

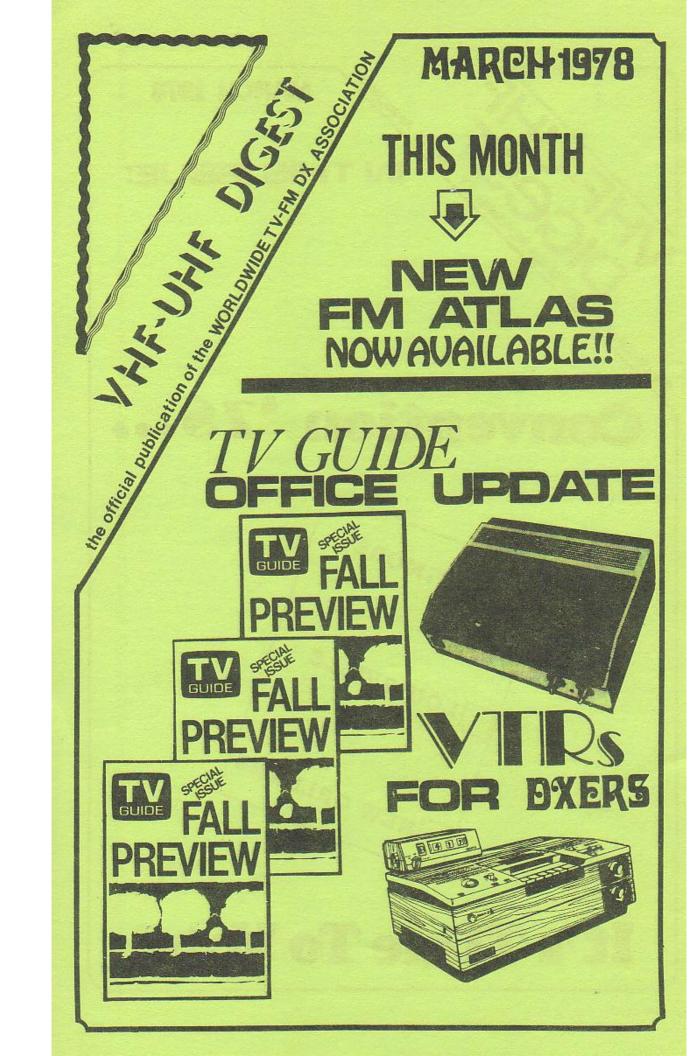
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Convention '78...



It's Time To Vote!



FROM THE STAFF

WTFDA HQ, po box 202, whiting, in 46394

CONVENTION 1978...Since the delay in getting the convention ballots has caused a a delay in publishing the results all members are asked to mail them in now. Will it be Louisville? New Orleans? Baltimore? The membership must decide now! Results will be printed next month.

FM DX COLUMNS...The new editors for the NORTHERN and SOUTHERN FM DX columns will be announced next month! DXers in both areas are now asked to send editor Frank Aden, Jr. their FM reports for next month as they will then be forwarded to the new editors.

CCI...Bill Draeb is the new editor for CCI. All unidentified DX should be sent to him for the April VUD. Lets all give him the support awarded former CCI editor Frank Aden. Jr. Bill's address is: Ellis St., R.R. #2, Kewaunee, WI 54216.

EASTERN TV-DX...EASTERN TV-DX will not appear this issue due to the intense storm activity causing delays in editor Bill Thompson's work in collecting reports. Bill reports only three members had sent in DX reports. EASTERN TV-DX should return next month. All eastern TV DXers are asked to send in their reports in time for the April column.

NEW CCLUMNS?... Volunteers are now needed to work in collecting station information for a new TV CCI AIDS column. Members will be asked to donate some postage as the work will involve writing TV stations in their regions. If enough support is received a revised TV CCI AIDS column may return. Volunteers are asked to write Frank Aden, Jr.

TRANSLATOR GUIDE...At least three more volunteers are needed to organize data for the new WTFDA TRANSLATOR GUIDE. The new edition will not only contain US UHF translators but also VHF translators and Canadian LPRTs! Those interested are asked to write Frank Aden, Jr.

WESTERN TV-DX...The new editor, Bill Block, reports his new address is 9307 SE Clay, Portland CR 97216. Bill will take over WESTERN TV-DX in May. Reports for April should still be sent to Doug Everitt.

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MAILBOX

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Mechanicsburg, PA 17055 Princeton, FL 33032 Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6E4 Chicago, IL 60651

Renewals:

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Renewals Due in April:
Robert Baker, Bill Block, Philip Boersma, Andy Bolin, Edward Cotton, John Czarnomski, Richard Eddie, Eric Fader, William Feidt, Jerry Franklin, Robert Conter, William Grant, Roger Gravelle, Michel Cuzzi, Harry Hayes, Robert Heckenlively, Hank Holbrook, William Johnson, James L. Lamb, Ron LeBlanc, Robert McGowan, Steve Rich, William Ronecker, Cary Simpson, Peter Skinner, Jim Sokol, Martin Starr, Mahlon Stilwell, William Thompson, Lee Vulgamott, William Welch, David Williams.

Postal employee JOHN BAUMGARTEN is also a member of IRCA. His antenna setup is impressive, with a Winegard CH8100 and an AC 8230 preamp for VHF and a Winegard CH9095 and AC4990 preamp for UHF.

DAVE GARVEY is a private detective who's into TV, BCB, SW, PSB, and FM DXing. He uses an Electrovoice FM receiver and a Heath scanner, and has a 19" Zenith color TV with antenna mounted on a 40' tower.

Remember Paul Mount's get-together, mentioned in the VUD a few months ago' Well, that's where CHRIS HANSEN received information on the club. He's a member of SPEEDX, NASWA, NRC, and ASWLC. His interests include shortwave, BCB, and FM (especially SCA). He has a Scott receiver and an Eico SCA adapter and rabbit ears antenna.

adapter, and rabbit ears antenna.

The DX shack of BOB LAFORE includes a Motorola stereo receiver and a 9 element beam at 45 feet. Bob is an 18 year old student who also belongs to IRCA and ANDEX.

Member Bill Hepburn convinced DOUG LONG to join the club. Doug uses a 10" black and white TV with a built in VHF whip and a home brew UHF antenna. His log stands at 105 stations after 6 months of DXing.

GEORGE MATYASZEK is a PSB DXer, primarily interested in UHF radio. He uses a Bearcat 210 and a Yaesu FR-1015, and learned of the club through Communications World.

Tidbits.....

Charles George informs us that there is a new, all-band, DY club being started in the Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas area. There's a newsletter and certificates for members. Dues are about \$5, according to Charles. For information, write to Allen Newton, 616-C Arcadia #409, Hurst, TX 76503.

From Vernon Eaton we have word that Channel Master has plenty stacking harnesses available for FM antennas. The harnesses are mentioned in a flyer that comes with their Stereo Probe 9 antenna, but most stores do not have them. If you're interested, have your local dealer contact Channel Master and order stock number 0055. Vernon says they have 165 harnesses at their Ellendale NY warehouse. He's had good results with the stacked antennas, as he's logged 55 of the 65 FM stations in the state of Arkansas.

Good to see <u>Les Prus</u> back in the club! Les has been out of the club for two years, and has moved from Kansas to Michigan. He uses a Heathkit 12" black and white TV without an outdoor antenna. Les' sister, Wanda, designed the mailbox logo for this column.

Well, that's it for this month....keep those cards and letters coming in folks.....see y'all next month.....jz

