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LATE FEBRUARY VUD...Our apologies if the February VHF-UHF Digest arrived at your place a little later than usual. Surprisingly enough, the problem was not in the transfer of editorial and publishing duties, which went exceedingly well. The February paste-up was inexplicably delayed nearly two weeks in the mail en route from your editor here in Pittsburgh to the publishing crew in Indiana. Further delays were incurred when the added weight of the membership list forced the publishers to send the VUD's via third class. Hopefully, most of you received the February VUD before the first of March, and are reading this around the 15th of that month.

NO NOTICE?...A few words of explanation are also in order for those members who did not receive the "Important Notice" inserted in the December VUD. Morrie Goldman relates that after Peter Oprisko discovered the notices and re-volunteered his services, the notices were removed from those VUD's which had not yet been mailed. Thus, only about one-fourth of the WTFDA membership actually received the insert. Response to the notice was marvelous, and we're grateful to all who offered their services to WTFDA. Perhaps member apathy isn't running rampant after all!

1976 WTFDA CONVENTION SITE...Apparently we spoke too soon. Voting on the '76 site was sparse but unanimous, with a total of thirteen votes coming in for Chicago. This amounts to roughly five per cent of our total membership. Well, it's four more votes than received last time...so maybe there's hope! At any rate, the 1976 WTFDA Convention will be hosted by Morrie Goldman in Chicago during August. Further details should be forthcoming shortly.

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WTFDA MAILBOX John Zondlo 6617 Maryland Hammond, IN 46323

Greetings. Hopefully, from now on, this column will be a monthly feature. Well, here goes

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A SW and TV DXer, new member ED BRINDLE is also a member of NASWA. His gear includes a GE 12" B&W TV and an 8 bay Realistic UHF antenna. Ed also goes by the call WDX3JKH.

From the "Land of Enchantment" comes new member FRED FISH. Fred is a computer specialist who's interested in DXing the bands from 100 mHz on up. His call, by the way, is W5LO.

RUSSELL JAMES has some impressive credentials and equipment. He is the Asst. Hon. General Secretary of the Australian Radio DX Club. His DX shack features a Kreisler Colorama 660 TV (63cm), an Austenna 31 element antenna (rotatable), and a National NV-5120A video cartridge recorder.

Also a member of NRC and IRCA, TIMOTHY P. MILLER is an engineering student at the University of Illinois at Urbana (home town is Glen Ellyn, IL). Tim's DX gear includes a GE clock radio for FM and an RCA 19" R&W

portable for TV.

And last, but certainly not least, is MAL WESSOT. Mal is an MATV specialist who's well versed in receiving equipment, as you can see by his address. His own equipment includes a J-283X antenna (what brand?-jz).

a preamp, and a distribution amp.

For your information: the material used for the introductions of new members comes from the personal data section of the membership application form. If you're a new member, and have not been introduced to the member-ship at large, feel free to drop me a line about yourself so that it can be included in a future Mailbag.

recently in the Elving column that various broadcasters were getting tired of leasing space on their SCA frequencies to the various canned music groups and were after the FCC for permission to use it for more remunerative purposes such as Teletype-Facsimile-Slow Scan TV or some, as yet, not used systems. I acquired a SP600 receiver War Asset, for less than it's worth. This led to the acquiring of a Teletype machine and a Western

Union "Fax", both for peanuts. The SSTV set up is another breed of horse. Amateurs have covered the world on the amateur bands with this, very sophisticated set-ups can be got for a price. May have to make my own, inflation being what it is. Granted, there are a number of other magazines who adequately cover this sort of thing, BUT Why has it been completely ignored, by all, but Bruce Elving??? Are we so exclusive that soon we will be listening with the right ear only. The Old Man wonders and wonders." "Old Al" is also interested in exchanging US for Canadian stamps...write for more info.

This word reaches us from Radio Nederland: "Commencing on Thursday, March 4th, Radio Nederland will be airing a new technical course via DX Juke Box. It is a transistor course which takes up where our previous DX Receiver course - which was based on valve receivers - leaves off. The transistor course consists of 12 lessons in all. They will broadcast over a period of 24 weeks, one lesson every other Thursday. Every lesson will be repeated the following week. As usual, this course is available to Radio Nederland listeners free of charge, provided applications for enrollment are made by listeners individually. The course will be mailed in sets of four lessons and students will automatically receive the next set of lessons when they mail the answers to the questions at the end of each set of lessons to Radio Nederland's DX Juke Box." The address for Radio Nederland is P.O. Box 222, Hilversum, Holland.

Tom Place (83 St. Louis Ave., Beaconsfield, PQ H9W 4X9) writes, "I would like to tell you how much I enjoy the VUD, especially the equipment articles and descriptions of what other members are using. I am using a Delhi DXM-68 tower with a Delhi C-18G VHF antenna (no preamp), and a Channel Master Super Bandsaw UHF antenna with a Channel Master 0068 preamp. Incidentally, I have been very impressed with this preamp and if the new 0071 UHF preamp is as much of an improvement as CM claims, it

will be as good as the BT CMA-U and a lot cheaper."

DX has been nil on the Florida west coast, writes R.E. Lyons (2864 W. Bay Dr., Largo, FL 33540). He purchased a new SAE Mach VIII from Mike Dolton over a month ago. It has digital readout, and will hopefully help

him up his present total of stations heard (365).

VUD co-publisher Peter Oprisko is an educational FM band DX fanatic, and this editor can personally attest to that. As of this writing, Pete has logged 52 stations between 88 and 92 mHz in just under a month of DXing. His receiver is the Sony ST-5130, and it's connected to a Channel Master Stereo Probe 9 antenna mounted at the 60' mark on his tower (right below his UHF dish). Pete wanted to go "state of the art" with his DX gear, and after much comparison with other receivers he settled on the ST-5130. Of course, the advice of Morrie Goldman played a major role in his decision. Pete purchased his receiver at Musicraft (48 E. Oak St., Chicago, IL 60611, 312-337-4150). They have such a deal for you, if you're interested: you can get the ST-5130 from this Musicraft store for \$105 off, if you follow these simple instructions. Visit, call, or write the store, and ask for Ted (and only for Ted) the owner. Tell him you're a member of WTFDA, and that Pete Oprisko referred you to him. He then can give you all the information on purchasing this receiver. In fact, he can also give you a good deal on the Probe 9 antenna and a Fisher TX-55 amp. If you'd like to check with Pete before calling Ted, give him a call at 219-659-2954, or write him c/o HQ. If you have the \$\$\$\$, this is a deal well worth checking into.

Interested in seriously monitoring the public service bands? Then RCMA may be the thing for you. RCMA is the Radio Communications Monitoring Association (P.O. Box 4563, Anaheim, CA 92803). It is a relatively new club, concentrated mainly around the Los Angeles area. All but one of the members of RCMA is from the LA area, namely this editor. Even if you're out of their area, be sure to write for a sample copy of their newsletter

if you're a serious monitor.

IRCA member Charles A. Taylor tells us that WWCM 97.7 Brazil, IN, is now on AN-6 (off MM). Verie signer is CE Lee R. Edmundson. Charlie also passes along these comments on FM and TV in the Phillipines: "The FM and TV situation in the Phillipines was most interesting when I left there in November '73. TV needs no pushing there, is a going business. FM broadcasting has already come into its own in the Metropolitan Manila area. Before about 1971, most of the FM band in the area was taken by FM

FCC FM NEWS

New Stations Granted

[55 km AK Ketchikan *105.9 10 AR Nashville 105.5 km 3000 h,v; 85' 13,/ CA Barston 94.3 3000 h,v; -193' IL Decator 95.1 50000 h.v; 500' 33, 72mi IN Goshen 97.7 3000 h,v; 148' MA Hulyoke *89.5 10 #N Sauk Centre 94.3 3000 h,v; 300' 15, 46 MS Coldwater 95.3 3000 h,v; 300' gk #O Stockton K240AE 95.9 [KRFG 93.5 Greenfield MO translator | m, U, 10 w omni. MT Colstrip K252AG 98.3\$ [KORL-FM 97.1 Billings MI] mg; D 76.20; 10 w. NV Lovelock K261A6 100.1\$ [KNIS 94.7 Carson City NV] g; DA 2050; 10 w.

NC Kinston *90.5 3000 h,v; 100' 8, 33 mi.

NC Southport 107.1 3000 h.v: 300' PA Gettysburg *90.3 10 PA Williamsport *91.7 10 PA York *88.1 10 (Kilometers: SD Gregory 101.5 100000 h,v; 640' 82, 134/

TN Camden 98.3 3000 h.v: 300' TX Austin 102.3 741 h.v; 548' 14, 44 mi., like KDSE Alice IX, also on 102.3, this station will have a Spanish/Latin format. DXers will have to listen carefully to differentiate these two on skip openings. UT Delta K292AU 106.3\$ m | KLUB-FM 97.1 Salt Lake City UT translator] 10, D, 271 UT Orem 107.1 3000 h.v; -603' ar

VI Bennington 94.3 3000 h.v: 110' 8. 33mi VI Lyndonville *91.7 10 [ing #1 translator W) Appleton W237AA 95.3\$ | WRVM 102.7 Sur-/ WY Cokeville K292AC 106.3% [KSL-FM 100.3 Salt Lake City UT translator]m: ON AIR! Deletions

AZ Chinle KCSD *89.1 [*89.3 Pensacola xitr] FL Fort Walton Beach W288AC*105.5 [WPCS/ ID Ketchum K292AG 106.3 [KB01-FM 97.9Boise] NV Winnemucca K240AC 95.9 [KNIS 94.7 Carson City NV]; WY Evanston K292AJ 106.3 [KRSP-FM 103.5 Salt Lake City UT] MEXICO Ciudad Juanez XHH 100.7

Not Deleted: FL Pensacola WPCS *89.3: installing a new transmission line.

On Air and DX Ready! AZ Bullhead City KRHS 102.3 mk 3000(h)-600' AZ Flagstaff KCTB"-FM" 93.9\$q100000h,v;1510 FL Goulds WGLY 98.3 1100 h,v; 460' \$? ID Soda Springs K272A6 102.3, K292AR 106.3, and K296AQ 107.1. Format, stereo for: IL Crest Hill WCCQ 98,3 3000 h,v; 300' ? IN Fort Wayne WCBL *90.3 50000 h.v: 265'\$. gem, UPI Audio news IA Washington KCII-FM 95.3 3000 h.v: 300' LA Lake Charles KSNS 96.1\$ 100000h.v 430*

rock and SCA. Also in Lake Charles: KGRA 103.7\$ 100000 h,v; 470' p-rock ME Calais WQDY-FM 92.7 3000 h,v; 300' rm ME Houlton WHOU-FW 100.1 3000 h.v: 300'mk MD Towson WCVT *89.7 1850 h,v; 4001

MN Detroit Lakes KVLR 95.3 3000 h.v: 275" MN Winona KOAL *89.5 10

MS Booneville WBIP-FW 99.3 3000 h.v; 170' MS Canton WWEM 101.7 2850 h.v; 30' MS Winona WONA-FM 96.7 2500 h,v; 230'

MT Boulder K296AN 107.1

MT White Sulphur Springs K252AD 98.3 OH Dayton WDPS *90.1 10

DK Tonkawa KAYE"-FM" *90.5 10

TX Alice KDSE 92.1 3000 h.v; 300', Latin TX El Paso KAMA-FM 93.1\$ 30000 h,v; 1190 PA Philadelphia WRCP-FM 104.5 drops 1

also Spanish, Latin music. TX San Antonio KRTU *91.7\$ 140: 1201

UT Kanab K261AD 100.1 UT Monticello K288AZ 105.5

UT Orderville K261AE 100.1 UT Park City K237AL 95.3

WI Wausau W288AD 105.5

W! Wisconsin Rapids W244AA 96.7 As you can see, translators are now listed as "on air and OX ready." for FM translators are an important aspect

of the 87.9 to 108.0 mHz scene; accounting for more on-the-air hours and more reliable service during traveling and

skip times of the year than are 10-matt educational FM stations. Watch the numbers of translators grow (I predict in 20 years the average commercial or

educational FM station will have five translators each!ll

On a ir with changes (Selected)
AL Auburn WEGL *91.1 389; 190' AR Osceola KHFO 98.1 50000(h): 230* FL Orlando WBJ#105.1 100000 h,v; 350' KY Mayfield WXID 94.7 10000 h.v. 360'

WE Skowhegan WTOS"-FM" FCC says on air with changes; finally moved from 105.1 to 106.7. Anybody close enough to monitor them, please check! 3101

MI Grand Rapids WZZM-FM 95.7 50000h.v:/ MI Houghton Lake WJGS 98.5 100000hv; 470*

MO Kansas City KCUR"-FM"*89.3 " " : 820* NY Ithaca WICB *91.7 5500; 105'

NC Charlotte WROQ 95.1 100000 h.v: 570' NC Raleigh WSHA *88.9 12000 h,v; 115* PA Bloomsburg WHLM-FM 106.5 8800 h.v:570*

VA Fredericksburg WFLS-FM 93.3 50000h,v, Formats/Networks

3501 AL Athens WJOF 104.3 still mk (not m only as station manager told me)

(AL Gadsden NQEN 103.7 r (from m) CT Westport WDJF 107.9 r (from m) DC Washington WKYS 93.9 rs

GA Atlanta WCLK *91.9 js (from j) WKLS 96.1 p

GA Macon WDEN-FM 105.3 AF Audio IL Chicago WKKC *89.3 cs

1L Downers Grove WDGC *88.3 UP1 Audio, m IL Loves Park WLUV-FM 95.7 E

IA Burlington KGRS 107.3 rock

IA Newton KLVN 95.9 country; not stereo LA Golden Meadow KZZQ 94.3 kp. drops 🕏

LA New Orleans WTUL *91.5 drops \$tereo ME Norway WNWY 92.7 r (from rk)

MD Braddock Heights WZYQ-FM 103.9 drops Y (now no network) NY Rensselaer WQBK-FM 103.9 A (from U)

NY Syracuse WNTQ (formerly WDDS*-FM*) m.\$ ND Grand Forks KYTN 94.7 m (from r)

OH Cleveland WCRF 103.3 gc WWWM 105.7 p

Bruce Elving, Editor, 18 1/2 East 5th St., Duluth MN 55805

> OH Cleveland Heights WLYT 92.3 rs. \$. but no vertical!

OH Mansfield WCLW-FM 105.3 r (from m) PA Altoona WFBG-FM 98.1 r (from m) PA Linesville WVCC 101.7 mk

(or is drouped by !!).

TN Chattanooga WDEF-FM 92.3 m (from k); no CBS any more, either.

TX El Paso KISM-FM 99.9 mr Stereo Stations (or to add \$)

AL Birmingham WDJC 93.7; WZZK 104.7. AL Huntsville WLRH *89.3

IN Kokomo WWKI 100.5 MI Muskegon WMUS-FM 106.9

NM Mesilla Park KOPE 104.9

NY Henrietta WITR *89.7 (10 matts) NY Oswego WRVO *89.9 SC Sunter WWDW

OH Cleveland WRUW *91.1 101.3. TX El OH Lorain WZLE 104.9 mk Paso KPAS 93.9

W1 Rice Lake WJMC-FM 96.3, Mutual W1 Stevens Point WSPT-F# 97.9, Dolby, too.

Facilities Changes

AL Montgomery WHHY-FM 101.9 710* (100000 h.v): 40, 85 miles [48, 94 miles: AZ Flagstaff KAFF-FM 92.9 48000 h.v:1510'

CA Concord KVHS *90.5 265 h,v; 450*9,35mi IN Indianapolis WIAN 90.1 10000h.v; 560'. 40. 84 km. IA lowa City KSUI *91.7

100000h, 92000v, 0A, 1310° 50, 99, transmitter 31 mi north of West Branch IA (DA to protect KLSE Rushford (N) KS Great Bend KVGB-FM 104.3 96000h.v /

LA New Orleans WTUL *91.5 1500 h.v. 160' NC Greensboro WRQK 98.7 adds v (100000hv, 400'), 24, 77 miles

OH Greenville WGVO from *88.3 to *91.7 78 h,v; 96'. R! Kingston WRIU from

*91.1 to *90.3, 3000 h.v; 267' 14, 44 miles (granted over objections of MTEV, channel 6, New Bedford MA). (10801) TN Chattanooga WYNQ 106.5 100000 h.v/

VA Chester NDYL 92.1 300' (3000 h,v) WA Hoguiam KGHO-FM 95.3 (from 103.9) 1150

h.v: 450* 23. 72 km WA Seattle KISW 99.9 100000 h,v (1150') WY Evanston K288AB 93.5 (to rebroadcast

KLUB-FM 97.1 Salt Lake City UT instead of KCPX-FM 98.7 * ") r (was m) Dual-City Identifications

OH Fairfield WLVV 94.9 adds Cincinnati

SCA (67 kHz) News CA Northridge KCSN *88.5 adds SCA CA Sacramento KWOD 106.5 adds SCA

GA Athens WNGC 95.5 telemetry only GA Atlanta WREK *91.1 drop listing [(+X)

IA Estherville KILR-FM 95.9 visual news/

NY New York WRFM 105.1 inactive LA Lake Charles KSNS 96.1 adds SCA

IN Oak Ridge WOKI-FM 100.3 adds new use? TX El Paso KEZB 96.3 none heard; drop

listing, TX Midland K 103.3 music. WA Seattle KSEA 100.7 "occasional Mormon church readings"; Wi Suring WRVM 102.7

adds SCA. PR Aquadilla WTPM 92,9 telemetry only: delete listing.

