

NOTE: Hankins, FBIS: Please take down QRA's below as may want you sometime to fwd something to Worriss or McPheeters.

FLASH SHEET - 15 JUNE 1949 - From Ken Boord, R&TVN; time - EST; "news" means in "English."

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SPECIAL NOTE TO BALBI, FBIS, etal - R&TVN did not have space in July issue for "THIS MONTH'S SCHEDULES" prepared for that issue; hence, they sent me "overset" galleys and asked me to revise for use in August issue. This required little revision and, of course, will be "bulk" of ISW Dept. in August issue; hence, only other material was taken from Flash Sheets which you have already received. Thus, I am not sending you any carbon of ISW Dept. copy for August. I had to compile it at home on this typewriter and made only a file carbon...September carbon will come to you as usual around 12 July...

SPECIAL NOTE TO ALL: Would like each of you who can, particularly in EAST, to check VLB, 9.54, in the morning xmn to East Coast, 0700-0900, and let me know if you find it GRM'd. Has been here past few mornings, believe from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada...but am not sure.

SPECIAL NOTE TO EAST COASTERS - Have advised RADIO AUSTRALIA to try VLA8, 11.76, as possible replacement VLA5, 15.23, in East Coast beam 1643-1815. Don't know when change will be effected but should be soon. If you note change, would appreciate report on reception on VLA8. Be sure to watch for "VLA8" call as 11.76 is now in use part of that period to Britain with same program as currently carried to Eastern NA from VLA5. Thanks!

CONFIDENTIAL - (Not for publication.) - Radio New Zealand has asked Radio Australia to release N.Z.'s registered 9.54 channel between 11 June through 17 September for use between 7:45 p.m. and 3:45 a.m. Australian time (2:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. EST). Since Radio Australia has used 9.54 for East Coast transmission since inauguration of SW and it has over the years been the most popular channel of RA's NA listeners, RA is extremely anxious to retain channel. RA cabled me to check for adjacent clear channel in 9-meg. band. I have replied suggesting in event 9.54 has to be released, RA try (1) 9.58 or (2) 9.615. (NOTE: At last it occurs to me that perhaps the carrier interference last few days on 9.54 at 0700-0900 is from Radio New Zealand. Bears careful check.)

HIGHLIGHTS OF RA DX SESSION 6-12-49:

BECHUANALAND--ZNB, 5.900, Mafeking, opens and closes with announcement, "ZNB at Mafeking Calling." Scheduled weekdays 0600-0700, 1200-1430; Sundays 1300-1400.

SYRIA--Damascus, 6.000, 7.500, 12.00, has news 0700, 1400 and also announces (English) news for 0530. Announces, "This is the Syrian Broadcasting Station calling from Damascus," or "This is Damascus Calling."

MADAGASCAR--During rugby (N.Z.-ers) team tour of Africa now in progress, recently Cushen, N.Z., was able to pick up scores from Lourenco Marques and refer results to officials in N.Z. after other efforts to receive the station in N.Z. failed. Is "another feather in Arthur's cap" was Hutchins' comment (not mine!)

SOUTH AFRICA--Announced (probably this item from Cushen, N.Z., too) that ZUD, 13.186, Durban, around 1045-1105 will carry rugby summaries and will be re-broadcast by Inland Service of ABC and over VLW5, 9.610, Perth, Western Australia. Don't know if this is daily or not. Also

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said that N.Z. will remain on air to 1230 during cricket play days in England to carry relays. (NOTE: This is probably why Radio New Zealand wants RA to release 9.54 to them 11 June thru 17 Sept.--KRB) (FURTHER NOTE: Please see item later on in this Flash Sheet from Laubscher re ZUD. The item just given from RA probably is in error. If anyone should pick up a South African on 13.186 I'd like to know about it....especially since I find no South African listed there...KRB.)

UNKNOWN--Gillette, South Australia, wants information on Latin on about 6.275 around 0715 but not heard last two weeks. Another Latin he has heard on 6.760 he believes is YNVP, Managua, Nicaragua...this one has interference from Singapore (6.77)...and has been hrd around 0730. He believes station on 6.200 leaving air 1625 after announcement in Fr. may be Radio International, Tangiers. (NOTE: Any help you could give Gillette on these would be welcomed...will gladly relay...KRB.)

END HIGHLIGHTS OF RA DX PROGRAM 6-12-49.

USSR--Radio Moscow verified for Lytle, Ontario, from Box 88, but Lytle says reports should be sent to Box 181, Moscow.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA--Prague sent nice postcard view of Prague with verification data on reverse.

GERMANY--Worris, NY, sends this AP dispatch dated 8 June from Berlin (AP) as reported in New York Times of 9 June...