Bruce F. Elving, Editor 18 1/2 East Fifth Street Duluth MN 55805

New Stations Granted

CA Borrego Springs *88.9 10 watts. Schools. CA Dunsmuir and Mount Shasta K200BH 105.5 \$1 g (translator of KVIP-FM 98.1 Redding CA). CA Lake Arrowhead 103.9 38 watts horizontal and vertical; 2541'; 15 mi primary; 28 mi. secondary coverages. CA Red Bluff 95.9 280 h,v; 1010' CA Yreka K292BB 106.3 \$, q (KVIP-FN 98.1)10v CO Rifle K296BB 107.1 (KQIX 93.1 Grand Junction CO translator; 10 watts); also [25] serving Anvil Points from 39-32-05;108-57-FL Jensen Beach 107.1 3000 h.v; 300'; m; an initial decision, subject to reversal. FL Vero Beach 105.5 3000 h.v; 3001; r; also an initial decision, subject to reversal. IA Clear Lake 103.1 3000 h,v; 300'; m IA Forest City 102.3 3000 h,v; 300'; m --IA Sioux City *88.3 10 Morningside Coilege KS Clay Center 100.9 2900 h.v; 250": KCLY & KY Falmouth 95.3 3000 h,v; 300' /ON THE AIRT LA Alexandria 93.1 100000 h.v; 790'; r MN Brainerd 106.7 100000 h.v; 4481; m MN ETY K280AT 103.9 K280AT \$, r (WAKX-FM 98.9 Duluth MN translator); I, 10 watts MN Forest Lake 95.9 3000 h,v; 300'; mk MN Pequat Lakes KTIG 100.1 3000 h,v; 300'gc MN Peterson (43-47-10; 91-49-16) K257A199.3 \$, U, q (NWIB 103.7 Ladysmith WI), 10 w. MT Baker K280AQ 103.9 \$. mk (KRCS 93.1 Sturgis SD translator); 1 watt (46-16-30; 104-13-30 for you geographic freaks!). MT Broadus K249AM 97.7 \$, mk (KRCS 93.1)1* NE Scottsbluff 92.9 100000 h,v; 740'; m NV North Spring Valley (40-19-22; 114-33-39) K288BI 105.5 \$, m (KSFI 100.3 Salt Lake City UT). KSF1 new call letters for KSt-FM, and this change affects all 42 KSFI translators, plus one application for a new KSF1 translator, Keeps \$, m. [Inc. NM Alamogordo 105.5 3000 h,v; -625' KINN,/ NM Bayard KLCJ 92.7 3000 h,v; 133'; m OH Ironton W237AC 95.3 %, g (WEMM 107.9 Huntington WV 1-watt FM translator). A resurrection of a previous grant that deleted. Was W237AB. For some strange reason, FCC did not assign the unused W237AB call letters (or as they call it "call sign"), but chose to dub this outlet "#237AC."

08 Ashland 101.7 3000 h,v; -3101; m DR Coquille 102.3 3000 h,v; 17'

SD Bison K249AN 97.7 (KRCS 93.1) 1 watt

SD Dupree K249AL 97.7 " " SD Pierre K249A0 97.7 " " ":

This is the South Dakota's capital's first local FM! Ien watta

SD Rapid City KZ89AR 103.9 (KRCS 93.1); / IX Andrews 105.5 3000 h,v; 2101

IX Brady 95.3 3000 h,v; 55'

IX Dallas KCHU *90.9 100000 h,v; 790'; in reorganization; hopes to be on sometime in 1978

UI Hunricane K269AF 101.7 \$, mc (KDXU-FM 93.5 St. George UT); I network

VA Radford *89.9 10; Radford College WA Omak KOMW-FM 92.7 3000 h,v; -840' WA Yakima *91.9 18500 h.v; 920' NW Chiçano Radio

WY Dubois K292BA 105.3 (KTAK 93.5 Riverton WY); \$

WY Newcastle K296BD 107.1 (KOLL"-FM" 93.5 Gillette WY); r 1 w; \$, Y network WY Sundance K280AS 103.9 (KRCS 93.1 Sturgis SD); \$, mk; 1 watt BC Canal Flats (NE of Vernon) 120 watts horizontal; 787'; 11, 38 miles PQ Dolbeau 93.1 40000 h,v; 404'; CBC. PQ St-Georges-De-Beauce 96.7 84 h,v;-21" CBC-CBV (AM) relayer. MEXICO:

Chihuahua XHUA 90.1 100000: 600 meters Ciudad Camaroo CH 106.5 50000: 492' Ciudad Victoria 101.7 100000; 1969' Ciudad Juanez XHNZ 107.5 100000; 1968* Ensenada BJ XHAT"-FM" 101.1 50000; 4921

Hermosillo SO XHMV 93.9 100000; 1969' 100.3 50000 492"

Matamoras TA XEEW-FM 97.7 50000; 492' XHNA 105.9 3000; 295'

Monclova CO 107.1 50000; 4921 Monterrey NL 102.1 100000; 1966' (600 m) 103.7 100000 19691

XHMF 104.5 100000 1969' 106.1 100000 19691

XHMN 107.7 50000; 4921; r Nogales XHSN 106.7 100000; 1968* Nuevo Laredo XHNM 100.3 4000; 295' XHMW 102.3 3000: 295' -

Piedras Neoras CL 102.5 4000; 2951 XHNE 106.3 50000; 4921

Reynosa TA XHRT 95.3 2000; 2951 XHRV 103.3 3000 h,v; 295'

Saltillo CL XHSA 100.9 3000; 295' San Luis [Rio Colorado] 106.3 50000; 492' in the state of SO.

Tijuana BJ 102.5 400; 164'

On Air and DX Ready (presumed)

AK Nome KICY-FM 100.3 84 h.v; 40';\$, gm AZ Prescott KNOT-FM\$98.3 3000 h.v: 175' CA fallbrook KAVO 107.1 3000 h.v; 300" CA Indio KCMS 103.1 525 h,v; 6281 CA Monte Rio KRJB 97.7 450 h,v; 780' CA Pacific Grove KAZU *90.3 10; \$, ih, v; 300' variety FL Green Cove Springs WKUE 92.7 3000/ FL Orlando WGAG"-FM" *89.3 10 watts GA Glennville WKIG 106.3 3000 h.v: 300' IA Sioux City KWIT *90.3 100000 h,v; 9221: Stereo

KS Derby KDAB 95.9 \$, rack; 3000 h,v;

300'; 24 hours, non-ids as "K-96." KS Dodge City KTTL 93.9 100000 h.v: 566' KY Greensburg WGRK-FM 103.1 2750 h: 175':mk LA Many KWLV 107.1 3000; 300' LA Sulphur KLQQ 100.9 3000 h.v; 300'; r ME Monticello WXMN *89.5 10 watts [1080] ME Presque Isle WMEM *106.1 100000h,v; / MA Holyoke WCCH *89.5 10 watts MA Marshfield WATD 95.9 3000 h,v; 2451; m and variety, monophonic; talking book SCA MA Pittsfield WTBR *89.5 10; rp MI Escanaba WFNN 104.7 100000 h.v:345'; \$. r; "Fun-104," non-identification used. MI Monroe WEJY *89.5 10 MI West Branch WBMI 105.5 3000 h,v; 3001; mk MN Pine City WCMP-FM 92.1 3000 h.v: 2901: \$, k, E; transmitter 11 km n. at Beroum MN MS Centreville WZZB 104.9 3000 h.v; 300' ks MO Monett KKBL 95.9 3000 h,v; 270'; m MO Overland KRSH *90.1 10 -- try for this one, St. Louis-area DXers! NE Alliance KFAH 92.1 3000 h.v; 300' NM Aztec KWYK-FM 94.9 30000 h,v; 430' SCA. NY Attica (Batavia) WBTF 101.7 1250 h.v. 440'; \$ km (75% country); no network NY Utica WPNR"-FM" *90.7 10; p NC Fayetteville MFSS *88.1 10 NC Shallotte WDZD 93.5 3000 h.v; 300'; k NC Wilmington WLOZ *91.3 10: pr OK Edmend KOKF *90.9 10 OK Goodwell KPSU *91.7 380: 1201: variety PA Millersville WIXO *91.7 10 PA State College WILR *89.9 100000 h.v;450* IX Copperas Cove KODV 103.1 25000 h.v; 320'; \$, k; E (ABC Entertainment network) IX Plains KPLN"-FM" *90.7 10 VA Richmond NDCE *90:1 10 watts MV New Martinsville WKG1 103.9 \$, auto-

On Air With Changes (selected) 300 AL Muscle Shoals WLAY-FM 105.5 3000 h.v:/ CA Bishop KiOQ 100.7 1000 h,v; 2960'[1200' CA San Francisco KKHI-FM 95.7 8600 h.v: / FL Boynton Beach WHRS *90.7 (from *91.7); 33500 h,v; 1951 [1600: 115] FL Titusville MP10 *89.3 (from 89.9); /

mated rock; power changed to 3000 h,v;

IL Plano WSPY 107.1 3000 h,v; 300'

KY Jamestown WJRS"-FM" 104.9 2000: 350' (having moved from 103.1)

MD Baltimore WDJQ 104.3 50000 h.v; 430' NY New Rochelle WRTN 93.5 2400 h,v; 3301; \$tereo, m (oldies)

NC Wilmington WHSL 97.3 100000 h,v; 560* OK Oklahoma City KKNS 92.5 100000 h.v;900' SC Laurens MGXL 100.5 100000 h.v; 760'

WV Bluefield WHAJ 104.5 83000 h.v. 1200'. WV Clarksburg WVHF"-FM" 92.7 620 watts h.v; 670'.

Deletions

MN Blue Earth KBEW-FM 100.9; now it is "officially" deleted. NH Nashua WOTW-FM 106.3, but still on air; interim applications filed, so doubtful station will leave the air.