PR Ponce WPRP-FM 105.1 Lalk (network relay) FL Tallahassee 103.1 WOWD (WJZS) PR Rio Piedras WFID 95.7 sports PR San Juan WOBS-FM 99.9 talk (net. relay) VI Frederiksted WVIS 106.1 telemetry only Call Letters Assigned or changed AL Andalusia 98.1 WQHQ (WCTA-FM) \$ back? CA Bakersfield 96.5 KHIS (was KIFM), q FL Jacksonville 99.1 WQIK"-FM" (WQIK-FM)

IL Barrington *88.5 WBPR IA Creston 101.7 KITR (KS18-FM) IA Pella KPLL 103.3 MA Sandwich *91.7 WSDH MN Moorhead 98.7 KOWB-FM (KWIM) still r MS Columbus *90.9 WENK

SC Kingstree 98.3 WWKT"-FM" (WDKD-FM) TN Tullahoma 93.3 WBGY-FM (WJ1G-FM) WA Tacoma 97.3 KNBQ (KTNT-FM) WV New Martinsville 103.9 WKGI WIEDA CLUB EMBLEM RUBBER STAMP(like on back NJ Lawrence Twp. (Trenton area)*89.7 WLCR cover, but 37mm across), \$3.50 postpaid

March, 1976 NY Stony Brook *90.1 WUSB

NC Winston Salem 107.5 WKZL (WSGH)

from Weldon Patterson, Box 25, Adolph MN COMMENTS FROM READERS "It would be helpful if I knew the date of the final deadline for the new Atlas." Well, not being too sure I can only say it will be about the time you see this VUD in print, so if you have some new FM news (which will also be used in this column), send it along right away.

In the December VUD, p. 7, I mixed up the SCAs of two stations. WFOX 97.1 is talk and WWID 106.7 is ABC network; both in Gainesville GA. WXPN *88.9 Philadelphia will pay rather than contest a \$2,000 FCC obscenity fine; however, FCC might revoke the station's license when it expires Dec. 18, with lack of faculty control an issue. In MN, U of Minnesota students might get their own commercial FM station if the Regents approve. Speculation is that WLOL-FM 99.5 Minneapolis would be sold for about \$1 million. WYOO-FM 101.3 Richfield to be sold and quit r.

CKCU 93.1 Ottawa is on the air. \$, on from late afternoon to about 2 am; owned by Carleton Univ. Student Union. They are licensed for limited "institutional commercials," but were running blatant conventional spots when heard. This has aroused the concern of the CRTC, which is headquartered right in CKCU's home town. KPBS *89.5 San Diego has a folk show; clear in LA.

Black-owned WHBM 103.9 Xenia OH was "destroyed" by fire in January; no word if they are back on the air with their monophonic soul music format. WPST 97.5 Trenton NJ said to be partially top 40, but still easy listening, but management tells me they are all rock; in transition? One writer says: "In response to rebuttal in 1-76 VUD concerning 'p' and 'r' stations, I'm in favor of your move-particularly helpful in trying to identify tentatives-3 or 4 cuts segued is usually indicative of a non-screamer 'p' format, whereas the fast-tempo backtimed talk-ups would help identify top-40. Same distinctions analogous to 'b' and 'm' regarding speech/music ratio and tempo on 'beautiful music' and 'mor' stations. So 'p' vs 'r' = 'b' vs 'm'."

Dick Clark, now an El Pasoean, went into Ciudad Juarez to see about XHH 100.7 "and there is no sign of them. I guess they went off the air a few years ago. I remember hearing them in 1967. " Also not heard (still a CP?): XHGH 105.9 Ciudad Juarez.

KQIV 106.7 Lake Oswego OR is being slapped with a \$425,000 suit by a firm hired by the owner to manage the station. Speaking of money woes, 'religious-commercial KTAV 92.1 Pella IA apparently in bad financial shape. Look for new KPLL 103.3 to deal the death blow," KDMI 97.3 Des Moines IA now off the air midnight to 6 a. m.

The son in law of the station's owner, and an engineer, is charged with a bombing that put WIOK 98.3 Hempstead NY off the air (it's back on now). He's Leonard Sebel, 24. WWRJ 95.3 Southampton and WWRN 92.1 West Palm Beach FL, with similar ownerships, both appeal to highincome folks through schmaltzy stereo music. The owner of WVIS "Virgin Islands Stereo," is picking up his FM station in San Juan PR, "very clearly, and sometimes it fades and this is with the 5.8 kw. San Juan is about 160 miles from Frederiksted. " This is on a car radio.

WHPC (share time with WBAU) *90.3 Garden City NY is alive and well, reports a reader, answering a question of mine in the Dec. VUD. WVHC *88.7 Hempstead NY has been beaming a marathon to raise funds for a new antenna. WPCV 97.5 Winter Haven FL carries the "Canadian Radio News Network" at 9 a. m., presumably daily.

KFMK 97.9 Houston is the only Crawford-owned religious FM station not on 24 hours a day. They are on 6 am to midnight, with all gospel music (no preaching, except Sundays). All the other stations, such as WYCA Hammond, are watching KFMK to decide whether to drop the tapes and play only music. That is, all the other Crawford-owned stations are doing this watching.

It hasn't happened yet, but there's talk in Pittsburgh that WEEP-FM 107.9 is about to drop country music and go talk, simulcasting the AM as much as is legal to do so. The format change would leave Pittsburgh without a k station on either AM or FM, unless one includes WIXZ(AM) "Regarding the comments regarding format categories. . . I must disagree. I don't believe that the number of borderline cases between p and r stations is so monstrous that differentiating between the two would be confusing. As a matter of fact, I would like to see top-40 and oldies stations separated from hard rock, as the latter makes me ill. Similarly, different listings for b and m stations would be appreciated."

March, 1976 FCC-FM

here is no FM in the British Virgin Islands yet, but our reporter in the U.S. Virgin s has heard rumors that someone wanted to start a new FM in Tortola on either 93.5 or with 8 kw e. r. p. 7UJC *88.7 University Heights OH (moving from *88.9) is expected to increase its power year or two" (not exactly lightning progress for a station already having a construction

it to do so) and add stereo. Bill Pinzone, WUJC chief engineer, told this to our reporter.

M 99.9 Erie PA calls self "we love you radio." urora was relied upon to supply program format information on WNNS 97.5 Louisville a mid-Atlantic states region reporter. Although not the best audio quality, he was able that WNNS not only carries NBC's new NIS network, but continues to carry CBS radio

Another DXer in the same region is interested in meteor scatter work, and got what ed like m.s. from WPOR-FM 101.9 Portland ME, "but Portland is less than 350 miles I ran across a reference you made to something called a 'tropospheric burst' in a on in the old 'DXing Horizons' recently. I have never run across this term before. Can or anyone else] elaborate?" I can't recall using the term and do not have the article at but knowing that area fairly well, I wonder if what you heard was a reflection off an air-

. In Syracuse I quite often got Philadelphia stations at 8:20 am when a scheduled flight was lead. WWDB would intrude into my reception of Carl McIntyre on WPEL-FM Montrose PA peing on 96.5. TLB 105.5 Twin Lakes IA said to be on the air with mr, no network, and what one of the reporters calls a "poor format." And, "according to Gary Deeb in the Chicago Tribune ost recent ARB in Chicago shows 30 stations, AM & FM with a measurable audience.

s WNIS (FM) isn't among them. I wouldn't predict much success with all-news on FM lly." The same seems to be true in other areas, such as in New York and San Francisco. Reliable sources in Rochester have informed us that WITR *89.7 Henrietta NY is stereo, at now and then. Also, "I support your proposal to differentiate between progressive and cock stations. A beautiful music and MOR split may be a sound consideration also." The increase in power and height for WTLC 105.7 Indianapolis (now 50000 h, v; 450')was abrupt and occurred before it even got into Broadcasting. 'You can now hear them in a car

komo if you should want to. WIAN's move will give us some classical music on an area on at long last that you don't need a huge antenna to get. WNAP 93.1 Indianapolis plans to ase its tower height, while WAZY-FM Lafayette plans to move from 96.7 to 96.5 and more r. KYTN 94.7 Grand Forks ND, now m, un-ID as "FM 95." \$300 is hopefully going to be all the money it will take to put a new 10-w FM station on at orth High School, Kokomo IN. The application, for *89.1, was returned by the FCC because s dated in two different parts on different dates. Trivial things like this involve the niters at the FCC! It plans to broadcast 11 am to 3 pm school days, hoping to use calls WHSK An unusual hiatus occurred at WPLJ 95.5 New York, which was testing from 2-6 am EST day, Dec. 30 with carrier and tones. I wonder if any NY-area DXers were able to get

95.5 stations if this station ever shut down its carrier during the testing period? WSPH *88.1 Sparrows Point h.s., Baltimore, expects to be on the air this fall, planning a dule on school days with additional special nighttime programming (10 watts). Not clear whether FM or AM or both is a proposal by the FCC to "double the number of stations on the dial. It's the idea that present radio transmitter and receiver technology es it technically practical to reduce dial separation and thereby crowd more stations on the dial. A new generation of radio receivers would have to be designed, effectively making ent receivers obsolete. But some FCC engineers not only seem to think it can be done,

think it should be done." Editorializes the National Radio Broadcasters Association: "The tive effect this policy would have on the public and the radio industry has evidently not been n much consideration by the advocates of radio dial crowding." Contributors this issue: Frank Aden, Jr., Bend OR; Robert B. Babut, Lewiston NY; Jose Bahr, Frederiksted VI; E. W. Cadmus III, New-Brunswick iichard Clark, El Paso TX; Ihomas Y. Cornell, Kokomo IN; Mike Dorner, Jr., Metairie LA; John Ebeling, Bloomington MN

t H. Ellis, Brantford, Ont.; William Fait, Willoughby OH; Paul L. Gaines, Detroit M1 (who sent a picture off his TV n of a MDRQ 93.1 Detroit ad); Harry J. Hayes, Gouldsboro PA; Joel Hermann, Ames IA; Bill Heusmann, Des Moines IA; e W. Ingram, Pittsburgh PA; Albert J. Kooec, Dundee NY; Mark Lewis. London, Ont.; Nick Lombardi, Allanta GA; Madsen, Bonneville International, Salt Lake City UT; Fred McCornack, Fargo ND; Vic Melis, Pottstown PA; Kenneth R. ı, West Palm Beach FL; Paul R. Mount, Teaneck NJ; John Tooley, Georgetown DE; Don Voegele, Chico CA; Larry Weil, E. way NY; Dr. Richard E. Wood, Garden City NY; John Zondlo, Hammond IN.

OAA WEATHER RADIO

A well-known philosopher of the 30's ventured the thought that "evody talks about the weather, but nobody does anything about it." Som lus years hence, things haven't changed that much.

Or have they? Actually, if anything, more people are talking about eather, and some people are even doing something about it. Our purplere this month is to tell you about a new program which you may wish investigate because it offers you a new opportunity to hear somebody ong about the weather, and it offers you an opportunity to do something the content of the co

If there is an ultimate source for accurate weather data, it is the signal Weather Service. NWS operates as an arm of the National Ocean and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), which is in turn chartered by U.S. Commerce Department. NWS is the agency responsible for your how your (day-to-day, etc.) forecasts. It is also responsible for the second, tornado warnings and watches. In years long gone by, the Unit States Weather Bureau performed these same functions on a lesser scale out the Weather Bureau has been replaced in the federal scheme of this boy the NWS nameplate.

The science of weather forecasting and reporting has been rapidly fined during the past decade. At the same time, the reporting system tilized by NWS and others have been steadily improved so that today are and fewer severe storms go unnoticed or unreported, even when the confined by happenstance to remote areas of the country with low habition levels.

The NWS has long relied upon the cooperation of radio and television and casting stations to get the message out when severe weather threens. To back up the official NWS advisories, most television station and many larger radio stations have their own weather reporting and avisory systems worked out. Those with staff meteorologists usually count the NWS advisories with their own interpretations and stationer at the state of the new interpretations and stationer at the state of the new interpretation and stations are detailed their own interpretations.

ther radar" systems, primarily because this gives the station weather reporting personnel the added flexibility of knowing what the storm received from the NWS.

Finally, a couple of years ago NOAA set out on their own to reach public without the customary assist from the nation's broadcasters. The program of nationally interconnected VHF (FM) transmitters, NOAA We Radio was born.

Constant Weather

In addition to observing that everyone talks about the weather bubody does anything about it, humorist Will Rogers is also credited withe observation that "if you don't like the weather here (he was in homa at the time), stick around a few minutes; it will change!" The Weather Radio broadcasts apparently believe in that statement, becaus stations to be described here are for the most part constantly update revising, and making current the weather forecast and report data broast. Here is how the system works:

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NOAA STATION LIST * denotes not on air 12-31-75 but due on before 3-31-76

Location	Call Sign	MHz Frequency	Watts Power	Antenna Height
All out	1000	25.00		
Akron OH	KD094	162.4	330	672'
Anchorage AK	KEC43	162.55	330	30'
Astoria OR	KEC91	162.4	100	35'
Atlanta GA	KEC80	162.55	330	300'
Atlantic City NJ	KHB38	162.4	330	300'
Baltimore MD	KEC83	162.4	1000	300'
Boston MA	KHB35	162.4	330	475'
Brownsville TX	KHB33	162.55	330	218'
Buffalo NY	KEB98	162.55	330	380'
*Bay City MI				
Charleston SC	КНВ29	162.55	330	500'
Chicago IL	KW039	162.55	1000	1500
Cleveland OH	кнв59	162.55	330	300'
*Coos Bay OR				-
Corpus Christi TX	KHB41	162.55	330	280'
*Crescent City CA				
Dallas TX	KEC56	162.4	330	300'
*Daytona Beach FL				
Denver CO	KEC76	162.4	300	85'
Des Moines IA	KEC75	162.4	300	165'
Detroit MI	KEC63	162.55	300	360'
Eden MD	KEC92	162.4	1000	450'
Erie PA	KEC58	162.4	330	3651
Eugene OR	KEC42	162.4	80	45'
Eureka CA	KEC82	162.4	80	38'
*Ellsworth ME	NE COZ	102.4	1000	30
*Forks WI	24		1000	
Fort Worth TX	KEC55	162.55	330	250'
Galveston TX	кнв40		330	360'
	KHB40	162.55	330	300
*Gulfport MS	ква99	162.55	00	91'
Honolulu HI			80	182'
Houston TX	KGG68	162.4	330	
Hyannis MA	KEC73	162.55	330	320'
Indianapolis IN	KEC74	162.55	300	5081
Jacksonville FL	KHB39	162.55	330	205'
Kansas City MO	KID77	162.55	1000	335'
Kauai HI	KBA99	162.4	90	421
*Key West FL	7777D / O	160 55	220	1001
Lake Charles LA	KHB42	162.55	330	100'
Los Angeles CA	KW037	162.55	275	55'
Maui HI	KBA99	162.4	300	26'
Miami FL	KHB34	162.55	1000	306'
Milwaukee WI	KEC60	162.4	300	285'
Minneapolis MN	KEC65	162.55	330	841
Mobile AL	KEC61	162.55	330	500'
Monterey CA	KEC49	162.4	275	40'
*Morgan City LA		2.22		
Myrtle Beach SC	KEC95	162.4	330	2401
New Bern NC	KEC84	162.4	330	600'
*Newport OR				
New London CT	KHB47	162.4	330	85'
New Orleans LA	KHB43	162.55	330	250'
New York NY	KWO39	162.55	1000	860'
Norfolk VA	КНВ37	162.55	1000	479'
Oahu HI	KBA99	162.55	250	90'
Panama City FL	KBB67	162.55	1000	200'
Pensacola FL	KEC86	162.4	330	200'
Pharr TX	. KHB33	162.4	330	310'
Phoenix AZ	KEC94	162.55	330	100'
Portland ME	KD095	162.55	330	315'
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NOAA STATION LIST (continued)

Location	Call Sign	MHz Frequency	Watts Power	Antenna Height
Portland OR	KEB97	162.55	275	39'
*Philadelphia PA				
*Pittsburgh PA				
*Rochester NY		7.60 /	275	75 '
Sacramento CA	KEC57	162.4		50'
St. Joseph MO	KEC77	162.4	300	325'
St. Louis MO	KD089	162.55	300	
San Diego CA	KEC62	162.4	300	52 '
*San Luis Obispo CA				2251
Sandusky OH	KHB97	162.4	330	335'
Salt Lake City UT	KEC78	162.55	330	48'
San Francisco CA	KHB49	162.55	275	55'
*Santa Barbara CA				
*Santa Rosa CA				
Savannah GA	KEC85	162.4	330	225'
Seattle WA	кнв60	162.55	275	37'
Seward AK	KEC81	162.55	90	451
*Tallahassee FL				
Tampa FL	KHB32	162.55	330	161'
*Traverse City MI	(7 Total 2007)			
Washington DC	кнв36	162.55	1000	250'
West Palm Beach FL	KEC50	162.4	330	200'
Wichita KS	KEC59	162.55	300	135'
Wilmington NC	КНВ31	162.55	330	3201

Antenna height is height above ground; some sites may now be higher than indicated. Some antennas are located at elevated sites (i.e. Astoria is 1990' AMSL; Maui is 9976' AMSL, etc.) so ranges will be considerably greater than antenna height would normally suggest.

