
- Aug. 19. 6:00 P.M. "Finegan Again." He's in the Army Now! Daventry.
6:15 P.M. Opera "Edgar." 2RO.
10:30 P.M. CLUB PROGRAM. HJ1ABE
- Aug. 20. 7:15 P.M. "Foreign Affairs." Daventry.
9:15 P.M. Berlin Philharmonic. Zeesen.
9:20 P.M. Tuesday Program. HC2RL.
- Aug. 21. 6:00 A.M. The Mail Bag. VK3ME.
10:00 P.M. "Finegan Again." Daventry.
- Aug. 22. 9:00 P.M. Band Concert. YV2RC.
9:20 P.M. Ecuadorian Music. PRADO.
10:00 P.M. "Foreign Affairs." Daventry.
- Aug. 23. 6:00 P.M. Symphonic Concert. Zeesen.
6:15 P.M. Opera "Misteri." 2RO.
10:00 P.M. Royal Air Force Band. Daventry.
- Aug. 24. 6:30 P.M. The Grand Prix de l'Europe (Motorcycle Race). Daventry.
7:00 P.M. See Aug. 23, 10:00 P.M.
10:00 P.M. See 6:30 P.M.

Broadcast from Budapest

A special broadcast from Budapest, Hungary, in which the annual St. Stephen's Celebration will be heard for the first time by the American radio audience, will be presented over the nationwide Columbia network on Sunday, August 18, from 1:45 to 2:00 P.M.

AIRPLANES: 5.70, 3.46 meg.; 52.62, 86.77 met. POLICE: 2.46, 1.64 meg.; 122, 183 met.
AMATEURS: 14.21, 3.98, 1.87 meg.; 21.12, 75.40, 160 met. SHIPS: 12.82, 8.51, 4.25 meg.; 23.40, 35.26, 70.52 met.

Frequencies and wavelengths represent the middle of the bands.

STATION NOTES

- (*) Cuban, Mexican, Canadian and U. S. stations listed as guide in tuning.
- (1) HIX: Also Sundays 7:40 A.
- (2) DJC: To North America.
- (3) HJ4ABL: Saturday 10 to 11 P.
- (4) HJ4ABB: Also Sundays 11 to 12 P.
- (5) YV2RC: Sundays to 10:30 P.
- (6) HJ1ABE: Monday schedule 10:30 to 11:30 P. Programs dedicated to C.S.W.R.C. and other clubs.
- (7) OAX4G: Uses higher power on Wed.
- (8) HIZ: Also Saturdays 11 P. to 1 A.
- (9) Ti-RCC: Sun. and Thurs. until 10 P. Special programs to 9 P. Aug. 3, 4 and 5.
- (10) HAT-4: Weak signal heard Aug. 4, unidentified.
- (11) VK3ME: Best towards end of schedule.
- (12) DJN: To Central America.
- (13) DJA: To South America.
- (14) VK2ME: Best about 7 A.
- (15) VK2ME: To England.
- (16) CT1AA: Best towards 6 P.
- (17) 2RO: To North America.
- (18) 2RO: To South America.
- (19) ORK: To Belgian Congo. Best near end of schedule.
- (20) JVM: Best from 6 to 7 A.
- (21) Radio Coloniale: To South America.
- (22) Radio Coloniale: To North America.
- (23) GSD: Best towards end of schedule.
- (24) DJD: To Africa. Best towards end of schedule.
- (25) DJD: To North America. Best before 8 P.
- (26) 2RO: To Eastern Zone.
- (27) Radio Coloniale: To Madagascar.
- (28) Radio Coloniale: To French Africa. Best towards end of schedule.
- (29) RNE: Also 6 A. and 10 A. Sun.; 6 A. Wed.
- (30) DJB: To South Asia.
- (31) PCJ: Announces schedule 3 to 7 A. Tues., 7 to 11 A. Wed.
- (32) Radio Coloniale: To Indo-China.
- (33) DJE: To South America.
- (34) GSG: Begins at 6:30 A. on Sundays. Best after 7:30 A.

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