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FCC-FM
  VA Virginia Beach 94.9; an initial deci-
   sion sent back to FCC hearing.
  WA Longview KLVR *90.3
  MEXICO, Ciudad Victoria, Tans. XEBJ-FM
   92.1.
  Facilities Changes Granted
  AL Birmingham WQEZ 96.5 100000 h.v: 890'
  AR Fort Smith KXXI 100.9 2150 h.v. 360'
  CA Carmel KLRB 101.7 800 h.v; 590*
  CA Glendale KUIE 101.9 690 h.v: 27801
  CA Los Altos KFJC *89.7 108w: 1390'
  CA Mission Viejo KSBR *88.5 600 h.v: 600'
  CA Nubieber K276AK 103.1 moves to 95.9:
  calls to K240AG. CA Weaverville K276AM
  103.1 to 107.1, calls to K296BF.
 CO Greeley KGRE to move from 92.3 to 92.5
 CT Middlefield "90.5 2500 h,v; 580' ETV.
 CI Waterbury WWYZ 92.5 presumably deletes
  its use of a directional antenna.
 GA Atlanta WREK *91.1 40000 h.v; 340*
 GA Savannah WXLM 97.3 adds vertical (v)
 GA Rockmart WZOT 107.1 220' (3000 h.v)
 GA Waycross WLTE 102.5 510' (100000 h.v)
 HI Wailuku KAO1 95.1 50000 h.v (1230')
 ID Moscow KUID *91.7 has vertical
 IL Bloomington WBNQ 101.5 adds v
 IL Crest Hill WCCQ 98.3 285' (3000 h.v)
 IL Kankakee WBYG 99.9 50000 h.v; 500' DA
 IL Winnebago WYFE 95.3 1000 h.v: 510*
 IN Gaston WOHS is apparently *91.1, and
  not *90.9; 10 w; r; monophonic.
 IA Des Moines KGGO 94.9 285' (100000 h.v)
 KY Campbellsville WTCO-FM 103.9 3000 h,v;
  3001
 LA Lafayette KSMB 94.5 50000 h.v: (350').
 MI Ypsilanti WEMU *89.1 (from 88.1).
 16000 watts horizontal only; directional
  antenna, sending only 500 watts to the
  east where Detroit is, to protect 88.7
  in Windsor, Ontario. I calculate the
 coverages of this all-jazz stereo sta-
 tion as 7, 27 miles to the east; 16 miles
 primary and 50 miles secondary in the
 other directions. 150' above average
 terrain.
MN Minneapolis KTIS-FM *98.5 adds v
MN Rochester KNXR 97.5 93000 h.v (620')
MO St. Louis KEZK 102.5 100000 h.v (450*)
NE Wayne KTCH-FM 104.9 300' (3000 h.v)
NJ Paterson MPAI-FM 93.1 4000 h.v; 1370*
 (reduces coverages to 30, 69 miles)
NY Gouverneur WLUF 92.7 adds v
NY Smithtown MCTO 94.3 280' (3000 h.v)
NC Roanoke Rapids WPGT *90.1 760 h.v: 175
MC Wilmington WAAV 102.7 100000 h.v: 370*
OH Cleveland WGAL 104.1 7100 h.v; 1080!
OH Wellston WKOV-FM 96.7 adds v. $tereo.
Oh Youngstown WSRD 101.1 50000 h.v: 125'
OK Oklahoma City KEBC 94.7 100000 h.v:4401
PA CaliforniaWVCS *91.9 3000 h.v; 160':
 from 10 watts!
PA Erie NLVU 99.9 has v
PA Lock Haven #BPZ-FM 92.1 230' (3000h.v)
PA Oil City WRJS 98.5 310' (3400 h); m; $
PA Philadelphia WIOQ 102.1 30000 h,v(6501)
TN Johnson City WETS *89.5 v; SCA is for
 telemetry only.
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TX Diboll KSPL-FM 95.5 50000 h,v; 330*

TX El Paso KLOZ 102.1 57000 (h): 11901

TX Lubbock KLLL-FM 96.3 100000 h,v (5401)

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V7 Springfield WCFR-FM 93.5 260' (3000h,v)j ME Springvale WNCY *91.1 pc MA Easton WSHL
VT Windsor WVPA to be *89.5 1250 h.v.
 2160' (not Colchester VI as originally
 announced); $tereo, cj: to be WVPP.
VA Crewe WSVS-FM 104.7 40000 h. 450', but
 with an auxiliary transmitter having
 5000 h,v; the only station in the world
 known to have vertical polarization for
 its auxiliary transmitter but not for
 its main transmitter.
VA Norfolk WIGM *89.5 23000 h,v; 630'
WA Spokane KREM-FM 92.9 57000 h,v; 2090*
PR Viegues 1sland WZVS 98.9 (750')50000h,v
BC Fort Fraser CBXR 102.9 1310' (115 h)
BC Crawford Bay 99.5 135 h.v; -479'
NS Halitax 90.5 711' (100000 directional,
ON Sault Ste. Marie CHAS 100,5 103' (3600/
PQ Longueuil CIEL 98.5 100000 h,v; 638*
SA La Ronge CBKA 105.9 (from 105.1)
MEXICO, Mexicali XHMMP (XHMMF?) 92.3
 18500 h,v; 1481
Monterrey NL XHSRO 92.5 27500 h.v; -201'
Nogales, Son. XHRZ 103.5 1940 h,v (-931)
Tijuana BJ XHTY 94.5 1600; 162'
          XHERS 104.5 617' (57255 h,v)
Formats/Networks
AL Mobile WHIL *91.3 rc: E #FL Coral Gab-
AL Troy WTSU *90.1 mc
                           iles WVUM *90.5
AR Arkadelphia KSWH *91.1 rlrp
AR Fort Smith KISR 93.7 A (drops U)
CA Los Angeles KXLU *88.9 pc |FL Pensacola
CA Stanford KZSU *90.1 pj
                              WAJB 107.3
                             m (not rm)
CT Fairfield WSHU *91.1 cp
CT Hamden WQAQ *88.3 pj
                              ID Moscow
CO Longmont KCDC *90.7 m
                             KU01*89.3p;L
FL Cocoa Beach WRKT 104.1 r (not m); says
 they have v, but I talked to a salesman,
 so I am not sure whether to believe it!
GA Chatsworth WOMT 99.3 r, $ (not k)
GA Gainesville WBCX *89.1 cp 'IL Lincoln
HI Waipahu KULA 92.3 Mutual | WLNX *91.1
IL Aurora WAUR 107.9 r (was m) jr; IL Lock-
IL Bloomington WESN *88.1 pj
                              port WLRA
                              *88.1 pr
IL Chicago WZRD *88.3 p
           WBH1 *88.5 r
                                signal")
           WCYC *88.7 r ("terrible /
           WLUP 97.9 ro
IL Decatur WJMU *89.9 pj
IL Greenville WGRN *89.3 mg (from pe)
IL Highland Park WVVX*-FM* 103.1 mg /
                            IN Bates-
IL Hinsdale WHSD *88.5 E
IL Monaguth WDRL 97.7 rm
                             wille WR81
IL Mt. Carmel WVJC *89.1 pr
                             103.9 r (not
           WYER-FM 94.9 m Inr); $tereo
IL Rock Island WVIK *91.1 p
IL Summit WARG *88.9 rp; $
IN Angola WEAX *86.3 pc; was to have come
 on the air Jan. 15; 4 pm to midnight.
IN Greencastle WGRE *91.5 U *KS Colby
IN Indianapolis WICR *88.7 pr KICC *91.9U
                WAJC*104.5 Mutual
IN Lafayette WXUS 93.5 (still on 92.7),
r (was nc)
                          LA Ruston KLPI
IN Notre Dame WSND *88.9 1 [*89.1 pc
IN Washington WFML$106.5 m (not k, or mr)
IA Mt. Vernon KRNL *89.7 pj IMD Arnold
KS Hiawatha KNZA 103.9 rm; $1 WACC *89.9 r
LA Lafayette KTDY 99.9 r (not mr)
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 MO Annapolis WRNV *89.7 p
                             *91.3 p
 MD Hagerstown WWMD 104.7 m (not r)
 MD Towson WCVT *89.7 U
 MD Williamsport WYII 95.9 N
 MA Bastan WEE1-FM 103.3 "strictly r," not/
 MA Brookline WBOS 92.9
                             MI Iranwood
 MA Newton WZBC *90.3 pr
 MA North Andover WMMC *90.5 p WUPM 106.9 rm,
 MA Salem WMWM *91.7 pj
                              some k; $.
 MA Taunton WRLM 93.3 m (not rm) MI Midland
 MA Worcester WCHC *89.1 r, UA INUGN 99.7 U
MI Adrian WVAC *88.1 Mutual
 MI Alpena WHSB 107.7 Y (from I) no stereo
MI Bloomfield Hills WBFH *88.1 rp
MI Dearborn WNIC 100.3 r (from rm):
   still Mutual? (Was WNIC-FM) MS Newton WGOT
 MI Kalamazoo WMUK *102.1 cp 106.3 N
MI Niles WAOR 95.3 rp
 MI Saginaw WKCQ 98.1 k (from kr)
 MN Collegeville KSJU *89.1 pj; claims 77
 watts (h); 460' for B, 29 miles' coverages,
 but with a ten-watt transmitter.
MN Crookston KCUM *91.7 M
MN Minneapolis KFAI *90.3 ej; some s; no $;
 vertical. To be on 16-24 hours daily.
MN Park Rapids KPRM-FM 97.5 mk: N. S.
MN St. Cloud KCLD-FM 104.7 r (not rm)
MN Thief River Falls KAVS *90.1 km
                                INC Davidson
MN Virginia WIRN 107.1 mr
                                WDAY *89.9pc
MO Buffalo KBFL *90.3 kr
MO Rolla KMNR *89.7 r (not mc) *NC Raleigh
                               MKNC *88.1 1
MO St. Charles KCLC *89.1 U
MO St. Louis KWMU *90.7 pc P (not PI)
NH Durham WUNH *91.3 A (from Y) JOH Bellaire
NJ Glassboro WGLS *89.7 |
                                WSHR *88.7r
                                OH Berea
NJ Trenton W8JH 101.5 N; m
NM Albuquerque KIPC *91.5 je
                               WBWC *88.3A
NM Santa Fe KAFE-FM 97.3 C
NY Binghanton WQYT 98.1 N (from 1)
NY Buffalo WWOL-FM 104.1 | OH Dayton WWSU
NY Henrietta WITR *8917 pj | 188.5 p
NY Oneonta WRHO *89.5 p
           WONY *90.9 p
NY Poughkeepsie WVKR *91.3 p | OH Mansfield
NY Rochester WRUR *88.5 pj; S IWCLW-FM 105.3
NY St. Bonaventure WSBU *88.3 p N.:OH Ober-
NY Stony Brook WUSB *90.1, U: $ ilin WOBC
NC Cullowhee WMCU *91.7 rp; M_ #88.7 |
OH Toledo WAMP *88.3 sr
                            PA Erie WERG
OH Westerville WOBN *91.5 rp [*89.9 pj; A
OH Wooster WWST-FM 104.5 U
                              PA Hunting-
OH Zanesville WHIZ-FM 102.5 mp Idon WKVR
OR Eagle Point KEPO *89.1 r (*91.7 p
OR Klamath Falls KJSN 92.5 k (was NBC's
NIS all-news service); monophonic.
OR McMinnville KSLC *90.3 p: M
PA Chambersburg WIKZ 95.1 r (not mr);
"Wick-Zee." PA Easton WJRH *90.5 A
PA East Stroudsburg WESS *90.3 p pA York
PA Lewisburg WVBU *90.5 P
                                MVYC*88.1
PA Lincoln University WLIU *88.7 js |rj
PA Montrose WPEL-FM 95.5 S SC Clemson WSBF
PA Scranton WVNW *91.5 p
                           1.89.3 pi
PA Shippensburg WSYC *88.7 pl SC Columbia
PA Swarthmore WSRN *91.5 pr | WMHK *89.7 U
PA Wilkes-Barre WBRE-FM 98.5 stays with all-
news, does not go m, no $, NM (M for sports)
IN Henderson WFHC *91.7 r, no network (was
Mutual)
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IN Knoxville WUDT *91.9 ci TN Murfreesboro WMO7 *89.5 rc; PI