WEATHERALERT RECEIVERS

Frequency Range:

162.40 or 162.55 MHZ (switch selected)

Oscillator Control: crystal control

dual conversion, narrow band FM, solid state Design:

5 KHz deviation FM Recovery:

Retail Price \$29.95 Model TA4

(1)2支" speaker (2)

117 VAC powered External 300 ohm antenna terminals Size: 3" x 3½" x 4" (3)

Retail Price \$49.95 Model TA3F

(power failure (1) 2社" speaker 117 VAC powered, automatic switching to internal 9 VDC battery with

(2) (3) External antenna jack (requires phono plug adapter) for 75 ohm fitting Siren/beeper alarm for severe-weather broadcasts

(4)

LED flashing light indicator when warning is received Size: 3" x 5" x 1%" (6)

MANUFACTURER: Weatheralert, 639 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60605

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Through a present "network" of some 82 VHF stations (17 more are scheduled "on the air" in January and February; see full list accompanying this article), NOAA-operated transmitters on either 162.4 or 162.55 MHz transmit weather data 24 hours per day. The broadcasts are manned by NWS personnel, and there is no delay between the preparation of the weather data and the broadcast, save for a brief transit time while the material is placed in front of a NWS microphone and a weather bureau person is pressed into duty to read the "copy." The weather reports, which include the current climatological data as well as comparisons with other temperature extremes for that same date, the rainfall accumulations for the month and year to date, and forecasts of what to expect in the coming forecast periods, are placed on tape several times per day, or as often as updating requires change. The automatic equipment then cycles and recycles the data over and over again, so that if a typical listener tunes in at any point, within 5-7 minutes he has all of the current data. Then the tape automation equipment replays the current tapes from start to finish.

As the material is updated, the tapes are made fresh also. The broadcast material is always the <u>latest NWS</u> data; in short, weather buffs hear the reports <u>first</u> on the NOAA broadcasts. On commercial broadcasts, there are delays for wire-service transit time, and individual commercial station airing schedules of up to an hour or more before the <u>same data</u> finds its way into the normal AM radio or several hours before <u>it ends</u> up on a regularly schedules television station weathercast.

Additionally, most NOAA stations are now supplementing their basic weather data with additional information of particular interest to a locale. The Kansas City NWS outlet, for example, regularly reports on Missouri River levels; the Los Angeles NWS outlet covers the smog-alert index, and coastal stations deal out data on tides, wave heights, and so on. In the final analysis, all of the data presented is in plain English; it is easily understandable by the average man in the street, and unlike the specialized NWS services such as flight aviation weather, it does not take more than a grade-school education to interpret what is being said to you.

Transmission Facilities

The typical NOAA transmitter facility operates with a transmitter output power of between 300 and 1000 watts. This is loaded into an omnidirectional gain antenna that results typically in ERP's of 2 KW to 6 KW. The transmitting antennas are elevated, with some examples being the Chicago station located 1500 feet above ground level on the Sears Tower; others are side-mounted on television broadcast towers, on hilltops, or atop mountains, such as the Los Angeles facility on Mt. Wilson.

With these types of ERP's and elevated transmitter sites, the typical NOAA service contours range from 40 to 60 miles. This is not unlike the coverage one would expect with a TV broadcast station, to a modestly equipped rooftop antenna receiver. However, the NOAA-predicted contours are based upon very simple receivers equipped not with rooftop antennas but rather with built in quarter-wave antennas. Like any VHF receiving situation, a good outdoor antenna does wonders for the coverage range.

The transmitters presently operate on either 162.40 or 162.55 MHz. A third "split channel" will be put into service in 1976 in some locales on 162.475 MHz. Transmissions are via FM, 5 KHz deviation.

Slowed NOAA Station Growth

It has become apparent that the near-future growth of the NOAA VHF stations is in some limbo. The station list shown here separately is accurate. However, the expansion of the station list beyond those locations shown, in the near future, is in considerable question.

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Initially, more than 300 stations were contemplated. Strangely, the funds to make these stations operable are available and ready to be spent. However, it appears that there has been a very slow response from "bidders" (i.e. commercial suppliers of station equipment) to turn the cash available into working stations. Whether the NOAA people are insisting on terms the suppliers cannot live with, or the station suppliers are simply not interested in the project, is unknown at this time. The fact remains that even with money available, further expansion in 1976 is in considerable question.

Therefore, if you are within receiving range of one of the locations given here, you are home free this year. If not, it may be some time before your area has service.

Severe-Weather Alerts

Anyone with a receiver for these broadcasts in their possession learns quickly that in the event of severe-weather threats, one of the first things you should do is turn on the NOAA weather receiver and find out what is really going on. However, because the broadcasts are on tape and repeat in 5-7 minute cycles, a person would quickly lose interest if after a few minutes he heard no real warning data (indicating everything was normal, or below severe limits). So the NOAA people have come up with a system that borrows rather freely from the VHF two-way radio industry something known as "tone-alert." It works this way.

When there is to be a severe-weather warning or report of any type, the actual broadcast of that information is preceded by a 5-10 second "blast" from a 1050-cycles-per-second tone generator. This audio tone is a special signaling tone which triggers a buzzer or alarm in the NOAA weather receivers available commercially. The buzzer or alarm in the receiver operates independently of the volume control, through a muting circuit. When the receiver is placed into the "tone-alert" mode, all normal transmissions are silenced. But a transmission preceded by the 1050-cycle tone is heard because the tone "unlocks" the receiver muting circuit. Therefore, a receiver user can set the receiver in the mute position and go back to whatever it was he was doing previously, secure in the knowledge that if a severe weather warning or broadcast is transmitted, his receiver will "unmute" and he will hear the broadcast. And because this service functions 24 hours a day, a NOAA Weather Radio placed on the bedside table becomes a 24-hour-perday weather alerting system for the radio owner/user.

Not all NOAA broadcast receivers are equipped with this "tone-alert" muting function. This is an optional extra. However, it should be noted that of those receivers optionally so equipped, many also have one other nice feature: a light which is tied to the muting circuit. If the receiver is on, in the muted position, and the receiver owner has left the room for the span of time when the 1050-cycle alerting tone is broadcast (and he therefore misses the severe-weather warning), the light is his clue to something severe being up. The light begins to blink, about once a second, when the 1050 hertz tone is received. And the light continues to blink on and off until someone pushes a slide switch on the receiver which shuts the light down. That serves as a visual reminder that a severe-weather broadcast has been transmitted, and it tells the receiver user to change from mute to regular reception to check out whatever it is that is happening.

The Basic Receiver

In developing the background for this report, we met with not only the NOAA people in charge of this project nationally, but also with suppliers of the NOAA-equipped receiver. If you visit the Radio Shack stores or other consumer-oriented electronics outlets, you are already aware that there are dozens of two-band, three-band, four-band, etc. radios on the market, some of which have "Weather Radio" receiving capabilities. Most of these multi-band radios are made in the Far East and sell under hundreds of label names for prices that range from \$30 to several hundred dollars each.

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In addition to these multi-band radios, there are also a few lines of Weather Radio "only" receivers available; generally in configurations that start as low as \$10 (for a Radio Shack Cube special) up to perhaps \$75.00. These FM receivers are generally compact, battery operated or battery and AC operated, have a built-in whip antenna, and offer switch or manual selection (sometimes innards concealed) of either of the present two NOAA broadcast frequencies of 162.4 or 162.55 MHz.

After looking at the performance specifications and the general interface capabilities of the units on the market, we have zeroed in on a line known as the Weatheralert Radios available from Weatheralert, Inc. (639 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois 60605). A separate box-style review looks at a couple of these receivers in some depth as a companion report to this full article.

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transmitters that were used as studio-transmitter links to AM transmitters outside the metropolitan area. In 1973, the Telecommunications Control Bureau, after extensive consultations with chief engineers and technical directors in the area (I got to sit in on one conference), ordered FM studio-transmitter links to be moved into the assigned 300 MHz band, thus clearing the way for those who wanted to use FM broadcast band for commercial and religious stations. This was also done as the TCB had plans to reduce the total station population on the AM broadcast band to 25, to reduce interference and foster more reasonable competition. Many 25, to reduce interference and loster more reasonance competition. Many stations went to FM. The Phillipine Broadcasting Service, itself a governmental entity, was ordered to close down DWOK-830 and DWIM-1500; leaving DZFM-710 and DZRM-960. Four of the six FM STLs of the PBS were ordered closed down, and the remaining two, although serving STLs, also serve as FM sides (DZFM-FM and DZRM-FM). The Far East Broadcasting Company, religious broadcasting organization (MW and international SW), was ordered to close down DZFE-1030 "Manila's Fine Music Station", which broadcast 100% classical music. Before its closure, DWFE-98.7, began operations and now carries its functions. Martial Law closed down the National Council of Churches DZCH-1600, leaving DZCH-FM-102.7, which NCC began to put to excellent use with stereo broadcasts. DZCH-FM became DWXB and make a good show of it. Later, DZCH was reauthorized on 1380, but by then DWXB was established. In the Provinces (i.e. outside the MetroManila area), FM broadcasting still has much room in which to develop. Formerly, FM transmitters served as STLs until the TCB ordered them either moved to the 300 MHz STL band or expanded into a full FM side for the AM station. The latter route seems the more prevalent, and the FM was required to request a new call sign. Thus, DZWT-FM, the FM STL of DZWT-540 (U. of St. Louis), Baguio City, became DXWR (99.9).

And finally, Martin J. Theil (12 Princeton Dr. E., Holiday, FL 33589) would like to hear from fellow members about indoor antennas and on how

to make a TVI trap to reduce TVI. He would also like to compare VHF radios, scanners, and tunable radios. He also is wondering if the Bearcat

101 is out on the market yet. Anyone know?

Wow, that's even more than last month's Mailbag! Keep those cards and letters coming in gang! Hope you enjoy the VUD as put out by the new publishing crew and editor. I'm the old man of the group, with almost 5 years in WTFDA....an old man at 22, hi. See you next month.....jz

EASTERN TV-DX

Bill Thompson 1907 Seneca Street Buffalo, NY 14210

March 1976

Deadline: 10th

Midwinter tropo conditions in most Bastern areas have been quite poor. past years, Jamuary has often been noted for brief periods of excellent ducting. This time however, a lousier-than-usual winter prevented any-thing really notable from developing in the Bast. January Bs openings were numerous but unspectacular, mainly centered in the first two weeks.

Harry J. Hayes Star Route Box 226c Gouldsboro, Pennsylvania 18424 (EDT) TV-IX comes in third, after AM and FM DX, as my favorite form of DX so I haven't done that much especially when FM was active. Most of the DX was done on a RCA Victor 19" with a 15' log periodic antenna. I now have a done on a RCA Victor 19" with a 15' log periodic antenna. I now have a Zenith Chromacolor which is a lot more sensitive, especially on high band WHF and UHF. The NYC high banders are watchable whereas before if I got the sound I was lucky, hi. UHF tuning is detent. WLVT-39 Bethelhem is almost always there to some extent, so maybe even some UHF DX will be possible on my set-up. Most of my DX this time around is Es."

June

26 Es 1300 WOW-6 Omaha NE

28 80 945 KJAC-4 Port Arthur TX

1430 WMT-2 Cedar Rapids IA

KFDX-3 Wichita Falls TX 1400 KFDX-3 Wichita Falls TX 2000 KQTV-2 St Joseph MO 28 July 9 2022 ICR-2 Havana CUBA "w/TP" 1 Es 1030 WCIX-6 Miami FL 2011 KTBS-3 Shreveport LA 12 "Cix Appeal" 1230 WIHS-2 Miami FL 1256 WKRG-5 Mobile AL 1310 KTVI-2 St Louis MO 13 1322 ICR-2 "w/R. Rebelde IDs" 1410 "Very intense Es, ch 2 3 1310 KCKT-2 Gt Bend KS 16 1315 KARD-3 Wichita KS
KTVO-3 Kirksville MO
1035 CBWT-6 Winnipeg Man
1400 WEAR-3 Pensacola FL thru 6." unIDs 5 & 6 NBC 1430 WREC-3 Memphis TN 1640 "UnID Bs on 2 thru 4 with 17 ads in SS for 70P and 10 1404 WSB-2 Atlanta GA 2000 KDAL-3 Duluth MN Keebler on 2 and Flintstones in SS on 4. Antenna 20 pointed toward Puerto Rico. August In for a good half hour." 1230 KOCO-5 Oklahoma City OK 1300 KSNB-4 Superior NR Rs 2000 KYTV-3 Springfield MO KTEW-2 Tulsa OK 21 November (EST)
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Wayne Fitzgerald 718 Leesville Road Lynchburg, Virginia 24502 (KDT/EST) January 10 Tr 2100 WAFE-22 Annapolis

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WYAE-27 Portsmouth N0159
2100 WBFF-45 Baltimore N0194
WNVI-53 Goldvein VA N0133

18 Rs 2200 KTEW-2 Tulsa OK "Dig has been very dull here this winter. The addition of a Blonder-Tongue #4542 preamp helped UHF by 50%. And the WTFDM UHF Translator Guide helped identify some translators. However, there are at least 3 more I have not yet identified. My apologies to Clarke Ingram for not getting the photos he requested. My camera has been on the blink and just out of repair. Will get the photos real soon. Best of luck to everyone."

Martin J. Theil 12 Princeton I	rive E	. Hol	iday.	Florida 335	89 (BST)	
January		16 11	0930	WESH-2 Dayt	ona Beach	5555
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1230 WAPA-4 San Juan PR	2222		2300	WEVU-26 Nap	les FL	3443
Tr 1300 WJXT-4 Jacksonville	3333	29		WSWB-35 Orl		4333
15 1200 WTLV-12 Jacksonville	3223	31		WMFB-24 Orl		3333

Bob Seybold Bennett Road Dunkirk, New York (EST)
"Finally I have report going back to Nov. 4. Not much lately except some skip. Not much time to DX but keep tabs often."

November 4 & 5 Tr "Hage opening--noted about 1700-band open to Iowa, later into Nebraska and South Dakota with many at closer range. Some Iowa U's in all evening into AM of 5th. Some loggings: KMEG-14 Sioux City IA in all evening into AM of 5th. Some loggings: KMBG-14 Sioux City IA (waited years for this, then got it over 5 hours easy), WCMU-14 WMTY-15 WICD-15 KDSD-16 Aberdeen SD, WNDU-16 WUSI-16 WTV0-17 WVTV-18 WRAU-19 KXUB-19 Norfolk NB, WXON-20 WICS-20 WHRM-20 Wausau WI, WHA-21 WKOW-27 KSIM-27 Sioux City IA, KVFD-21 Fort Dodge IA, WSBT-22 WKAR-23 WGEE-23 WWTI-25 WEEK-25 WCIU-26 KYNE-26 Omaha NE, WSJV-28 WHWC-28 WHLA-31 KRIN-32 WFLD-32 WFNE-38 WMVT-36 KHIN-36 Red Oak IA, WGVC-35 WNIT-34 KDNI-30 WUHQ-41 WHMB-40 WSNS-44 WMBD-31 WTVP-47 WGGU-57; lots of VHF in from Iowa (KWWL-7, WOI-5, etc.), Illinois,

Wisconsin and new WBKB-11 Alpena MI."