The United States Army dug into its own pocket today to preserve the Western radio voice operating in Berlin. Maj. Gen. George P. Hays said that the Army had granted \$2,500,000 from its budget to operate RIAS (radio in American sector) in Berlin until June 1950. The station, sponsored by the United States Military Government, had faced dissolution for lack of funds after July 1. The Deputy Military Governor said the station would have to make some economies to stay within the new budget, but he thought that none of its broadcasting functions would be curtailed. RIAS now beams Western views through the Soviet zone of Germany, and into Poland and Czechoslovakia. Planned increases in power will boost the beam deep into the Balkans in another week. Until now RIAS functioned at a cost in German marks equal to almost \$4,000,000 a year. The expenses were considered occupation costs chargeable to the German Government. General Hays said it was improper to charge the expenses as occupation costs any longer because RIAS is carrying the expressed view of the United States Military Government.

INDONESIA--A station heard mornings on 9.695 may be Radio Sario, Menado, Celebes...this one on Monday of LAST week ran way past the old 0700 sign-off of Radio Sario...May be relaying Radio Indonesia now...some fairly modern U.S. records noted (such as "Open the Door, Richard!")... Sounds like says "Hier ist Menado C, Radio Indonesia." (Stark, Texas)

TAHITI--On Friday nite 3 June, Stark, Texas, heard Papeete, 6.980, at early 2235...which is 10-20 min. early for hearing it by Stark...

ARGENTINA--Stark, Texas, reports what seems to be a Radio Belgrano outlet (or relay thereof) on about 11.840, hrd leaving air 2300. Wonder if this could be listed LRG, 11.842, Tucuman, Argentina, "Radio Independencia?"--KRB.

UNKNOWN--Stark on 6/11 hrd a station on 9.820 from around 0645; seemed to be giving cricket scores at times to 0730; very weak and he could not identify due QRN; went past 0800.

CHINA--Stark, Texas, reports noted no English news or any English 0830 on 9.730 Chinese (Nanking) outlet on 6/11; wonders if 9.73 Nanking no longer relaying from other Commie-controlled stations???

CANADA--Slattery, Oregon, has measured VED, Edmonton, as 8.26; says sked seems to be 1000-0200 daily, including Sunday. Announces, "This is VED, Edmonton, the Northwest Territories and Dominion Radio System, operated by the Royal Corps of Signals."

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JAPAN--Slattery, Ore., is hearing what apparently is JWV on 15.225 with all-Jap program; signs on at 0200, good level.

HUNGARY--Airmail ltr in today from Gillett, Sou. Australia, says Radio Budapest verified by means of a nice letter and enclosed 3 photos--showing Hungarian Studio Orchestra, short-wave antennae, and Europe's tallest antenna mast, some 1,030 feet high, located near Budapest. His report was stated to be first one from Australia, was one of quickest he ever received; mailed report 12 May and verified 31 May. This was 107th country verified by Rex...and he needs only USSR to have verified all European countries...nice goin, no! QRA of Radio Budapest given by Rex is: L. Barta, Head of International Relations Dept., Hungarian Broadcasting Corporation, Budapest, Hungary.

MONACO--Gillett received airmail current schedule of Radio Monte Carlo as 0100-0300 and 0600-0800 on 9.785 and 7.350 and 1300-1815 on 6.035 and 7.350. However, I (KRB) believe 7.350 has been suspended and that MC is now settled down on 6.035 and 9.785 for ALL xmns. Last time (some weeks back that I heard the 6.035 xmtr it closed down 1715.

CHINA--Gillett has heard a Chinese on 7.025 around 0630 but has not yet identified it. Any idea, Dilg etal?

BULGARIA--Gillette is hearing Radio Sofia on 7.671 with German 1615 followed by French 1630 and ENGLISH 1645; good signals in Sou. Australia.

SPANISH GUINEA--Gillett airmails: "Despite recent reports that RADIO ATLANTICA is on the air, K. M. Dobson of London states that Radio Atlantica is NOT on the air yet and the 14.402 channel is Tangier."

ARGENTINA--Worris, NY, says LRU appears to have replaced the 2100-0100 English xmn with one in Spanish. Bears a check. I checked it briefly one nite last week (not for anything in particular) and don't recall at exactly what time but was within the 2100-0100 period and WAS in Spanish. Worris says LRY, 9.451, runs an English xmn from approximately 2115 (very irregular, sometimes as much as 20 minutes LATER). News is broadcast at opening, 2200, 2300, 0000, and 0055. Prior to this English period, LRY (actually, call is officially LRV-1--KRB) relays domestic MW LR3 in parallel with LRY1 (SW) and Encarnacion, Paraguay. Worris says they apparently run this domestic relay as long as they want to and then begin the English xmn when other one is over. This Spanish transmission, he says, is a Belgrano program, NOT SRI. It uses a four-tone call signal (apparently Radio Belgrano's) and NOT the four-and-five-tone signal of SRI. Says Radio Splendid, LRS, 11.88, runs 1600-1730 French; 1730-2030 English; 2030-2230 Portuguese; says this is not COMPLETE sked for LRS.