IN Sewance WUTS *91.5 p

TX Amarillo KGNC-FM 97.9 N (from C)

TX Austin KUT"-FM" *90.7 PM (some E--Paul) Harvey news)

TX Brownwood KOXE 101.5 E (KLSN Brownwood) still on 99.3, not yet moving to 104.1)

IX Floresville KWCB 94.3 km, monaural TX Galveston KUFO 106.5 k (from r)

TX Gatesville KMCS 98.3 r (not km)

TX Houston KOUE 102.9 |

IX Jacksonville KOO1 106.5 m (from k)

FX Lampasas KLID 99.3 r (not m) IX Marshall KMHT-FM 103.9 m; \$

TX Mineral Wells KMWT 95.9 k (not km)



MINERAL WELLS, TEXAS 76067

TX Plainview KWLD *91.5 pr

TX Sinton KOUL 103.3 S

TX Texarkana KTAL-FM 98.1 k (from rk)

TX Waco KEFC 95.5 1 (from E) WV Salem

UT Roosevelt KUHS *90.9 r W118 *91.1 A

UT St. George KRDC *90.1 p

UI Sait Lake City KALL-FM 94.1 rm (from m); plus KALL-FM's many translators

VA Blacksburg WUVT *90.7 M

VA Hampden Sydney WWHS *91.7 p; Mutual

VA Yorktown WYCS *91.5 r

WV Buckhannon WVNC *89.9 ri

WI Appleton WAPL-FM 105.7 rp, automated

WI Ashland WAIW-FM 95.9 mr VA Harrisonburg

Wi Kenosha WGTD *91.1 mr WMRA *90.7_cr_

Wi Oshkosh WMKC 96.7 k (was mi)

WI Platteville WSUP *90.5 rp, A, "FM-91."

WI Stevens Point WWSP *89.9 pr

ON Kitchener CKGL 96.7 adds more k to its schedule, at expense of c music.

ON Sandy Lake CBQV 101.1 ethnic (Cree Indian language, in addition to CBC "AM" prograssing.)

PQ Quebec CHO! 98.1 rm (some c, j)

OFF THE ATR

MN Worthington-Marshall KRSW *91.7

SCA (67 kHz) Activities

AL Prattville WQIM 95.3 adds SCA AL Troy WRES 105.7 adds SCA

AK North Pole KUNP-FM 100.3 adds SCA

AR Little Rock KEZQ 94.1 Muzak KLAZ-FM 98.5 no SCA

KKYK 103.7 Muzak

CA Fresno KKDJ 105.9 adds SCA

CA San Diego KSON-FM 97.3 adds SCA

CO Denver KCFR *90.1 adds SCA GA Waycross WLTE 102.5 adds SCA

CA Sacramento KERS *90.7 adds SCA

IL Fast St. Louis WMRY 101.1 talking

book; mj om main channel.

IL Galesburg WAAG 94.9 adds SCA

IL Mt. Carmel WVJC *89.1 no SCA (tele-

metry only). IL Urbana WILL-FM *90.9 changing to talking book with lowfrequency telemetry continuing.

(only)

IN Valparaiso WLJE 105.5 "

IN Jasper WHTZ-FM 104.7 no SCA

IN Madison WCRX-FM 96.7 *

KY Lexington WVLK-FM 92.9 Muzak

ME Presque Isle WMEM *106.1 adds SCA

NI Detroit WDET *101.9 no SCA

MI Ironwood WIMI 99.7 sports

MO Kansas City KXTR 96.5 adds SCA

MO Rolla KMSM *88.5 adds talking book for

6-8 am and 5 pm to midnight local time.

MT Livingston KYBS 97.7 adds SCA

OH Lima WIMA-FM 102.1 adds SCA

OK Clinton 95.3 adds SCA

PA Pittsburgh KDKA-FM 92.9 (carries KDKA-AM fulltime): "TM."

JN Nashville WZEZ 92.9 Muzak (a)so Muzak on WSIX-FM 97.9 Nashville)

TN Oak Ridge WOKI-FM 100.3 no SCA

IX Center KLCR 102.3 adds SCA

VA Roanoke WVWR *89.1 adds SCA

WV Huntington NKEE-FM 100.5 music

WI Ladysmith WWIB 103.7 Mutual network

Stereo, to be \$tereo, or \$ Resumd

AK Katchikan KRBD *105.9 has NPR programs

Ktsk 100.9 Mhz.

Narrows Broadcasting Corp. Box 149 Petersburg, Alaska

AK Petersburg KFSK *100.9: musical variety; has vertical polarization AR Little Rock KXXA 95.7; k (was news) CA Susanville KSUE-FM 92.7 CA Turlock KMIX 98.3, r FL Key West WIIS 107.1, mc | WRAJ-FM 92.7

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WOZY 807 bellevue ave. p. o. box 130 dublin. ga. 31021 phone (912) 272-8896

WQZY 95.9. r IL Waukegan WEFA 102,3 m (was mk) KY Louisville WFPL *89.3, despite talk format.

March, 1978 IN Fort Wayne WXKE 103.9 no SCA (telemetry LA Shreveport KCOZ 100.1; m MA Brockton WCAV 97.7. r (from m) MI Bad Axe WLEW-FM 92.1; no longer simul-

> casts with its affiliated AM station MI Spring Arbor WSAE *89.3 is NOT stered

NY Buffalo WNED-FM *94.5 OH Gallipolis MYPC 101.5

UT Logan KBLW-FM 92.9; has soft rock VA Arlington WAVA 105.1 r (from all-news,

MEXICO: Cludad Acuna WAVA-FM) the blind, but will keep WWV time reports WI River Falls WRFW *88.7, cml XHPL 99.7,

WY Gillette KOLL 93.5 r, Y Reynosa XERY MY Sundance K296AV 107.1 r, Y:103.3

PQ Trois Rivieres CFCQ *93.9 a French station on only afternoons and evenings; mainly c.