5 Tr CKC03-42 Oil Springs Ont, Michigan U's. "Evening-WBGU-57 & others."

7 "Philly, Harrisburg, Washington DC, Maryland and New Jersey U's"

9 Es "Evening-Florida-also WERZ-2 KATC-3 & few others."

16 Tr "Trops to north: WEKB-11 Alpena MI, WNPB-13 Marquette MI, Sudbury

5 & 9, North Bay 4 & 10, uniDed-7 (Canada-CEFST?)"

December

6 Rs "Florida--Miami, WEDU-3, Jacksonville & Dothan on 4"

January 10 Au "Aurora heavy after 1500 EST--channels 2-13; tentative WDSE-8 MN." 13 GW CICO28-28 Kitchener Ont "CICA-19 relay testing--now regular-better signal than any Toronto U's. Can be picked up on loop antenna." Es "Evening--WMAB-2 KATC-3 & others."

17 "Evening, mostly unIDs—channel 2 especially heavy skip."
"Ch 24 Ottawa received often. Also some signs of CICO18-18 London Ont signal lately. Log now at 690." (Good luck on 700, Bob, Clarke Ingram)

Paul D. Traska 64 Weaver Avenue Buffalo, New York 14206 (EST) 3 MS 0659 unID-5 "IHTP--west" 15 MS 0535 WSB-2 Atlanta GA R 5 Bs 1130 KTBS-3 Shreveport LA R
6 MS 0212 CBWFT-3 Wirmipeg Man N
Tr 0253 CKS01-3 Elliot Lake Ont R
MS 0455 wnID-2 "slide promo S.W." 0312 WBTV-3 Charlotte NC N 0503 unID-2 "resolution chart" 18 21 0610 WLWD-2 Dayton OH R 23 Ks 1200 unID-2 "CCI S.W. & W." 0550 WLWC-4 Columbus OH 0557 wnID-4 "CB (3) S.B." 13 Es 1825 unID-2 "S.W." KFDX-3 Wichita Falls TX R unID-4 "S.W."
1300 KXAS-5 Pt Worth TX
1308 unID-6 "Texas" R 1907 KTBS-3 Shreveport LA GW 1940 CICO28-28 Paris Ont 21 Tr 0004 CICO18-18 London Ont R 1310 unID-3 "ABC S.W." 2307 WEDU-3 Tampa FL 28 Tr 2345 WJAC-6, WTAJ-10 PA February 1 Es 1655 unID-3 "southwest"

Steven Sprachman Macomb Hall Box 319A Flattsburgh, New York 12901 (RST) "I have a 12" B/W Motorola TV. For antennas I use an indoor VHF (cheap) and am indoor UHF both from the local Radio Shack. This is the best I can do at the present time."

January 13 Es 1900 TEAR-3 Pensacola FL Seaford, NY: KSN-3 "??? ... with local From 2030 Scranton 16,28,44 nx--KSN Newscenter 3. May WPHL-17, WTAF-29 Philly WLVT-39 Allentown PA WNJT-52 Trenton NJ be an NBC station." (Definitely KARD-3 Wichita. "KSN" means Kansas State Network; KSN is NBC -bt) 0830 WNEP-16, WERE-28, WLVT-39, WEDE-24, WHNB-30 7 16 Tr 2300 WPHL-17, WATR-20, WNJS-23 to WHNB-30, WEDH-24, WBDN-5XT) WSBK-38 Boston MA 2340 Fhilly U's WNJS-23, WNJT-52
23 Back at Plattsburgh:
Tr 2030 WVTA-41 Windsor VT 3133R 0930 WATR-20 CT, WSMW-27 MA WKBS-48 PA, WNJT-52 NJ

13 Es 1830 umIDs 2, 4, 5
Tr 2030 WVTA-41 Windsor VT 3133R
"In some areas of the country local stores give out free TV schedules such as 'TV FACTS' ... if anybody wants a TV schedule from the NY Metro region. send mo enough postage or an exchange of the local TV schedule to my Platts urgh address until the first week in May; after then send it to my Seafor address. There are no free TV schedules in the Plattsburgh area."

528 Pilgrim Read West Palm Beach, FL 15 Tr 2100 33405 (EST) Cen Simon WUSF-16, WBBH-20, WMFE-24, 730 W64AD-64 "rebr: ICR-6" WTVX-34, WSWB-35, WXLT-40, WTOG-44 FL Es 1613-1750 unIDs 2-4 Tr 1715 WLCY-10 Largo FL 2200 W69AA-69 Hollywood FL R 170 0800 WBBH-20. WXLT-40. WTOG-44. 1906 WUSF-16, WMFB-24, WSWB-35, W64AD-64 Boca Raton FL WXLT-40. WTOG-44 FL "rebroadcasting ICR-6, WDBO-6, WMCU-FM (89.7) "2nd & 3rd had visit from JOHN COMBS" 4 Tr 0900 W69AA-69 Hollywood FLR 45 0830 WMFB-24, WEVU-26, W69AA-69 0700 WEBH-20, WXLT-40, WTOG-44 1006 WLCY-10 Largo FL 1011R "5th had a visit from WTFDAer Tony 31 Ward and Janet...no skip"

8 Tr 1830 WMFE-24, WSWB-35 FL

9 1420 WMFE-24, WSWB-35 FL

10 ?? 2228 "2,4 CCI" "W64AD rebr: WDBO-6.WPTV-9 0800 "all WCIX xltrs (W33AA-33. W64AD-64, W61AA--61 W69AA-69) VAFI 5555!" 0830 WMFE-24, WEVU-26 2245 unID-2 "NBC audio" WTVX-34 WJKS-17 Jacksonville FL T Rs 1615-1652 unIDs 2,3,4 1710 KTVI-2 St Louis MO R1020 1200 WSWB-35 Orlando FL "Nothing too exciting but some Es... FIRST IDed Es here since last AUG... not much but still it's beem a long draught." (Ken, your unidentified propagation on January 10 may have been a result of the massive auroral disturbance on that date. At your southerly latitude, the effects of an

amrora on VHF are perceivable very rarely; however, the auroral activity was so intense here "up north" on the 10th, I wouldn't be surprised to learn that other TV Diers with southerly CHs noted auroral hash. Any comments from the propagation experts in the club would be welcome --bt)

98 MHZ FM DX RECORDS

MARCH 1976 Glenn Hauser, editor

1312 West Oak Ave. Enid, OK 73701 USA

MHz	Prop	_ Call	_ Location	Miles	DXer, Location
98.1	Es	KABL-	San Francisco CA	1475	Glenn Hauser, Von Ormy TX
N. C. CONTROLLER	Tr	WAFB-	Bâton Rouge LA	850	Russ Brown, Saint Joseph MI
	MS	WLEX-	Lexington KY	1105	Fred MCCormack, Des Lacs ND
	Au	CHFI-	Toronto Ont	535	Andy Bolin, Charleston IL
98.3	Es	WSUX-	Seaford DE	1460	Glenn Hauser, Von Ormy TX
5400 E 650	Tr	"CBW-"	Winnipeg Man	840	Andy Bolin, Charleston IL
	BM				
	Λu	WZMF	Menomonee Falls WI	250	Andy Bolin, Charleston IL
98.5	Es	KPAC	Port Arthur TX	1635	Richard Wood, Medicine Hat Alta
	Tr	KQXX	M9Allen TX	955	Mike Dalton, Clearwater FL
	MS	WROR	Boston MA	905	Andy Bolin, Charleston IL
	Au	WSB-	Atlanta GA	590	Russ Brown, Saint Joseph MI
98.6	Es	TCHR-	Guatemala City Guat	1135	Par Dyer, San Antonio TX
98.7	Es	KBBC	Phoenix AZ	1765	Mike Dalton, Clearwater FL
Comment of the Comment	Tr	KNUS	Dallas TX	900	Mike Dalton, Clearwater FL
	MS	WMDE	Greensboro NC	1000	Glenn Hauser, Enid OK
	Au	KLOH-	Pipestone MN	385	Fred MCCormack, Des Lacs ND
98.9	Es	KRNY-	Kearney NE	1350	Shelby Remington, New Haven CT
	Tr	KBOA-	Kennett MO	740	Bruce Elving, Duluth MN
	MS	WSPA-	Spartanburg SC	895	Glenn Hauser, Enid OK
	Au	WSPA-	Spartanburg SC	555	Russ Brown, Saint Joseph MI

Please send in your record candidates for 99 MHz and up, for eventual compilation here. My apologies for missing the last few months: I am involved in a much more extensive editing job for NASWA, but WTFDA is not forgotten: 73, Glenn

CENTRAL TV-DX William J. Draeb Rilis St. R.R. 12 Kewaunee, Wi. 54216

Deadline: 12th Not much dx around during the past month. Temperatures have been below normal here for the past six weeks or so highs in low 20's lows near zero or below) which hasn't done much for tropo dx. This past week the wx has warmed up considerably, however, and I think the present pattern will hold for a while (I hope.)

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MS 0136 Unid-4; WSW Columbus, Kitchener, Battle
1-13 Tr Ft.Wayne U's, Youngstown U's,
S.Bend U's, WICU-12, CKC0-13, Ms 0518 WCBS-2 N.Y. 1412(490)
WUHQ-41, Cleveland V's, WHIO 1-25 Tr 0208 WKRC-12 Oh. 1522(235)
-7, WOTV-8, WLWC-4, WAKR-23,
WVIZ-25, WNEO-45, WOSU-34,
WJET-24
0229 WRTV-6 In. 1022(230)
                                                                                           0229 WRTV-6 In. 1022(230)
0244 KDKA-2 Pa. " (210)
0330 WLWT-5 Oh. 1222(235)
Ms 0506 WCBS-2 N.Y. 1112(490)
Tr Ft.Wayne, Youngstown, Dayton,
Steubentille, Columbus, Kitchener Claveland
                      0142 WKBW-7 N.Y. 1122(215)
                     0142 WARW-7 N. Va. 1022(215)

0150 WTRF-7 W. Va. 1022(205)

0152 WIIC-11 Pa. 1122(210)

0202 WRTV-6 In. 1022(230)

0236 WCBS-2 N. V. 1012(490)

0920 WDHO-24 off the air-
0236 WCBS-2 N.I. 1012(490)
0920 WDH0-24 off the air-
back on in early afternoon. 1-26 Ms 0518 WCBS-2 N.Y. 1012(490)
1-14 Tr Cleveland V's, CKCO-13, WOTV-8
, WUHQ-41
Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Cad-
MS 02+2 Unid-4; WSW

1-15 Tr Cleveland V's, CKC0-13, WOTV-8,
WUHQ-41, Ft. Wayne U's, WOSU-1-27Tr
34, WNEO-45, WNDU-16.
02+2 WTMJ-4 Wi. 1022(2+5)
WITI-6 " " 1-28 Tr 0159 WTRF-7 W.Va. 1022(205)

1-17 Tr WUHQ-41, WEWS-5, WNDU-16,
WKYC-3, WLWC-4.
WKYC-3, WLWC-4.
WKYC-3, WLWC-4.
Dayton, Battle Creek.
                      S. Bend.
                                                                                                1-29 Tr 0222 WTMJ-4 W1.1022(245)
                     0249 WIIC-11 Pa. 1022-(210) 1-30 Tr 0202 WRTV-6 In. " (230) Cleveland, Columbus, Ft.Wayne, 0214 WTMJ-4 Wi. " (245) 0215 WITI-6 " " " " 0538 WCBS-2 N.Y.1012(490)
 1-19 Tr Cleveland, Columbus, Ft. Wayne,
1-20 Tr Ft. Wayne, S. Bend, Cleveland, Columbus, Akron, Battle Creek, Youngstown.

1-31 Tr Cleveland, Akron, Erie, Ft. Wayne Kitchener, Columbus, Battle Creek, S. Bend, Paris Tr O221 Unided-18; NE; 3/4 c.b.
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Gaines; continued--1-31 Tr 0314 WITI-6 Wi. 1022(245)
0438 WTMJ-4 " " " Grand Rapids, Paris, Battle
Creek, Cleveland, Dayton, Columbus, Hamilton, Kitch-2-5 Tr 0200 WITC-11 Pa. 1022(210)
ener, S.Bend, Ft. Wayne.
2-1 Tr 0220 WTTV-4 Ind. 1022(230)
0244 WTHR-13 In. " " 0251 WRTV-6 " " " 0254 KDKA-2 Pa. " (210)
MS 0403 WCES-2 N.Y. 1012(490)
Tr London, Kitchener, Ft. Wayne,
Battle Creek, Columbus, Cleveland.
2-2 Tr Cleveland, S.Bend, Battle
Creek, Columbus.
2-3 Tr 0836 C---18 On. 1522(London)
(Ont. Educ. TV Assn.)
Tr Cleveland, S.Bend, Battle Creek, Cleveland, Columbus, Battle Creek.
Tr 0316 KDKA-2 Pa. 0212(210)

Tr S.Bend, Cleveland, Columbus, Ritchenerer, Battle Creek.
Tr 0316 KDKA-2 Pa. 0212(210)

Tr S.Bend, Cleveland, Columbus, Battle Creek.
Tr 0316 KDKA-2 Pa. 0212(210)

Tr Cleveland, Columbus, Battle Creek, Columbus, Battle Creek.
Tr 0316 KDKA-2 Pa. 0212(210)

Tr Cleveland, Columbus, Battle Creek, Columbus, Battle Creek, Kalamagrand Rapids, Paris, Battle Creek, Youngstown, Alliance, Columbus, Ft. Wayne, S.Bend.
Creek, Youngstown, Alliance, Columbus, Ft. Wayne, S.Bend.
Creek, Youngstown, Alliance, Columbus, Ft. Wayne, S.Bend.
Creek, Youngstown, Alliance, Columbus, Ft. Wayne, Paris, Battle Creek, Youngstown, Alliance, Columbus, Ft. Wayne, S.Bend.
Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Alliance, Columbus, Ft. Wayne, Youngstown, Alliance, Colum

London.
Paul comments that ch. 18 in London and ch.28 in Kitchener-Waterloo are on; they i.d. as "TV Ont." (both educational)--wd. (See info in Luoma's rpt. CWI)

Buck Battin: 134 East Egan, Shreveport, La. 71101 CST
"I'm now living in my new house here in Shreveport and my antennas are installed and operating--although there were some problems at first.

I began logging dx ag_θ in on the 10th of January. Counting only stations over 100 miles, I've logged 28 stations so $f_{\rm LT}$.

I've seen no Es so far--all my loggings are Tr. The only opening much beyond 200 miles was on the 11th when I had a beautiful opening into Alabama. Right in the middle of that opening I discovered that the wire from the UHF tuner to the antenna set screws had become disconnected(at least I didn't find out after the opening!)

Until the 22nd, my rotor control unit for my low-band antenna was in the shop with the antenna frozen due South.

Anyway, now that its all up and operating my equipment is as follows:

UHF--Jerrold JUP-4 "Para-cyl" at about 27'. Hi-band--Jerrold 10 element yagi at about 35'(rotated with UHF on same mast). Lo-band--Jerrold 10 element yagi at about 25'(rotated separately). Lead-in---VHF--RG-59U coax. UHF--shielded 300 ohm. TV--Admiral 16" color, Model SS-880."

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1-10 Tr 0055 KTVT-11 Ft. Worth(205) 0110 KPLC-7 Lake Charles(160) 2300 WRNT-19 Huntsville(440) 2345 WRNT-19 Huntsville(140) 2345 WRNT-19 Huntsville(160) 2345 WRNT-19 Huntsville(160) 2345 WRN
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1-21 Tr 0735 WRBT-33 Baton Rouge (210)
Battin; continued ---
1-17 Tr 0100 KBMT-12 Beaumont(165)
0105 WJTV-12 Jackson(210)
0135 KATV-7 Little Rock(180)
                                                                                                                                 WLP B-27
                                                                                                                                WAPT-16 Jackson (210)
                                                                                                1-23 Tr 0735 WRBT-33 Baton Rouge(210)
1-19 Tr 0015 KLFY-10 Lafayette(185)
0025 WAFB-9 Baton Rouge(210)
0030 KJAC-4 Port Arthur(180)
                                                                                                                    0740 WLPB-27
                                                                                                                   0750 KDOG-26 Houston Tent.