ITALY--Apparently, the BBC has moved its Brazilian xmn off 11.82 with result RADIO ITALIANA 11.81, is now coming in well during the 1930-2055 xmn to NA. Radio Italiana wants reports on this channel and 9.63 (inaudible for Worris, NY) in parallel, describing "reception at this time of year." (Worris, NY)

NORWAY--Gunnar Nygård of Norsk Rikskringkasting, Oslo, writes: "The melody used as motive for our tuning signal is the oldest Norwegian folk tune known to have been written down. It is called 'the tune of the gnomes (or earth spirits)'." (Worris, NY) Worris comments: "This tuning signal (one of the longest and loveliest on SW) runs for 25 seconds and there is a 5-second interval between signals."

BRAZIL--Jair Picaluga of RADIO NACIONAL, Rio, writes, "The music we use as our tuning signal is named 'LUAR DO SERTÃO,' one of Brazil's most popular songs." (Worris, NY)

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CANADA--CFRX, 6.070, Toronto, Ontario, comes in well in NY evenings; summer schedules are 0530-2335 except Sundays when is on air 0800-2335. (These skeds. should be moved BACK 1 hr. when Toronto drops Daylight Time in early fall.--KRB) (Worris, NY)

USA--The 0915-0945 "Voice of America" Russian xmn for Europe also is being carried by transmitters to Siberian Maritime Areas (from West Coast K... xmtrs), which means that the Far Eastern Service now runs 0400-0945. (Worris, NY)

FR. EQUATORIAL AFTERNOONS--Brazzaville's 17.84 channel is coming in fairly good afternoons in NY. (Worris) (Does anyone have current schedule for this 16-m. outlet?--KRB)

BRAZIL--Jair Picaluga of Radio Nacional, Rio, informed Worris, NY: "...we are indeed enough satisfied with the results we are obtaining with the transmissions beamed to USA. As a matter of fact, there are hundreds of letters telling us about the wonderful conditions of reception we are obtaining in all the different states of the North American Union. So, you'll understand that this turns us very satisfied and proud. We hope to continue on the same way, that is, satisfying all our foreign listeners. And besides we have already planned to make an extension of the above-mentioned broadcast....." Worris comments: "I think the bandwagon of English-language xmns in Latin America has really started rolling; I think a lot of the credit goes to that item you printed in your column asking SWL's to ask the stations for English programs..."

I dunno--but more power to Latins using ENGLISH!--KRB.

NORWAY--Worris sends this COMPLETE schedules of Radio Norway, which is presently transmitting on LLP, 21.67; LLN, 17.825; LKV, 15.17; LLK, 11.85; LKQ, 11.735; LLG (high), 9.645; LLG (low), 9.61; LKJ (31 m. band), 9.54, and LKJ (49 m. band), 6.130. All these stations are located at Frederikstad (where there are three transmitters) EXCEPT LLP (Oslo) and LKJ (Tromso). All stations operate with carrier power of 10 kw. EXCEPT LLP (5 kw.) and those indicated by (*) which operate at 100 kw. Schedule is 0130-0230 (0255-0715 Sundays), Home Service and for Norwegians Abroad, LLP, LLN*, LKV, LLK/ to African Waters and South Atlantic; 0600-0630 (except Sundays), Norwegians Abroad, LLP, LLN*, LKV, LLK/ to the Far East; 0800-0830 (daily), Norwegians Abroad, LLP, LLN*, LKV, LLK/ to North Atlantic and Indian Ocean; 1230-1340 (1000-1340 Sundays), Home Service, LLP, LLN*, LKV, LLG (low)/ to African Waters and South Atlantic; 1400-1500 (daily), Norwegians Abroad, LLP, LLN*, LKV, LLG (low)/ to African Waters and South Atlantic; 1500-1700 (daily), Home Service, LLP, LLN*, LKV, LLG (low)/ to African Waters and South Atlantic; 1800-1900 (daily), Norwegians Abroad, LKV*, LKQ, LLG (high)/ to South America; 2000-2100 (daily), Norwegians Abroad, LKV*, LKQ, LLG (high), to North American Waters and North Atlantic; superimposed on these are the Home Service relays from LKJ to the North Atlantic Sea at 0130-0230 (0255-0715 Sundays) on 31 m., 0520-0740 (except Sundays) on 31 m., and 1100-1700 daily on 49 m. (NOTE: Between Stan Worris and KRB, those skeds above are "fessed" up a bit with regard to WHERE beamed although times and channels are correct.....it's a little matter of semi-colons....