Non-IDs MIT Billings

ID Twin Falls KMTW 95.5 K-95 KOYN-FM 93.3 IN Lafayette WAZY 96.5 Z-96 (Y-93 r_(not k)

KY Murray WKMS *91.3 "FM-91," jp

MI Detroit WCAR-FM 92.3 "Country 92," no S.

MI Mt. Clemens WBRB-FM 102.7 "EZ-103"

NJ Newton WIXL 103.7 XL-Country

NY Rensselaer WQBK-FM 103.9 Q-104, rp

NY Rochester WVOR 100.5 R-100

OH Upper Sandusky WYAN 95.9 Y-96 k (was rm)

Multi-City Identifications Granted

DE Bethany Beach WWTR 95.9 adds Millsboro DE FL Boca Raton WWOG 99.9 adds Miami FL

KY Ashland WAMX 93.7 adds Huntington WV;r; \$

SD Sturgis KRCS 93.1 adds Rapid City SD

IX Sinton-Taft KNCN 101.3 adds CorpusChristi

Call Letters Assigned

AK Anchorage 100.5 KHVN ("K-Heaven"?); g AL Tuscalogsa 92.7 WTUG-FMILA New Orleans

AZ Parker 99.3 KMDX 1 *90.7 NWOZ

AZ Tucson 94.9 KJYK (KAIR-FM)

AR Benton 107.1 KAKI [105* AR Conway 105.1 KKLF (KVEE-FM); kr, "Cliff /

AR Hot Springs 95.7 KSPA (KBHS-FM)

CA Oxnard 104.7 KACY-FM (KPMJ: still K-105?)

CA San Clemente 107.9 KWVE (KAPX)*K-Wave*7

CO Boulder 101.7 K269AE (not K269AA)

CO Castle Rock 92.1 KMJD IME Millinocket

CO Pueblo 97.9 KCSJ-FM (KDJQ)197.7 WKTR _____ DC Washington 107.3 WRQX (WMAL-FM), rp

FL Cocoa Beach 104.1 WRKT (WKR "(WRKT-FM)

FL Green Cove Springs 92.7 WKUE (WKKJ)

FL Macclenny 92.1 WBKF MB Cumber-

FL Tallahassee 94.9 NLVW (WOMA) land 102.9

GA Columbus 104.9 WFXE (WWRH) WWJSE (WPVM)

ID Burley 98.3 KSAX (KBAR-FM)

IL Danville 2102.1 WDNL (WMBJ); r (not rm), still CBS? MD Ocean City

IL Peoria 93.3 WKZW (WMBD-FM) ICity 99.9

IN Bloomington 96.7 WBWB WKHI, Stereo

KS Leavenworth 98.9 KTRO (KCLO-FM); km

KY Hopkinsville 100.3 WKDA-FM (WKSD) MS

MI Coldwater 98.5 WNWN (WANG) Eupora 101.7 MN Grand Marais 105.5 K288BF (not K288RE)

MN Moorhead 99.9 KVOX-FM (KIDA) INKEA

MN Silver Bay 107.1 W296AB (not K296AW) MN Winona *90.9 KSMR MO Monett

MS Newton 106.3 WMYQ"-FM" (WGOT) 195.9 KKBL MS Philadelphia 102.3 WWSL

MO Springfield 107.1 K296AP (not K296AI)

MI Great Falls 106.3 KGOZ (KOPR) [not KOPR.

MI Helena 92.7 K244A8 translators KOOZ, /

NE Columbus 101.1 KOZI (KJSK-FM); adds SCA

NE Lincoln *89.5 KZUN NJ West Orange *88.9 WOGH NM Albuquerque 95.5 KZZX (from KMYR) NY Elmira 92.7 WLEZ (WENY-FM) NY Glens Falls 95.9 WYLR"-FM" (WWSC-FM) NC High Point 100.3 WGLD"-FM" (WGLD-FM); m OH Celina 94.3 WKKI (WMER) OH Chillicothe 94.3 MFCB OH Columbus 99.7 WRMZ (WMNI-FM); m (not rm) OH Hamilton 96.5 WLWS (WQMS); r (was gm), A; non-id: "Stereo 96." OH Jefferson *90.9 WCVJ BC Alert Bay 105.1 CBRY-FM (there is a CBRY-AM); 77 w horizontal; -166' BC Burns Lake 99.1 CBXB-FM 327 h; 1021' BC Houston 102.1 CBUR-FM 318 h; 1350' 8C Smithers 97.5 CBRS-FM 161 h,v; 763' BC Vanderhoof 96.7 CBRV 118 h; 95' BC Woss 92.9 CBTW 125 h; 1267'; 50-10-10; 126-34-00; a logging camp on Vancouver Is. ON Waterloo 94.5 CKMS 50 h.v. 112'

OH Oxford 97.7 WOXY (WOXR) OK Oklahoma City 100.5 KATI-FM (KATI) PA Hollidaysburg 104.9 WHPA PA Mechanicsburg 93.5 WQVE RI Providence 94.1 WHJY (WHIM-FM); m (fram k) SC Beaufort *89.9 WERV SC Rock Hill "88.9 WPRV (WVPR) SD Sioux Falls 93.5 KLYX-FM (KCHF-FM) TN Union City 104.9 WALR-FM (WALR) IX Abilene 105.1 KEAN-FM (KNIT-FM) TX Brownsville 99.5 KRIX; adds SCA. (100000 h,v; stereo, rock),4301. N8 Fredericton 101.5 CBZ-FN NF Baie Verto 97.3 CBTB (seeks 97.1) NF Mt. St. Margaret 99.9 CBYM (seeks NS Halifax 100.1 C100 (CJCH-FM) ON Peterborough 105.1 CKQM (CKPT-FM)

TX La Grange 104.9 KMUZ (KVLG-FM) IX Lufkin 99.3 KDEY UT Cedar City *90.1 KGSU"-Fm" (ACOR"-Fm") UI Richfield 93.7 KF KJMCIVA Covington100.9 WA Omak 103.9 K280AP ICIQO"-FM" (TIKEY-FM) WV Morgantown 101.9 NVAQ (WAJR-FM), r; "Q-102," not FM-102, as used previously. WI Kenosha 95.1 WJZQ (WLIP-FM); to 11000 h,v; 260'; r. 104.5 WISN-FM bids farewell to "beautiful mus carols on Christmas day and then becomes WLPX and

switches to rock. (To some people, that's beautiful.)

The week before, WNUW — one of two remaining Milwaukee stations to be playing background sounds after WISN-FM dies — will advertise heavily on WISN-FM. Its spots will tell listeners to turn from 97 on the F Mt. St. Margaret 99.9 CBYM (seeks dial to 99 to find "good music." If they turn too far, 98.7). NF Roddickton 103.9 CBTR " 92.9. WI Milwaykee 97.1 MPY (MTCM FM). or 103.7. WI Milwaukee 97.3 NLPX (WISN-FM); rp

PQ Trois Rivieres 100.1 CBF-FM1 (CBFV) UT Salt Lake City 100.3 KSFT (KSL-FM) and 42 translators for KSF1, not KSL-FM! \$, m

ABBREVIATIONS: Music codes: c classical, g gospel, k country, m middle of the road, p progressive rock, r rock oldies and top hits, s soul. Networks: A ABC-FM, C CBS, E ABC Entertainment, I ABC Information, M Mutual, N NBC, P or NPR National Public Radio, S Associated Press Audio, U United Press Audio, Y ABC Contemporary. \$ is stereo; h horizontal polarization; v vertical polarization. is an educational station. **FMusings**

Continued later on in this column is a wealth of Canadian FM station news, received at deadline. That information should be saved and used with the new FM Atlas, as it came in too late to be published there. The Atlas (1978 edition) is now ready and can be ordered, per instructions on the back cover of this Digest.

SCA has given me much trouble lately, with Minnesota State Services for the Blind stopping the local community schools from letting me teach a course in SCA receiver adaptation, and they have specifically denied me permission to monitor the service over any of the transmitters of Minnesota Public Radio. A similar denial came from the Wisconsin Educational Radio Network. These denials come about as the result of a mis-reading of the new copyright act, which took effect Jan. 1, which grants copyright exemption from "talking book" services that use FM subcarriers that are primarily directed to the blind and physically handicapped. The word "primarily" has been interpreted by the SCA purveyors as meaning "exclusively," and they are out to get every person who is able to tune in their signals, even personnel at FM stations having SCA authorization. Another thing that has happened as the result of my articles on SCA is the removal of the 565 IC circuit from the market-at least from major stores, such as Radio Shack, most electronics distributors, and Olson Electronics has it only sporadically. So buy your 565's while they may still be found!