0800 WMAU-17 Bude(185)

0810 WAPT-16 Jackson(210)

2245 KPLC-7 Lake Charles(160)

WAFB-9 Baton Rouge(210)
                    2230 KPLC-7 Lake Charles(160)
1-20 Tr 1930 KLFY-10 Lafayette(185)
                                KPLC-7 Lake Charles(160)
                    2000 WAFB-9 Baton Rouge(210)
                                                                                               KLFY-10 Lafayette(185)
2300 KALB-5 Alexandria(113)
2330 WERZ-2 Baton Rouge(210)
234-5 WRBT-33 " "

1-24 GW 1100 KETS-2 Little Rock(180)
(nothing on 4, 7, or 11)
1-25 Tr 1130 KJAC-4 Port Arthur(180)
1-28 Tr 0001 WLBT-3 Jackson(210)
WERZ-2 Baton Rouge(210)
1-30 Tr 2330 KPLC-7 Lake Charles(160)
234-5 WAFB-9 Baton Rouge(210)
WERST-23 " "
                                                                                                                                KLFY-10 Lafayette (185)
                                WAPT-16 Jackson(210)
                                WMAA-29
                    2030 WRBT-33 Baton Rouge(210)
                                WLP B-27
                    2040 WMAU-17 Bude (185)
2115 WMAW-14 Meridian (295)
2205 KHOU-11 Houston Tent.
                                                                                                                                 WRBT-33
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                                                                                                                     2350 KLFY-10 Lafavette(185)
Jim Gould: R.R.#3, Kokomo, In. (317)-452-9585 EST

1-1 Tr 2030 Huntsville U's(410) 1-11 Es 1703 Unid-2; Spanish baseball;

2042 two unideds on ch.42 + offset.
                                                                                           + offset.
1730 WPBT-2 F1. 5010(1090)
1-18 Es 2022 CKCK-2 Sask. (1120)
1-22 Tr 1917 Unided-28 to N.E.; (probably Kitchener--wd)
1-24 Tr 1859 WAAY-31 A1. 0324(410)
2237 WWVU-24 W.Va. 4533(332)
1-25 Tr 0808 WBRE-28 Pa. 4521(540)
0812 WVIA-44 " " "
                              with WPBO: South.
2100 WEMG-+2 A1. 2523(490)
2305 WHMA-+0 A1. 4525(482)
1-2 Tr 0037 WCOV-20 A1. 1324(571)
0158 WAPI-13 A1. +534(490)
0158 WAPI-13 A1. 4534(490)
0202 WALA-10 A1. 2523(700)T
0210 WYEA-38 Ga. 2525(568)
1-7 Es 0022 KRTV-3 Mt. 4513(1330)
0025 CKBQ-2 Sask. 5511(1225)
0028 Unid-2; ad for Bozeman
, Mt. (probably KSMD-2,
                              Anaconda--wd)
                                                                                           Log total: 538
1-11 Es 1620 WESH-2 F1. 5021 (860)
Clarke W. Ingram: 5201 Colewood Drive, Pittsburgh
1-1 Ms 0520 KMOX-4 St. Louis(560) 1-2 Ms 060
0532 WCBS-2 New York(320) 06:
0534 WSB-2 Atlanta(520) 06:
0542 Unid-2; Western movie 1-3 Ms 050
0622 WLWD-2 Dayton(230) 050
0623 WMAR-2 Baltimore(185) 06:
GW 0624 KDKA-2 signs on thirty 06:
                                                                                                Pittsburgh, Pa. 15236(412)-892-2497EST

1-2 Ms 0605 WRC-4 Washington(190)

0623 KMOX-4 St. Louis(560)

0628 WFEC-4 Greenville(410)

1-3 Ms 0542 KMOX-4 St. Louis(560)

0546 WCBS-2 New York(320)
                                                                                                                     0604 WBZ-4 Boston (480)
                                                                                                                     0619 WJXT-4 Jacksonville (720)
Ms WIXT-4 Bloomington(330)
1-2 Ms 0554 WIXT-4 Jacksonville(720)
0603 Unid-4 "Sunrise Semester"
                                                                                                                     0629 WRC-4 WAshington (190)
                                                                                                                     0638 Unid-6 plain RETMA tp.
                                                                                                   "My apologies for not having reported
                                                                                               in recent months, but there has lit-
erally been nothing to report.
Tropo is nonexistant as usual during the winter, and I've managed to miss the few off-season Es openings which have occurred to date. I began the New Year with some early-morning Ms Dxing(having nothing better to do over the holidays, hi) with results being somewhat encouraging (three new in three days.)
Since that time I have been virtually inactive dxwise, having assumed the WUD editorship, among other things. With the Es season almost upon us I hope to be reporting more often." (Good luck with the VUD Clarke; it's quite a
 job to undertake no matter how many there are helping out .--wd)
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(I left out a few details of your report Clarke---I received more reports this month than expected and I was rather pressed for time.--wd)

Bobert Zent; 1835 Fruit St., Huntington, In. 46750 EST
1-23 Tr 0632 WTRF-7 Wheeling(260) 1-24 Tr 2330 WCHS-8 Charleston(275)
1-24 Tr 2300 WOWK-13 Huntington(250)
"I recently installed a Blonder Tongue AB-30 preamp to my Winegard CW-1001 antenna. This has greatly improved VHF, but made UHF esentially useless. When the weather gets warmer I plan to install a 7ft. parabolic dish for UHF on a second tower. I have a couple of questions concerning this. First, what type of cable is best for UHF? Second, should I use a mast mounted preamplidier? If so will my old, trusty BT-American-75 be sufficient, (12db gain), or should I purchase another? I will appreciate hearing from anyone who cares to reply."

Rod Louma: 38540 Five Mile, Livonia, Mi. 48154 EST

Not much going on here in the way of trops or ms. One new station to report via trops

2-3 Tr 0915 WFLD-32 Chicago, Il.

1-21 Ms 0537 WCBS-2 New York, N.Y.

1-22 Ms 0525-45 no i.d.'s, few bursts 2-4 Tr 0840 C---18 London, Ont.

1-23 Tr 0600 WENS-10 Columbus, Oh.

2-6 Tr 0535

" " (3/4 cb; "TVO" in low left)

2-10 Ms 0541 WCBS-2 New York, N.Y.

"Found out from Paul Gaines, Ontario 18 is in London in fact he cued me in to its existence. Attempts at Ms have been discouraging seeing only 3 or 4 bursts in half hour and the viewable is always WCBS! Darn! (try another channel—wd). (Call of 18 London is CICO18, and 28 Kitchener is CICO28. CWI)

Michael Hogan: 4811 Euclid Ave. East Chicago, In. 46312

"Although conditions have not been the greatest to TV DX lately, I decided to still make a report to the column. I've just recently joined the WTFDA publishing team something that I'll really enjoy! (I hope so--wd)

No dx to report at all so I decided to re-introduce myself and my equipment to the members of WTFDA.

I currently use the following equipment: A JFD Monterrey TV-FM Indoor Antenna and a various number of experimental antenna set-ups. In the near future I hipe to acquire an outdoor antenna with a rotor. The receiver is a Du Mont 9^n portable.

I currently completing a degree in Psychology, April, '76 and with E-Skip well on its way at that time these current totals 31 stations and 6 states, I hope will take a sharp rise. Best catches are WEDU-3, KDUH-4 and WJXT-4, all on E-Skip. 73's for now."

Robert Baker: Box 337, Humboldt, Ia. 50548 (The following information was obtained from the IEEN (Iowa Educational Broad casting Network) which concerns antenna height above average terrain; maximum visual effective radiated power and offset information of KRIN-32, KSIN-27, KHIN-36 and KBIN-32,--wd)

station	location	offset	antenna a.a.t.	e.r.p.
KRIN-32	Waterloo	-	1851.3 ft.	6.r.D. 5000 kw
KSIN-27	Sioux City	_	1073.2 "	4040 "
KHIN-36	Red Oak	0	1561.7 "	2040 "
KBIN-32	Council Bluffs	0	317 "	571 "

William J. Draeb: Ellis St. R.R.#2, Kewaunee, Wi. 54216 CST 12-26 Tr KNNL-30 St. Louis(432)@2348 1-1 Es 1128 KDBC-4 El Paso 12-27 Tr 2000 " " " 1141 KATC-3 Lafayette 1141 KATC-3 Lafayette(1030) WBRZ-2 Baton Rouge(1002) 12-28 Tr 1240 " 1558 WKYT-27 Lexington(473) 1215 KJAC-4 Port Arthur(1080) KBTX-3 Bryan(1059) KPRC-2 Houston(1111) 12-29 Tr 1754 KDNL-30 St.Louis(432) 12-30 fr 1638 WKYT-27 Lexington (473) 12-31 Tr 1949 WOSU-34 Columbus(395) Cleveland U's(355) 1-5 Tr 1755 WKYT-27 Lexington (473) 1-12 Tr 1821 WDET-16 Dayton (368) WKEF-22 Dayton (368) WKYT-27 Lexington (473) WKEF-22 KDNL-30 St. Louis(432) 2200 KDNL-30 St. Louis(432) Es 1120 KDUH-4 Hay Springs T 1-13 Es 1750 WWAY-3 Wilmington (882) 1-1 1125 KAMR-4 Amarillo T WECT-6

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Draeb; continued ---
1-13 Es 1750 WCBD-2 Charleston (916)

1-17 Tr 1447 KINL-30 St. Louis (432)

1720 WKYT-27 Lexington (473)

2044 WKSO-29 Somerset (538)

1-18 Tr 1105 KCBJ-17 Columbia (450)
                                                           1-25 Tr WCML-6 Atlanta, Mi.(171)@0900
1230 KINL-30 St. Louis(432)
                                                                  Tr 1735 " " " Tr 1235 Cleveland U's (355)
                                                            2-6
                                                           WAKR-23 Akron (380)
2-7 Tr 0901 WIIL-38 Terre Haute (348)
        Es 1838 CFAC-2 Calgary (1320)
                                                                                 (WPNE off all day)
                     CFRN-3 Edmonton
                                                            1530 KINL-30 St. Louis(432)
2-14 Tr 1941 WKYT-27 Lexington(473)
                     Unid-2 + offset
             1848 CFCN-4 Calgary(1320)
             1900 CHAT-1-6 Pivot(1160)
                     (#50 on ch-4)
                                                           Log total now at: 635
             1905 KRTV-3 Great Falls T
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FM OSL CORNER THOMAS J. YINGLING 221 Pinewood Rd. Bullingon, Md. 21222

- DE Bethany Beach WWTR 95.9- 1tr & cm from J. Parker Conner Pres & gen manager
- KS Kansas City KCKN 94.1-one line verification from Jim Jett, CE
- HA Springfield WHEN 93.1-qsl card for an station, with fa noted from T. Grathsunki, SE
- MO Jefferson City KLUN 88.9-1tr from Beverly Kelney: Traffic Manager, with mote that due to technical difficulties they were sperating with reduced power of \$.6kw
- MJ Point Pleasant WADB 95.9-ltr & on from Thomas F. Hughes, dir of presenting

Paterson WPAT 93.1-1tr & cm from Joseph E. Martin

Long Branch WRLB 107.1-ltr. on & bumber stickers from Michael J. Beldus op man. with note of the long distance record is now me! Also is member WIFFA.

Lincroft WBJB 90.5-letter from Richard C. Hansen, jr. station manager Glassboro WGLS 89.7-letter from Jim Servino, station manager

- HY Garden City WHPC 90.3-letter from Steve Greco, dir of eperateens
- PA Hasleton WVCD 97.9-letter & on from Ron Jay Gillemarde, station manager

Easton WLEV 96.1-letter from R.B.Krats, CE

Greencastle WESL 94.3-letter from Benjamin F. Thomas, Preprieter !

- VM Rosnoke WVWR 89.1-zeroxed my own letter, signed verified by W.R.Michie, co
- WV Buckhannon WVWC 88.9-letter from Arneld Sayre, ce

No contributors this month so far since I took ever the job, all above are some of my own. Send those 3×5 index cards to me so everybody will know just how they qul. Receiver used is a Pioneer TX-9100, with a 10-element yagi up 45 feet new. 73 m.

TVOSL CORNER PAUL D. TRASKA 64 WEAVER AVENUE BUFFALO, NY 14208

DC WETA ch 26 Washington-2600 4th st. 20001 L & M info on FM sta .-

King Harrison CE. 16 days (TJY)

IN WHMB ch 40 Indianapolis-P.O.box 50250,46250.L-L.W. Vehorn CE, (ps. Vehorn said he to DX-ed, many years ago, & also new, Bob Seybold, Art Collins, & King Schaefer. 1 week (PDT) IA KTIV ch 4 Sioux City-10th & grandview 51105. QSL card, Al-

Smith CE. 9 days (JJA)

MD WMAR ch 2 Baltimore-6400 york rd.21212. L, C.B. Lau. CE-7 days (SS)

WMPB ch 67 Baltimore-for chs.28-31,22.0wings Mills 21117.1-David L. Graham DE. 16 days (PDT)

MA WGBH ch 2 Boston-125 western ave. 02134. L, Thomas B. Keller-

Jr. DE. 10 days (SS) MI WEYI ch 25 Saginaw-P.O. box 3265, 48605, L, Harold Volz Jr.-CE, 10 weeks (JJA)

ch 5 St. Louis-1111 olive st. 63101. QSL in envelope. NO-MO KSD signature.... 14 days (DE)

NE KMTV ch 3 Omaha-2615 farnam st. 68131. L. Joan Baillon, PD. 9 days (JFC)

NH WENH ch 11 Durham-box Z. 03824. for chs. 15,40,49-52. L, Charles E. Tamm. DE. 14 days (DE)

NY WSYR ch 3 Syracuse-1030 james st. 13203. card, Mrs. F. Rioux-EDS. 1 week (KRS)

WKTV ch 2 Utica-P.O. box 2. 13503. L. Carl C. Egolf. CE. 4 --

days (SS)
WPTZ ch 5 Plattsburgh-357 cornelia st. L, Lincoln F. Dixon. CE 12 days (DE)

OH WLWC ch 4 Columbus-3165 olentangy river rd.43202. card & prog. would chart Dye. CE. 5 weeks (KRS)

WOUB ch 20 Athens-ohio univ. telecommunications center 45701
L & M. Donald A. Smith. DE. 2 weeks (PDT)

WKBN ch 27 Youngstown-3930 sunset blvd. 44501. AM card, TV not,

indicated & unsigned 10 days (CWI)

WCET ch 48 Cincinnati-2222 chicksaw st. 45219. L, Edward K. Middleton DE. 1 week (PDT)

ch 21 Harrisburg-telegraph building.17108. L, Maurice Gannaway DE. 1 week (PDT)
WKBS ch 48 Philadelphia-3201 S. 26 st.19145. L, Glenn H.Romsos-

EM. 1 week (PDT) TN WKPT ch 19 Kingsport-222 commerce st. 37660. L, George E. DeVa-

ult Jr. VPO. (WA41VG) 1 week (PDT) ch 2 Houston-box 2222, 77001. fill in card. Peggy Joneson-

TX KPRC ch 2 Houston-box 2222, 77001. fill in card. Peggy Jones No title.... 2 weeks (SS)
VA WNVT ch 53 Annandale-8325 little river turnpike, 22003. L & H

Larry T. Vogt MTC. Larry is now in (DC) address future L-to Howard Frost CE WNVT-TV. 12 weeks (PDT)

WV WWVU ch 24 Morgantown-WV univ.radio TV & motion pictures, 26506, L, Keith L. Massie EOM. 1 week (PDT) WMUL ch 33 Huntington-third ave. 25701. L, George Parnicza. CE-

1 week (PDT)

WI WKBT ch 8 La Grosse-141 south sixth st.54601. L & S. Al. Leeman CE. 2 days (SS)

CANADA

ON CFCL ch 2 Kearns-P.C. box CCC, Ti mins Cnt.P4M 7G3. L, R.A.-Fauteux DE. 18 daws (ES)

CONTRIBUTORS before you report, NO LAL, s from VUD issues of 75::: As you can see, all the above QSL, s are followed with address's. I hope not to, repeate QSL, s that were seen less then a year,

but it did occur, do to my error; I don't know if this is possible, but I do know, that many stations never sat in this corner ... Thanks to Jim Alexander for his QSL; the others were foreword od.

NORTHERN FM-DX

March 1976

Fred Nordouist 302 Sandra Lane N. Syracuse, NY 13212 Tele: 315-458-2365 Deedline: 10th of mo.

Yes, another new PM North editor has taken the helm. I will endeavor to carry on the excellent work of our previous editors. Please report your DX activities, even though it may be a few lines -- and include any new FM DX equipment added/contemplated for your

In researching reports over the last 3 years, there were about 33 reporters from 12 states/provinces north of the Mason-Dixon Line and east of the Mississippi River, mostly from NY, PA, & Ohio. There were none from Wisc, R.I., Maine, Que, & N.S. in which there are definitely WTFDA members. So please twist those dials and contribute to our hobby by

reporting your DX: it's contagious! .

FM DX since the last FM North column has included several highlights: 11/4 - super tropo to Iowa (800+ mi.), 12/23 - Es to Texas, and 1/10 - very strong Au. Very little trone was otherwise noted - - probably due to very cold Dec/Jan wx up north. The MS showers were not very impressive in Dec & Jan.

Now to the reports.

Harry J. Hayes: Star Route, Box 226c, Gouldsboro, Pa. 18424 (RST)

1/10 Au 1900-2100 Au hash noted on virtually every frequency. 1930 WHNN 97.5 Louisville, KY W/HNIS (ex WHAS) I believe these were the new calls.