"LLG (HIGH) MAY BE 'LLH' - SWL"

I will now go "back" and put semi-colons where they belong and remove (with diagonal) where they "ain't" supposed to be...so sorry! They are now correct (according to Worris report, mind you...hi!).

GRRRR - SWL

ECUADOR--HCJB, 17.89, Quito, heard until 1545 sign-off. Announced had been operating for previous 1 1/2 hrs. on 17.89, 15.115; 19-m. outlet would continue, they said, and in 15 minutes (1600) the 12.455 xmtr would be brought into use; at that time HCJB would be sending on 15.115, 12.455, AND 9.958.

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CUBA--Good signals noted from COCY, 11.74, Havana. (Wilson)

BRAZIL--Radio Nacional informed Sklenar, Nebraska, they soon will have another program of Brazilian music with announcements in English.

FR. EQUATORIAL AFRICA--Albert Bazire, Director of Radio Brazzaville, has informed Slattery, Oregon, that "the transmitter we are using at present, and since June 18, 1943, is built by RCA in 1942-1943; there is one main transmitter of 50 kw. and four secondary transmitters (1 is 7 kw. and three are 1.5 kw.); we have 6 directed aerials to the Near East, Far East, North America, South America, Europe, South Africa, and Madagascar." Stated "the general feature of our broadcasts remains the same throughout the year."

PANAMA--HOJA, 9.645, Chitre, "Radio Provincias," heard evenings with QRM from GVZ on 9.640. (Legge, N.Y., via Harris, Mass.)

EL SALVADOR--HUB, San Salvador, moved to 4.845 from 4.7951 (Legge, NY, via Harris, Mass.)

ROUMANIA--Radio Bucharest best in N.Z. on 5.925 with news 1600, then music, signs off 1625, woman announcer; heard before 1600 with French program. (Cushen)

HUNGARY--Cushen lists Radio Budapest on 6.250 and 9.818, heard fair around 1500.

FINLAND--Helsinki, 9.555, very good signal to 0000 daily. (Cushen, N.Z.)

AUSTRALIA--VLX2-VLX3, Perth, verified with plain, white ABC card, gives power as 10 kw.; VLX3 also is assigned 9.560 which has not as yet been used. Verie-signer is G. T. Chippindall, Director General, Post Master General's Dept., Perth, Western Australia. (Cushen, N.Z.)

LEBANON--Radio Lebanon, 8.036, verified airmail-registered, nice card; new sked shown 00000130, 0530-0830, 1000-1630. (Cushen, N.Z.)

MALAYA--BFEB, Singapore, is expected to use frequencies in the 7 and 9 megacycle bands to carry relays of Cricket Tests from BBC and relayed for benefit of N.Z. listeners. (Cushen, N.Z.)

CEYLON--Radio Ceylon announces as "The BBC Calling from Ceylon," heard on 21.600 around 044; peaks at 0600 when they carry BBC news. (Cushen)

NEW ZEALAND--Radio New Zealand now operating 1300-0130 relaying the N.Z. National Program weekdays (commercial service Sundays); has Overseas Service daily 0200-0400. (Cushen, N.Z.)

MOZAMBIQUE--Lourenco Marques, 4.920 and 3.490, is broadcasting specially for N.Z. Radio DX League the rugby football scores at 1400 hours on Wednesdays, Saturdays during N.Z. team's tour of South Africa. (Cushen, N.Z.)

CEYLON--Radio Ceylon, Colombo, sent airmail letter-verie from W. R. Fletcher, Chief Engineer. States operate only on 15.120 with 100 kw. and on 21.600, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ kw.; 15.120 beamed on Tokop; 21.600 beamed on Malaya. QRA is 191 Turret Road, Colombo, Ceylon. (Cushen, N.Z.)

INDONESIA--YDA-2, 2.415, Bandoeng, Java, heard with Indonesian to sign-off 1100. (Cushen, N.Z.)

KOREA--HLKA, Seoul, heard to 1030 on Saturdays, sign-off in English. (Cushen, N.Z.) Freqs. are 2.510, 7.933.

MALAYA--Cushen, N.Z., lists 41-m. outlet of Singapore (Blue Network) as 7.190, has news 0630.

FR. INDO-CHINA--Correct QRA for Radio Hue, 7.210, is P.O. Box 65, Hue, Annam, Fr. Indo-China; verifies. (Radio Australia DX script)

NOTE: Have much more in way of reports but will have to wait until later as is time to go to office....

FLASH - TAHITI--Per tip from Stark, Texas, checked Papeete, 6.980, on 14 June; hrd fair at tuning 2239 in what seemed Fr.; talk to 2310, brief music; more talk, this time definitely Fr.; Hawaiian-type music 2335, then polynesian "oration" to around 2356, then man SANG "La Marseillaise," pulled switch 2358. Good sig, but had CWQRM and QRN.