Mike Dorner wonders if WLSW 103.9 Scottdale PA has been deleted, saying their license renewal was not granted in 1976. He has not heard KAPB-FM 97.7 Marksville LA in stereo lately, but since he listens to FM mainly in the daytime, it might be stereo evenings. Nick Lombardi sent reprints from the Jan. and Feb. 1978 issues of Audio covering FM antennae and transmission lines. Well-done, but they show no recognition of FM DXing. He believes I should incorporate my "non-Ders" list in the FM Atlas by frequency, rather than in a separate appendix, which I have done! "Hi-Fi" AM station KEX Portland OR is buying KQFM 100.3, which came on the air in 1946 as KGW-FM.

WFBQ 94.7 Indianapolis dropped automated rock and will go live, rock albums. Looking for a new

transmitter site in order to go to about 300 feet and change to 92.7 from 93.5 is WZWZ Kokomo IN. The station has its FM antenna sidemounted on one of its AM towers. Steve Rich says, since WZWZ went to Century 21's "Z" rock format, November, 1976, listener response has been great. WVHC *88.7 Hempstead increases its schedule 21 hrs a week, now on 5 pm to 2 am Mon-Fri and 11 am to 2 am Sat and Sun.

Illinois' Dave Walcutt says WMIX-FM 94.1 Mt. Vernon IL is not a non-IDer, giving its six full-legal call letters frequently throughout the hour, and it comes in with local-like quality at 60 miles. He also sent a nice cassette full of programming and IDs of all the Honolulu FM stations, recorded on a recent trip. WBTF 101.7 Attica NY has a strong signal, reportedly, in Buffalo; it's \$tereo, k or km.

Vernon Eaton says the new KLVA 95.9 Lake Village AR is on 6 am to 11 p. m., g. KAZU*90.3 Pacific Grove, \$, 10 w, reaches also Pebble Beach, Monterey, Seaside and Marina, says its president.

THE NEW RADIO 5/M STEREO ROCK



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WBFO *88.7 Buffalo has a grant to increase power to about 20 kw, but directional and sending only 700 watts toward Canada to get interference to a minimum for channel 6 Paris, Ont. TV. And WNED-FM 94.5 has a grant to go stereo, for this classical public station, which was once commercial.

KRBD 105.9 Ketchikan AK has h, 37 watts, with a ten-watt transmitter, but has put in for a grant for 7 kw, h & v. They have "varied" musical programming. Are noncommercial.

The FCC denies the license renewal of WMJX 96.3 Miami, citing among other things a fradulent contest held by the station and the airing of phony news accounts in connection with the contest. It is reported the station will appeal. Coincident with this problem is a lowering of the audience ratings for WMJX, according to the "Hall Radio"

NEW ADDRESS:
KRBD-FM
SUITE 105
MARINE VIEW PLAZA HOTEL
2415 HEMLOCK STREET
KETCHIKAN, ALASKA 99601
(907) 225-4636
AIRDIPA COMMUNITY Breadcasting

box 17 ketchikan, alaska 99901

Report." The CRTC is lowering the boom on CKCU 93.1 Ottawa, Ont., for overcommercialization, and gives CKCU only a four-month license renewal, with the possibility of deletion after that time.

Don't let the information on the previous page make you think I am scared of engaging in SCA activity, for I am not, and I will continue to champion the public's right to listen in their homes, regardless of permission received from the originating station or not. A physician in Boston who bought an SCA adapter from me says: "I attached it to my 25-year-old Fisher (tube) stereo; still a very sensitive set and with a simple T antenna it pulled in 33 stations clearly and 9-10 more not so clear, including PRN (Physicians Radio Network), one in Cantonese, and background music on the rest. When I use my roof antenna, God help me! Many thanks and best regards. A new hobby is born!"

Roger Winsor supplied much of the WI-IL-IN station format news as the result of traveling with his car FM. The best Chicago area ten watters for signals are WLTL La Grange and WARG Summit. WCYC 88.7 has a terrible signal, even in the loop. No sign of WLUW 88.7 yet. WRSE 88.7 is rock, but has limited range to the western suburbs. WMCB 95.9 Michigan City now on with v, and a much better signal now against WKKD, but "rotten mr format in mono only."

Rod O'Connor has moved to Adak, AK, from the state of Maine, and he's got much to report:
Adak is halfway between Tokyo and Seattle via the airline route, in the Aleutians. The AFR "FM-101"
stereo station gets out 10 miles on a car radio with its 250 watts. There may be two FM stations on
Shemya island, in addition to the famed station on 101.8. Rod will report after he finds out for sure.
He recently bought an Audiovox FM car radio booster, and he was pleased with how well it worked with
his car FM, costing \$10.50. "While driving from Maine to Seattle [my car was shipped from Seattle
to Adak] I was impressed with the way it got rid of multipath images, especially in the Rocky Mountains.
It didn't eliminate them always, but was quite a help." Before leaving Maine, he took a drive into New
Brunswick, and CFBC-FM 98.9 Saint John was making a big promotion of the fact that they were
staying on the air, and had a contest, giving away a \$1,000 super - stereo system. They are still m,
\$, but their signal leaves much to be desired, only being receivable about 15 miles west of Saint John
along Highway 1, the main route to the Maine border.

Doug Everitt sends a disclaimer: "Somehow, the way the blurb on the McIntosh material was worded (Nov. FCC-FM) was such that the careless reader might think that I supported rather than knocked McIntosh. . . Worse, the quote might seem to be mine. . . I've seen a lot of people get 'taken' by Mac's sales practices to be very happy with them. They sell speakers after demoing them with a hidden EQ box, which sells separately. This is apparently not just a local practice, or I might let up on them." Leslie Price says the 100 kw of WPJC 99.9 Burgaw sounds better than the 100 kw of WHSL 97.3 Wilmington, both NC. WPJC has much better sound and modulation. Les would like to see the reinstatement of the FCC-TV column, and so would I! Maybe a new TV station list will not be too far in the future, as the map updates are reported to be ready for publishing, and the translator guide may also be soon ready from the club, reports Frank Aden, Jr., honorable club publisher.

Ralph Strobel reports that the WBST tower dispute is settled, with Ball State winning over local zoning czars. The Muncie IN station will move to *92.1 with 3 kw, 300 feet. WDHS *91.1 (not 90.9) Gaston IN back on the air after a one-year hiatus. Students a year ago were rough on the equipment! WSMJ 99.5 Greenfield IN is a "crazy station! Most of the time while playing music they turn their stereo light off, but just wait until they play an all-talk program such as Lum 'N Abner, and the \$ light comes on. This is a frequent occurrence. They play old-time radio programs and have an all-night talk show. Music format is rm."

A Canadian correspondent says a couple of years ago it was decreed that all Canadian FM stations were to go stereo. If there is such a "rule," I can think of many exceptions, especially by the CBC stations. He says both the CBC and the CKO- stations are poor about giving call letters and local-city identifications.

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A good discussion of AM stereo can be found in the January, 1978, Stereo Review, concluding with: "In any case, even if it's in stereo, it certainly won't be hi-fi." Neil Zank, Lincoln NE, has finally heard KNCY-FM 97.7 Nebraska City with \$, m. This station was in the FM Atlas for quite some time, but not heard until this fall. KUCV *91.3 Lincoln now \$, with a power increase expected.

The new XHMN 107.7 Monterrey, Mexico, has been heard several times by Rick Samford in TX. But he still gets lower-powered XHPJ better. Rick also noted the antenna articles in Audio (which leave out some big names like Finco), and when he wrote Audio during the summer of '76 about the lack of such articles, "I was sent a reprint of a seven-year-old article which listed models that hadn't been available for five years. . . Perhaps my letter helped them to reappraise this situation." Rick reports KHBR-FM 102.5 Hillsboro TX back on the air with k and mono.

John Ebeling sends some items including a review of the indoor FM "Beam Box" antenna selling for—wow!—\$89.95. This antenna is said to enable a person to tune out multipath interference. Also included was an article on the new KFAI *90.3, a south Minneapolis ten-watter with an operating budget of \$200,000. What a waste for a ten-watter! And a brief write-up on "electronic mail," which will permit data transmission to businesses via facsimilie-type paper and SCA. Digital Broadcasting, a division of TDX Systems, Inc., Vienna VA, will lease SCAs on 50 U. S. FM stations. Lately, some teletype-sounding stuff has been heard on the SCA of WCCO-FM 102.9 Minneapolis, and this is what it may be for. A New Jersey reader installed his first Karkota SCA adapter in his car. "I received my kit the other day and completed it the same day. As you indicated it is straight forward construction and easy to build. I installed it in an old Philoc car radio that I had taken out of a 1968 Mercury and it works beautifully. The 67 Khz is obtained from an FM tuner that I had for the radio. I picked up my 12 volts from the radio itself and was able to locate the AF point with no problem. The entire unit fits nicely into the radio and I mummified it [I believe the correct word that I should have used in the original article is "encapsulated"] as you suggested." So he ordered three more units to install in or on other FM radios.