1930 Unid 88.1 w/choir mx. (I had similar Unid too - fn)

1949 Unid 106.1 w/Harry Chafin's "Taxi". (That's Chapin, hi. Clarke Ingram) 2024 WCLW 105.3 Manafield, OH w/weak scratchy sig. w/HS BKB or other lel sport,

1/25 Tr 1630 WSOU 89.5 S. Orange, NJ w/promo for "Polka Party", fair sig.

1/26 WSOU 91.1 E. Orange, NJ good sig., annr says they simulcast WMCA PM at times.

WMTI 91.9 Hacketstown, NJ, strong sig., Finally noted due to irregular sched. slogen is "AN Imaginary Station".

Equipment: Zenith Trans Oceanic w/RCA rabbit ears. Underlined new to log.

Fred Mordquist - 302 Sandra Lane - N. Syracuse, NY 13212 (EST)

11/4 fr 2130 WEMK 99.1 MI E. Lansing ID

2136 WJFM 93.7 MI Grand Rapids MoR o/WHLK

2144 CEDT 101.3 ON Tillsonburg MoR mx 2149 WMUK 102.1 MI Kalamasoo Class my

Class MX

2230 WOLR 106.5 MI MoR mx

2245 KUNI 90.9 IA Cedar Falls Iowa wx (820 mi)
2245 KUNI 90.9 IA Cedar Falls Iowa wx (820 mi)
2253 WMZK 97.9 MI Detroit HOR mx
2345 WHAD 90.7 WI Delafield Election Analysis
Gw 2359 WSKG 89.3 MY Binghampton class. mx/election mx
11/5 Gw 1745 WMRV 105.7 MY Endicott "Stereo 105" HoR mx (new pwr & freq)
1/10 Au 1700 Strong Au noted w/several relogs, & many Unids (Any ideas on Au audio filters?)

Noted w/increased pur -- LaC. 1/11 Gw 1750 WICB 91.7 NY Ithaca

1/22 Or 2044 WNTQ 93.1 NY Syracuse (was WDDS) MPX MoR mx & claims 100kw, "Stereo 93".

MY state stations now up to #137. Totals: 790. KUNI tropo haul is my longest by 200 mi., probably caused by the stalled high pressure system wedged below the Jet Streen running along the Canadian border. No luck with MS -12/14 or 1/4, Underlined new to log. Equipment: RX:AJ-15, Ant:JFD LPL-M10A, Rotor:Archer Servo-rotor, 32' AGL.

WTFDA wants YOUR support! Send in your reports regularly.

Michael Hogan - 4811 Euclid Avenue - East Chicago, IN 46312

Not too much DX to report here -- just the usual catches on groundwave (line of sight) and a few tropo catches. The equipment is an AM-FM Sears Silvertone Receiver and a JFD Monterrey TV-FM antenna. Current totals are: 42 stations heard, with 10 of them in the educational band. I hope these tetals will rise with a purchase of an outdoor directional antenna & rotor which will be put into use very soon. 73's for now.

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Heathkit AJ-15 Tumer; Delhi 1047 at c.30'; MS tape control unit
N.B.: All logging rx'ed on MS tape control asterisked and respective
times refer to period frequency momitored. New loggings underlined.
       Tr 1836 WBEX 93.3 Chillicothe OH (315) ID Tr 2225 WLKE 99.3 Waupun WI (410)
9/8
9/0
9/10
       Tr 2140 CFMO 93.9 Ottawa Ont. (265)
2236 WVSC 97.7 Somerset PA (250)
9/15-16 MS 2300-0800 KIOA*93.3 Des Moines IA (670) ID: "...KIOA-FM..."
      Tr 2200 WEBF 95.7 Olean NY (145) ID. Nx (ex-WHDL. 1st time by
                                    new calls)
       Tr 0737 WSAQ 107.1 Port Huron MI (110) ID (ex-WHLS, 1st time
9/17
                                     by new calls)
       Tr 2206 WAKW 93.3 Cincimmati OH (365) ID, Dollar-a Month Club MS 1000-2200 WHJT*93.5 Clinton MS (925) "...WHJ..."; "...Mi ss-
9/20
issippi forecast..."
9/27-28 MS 2300-0800 KVIL*103.7 Dallas TX (1130) Sung ID: "...KVIL..."
9/30 MS 0800-1800 KHBT*97.7 Humboldt IA (690) Ad: "...the Ben
                                     Franklin Store im downtown Humboldt ... "
10/12 MS 0830-1830 KCHF*93.5 Sioux Falls SD (810) ID: "...KCHF, KCHF..."
10/17 MS 0100-0600 WEZS*103.7 Richmond VA (440) ID: "...essy to find
at 103, WEZS, easy..."
10/22 Tr 2153 WAKW 93.3 Cincinnati OH (365)
10/28-29 Tr 2300-0700 WBNS*97.1 Columbus OH (275) ID (Tr that managed
                                     to get through MS tape control)
       Tr 0800 WHAD 90.7 Delafield WI (380)
Au 1830 KWMU 90.7 St. Louis MO (605) mention of U. of MO and
                                     St. Louis MO
11/3 MS 0800-1800 KBFC*93.5 Forrest City AR (800) ID: "...KBFC-FM
                                     from Forrest City, Arkansas, 93.5 Mega-
                                     hertz..." (Who could as for a more def-
                                     inite ID on MS?! Previously rx'ed via Es.)
11/4 MS 0100-0730 KIIK*103.7 Davenport IA (525) ID: "...K-Double-I-K,
        Davenport, Iowa..."

Tr 1905 WLVU 99.9 Erie PA (100) ID (ex-WWFM, 1st time by new calls)
1913 WISN 97.3 Milwaukee WI (365) local ad
           1948 WDAI 94.7 Chicago IL (375) ID, rock, local ads
           2048 WZUU 95.7 Milwaukee WI (365) ID, rock, local ads
2110 WEZW 103.7 Wauwatosa WI (380) ID
2114 WIXX 101.1 Green Bay WI (375) ID, Wx, rock (ex-WBAY, 1st
                                     time by new calls)
            (This was night of 600-mile Tr on UHF far as Waterloo IA)
11/7-8 MS 2200-0700 WCPC*93.3 Houston MS (805) "...today at The Shoebox, Ackerman, Mississippi..."
(previously rx'ed via Es)
11/10 MS 1800-2300 WKYQ*93.3 Paducah KY (615) ID: "...WKYQ..."
11/20-21 MS 2100-0730 WLAP*94.5 Lexington KY (430) ID: "...-FM,
                                     Lexington, rock in stereo at ninety-..."
11/22-23 MS 2300-0800 WSOC*103.7 Charlotte NC (570) ID: "...WSOC-FM
                                     radio ... "
                2300-0800 WDBR*103.7 Springfield IL (535) ID: "...WDBR..."
11/25 MS 2213 WPXI 95.1 Charleston SC (735) "... WPXI weather..."
11/26 MS 1911 WOHI 95.7 Jeffersonville IN (450) Sung ID: "... #QHI..."
11/26 GW 2000 CKTB 97.7 St. Catherines Ont. (70) 1st time noted
                                     with increased power, previously 250W
12/2 MS 0735 WEZZ 97.7 Clanton AL (805) "...-anton, Alabema..."
                                     (with CKTB back on low power)
12/2-3 MS 2300-0730 WQDR*94.7 Raleigh NC (540) "...WQDR gives free
                                     sir time to schools, clubs or other charitable organizations..." (1st time
                                     via MS, previously rx'ed via Es by ald
                                      calls - WPTF)
12/5 Tr 1931 WBLY 102.9 Springfield OH (300) ID 12/7 MS 0853 KBFC 93.5 Forrest City AR (800) "...tuned...KBFC-RM..."
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MARCH 1926
12/10 MS 0730-1830 WJJM*94.3 Lewisburg TN (650) ID: "...-JM-AM and FM..." (1st time by MS, previously via Es)
2329 WJAN 102.9 Fortland ME (510) ID: "...WJAN-FM..."
12/13 MS 0000 WHHY 101.9 Montgomery AL (830) "...you make it happen...
...Alabama's..." (1st time rx'ed by MS,
             onla WASH 97.1 Washington DC (360) ID: "...WASH has..."
2058 WRBL 102.9 Columbus GA (800) "...-RBL..."
2132 WROE 94.3 Neenah WI (400) ID: "...row, WROE stereo..."
              2230 WRBL 102.9 Columbus GA (800) "...we've got more from
                                          WRBL..."
              2255 WYSP 94.1 Philadelphia PA (360) Female: "...-YSP...."
                                           (with semi-local CBL nulled)
12/18 MS 0030-0730 WEZS*103.7 Richmond VA (440) ID: "...WEZS, easy
                                           radio ... "
12/19-20 MS 2200-0800 WQDR*94.7 Raleigh NC (540) "...WQDR, Raleigh..."
12/20 MS 0800-1200 WKXI*94.7 Jackson MS (925) Sung ID: "...WKXI...",
                                          soul (1st time by MS, previously rx'ed
                                           via Es)
12/22 MS 0800-1430 KSJR*90.1 Collegeville MN (690) ID: "...KSJR, 90.1 on your FM dial..."
12/23 Es 0830-1300 KERA*90.1 Dallas TX (1130) ID (Es that got through
MS tape control unit)

1313 KGAF 94.5 Gainesville TX (1105)

1320 KFMN 99.3 Abilene TX (1275)

1322 KWXI 97.1 Ft. Worth TX (1165) ID: Kwixie FM, rock

1326 KBID 92.9 Wichita Falls TX (1170) ID as "Holiday radio,
stereo 92", spots, Wx.)

12/31 Tr 0800 WIQB 102.9 Ann Arbor MI (190) ID (ex-WNRZ, 1st time by
new calls)
1/10 Au 1745 WMBI 90.1 Chicago IL (375) ID, religious programming 1800 KWMU 90.7 St. Louis MO (605) ID
             1830 WVWR 89.1 (from 90.1 - check Jan. 75 VUD. FCC FM)
                                          Roznoke VA (430) Jazz, Wx, ID
             Strongest Au ever witnessed here. 1st time ever Au noted
              on CB hand with skip audio quite garbled as opposed to
             usual skip noted on CB. Au was even destroying local CKGN 6.
         Tr 1302 WDMT 107.9 Cleveland OH (145) ID (ex-WELW. 1st time
1/11
                                          by new calls)
1/12
         Tr 0030-0730 WKRQ*101.9 Cincinnati OH (365) ID. rock (Tr that
                                          managed to get through MS tape control)
         Tr 2100 WBCL 90.3 Ft. Wayne IN (290) ID, religious programming
.1/15
                                           (now my furthest regular troposcatter)
        MS 1925 WMC 99.7 Memphis TN (705) "...460 right now in
1/19
Memphis, partly cloudy skies..."

Tr 1930 WFCJ 93.7 Miamisburg OH (330) ID

2030 WAUS 90.9 Berrien Springs MI (310)

1/20-21 MS 2200-0730 WHTB 92.7 Talladega AL (755) ID: "...WHTB, Tall-.."
1/25
        Tr 0902 WHIO 99.1 Dayton OH (315)
1/27 MS 0730-1800 KKEZ*94.5 Ft. Dodge IA (690) "...KKEZ, stereo
                                         ninety-...farm egg products, Humboldt, home of nature-made eggs..."
1/28 MS 0730-1800 KEBC*94.7 Oklahoma City OK (1045) "...KEBC..."
(1st time via MS, previously rx'ed by Es) 1/29 MS 0130 WCCO*102.9 Minneapolis MN (625) "...twelve-thirty WCCO
                                         time..."
F.S.: Quadrantids bombed this year; in '75 they were fantastic.'
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That's all the reports for this month. 73 and good DXing to all --- the

(Nice going on all your MS catches! - fn)

SFECIAL PUBLISHER'S . OTB: Phone conversation with WTFDA's super-dxer. andy bolin, confirms he has logged his 1,500th FM station ! --- Pete

SOUTHERN FM

Charles Winters 7 Parsons Drive Beverly, Mass.

All these reports are going to give my typewriter cramps. In only one month, we have doubled our report size - from one to two. Brent Manuel & Hank Holbrook were the lucky listeners this month. Phough drivle - on with it:

Brent Manuel P.O. BOX 71. Chataignier.La. 70524

Hi: I thought I would drop you & the VUD readers some info on FM activities around here. I noticed in the Jan. VUD that someone had rm activities around here. I noticed in the Jan. volt that someone had mentioned that FM station KSNS 96.1 Lake Charles, was still not on the air. Well, on Jan. 13 it came on the air! The format is definately automated, but can't say which format, although I do know that it is the same as KKYK 103.7, Little Fock. KKYK'S signal gets out surprisingly well. It is received about 60% of the time, about 40% in stereo at a little over 250 miles!

Station KGRA 103.7 Lake Charles, caught me by surprise when it commenced transmitting on Jan. 22. Has live DJ & Rock. Id's itself as "Nova 104." I listened to the station for 2 hours waiting for a proper "Nova 104." I listened to the station for a nours waiting for a proper ID. "Nova 104 indeed:" Local KVPI Am/FM 93.5 Ville Platte still not stereo. Station is 10 yrs behind times. Can hear distortion on FM. Is either station(probably) or overload on receiver. (Come again?-cw) Have heard gossip about local AM KEUN-Eunice going to FM. Was in paper, heard people talk also. Receiving KRVS 88.3 Lafayette (40 watts FRP) at 30 miles. Went stereo last year. Can receive stereo - but very noisy.

KCWR 104.9 Oakdale is the worst run station around. (Such a shame since they play such soft and beautiful music.) Distortion is very noticable

since they play such soft and beautiful music.) Distortion is very noticable and station goes off air for a short while very often. Very little, or no commercials. Constant hum and music in background. SCA? (If they are as bad as you say they are - they're probably listening to someone else-cw.) WXEL 105.3 Sliddel, gets my award for the dirtiest station heard.

LUSIY sounding DJ's, dirtiest sounding songs and frequent id's as the "Sex Machine" It sickens me to hear such sludge! I have a good mind to write them a letter to let them know how I feel. (Better make it 4 letter words and they may get the hint. CW.)

words and they may get the hint.-cw)
I bought an Archer Twin Drive FM Antenna not too long ago. Model 15-1636. A little bit disappointed. Gain not as great as expected. More directive than \$6 antenna up before. Very pleased with Radio Shack antenna wire I bought. 20 year guarantee. Very low loss. Filled with foam. My Receiver is Panasonic model PS-257DS. Having selectivity problems with it. Can barely catch New Orleans between two Baton Rouge stations.

That's about it. Happy DX to all!

Hank Holbrook 7211 Chestnut Street Chevy Chase Maryland 20015

FM DXing from out at our cottage at Fair Haven Cliffs, Maryland overlooking the Herring & Chesapeake Bays 15 miles below Annapolis. We have officialy commenced 1976 DX season. Not much to date but hope for a GREAT YEAR. Don't get down to cottage often this time of year. We have the water cut off but do have heat when conditions become poor for LW or 2 mc DX, which I usually tune during the winter months. I then so to VHF aircraft of FM. Following were logged and reported on my last trip to the bay.

all trope 70 mi. 1/31 1:13-1:39PM Top 40 & Ads 130 mi. 1/31 7:58-10:10 PM Resketbell 103.9 WSYQ Braddock Hts. Md. 90.7 WMRA Harrisonburg, Va. 30 mi. 2/1 9:31-10:15 AM Sunday Showcase. 106.3 WESP Cambridge, Md.

WSYQ formerly WMHI, WESP formerly WCFM/ Hank says that WSQY is good. Also says the basketball announcers were excellant. Judging from the length of time you stayed with the game Hank, you must be a fan - I'm still grovelling for good women basketball players - anything doing in Maryland?V. Hank also says that there are no veries since Dec. report. so totals stand at 746 - 34 states - Ont., Que., Man. - Cuba, Rermuda and Puerto Pico. Opes anyone have an address for WQIV -Hank says Help! Help! His followup returned marked address unknown - and he believes that they may once again 73, Hank. be WNCN.)

WESTERN FM-DX

Steven C. Wiseblood 707 Loma Way Santa Maria CA 93454 Deadlines: 4/15.5/12

Dale Connolly, 7065 Cantaloupe Ave., Van Nuys CA 91405 (Jan 1-4) (PST)
Equipment includes: Revox A76 tuner; Winegard SC650 @ 15ft (3000ft above SEA LEVEL)

1-3 MS 1213 KCRC 96.9 OK Enid 1-4 MS 0515 KMBS 96.1 TX Harlingen ID (Audio/Fading/Interference: 414 ID AFI: 414

Not much to report this month, I did make it to the DX site I use in the desert for the Quadrantids meteor shower. It was undoubtedly the most active one I have experienced, with bursts occuring every 3 or 4 seconds. However, there wern't many long bursts, so IDing was difficult.