WQYK 99.5 St. Petersburg FL seems to be drifting away from the use of "K-99," as a nonID, and going to "FM-99," says Marv Robbins. KISR 93.7 Fort Smith AR tells an interesting tale about the Fort Chaffee AR translator that was on the air in 1975 for Vietnamese refugees. "Although licensed as a translator, it originated all its own programming through a special waiver from the FCC. Programming consisted of both English and Vietnamese announcers, who taught

English to the refugees. In actuality, it was a noncommercial 10-watt station, but there was a problem of who was qualified to be the licensee, so the Commission authorized it as a translator, and then gave it authority to originate all of its own programming. It left the air, as I recall, in late 1975 and is no longer authorized." The 102.3 MHz translator of KUNI *90.9 Cedar Falls IA is installed on the roof of Central High School, Davenport IA, ten watts, and boosting the KUNI signal to 1 million residents of the quad cities. "At present the signal from the translator is good in Davenport and Rock Island, and only fair in Moline, East Moline, and Bettendorf. We're working on improving the signal to those cities, "Jennifer Alt, Quad Cities correspondent, said. Iowa's Robert Baker reports KKEZ 94.5 Fort Dodge uses its SCA for slow scan TV of commodity prices, although there is some audio (talking) farm news mixed in. From the KSUI *91.7 Iowa City program guide is a discussion of KSUI's "birdie," an interference that may creep into some stereo receivers when KSUI turns on its SCA for telemetry readings, as happens once each three hours for a minute or two at a time. KSUI at 319-353-5665 stands prepared to report to prospective buyers of an FM receiver which sets may be deficient in that regard. In Eugene OR the U. of Oregon student body is trying to raise money to build a nonprofit FM station; "It's hard to believe that Eugene could end up with 4 non-com. FM stations but it may happen," muses Frank Aden, Jr. A reader in Sun City AZ (of the FM Atlas) enjoys long-distance reception of KUAT *90.5 Tucson AZ, because of its location on 8500-foot Mt. Bigelow-a 132-mi. haul.

Ron Wing reports that KDRB 95.9 Derby KS is \$, automated rock, with a "K-96" non-ID, and they say they are on 24 hours. Mike Holley reports that WUGN 99.7 quit its SCA gospel music programming, now using its SCA only for remote control of its transmitter; still g on main channel. An Italian ham, living in Quebec, Antonio Randaccio, writes of the sorry state of DXing in Italy:

"Years ago it was possible for every DXer in Italy to pick up FM signals on a regular basis from Germany, France, Spain, Switzerland, Yugoslavia, USSR, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, etc. Now, in a 10-month period due to 'free' FM and TV stations which send out the most incredible amounts of harmonics and spurious signals, and due to their large number (there are about 50-100 in Rome alone) and increasing power levels you cannot listen to anything anymore between 50 to 1000 MHz. Why do we have 'free' stations? Because the Italian FCC was not organized properly to stop bootlegging in time, so they liberalized the FM (and AM) broadcasting spectrum, rather than jailing thousands of citizens. Be this a warning to all you FM DX enthusiasts: in Italy it all started with C.B. like it is happening in the U.S. A. Then because of the easiness of putting together stations on different

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frequencies, they expanded to other bands and frequencies. They did this because CB channels were getting crowded, or just 'since there is no real harm done'. Soon they were in the ham bands, with the government giving 'communicator' licence (IW prefix), which put CB on the hambands. I hear the same is being planned in the U.S.A. From there to 'free radio' the step was not too long. Your only chance to continue your hobby is a reorganization of a stronger, larger, better-equipped FCC. Do whatever you can with your small magazine to push this matter, or you will end like Italian FM DXers: changing your hobby. I now take beautiful colour photographs; maybe you could also start reading about photography, so when the time will come you will be ready to change your hobby." I dunno; I'm hooked on stamp collecting!

Rich Segalas, San Francisco CA, sent a long article, "The Fight to Save KMPX," from the San Francisco Sunday Examiner, Oct. 23, 1977. It seems like KMPX's big bands format will become lost when a complicated three-way sale deal goes through, involving KCBS-FM, KEAR and KMPX. There has been nothing further heard on this since late summer, so it is possible that the proposed sale did not materialize. Writes Oregon's David J. Wardell, concerning the advisability of having editorial comments in the FM Atlas under "FMusings":

'Personally I cannot see any difficulty in the somewhat small amount of editorial one will find. . . Most of them [editorial comments] are useful in orienting the average reader to what exactly FM is all about. . . Further a little 'FMusing' adds a little spice to the necessary introduction; and creates some interest in what is generally a most inane part of a technical manual." I can report that the "FMusings" will continue to the same length and with perhaps the same controversialness as it has in the past in the newest edition. Now, to more station news, mostly from Canada.

NEW STATION GRANTED BC Kelowna 99.1 2000 h,v; 1611'; cm,

DELETIONS CFGM Ltd. ON Richmond Hill (no frequency given) / PQ Baie James 100.5 [see Camp LG3, below PQ Maniwaki CBFL 98.9

FACILITIES CHANGES, FREQUENCY CHANGES OR CALL LETTERS AT Banff CJAYFM-1 95.1 1 watt directional 1600'; 4 miles primary; 20 secondary. AT Calgary 92.1 CJAY"-FM" (not CFVP); \$; 74000 h,v; directional; 4801 Calgary 103.1 CKO-FM5 (not CJAY), news (as is all CKO- formatted stations 74000 h,v, directional; 480°. AT Chateh [58-34-24; 118-40-39] CBXA 103.5 122 directional; 531', h only. AT Edmanton CKO-FM6 105.9 54000 h,v, directional: 479' directional AT Exshaw CBRE 100.7 138 h.v /; -1510' AT Fox Lake [58-27-49; 114-32-41] CBXK 96.9 148 directional, 138'; no vertical AT Jean D'Or CBXH 102.5 52 directional watts; 137', no v [58-29-40; 115-09-00] AT Manning CBXM 100.5 13500 h,v; 344" AT Peace River CHFA-3 92.5 732 h,v;296' AT Red Deer CBRD 1560 h,v; 409' CHFA-2 1560 h,v; 4091

BC Cache Creek and Ashcroft 95.3 is CFFM-FM6 125 watts directional;-310' BC Crawford Bay 99.7 CBTE"-FM" BC Kitimat CBUK 101.1 39 watts directional; -928'; h. v. BC Lytton CFFM-FM7 (not CFFM-FM6) 102.3 5 watts directional; 3020' BC Vancouver CKO-FN4 39000 h,v, directional; 2260'. BC Williams Lake 97.5 CIFM (not CFFM-FM) 176 watts directional: 410' BC Woss CHIW 92.9 is directional

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NS Halifax Cl00 100.1 100000 h.v; 367': \$

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ON Barrie CHAY 93.1 100000 h,v; 1000'; \$

ON Belleville CJ8Q-FM 97.1 50000 h.v:159'

ON Brampton CFNY 102.1 100000 h.v: 259*

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does not list as such.

<u>frequency] 100000 h,v; 645*</u>

ON Brockville CBOF-7 102.1 3000 h.v; 3001 ON Chatham CBEE 95.1 35500 h,v; 5621 ON Cobourg [no calls or frequency decided] 100000 h,v; 758'; CBC Cobourg CFMX (one source says CHUC-FM) 103.1 117000 h,v; 646' ON Dryden CBQH 100.9 100000 h,v; 393* CKSB-6 102.7 328' (1500 watts); v? ON Fort Hope CBCH 101.5 41 h,v; 38' ON Hamilton CFMU 93.3 -147' (50 watts, h) ON Kenora CKSB-7 93.5 20000 h,v; 328° ON Landon CIXX (no frequency decided) to be 3000 h, v; 1251 London CBCL 93.5 100000 h,v; 708' CBC-AM CKO-FM3 97.5 50000 h,v; 497' 99.3 22500 h,v; 768' French/ 100.5 22500 h,v; 708' CBC - \$ ON Orillia CBCO 105.9 8640 h,v; 497° ON Osnaburgh CBQN 104.5 81 h,v; 164' ON Ottawa CKO-FM1 has vertical ON Penetanguisheme 96.5 CJBC-19 (net CJBC-20) 15300 h.v; 551'. Off Penetanguishene GBON 107.5 15300 h.v: 551' ON Peterborough CKMM 105.1 50000 h,v; 301' CUBC-16 106.3 31800 h,v, directional; 378' ON Pickle Lake CBQP 105.1 83 h,v; 137' ON Pikangikum CBQU 100.3 34 h,v; 120' ON Sandy Lake CBQV 101.1 37 h,v; 125' ON Sarnia CBEG 106.3 50000 h,v; 376* ON Savant Lake CBQL 104.9 78 h,v; 287' ON Sieux Narrows CBQS 95.7 1300 h,v; 134' ON Toranta CKO-FM2 99.1 10000 h,v; 860', not directional as indicated previously. ON Windsor CBE-FM 89.9 100000 h,v; 538'; \$ FQ Baie-Comeaw CBNI 99.7 3000 h,v; 300' PQ Brisay [54-26-43; 70-28-59] CHLG-6 59 watts. directional; 305* PQ Camp LG3 [53-43-09; 75-59-46] CHLG 100.5 (not 105.5) 31 watts directional; 478' Q Camp LG4 [53-52-06; 73-25-31] CHLG-8? 100.1 99 watts directional; 3951; horizontal only. PG Dolheau [48-53-08; 72-20-29] 40000 h,v; 404* ON Brockville CBOB 188.3 (It does—or with— PC Drummondville 184.3 CBF—FM1 (CFDM) /93.1 PQ Buplanter [54-49-45; 69-54-50] CHLG-5 100.1