Doug Everitt, 1768 West Mains Ave., Enid OK 73701 (Dec. 12- Jan. 31) (CST)

Equipment includes: Realistic STA-76 receiver; GE table radio, 10-el yagi @ 40' on a CDE AR-37 rotor.

OD 14	- // 200						AFI
12-12	Tr 0645	KSIW	93.5	OK	Woodward	MoR	555R70
18	1906	KTEN		OK	Ada	RR	555R140
20	0942	KMAG	99.1	AR	Ft. Smith,	Xmas, MoR	345R220
21	1058	KAKC	92.9	OK	Tulsa	Sermon, w/mx	555R120
	1823	KRAV	96.5	OK OK	Tulsa	MoR	555R120
		KBJH	98.5	OK OK	Tulsa	wx report	555R120
	1845	KOLC	100.9	OK	Miami	MoR	355第180
25	1031	KKAJ	95.7	OK	Ardmore	Xmas mx, wx	555R160
1-20	1057	KHEN		OK	Henryetta	MoR/RR	555R150
	2152	KTOM	99.5	NM	Clovis	RR	344M340
25	1911	KTLC	100.3	菰	Dallas	MoR	415R260
			101.3	OK	MoAlester	MoR	₹35R170
29	2047	KWOE	106-9	OK	Clinton	wx, farm nx	455間90
	2138	KLOR	99.3	OK	Ponca City	C&W/RR	555R60
30	0832	KRHD	102.3	OK	Duncan	local nx	455R1#0
	1133	KGOU	106.3	OK	Norman	Prog.RR	555R100
	1213	KSKU	102.1	KS	Hutchinson	RR	555R110
31		KRLG	98.1	OK	Lawton	RR	555R140
29 30	1911 1917 2047 2138 0832 1133 1213	KTLC KNED KWOR KLOR KRHD KGOU KSKU	100.3 101.3 106.9 99.3 102.3 106.3 10 _{2.1}	NO N	Dallas MoAlester Clinton Ponca City Duncan Norman Hutchinson	MoR MoR wx, farm nx Caw/RR local nx Prog.RR RR	415R26 335R17 455890 555R60 455R18 555R10

Since I'm a new member, this is my first report to Western FMEX. I've been FMEXing for about a year and a half now. Hopefully before my next report I'll also own a Kemwood KT-8007 tuner. I'm also considering putting a vertical yagi up for FM.

73, and the EEST of DX!

Pat Dyer, 5315 Silvertip Drive, San Antonio TX 78228 (Jan 7-Feb 7) (CST)

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1-11 Es 1200 TORT. 88.8 GUAT Guatemala City
                                                                           1120
                 TG--? 94.9 GUAT Guatemala City
                                                                           1120
                 TG--? 98.6 GUAT Guatemala City
                                                                           1120
           1805 XHM? 88.9 DF
                                       Mexico City, EL
                                                                            690
           1819 XHCM
                        88.5 Mor Cuernavaca, ID
                                                                            735
          XEBS 89.7 DF Mexico City, ID spotty by 1830, with some spasma of it by 1940. 1935 KRTU 91.7 TX San Antonio, ID 0259 WKTZ 96.1 FL Jacksonville, ID, EL 1
  23 tr 1935 KRTU
     tr 0259 WKTZ
                                                                           1015
          0345 WJMI 99.7 MS
0357 KOAX 105.3 TX
                                        Jackson, Soul, ID
                                       Dallas, EL, ID
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The Es came to a swift end by mid-January. The New local KRTU is now on with stereo, with 150watts-ERP, from 6am to 2am with a wide variety of mx formats. Peb. 4 trop to FL was a somewhat startling as the duct was very selective with not many really distant signals in.

From going over my old tapes from the summer, some new

ID's have been gleaned -WFYC 1240 1123 104.9 Alma (psa promo) Jun 22 Es Beaver Falls (area ad) 1285 WWK S 106.7 30 0729 Es 1190 Muskengon (area ads) WMU S 107.1 Jul 2 1419

73, Pat WASIYX



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5315 Silvertip Drive San Antonio, TX 78228 Deadline: 10th of month

MARCH 1976

Hank Holbrook, 7211 Chestnut St., Chevy Chase, MD 20015 QSLed. GMT

11-1: 2203, N33WH 119.7 nr Lee Arpt, Annap. (William Heck Constr.Co.:

Piper Navajo, 2-engine, 8-seat)
vic Bal. (Dalton Avi., Piper PA-28R, 1-e, 4-s)
ov Wye Mills, MD(Air Assoc., PA-28R, 3 watts)
15 mi se Bal. (Showalter Flying Service, Inc., 119.7 119.7 119.7 10: 1736, N3950T 16: 1652, N7630J 28: 2218, N54374

Piper PA-32 Cherokee, 1-engine, 6-seat)
2 mi n Annap.(Reid Airways,Inc.,Cessna 150L) 2222, N17048 119.7

Ken Simon, 528 Pilgrim Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33405 EST, * QSLed Lafayette HA-520, Indoor whip

1-11: 1752, - 35.58 Scranton, PA (pager)
12: 1716, - 161 / WMAO (traffic report)
17: 0744, KTR 746 45.56 Palm Beach County (perhaps 45.60)

at Andytown (Jct SR84/US27) yusing Ray Jeff 6140 1246, KHB 34 162.55 Miami (NOAA weather) KEO 363 155.280 Miami (Dade County Med. Association) *

WR4AIS, an amateur 2-meter repeater, has been noted several times with the receiver image response around 168 MHz.

Now, my loggings. Allied A-2586, Hallicrafters SX-62, Hammarlund SP-600-JX10 (with ICM BAX-1 tuned preamp); 30' long wires at 12' ne-sw and nw-se runs; F2 mode unless noted (bs-backscatter) with daily peak noted GMT used

1-11: 1635, 31 1850, KF		857, KQC 877 (Es) 941, KGA 805 (Es)	$\frac{6i}{7i}$ 2045,	32.96
1907, KO 18, 1842, KQ		040, 35.22 035, 32.96	8: 2015,	35.22 KSC 645 (Es)
21: 1917, 32	2.000 <u>4.</u> 1	935, 35.28	2102,	KIF 651 (Es)
22i 1845, 32 31i 1518, 32	2.000 <u>5</u> ; 1	35.62 bs 925, 32.96	10: 1955,	KIN 905 (Es) 32.96

KOE 257 KQC 884 KQC 877 Phoenix, AZ Detroit, MI 35.22 KFL 936 35.58 (west) Pittsburgh, PA 35.58 35.58 35.58 KGA 805 35.22 Cincinnati, OH Chicago, IL KIF 651 35.58 Ft Lauderdale, FL Charlotte, NC * KSC 645 35.22 KIM 905

all are tone pagers with tone ID's except * which has voice ID

Solar flux/A-Index for January 1976

avg: 74.8

As can be seen from this, the solar flux is maintaining a generally very low level. There is still some dispute as to when the solar low will occur (or did occur). The next 6 months should be critical in determining if the upswing of Cycle 21 is upon us yet.

73. Pat WASIYX

PHOTO-NEWS

Jim Alexander Canisius College Box 2 - Bosch Hall Buffalo, NY 14208

March 1976



KPLR-11 St. Louis, MO 450 mile tropo (PG)



WHAS-11 Louisville, KY 310 mile tropo (PG)



KUSD-2 Vermillion, SD 970 mile Es (RL)



WCTV-6 Tallahassee, FL Es 22 June 1975 0859 CST (GH)

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73 and good DX,



TNTERNATIONAL NOTES from

KENNETH IL SMON 528 Pilorim Road West Polm Beach, Fla. 33405

INTERNATIONAL NOTES

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa(AP) -- South Africa joined the television age JAN.5, 1976, with its first full nationwide broadcasts after more than a decade of controversy over the possible corrupting influence of the electronic medium.

An estimated one million viewers watched the state-supported South Africa Broadcasting Corp.'s "switch-on" more than a quarter of

a century after television arrived in most of the west.

Prime Minister John Vorster, unsmiling in a throne-like chair, inaugurated the service with a prerecorded message in which he admitted than "as a person I am not over-enthusiastic about television." __*_

VARIETY reports that Italy's RAI is expected to start PAL color transmissions in July.

Notes on foreign TV Guide type publications:

FERNSEHWOCHE(W.Germany)=carries all German programming as well as

East Germany, The Netherlands and Demmark.
BUNTE(W.Germany) carries all German programming plus Austria and

German-language broadcasts from Switzerland. RADIO TIMES (United Kingdom) = carries all BBC programs in detail. PRAVDA (Moscow USSR) = carries two TV channels and Lenningradski PRAVDA

carries three channels. TRIE PROGRAMAS (Costa Rica) = carries all Costa Rican programs for 15-day periods.

TRIE 3 (Dominican Republic) = carries Dominican programing but the copie I have is undated.

TELE 7 JOURS (France) = list ORTF programming. It says in the magazine there are 3 additional regional editions (a) SUD-TV Monte Carlo and Italy, (b) EST- TV Luxembourg and Germany and (c) BENELUX-ast in EST plus TV Belge.

Other than Canadian magazines and TeleGuiz_does anyone know of other TV Guide type magazines?

******ROME, Italy July 1, in time for the Olympic Games, is set as the target date for RAI's first color transmissions. The West German PAL color system will be used and at first 15 hours a week will be telecast With TV signals from neighboring countries now receivable in most

of Italy, color sets in use in 1974 numbered 300,000. It is expected that color set will be priced in the \$500-\$700 range.

*****PARIS, France--TF1 commenced color transmissions on Dec.20. The rest of the met is expected to be converted by 1962. France's other nets, A2 and FR3, are already full color. France uses the SECAM system.

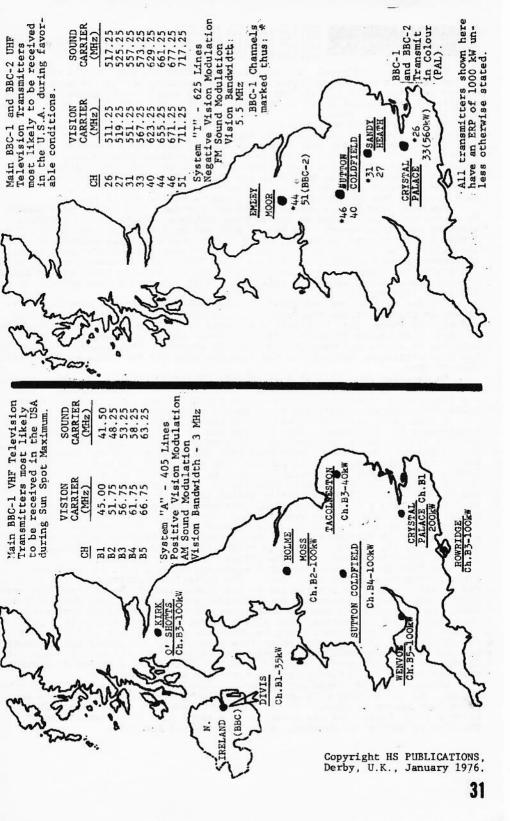
***** NEW DELHI, India -- The Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Vidya Charam Shukla, said that India would have color TV by June. The hurry seems to be occasioned by the fact that Pakistam has decided to change to color shortly.

*****DERBY, GREAT BRITAIN TVDXer KEITH HAMER writes that the big storm in January took some tile off his roof but didn't damage his antennas. " Over in the Netherlands, a large DX installation was completely ruined and several masts and aerials in the UK were damaged. A couple of weeks after the main storm another very strong wind blew up and caused a lot more havec throughout the country," (Wire services reported winds in excess of 100 m.p.hi -- KRS).

Keith sends along maps and listing of the BBC and BBC2 stations he believes most likely to be seen in the U.S....Can anyone come up with modifications for an American TV to the British system?

All comment, clips from magazines, trade magazines etc appreciated.

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Happy 1976, everyone! I hope that conditions are good to you this year. My own personal interest in DXing has not diminished, but in the past year or so, my capacity to DX has all but vanished. My career aspirations have necessitated semi-annual moves to and from Toronto, where DX antennas still re-

main at my parents' home.

Some of you have written to me, and I have been remiss in my reply. There are a couple of reasons. The Canadian postal system has been hit by many strikes in the past year ... we were without mail for 6 weeks this fall; a letter from Bruce Elving mailed in Oct. 1975 arrived here January 1976. Canada has been undergoing some traumatic inflation-fighting legislation in the past few weeks. This will have two short-term effects: 1) The strike as a weapon of labour will be virtually ineffective. 2) Government cutbacks will severely cut growth of FM and TV stations in the public sector.

How will this have a bearing on DXing, you ask? The answer in a moment.

On a personal note, I hope to supply more accurate information on Canadian stations come this summer. In May, I will get my Law Degree, and during the summer I plan to move to Ottawa, where I will join the legal department of the CRTC...thus, our column will truly be CRTC-news-first-hand! At present, government budget trimming has led to fewer CRTC public announcements re new stations. The information which they now send out usually lacks ERP or AHAAT. I should have direct access to this info. I'll announce my new address in a VUD later this summer.

Getting back to our political science theories: Strikes have been prevalent in the industries supplying broadcasters. A strike in the guy-cable industry has meant that TVOntario's stations in Chatham and Windsor have been delayed. CBC French TV shall co-site on those towers when erected. Late word has it that the towers should be built shortly...the structural steel has been available, but only in the last few days did the cable become available to them.

On Saturday Jan. 17th at 6:30 PM EST, TVOntario began programming on Ch. 18 London and Ch. 28 Paris. ERP's are 20 kw and 200 kw respectively. They are translators of Ch. 19 Toronto (which was CICA, now CICO). They can originate their own color bars and IDs. Here's what happens:

A time clock will first turn Ch. 18 London on with color bars. That

transmitter has TVO supered over the red bar on the right side. It should run for 30 minutes daily. A clock will turn on Ch. 28 Paris shortly after Ch. 18 London. The Ch. 28 color bars have TVO supered over the lower black bar on the right bottom of the pattern. As soon as Ch. 28 comes on, Ch. 18 London's UHF antenna and demodulator pick up 28 off-air and re-transmit the Ch. 28 signal. Is this clear? Finally, Ch. 19 Toronto will take to the air, and Ch. 28 Paris will automatically switch to the Ch. 19 color bars; which, and Ch. 28 Paris will automatically switch to the Ch. 19 color bars; which, as I recall, don't have TVO on them. Therefore, if you DX any of these stations, you can tell if they are local or translating by the color bars' TVO. All programming is supplied from the Toronto Ch. 19. No microwave is used, except to Ch. 24 Ottawa, which in theory could have separate programming from Ch. 19, 18, and 28. TVOntario seldom IDs and no longer mentions call letters, just the channels and the cities.

The TVOntario transmitters at Chatham and Windsor will be the final

links in the network for many years. The inflation-fighting measures alluded to earlier in this article led to the suspension of the construction permits by the Ontario government for TVOntario outlets at Thunder Bay and Sudbury. Applications for many more stations which had been filed were withdrawn before public hearing. The severe budget cuts may last up to 3 years, so I would guess that there won't be TVOntario expansion for at least that

so I would guess that there won't be TVOntario expansion for at least that length of time. TVO was also under fire recently by the commercial networks because TVO's programming is no longer "educational" in the strict sense. It is perhaps more attractive than PBS, and TVO ratings are a threat to private stations during the Saturday night 4-hour film extravaganzas.

DX-wise, Ch. 28 should get out well. Despite its 200 kw, it pounds into London..it is co-sited with CKGN Ch. 6 (Global)—that station has been seen often last season by DXers. Ch. 18 London, despite its "flea-power" 20 kw, is on a 1000' tower, and the tower is on a super hill just west of London. The site is subject to ducting...I've DXed there a few times.

MARCH 1976 CANADIAN REPORT

The CBC French network expansion on UHF should start transmitting by about March 1st. They are co-sited with Chs. 28 and 18, their buildings are now up, and equipment is being installed. They are co-sited with TVO at Chatham and Windsor, so they don't have a tower up as of this writing. CBC French network expansion in Eastern Ontario should have been affected by budget cutbacks, as they were to co-site with cancelled TVO stations, but those CBC projects might still be going ahead. In fact, CBC French TV applications were filed for Victoria, B.C., where no one speaks French! These UHF applications are stirring up the press because of the Government austerity program.

C.N. TOWER NEWS

Equipment is now being installed at the tower, but antenna problems have arisen with the dual channel 19/25 installation. Engineers guesstimate late February test transmissions for UHF. An agreement between Chs. 5,9,19,25 and 79 stipulate that they all begin programming from C.N. simultaneously, so technical delays for one station will mean delays for all. The UHF stations will use their old transmitters in parallel with their new transmitters, so initially Chs. 19 and 25 will not operate with full ERP.

FM starts will be delayed until April or May. The FM antenna will acco-

modate all Toronto assigned frequencies, so much late-night testing is expec-

ted before programming starts.

ODDS 'N' SODDS

CBC-FM Network Stereo stations now transmit "3-D" sound Sunday nights at 10:03 local time. "Best Seat in the House" uses the new Kunstkopf technique. The Kunstkopf is an artificial head sculpted of black rubber in the nique. The Kunstkopr is an artificial head sculpted of black rubber in the likeness of a human head. It has ears and auditory canals which lead into chambers where 2 mini-condensor mikes are mounted in the position where the eardrums would be in the human head. As with the human head, the system has the same ability to pick up the surrounding sound, above and below. Best listener results occur with "open-air" headphones, e.g. Senheiser HD 414's. Monitoring with speakers will not give the 3-D perspective. Thus, expensive

quad equipment is unnecessary; a cheap stereo set with Kunstkopf will suffice The CBC series includes concerts and plays. The technique is superb.

SCA to be Available to the Public? That is the question we ask following the first round of CRTC hearings for new FM licenses. The "freeze" which has lasted more than 10 years has ended. Many hopefuls lined up in Toronto last week seeking some of the available channels. The applications fell into the various format categories; i.e. Progressive Rock, Community Access, MOR, and All News. Most interesting was a proposal for a nationwide FM stereo network running "Newswheel" news and public affairs 24 hours a day. They would broadcast on 67 KHz SCA with commercial "television" data. The news info would be coded and sent out on SCA. All CATV companies, have character info would be coded and sent out on SCA. All CATV companies, have character generators; they could decode the SCA signal and run it through the character generator. The decoded information would include "print" commercials. The radio network would sell "print" commercials for the SCA broadcasts. CATV operators would not have to pay to use the SCA material, and the public could also use the SCA channel info. This system in time could revolutionize the "newspaper." All you'd need is a tape recorder which has a frequency range of 5 KHz, hooked to a SCA demodulator. You could record the info for playback through a character generator at a later time. My bet is that a character generator with a VHF TV output would retail for under \$100...the Magnavox and Atari TV games are probably more complex than a character encoder. We'll keep you posted on the FM hearings, and more particularly the Canadian News keep you posted on the FM hearings, and more particularly the Canadian News Radio application.

LASTLY...

The headline read, "FCC Finding: Legal to Jam Signals, U.S. Stations Told." The Buffalo, N.Y. stations WGR, WBEN and WKBW have applied to the FCC to jam their signals in the direction of Canada. This follows a CRTC order to delete commercials from the U.S. channels whenever they are sent out over CATV. The Buffalo outlets want to jam in retaliation for the \$9.5 million they might lose annually in Canadian ad revenue due to CATV deletion CANADIAN REPORT MARCH 1976

The Buffalo stations have applied for a 500' tower on the of commercials. coast of Lake Ontario. It would transmit a blank carrier in the direction of Toronto and Canada on Chs. 2,4, and 7. The cost would be \$281,250 with annual operating costs of \$85,000. The jammer would create a heavy zero offset in its path if one tried to receive the primary transmitters. the primary signals would be virtually unintelligible.

FCC Chief Engineer Ray Spence said: "After our initial surprise, we have done a legal search, and apparently we can issue the licenses." He made that statement on Nov. 13th. At the time of this writing, the FCC has not issued a jamming license. On Jan. 14th, the FCC held talks with CRTC and DOC officials. The reception which the FCC got was cool, to say the least, and the bet is that further talks will be held on the matter. Thus, the Buffalo TV stations aren't likely to get their "experimental license" for a few months.

cense" for a few months.

What the jammer would do is to make DXing difficult. Imagine the blank carrier received via Es--or MS. There would be no IDs...it would not be a useful broadcast service. I suggest that you air your opposition to VHF jammers in letters to the FCC. The Canadian authorities have little to say in the matter. CATV men laugh, and say that they will use antenna phasing or microwave transmissions of alternate U.S. sources, e.g. the Detroit VHF's. With monthly revenues in the millions of dollars, Ontario CATV men could afford to receive U.S. signals in British Columbia, transmit them by ANTK satford to receive U.S. signals in British Columbia, transmit them by ANIK satellite to Toronto, and still turn a profit.

Engineers for Telsat Canada (and ANIK) have announced a new digital transmission method which would allow transmission of several TV signals over the frequency spectrum now used for one TV signal on the satellites. The quality is slightly noisier than the normal ANIK signals, but signal to noise is probably superior to conventional CATV distant over-the-air Thus, nationwide CATV via satellite may just be weeks reception of VHF TV. away. For an excellent article on satellite TV, see Bob Cooper's CATV ma-

gazine, October 1975.

On that topic: CTS, the Canadian Technology Satellite, was launched by NASA on January 17th, 1976. This satellite will be instrumental in proving the usefulness of home-TV direct from space. CTS is the most powerful space-craft to date with a 200 watt ERP signal in the 11.7 to 12.2 GHz band. There will be two 85 MHz pass bands for transmitting in the above range with recep-

tion of ground signals in two 85 MHz bands between 14 and 14.3 GHz.

I am now receiving more info on CTS almost daily, so an in-depth article will be forthcoming shortly. For now, I will mention that U.S. experimenters will be participating in CTS, so I hope to get the names and addresses of U.S. participants so that some of you can observe the CTS programme. The CTS experiments will begin this spring with direct reception to home TVs using 32-inch antennas! There will be several hours of TV broadcasts in

July and August on a daily basis...so any of you with 12 GHz equipment might forego August Es and try something really challenging.

Finally, CKCO Ch. 42 Oil Springs, Ont. claims to be 1750 kw, but they are highly directional. They have almost no signal here in London, N.E. of their site; but 10 miles south of London, in St. Thomas, they are received well by DXer Roger Gravelle. Tony Ward has observed Ch. 42 in his car and

confirms their highly directional beam.

Retyped & edited by C. Ingram Until next time, 73's and good DX.

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TV CCI AIDS

March 1976

Steve West 432 Kenmore Road Havertown. Pa. 19083

Deadline: 10th

The CCI Aids column is back! Just take a look at the new format! The CCI Aids column is back! Just take a look at the new format. The column is now primarily for low band VHF's, and the purpose is to help identify stations received for a short time by E-Skip or Meteor Shower. (Most UNID's) The information given is more or less the personality of the stations, which may help identify them without actually seeing or hearing them identify. Please send in information on your local stations, I'm sure most of you faithful DXers already know the information on your locals, so send it in:

KDKA-TV 2 Pittsburgh. Pa.

Miscellaneous: DC ssb used, also High Flight, KDKA's devotional is Daily Sermonette. KDKA-TV2W

Test Pattern: None; ID slide run
From 0550-0555 EST all week

Test Pattern: None; ID slide run
Anchormer: Byewitness News
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WMAR-TV 2 Baltimore. Maryland

Sign/on: Q630

Sign/off: 0135

Test Pattern

Used almost always before signon from 0600 to 0630, never seen any other time, 3/4th color bars used at same times, 9 2-3 UNID.



Station ID's: "The Newswatch station, WMAR-TV 2, Baltimore" Newswatch 2 at 11" "The Newswatch station" News name: Newswatch 2 Newsmen: Bill Burton, Susaw white,

STO KERR Movie names: Sunday Big Movie, A picture for a Sunday afternoon Miscellaneous: ID's are usually promos for shows with no mention of call letters, logo is small in lower right hand corner. Public Service announcements have "This time donated by WMAR-TV" in a box supered on lower part of screen.

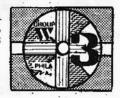


KYW-TV 3 Philadelphia, Pa.

Sign/on: 0600, 0630 Sundays

Sign/off: 0215, 0300 weekends

Test Pattern modified CBE, 0500-sign on; occasionally during night



Station ID.s: "Join Mort and Jessica for Newswatch 5:30" "KYW,TV 3, Philadelphia" "Eyewitness news at 5:30, 6, and 11" "See Mike at 4 on 3" News: Eyewitness News (12, 6, & 11) Newswatch 5:30 (5:30pm)
Newsmen: Vince Lenard, Mort Crim,
Jessica Savitch, Bill Kustard (W) Orien Reid, Al Meltzer (S) Movie names: Sunday Showtime, Cinema 3, The Sunday Night Movie Miscellaneous: Promos for Mike Douglas and Eyewitness News a lot, with their 3 in the lower right corner.

TW CCI AIDS

WTAR-TV 4 Pittsburgh, Pa.

Sign/on: 0630 EST all week

Test Pattern: none; ID slide run with tone from 0630-0645 EST.



Station ID's: "Channel 4. your Action News station" News name: Channel 4 Action News Anchormen: Paul Long, Don Cannon Movie names: Million Dellar Movie, The Rege Cordic Super Friday Movie, The Rege Cordic Sunday Afternoon Movie. Miscellaneous: FMH ssb used. devotional is "Meditations"

WJAC-TV 6 Johnstown, Pa.

Sign/on: 0630 Mon-Fri, 0730 Sat, 0800 Sundays

Test Patterns: UNID 3/4 CB 7-2 run 0630-0700 Mon-Friday 0730-0800 Saturdays, 0800-0830 Sundays, Wedge TP seen rarely.

Miscellaneous: DC ssb used, no devotional.

WPVI-TV 6 Philadelphia, Pa.

Sign/on: 0600, 0630 Sundays

Sign/off: Approximatly 45 mins. after ABC programing.

Test Pattern:



ID slide used 5:15 to sign/on. hardly ever in the middle of the night.

Station ID's: "WJAC-TV, Johns-town, Berring millions from atop the Alleghenies." News names: 11th Hour News, The

News Today, Weekend Report Anchormen: Ron Stevenson, Ron

Lorence

WJAC - TV IOHNSTOWN

Station ID's: "Larry Kane and Gwen Scott tonight at 5:30" "Channel 6, WPVI TV, Philadel-phia" "WPVI TV, Philadelphia" News: Action News (12, 5:30, 6, 11)

Newsmen: Larry Kane, Gwen Scott, Jim O'Brian (W) Joe Peligrino (S) Movie names: Million Dollar Movie, Matinee Movie Miscellaneous: ID'S are usually promos for news or movie with a small picture ID shown.









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MARCH 1976

The TV Guide Regional Office in New York City has agreed to supply WTFDA members with Off-sale editions on the receipt of a stamped-addressed envelope. They are responsible for the New York Metro edition. Their address is 1290 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019,

The TV Guide Regional Office in Lakewood OH has also agreed to supply Off-sale editions for a stamped-addressed envelope providing the quantities do not get too large to handle for them. The Cleveland edition which they handle has been split into three editions. The new Cleveland Metro edition has schedule information for Cleveland editions. The new Cleveland Metro edition has schedule information for Cleveland channels 3,5,8,25,& 13. Akron channel 23 is also included. The Youngstown-Erie edition has information for Cleveland 3,5,8,25,13, Youngstown 21,27,33, Erie 12,21,35,51, Steubenville 9, Wheeling 7, Akron 23, Canton 17, Alliance 15, Pittsburgh 2, London 10, & Hamilton 11. The Northern Ohio edition has Cleveland 3,5,8,25,13, Columbus 1,6,10, Toledo 11,13,21,30, Lima-Bowling Green 35,57, Steubenville 9, Wheeling 7, Akron 23, Canton 17, Zanesville 18, Detroit 50, & Windsor 9. Their address is Lakewood Center North, 14600 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood OH 14107.

There have been some changes in other TV Guides reported. Any changes in your local editions should be reported for publication in TV-CCI. I also plan to present next month a list of non TV Guide publications that have schedule information not contained in any TV Guide edition.

I would like to thank members Clarke Ingram, Eric Engelberg, Jim Could, & Ron LeBlanc for sending in more information for my station list.

Bill Thompson, 1907 Seneca St., Buffalo, NY 14210 (1975 & 1976 unids) Sat Aug 9 Es ch 6 1921 EDT -- Syndicated "Hee-Haw" 20 khs thru CKGN-6. WLBT-3 at 1900, chief suspect is WBRC-6.

Sun Nov 9 Es ch 2 2258 EST -- End PBS "Firing Line" 10 khz CCI thru WCR = 2. PBS logo noted after program end but signal faded down just before D. PTA: South & Southeast US. Chief

suspects are WDIQ-2 (+) and WMAB-2 (-) Fri Nov 28 MS ch 2 0600 EST-3/4 CB (7-6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -s+) to south. A few good bursts were noted, and this beat Ø with KDKA-2, making the unid a definite

minus. WFMI-2? WESH-2? see photo A. Def. WESH (Ing) Fri Dec 12 MS ch 6 0643 EST-Slide or card "ACTION NEWS 6" with "MORNING SHOW" on the middle; May have been additional words on left side of

Sun Jan 4 MS ch 3 0218 EST--"NFL Highlights", antenna W.)

MS ch 5 0651 EST--"HTL Highlights", antenna W.)

MS ch 5 0651 EST--"HTP, seemed due West. Many good bursts noted until about 0700. I'm not certain but this may have been lokhz to WENG-5. WOI-5? Doubt it, they use BE-TP (Ingram)

MS ch 4 0735 EST--ID slide with call letters "???? TV" on top of triangle,

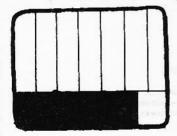
which appeared to contain logo, which was not recognized. Antenna: West. See photo C.

MS ch 4 0758 EST -- "Faith for Today", antenna SW.

Mon Jan 5 MS ch 2 0159 EST -- "ABC Weekend News" w/Bill Beutel delayed from the 2300 CDT met airing on Sunday Jan. 4 Antenna SSW.

Sun Jan 11 Es ch 5 0321 EST-Movie "Tall Story" w/Jane Fonda, Anthony Perkins. At 0326, break in movie for promo for the "FBT" running Monday-Friday on the unid. WCHD-2 positive a few minutes later . WCSC-5 WAGA-5? HIGH PRIORITY: unusual aurorainduced opening, opening, either suspect would be new.

Bill Thompson continued.

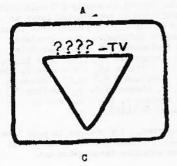




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This is the logo used by the cable commercial network. This logo is from and ad for "KOZY" cable TV ch. 4 in Eugene OR.



The list of regional TV Guide offices with a three letter code was formed from a list of codes Clarke Ingram and I made. These codes can be used in place of the numbers used by TV Guide as with the addition of new editions the number code changes. This three latter code can be used to remedy the problem.

UNIDS IDS

Bill Thompson sent in the information below for unids that were in the December TV-CCI.

Ron LeBlanc, Jun 16 ? ch 5 (page 35 photo "C") that looks very similar to an ID slide I saw KYCU-5 use last summer on two occasions.

Ken Simon, May 25 (1973), Es ch 2 1720 EDT, WGR-2 has been running a movie 1600-1800 weekdays which has a host who stends in front of a set similar to the one described (the middle of a big dollar bill). However they call this "The Money Movie" but it might be mistook for a "Dialing for Dollars type show, as the hosts phones viewers during breaks in the film, and asks them questions about the movie (title, stars, etc.) and about how much money they have in the jackpot. Many stations .s use the "Dialing for Bollars" format, and many also may have "Money Movies".

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PGH Pittsburgh Metro PHX Phoenix PNY Pennsylvania-New York State

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Western New York State WNY West Texas WTX West Virginia WVA Western Ontario WON Western Washington WHA

Youngstown-Erie





With this month's TV CCI I have been editor for one year. I would like to thank everyone who in the last year have contributed to TV CCI and that the next year will be a great one for DX.

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Until next month 73's Unante

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DX GET-TOGETHER...is being hosted by BARF (Bay Area Radio Freaks) on March 27-28. The site is the Hotel Raphael on 386 Geary Street, in downtown San Francisco. Further details may be obtained by writing to BARF Publicity Person Charles A. Wolff at 4911 Proctor Road, Castro Valley, CA 94546.

ALL-NIGHT MOVIES...will be featured in an article by TV QSL editor Paul Traska if enough information is gathered. Paul specifically needs to know the following details of any all-night movies in your area: (1) what channel; (2) what night or nights are they aired; (3) what the title (if any) of the movie program is. Please send this information to Paul at his address on page 22.

NOTES OF NOTE... Ken Simon's "International Notes" premieres in this issue with a super feature on BBC stations from Keith Hamer. Ken doesn't know if he can support the column on a regular basis, but he welcomes your contributions..."Bob's Tek-Notes" returns after a two-year absence this month with details of the NOAA Radio program.

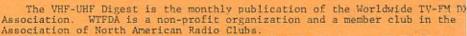
73, Clarke Ingram for Peter Oprisko, John Zondlo, and Mike Hogan

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