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PQ Eastmain CHLG-4 105.1 7 watts directional; 209' [52-14-07; 76-29-05]
PQ Fermont [52-49-12; 67-05-29] CBMR 105.1 16 watts h,v; 300'; 4 miles primary; 17.
PQ Gaspe CJRG 103.1 79 h,v; 311'
PQ Lac Boyd CHLG-3 7 watts directional; 260' [52-41-22; 76-39-13]
PG Laforge CHLG-7 99.9 59 watts direc- tional; 84' [54-33-22; 71-11-45]
PG La Malbaie CBV-6 805 h,v; -233'
PQ Lithium Mines 97.3 52000 h; 660'
PQ Montreal 107.3 CITE"-FM" (not CITE-2) 100000 h,v; 367"
PQ Petite Opinaca [57-22-35; 76-47-01]
CHLG-2, 49 w directional; 384'
PQ Quebec CHOI 98.1 has vertical
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PQ Riviere Au Kenard CJRE 97.9 58 h,v; /
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PQ Saguenay CHOC 92.5 423 h,v; 203'
PQ Sie. Adele CIME 99.5 500' (50000 h,v)
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FL Clearwater WOKF 95.7 S (AP Audio) from A

FL Cocoa Beach WCKS (CK101) r (from rc)

FL Leesburg WHLY 106.7 p (from gs); uses
non-id "Y-106."

FL Sarasota wSPB-FM 106.3 r (from rn)

FL Tallahassee MGLF 104.1 now uses the
non-ID "Gulf 104," rather than "Rock104," which it used previously.

AT Pincher Creek CBRP 97.5 has vertical

BC Hope CBUE 105.1 has vertical

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KILR-FM 95.9 Estherville IA, uses both 41 kHz and 67 kHz for SCA transmission of teletype data, with 41 kHz being used by Reuters, Ltd., and 67 kHz by Commodity News Service, reports Barry Huntsinger, manager of KILR-AM-FM. Both services are for the transmission of agricultural information. Also contributing: Ferdinand S. Dombrowski, Jr., Milwaukee WI, Mario A. Lacombe, Charlesbourg PO.

After six years considering a proposal to regulate cable radio, the FCC decided to do nothing about it. Originally, the FCC sought rules that would require a cable "TV" system that brought in distant radio stations to also carry local stations, AM as well as FM. Perhaps it's good that such a proposal was laid to rest—especially if it meant—sending over cable on FM frequencies low-fi AM stations. Instead, cable companies should be asked to improve upon the "allband" technology and stop individual signal processing of a few selected stations, as I point out in the editorial comments at the beginning section of the FM

Atlas and Station Directory. Brazil FM news from
Mike Dorner, Jr.: Ribeiran Preto 89.5 R. Alverada
Rio de Janeiro 102.9 R. Cidade do R de J., 1 kw, r
Sao Paulo 94.5 "Antena 1," R. America, \$ r & samba
Brasilia 96.9 R. Nacional Brasilia, 30 kw, \$, ex105.1

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A decision from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) resolving the Central Oregon cable television wrangle is more than three weeks away, according to an FCC staff member in Washington, D.C.

Rodney Joyce of the FCC's Cable television division said it would be at least that long before the FCC rules on KTVZ-Bend's request that area cable television companies block out live network programs and advertising from rival NBC affiliates in Portland and Eugene.

KTVZ has asked Crestview Cable TV Co. in Prineville and Key TV Inc. in Redmond to provide the blackouts, or "non-duplication protection" against KGW (channel 8) in Portland and KVAL (channel 13) in Eugene.

The companies are required to provide the service, or must file a request for a waiver with the FCC. Crestview and Key have filed for waivers, and recently they have been joined with a plea of support for the requests by KGW.

Providing non-duplication protection for KTVZ means that the television companies would have to install equipment which would monitor the signals of all three NBC affiliates received in the area, and black out the distant signals when they were the same as KTVZ's.

If the service were provided, Central Oregon audiences would no longer see live network programming or advertising from Portland or Eugene. Instead, they would see live network programming and local advertising from KTVZ on all three channels.

Bend TV Cable Co. is providing non-duplication protection, but KTVZ is providing the equipment and handling the necessary technical service for the company. To comply with the request for non-duplication protection, Crestview and Key television companies would have to provide the equipment without KTVZ's assistance.

"If KTVZ is so generous, why can't it provide the switching for all of us." asked Chuck Kee, president of Key TV.

Kee said he filed his waiver with the FCC to "buy some time."

The most sophisticated equipment on the market which can monitor and switch the video signal at the proper time will cause an annoying ten-second delay between the distant and local signals according to Kee. That delay would ruin the commercial on both stations. Kee said, so he is unwilling to provide non-duplication protection.

"I'm hoping someone will get going in manufacturing to make a switch which would switch fast enough to provide good service," Kee said. "We should have instantaneous switching capability."

Crestview has an additional complaint with KTVZ's request, said Crestview President Paul Rowan. The quality of the signal from KTVZ is just not good enough to provide non-duplication protection for, he said.

Rowan admitted Madras and Prineville lie within a 55-mile radius of KTVZ, so the station has the legal right to request non-duplication protection, but that a contour of the land between KTVZ in Bend and Crestview in Prineville interferes with the signal.

Rowan attributes at least part of the signal quality problem to technical difficulties at KTVZ. He said during "reliability hasn't been the name of the game" for KTVZ during the station's first few months of operation.

KTVZ General Manager John Larkin has said that there is "sufficient signal strength to provide excellent television pictures to the Prineville area." He has also said that Crestview has no right to take his station off the air.

"They are required by the FCC to carry local station," Larkin has said. "They have no option."

Rowan said "Crestview's receptor station over the mountains is as good as the KTVZ transmitter so we want to keep it in force and operation."

Rowan said he hoped a new transmission route would be used soon to "cut out the extra equipment" a signal currently has to go through to be received in the area. Rowan has said he would be "delighted" to carry KTVZ if he could get a good signal.

Kee said KTVZ can be received in Redmond without the aid of his company. He said a house antenna workes just as well.

KTVZ is "using our company to enforce an immoral rule of the FCC's," he said.

"Non-duplication is wrong, morally, with the free, competitive spirit of building a better mousetrap," Kee said. "If they can get their signal on all these stations, they can run a shoddy operation and get away with it."

Kee emphasized that "the name of the game is numbers" for a television station. The more households a television can claim, the higher it can set its advertising rates, he said.

"If I have to provide that immoral kind of protection service," he said, "I want to do it right."

Larkin said KTVZ does not jump to change its advertising rates because of survey results indicating number of households reached. He said the rates were established according to a reasonable estimate of market size when KTVZ began broadcasting last November.

"I really and truly don't have a bone to pick with KTVZ," Kee said. "Its signal comes booming in here. It doesn't in Prineville, so that's a serious problem for them. But you don't shove people around and tell them they've got to do this or that."

Rowan has said he didn't think a new business like KTVZ "has the right to come into an area and start pushing everyone around."

"Our back is against the wall financially," said Kee, who estimated costs in the neighborhood of \$10,000 to provide the non-duplication switching equipment. "We have to do something to compete with the inflation we're up against and also the FCC rulings that give a local broadcaster the authority to tell us we have to prepare for non-duplication."

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MARCH 1978

Unidentified TV DX

Frank Aden, Jr., 1535 NW Ithaca Ave., Bend OR 97701 (1977 unIDs)
Sat Dec 3 ch 3 MS 2353 PST--Wedge TP with four letter call ending in "O". Suspect midwest. KTVO and WKZO say it is not them.

Roy D. Horsley, June 21st, WJEK has newscaster Robbie Timmons. August 13 "Soul Train" is WJEK at 1230 CDT. From John Robertson.

With this column I have been CCI editor for three years. Now that I am editor-in-chief I must relinquish the column to a new editor. Starting next month William Draeb will be CCI editor. William Draeb is known to many WTFDAers as the former Central TV DX editor and is well qualified to edit CCI. His address is: Ellis St. R.R. #2, Kewaunee, WI 54216.

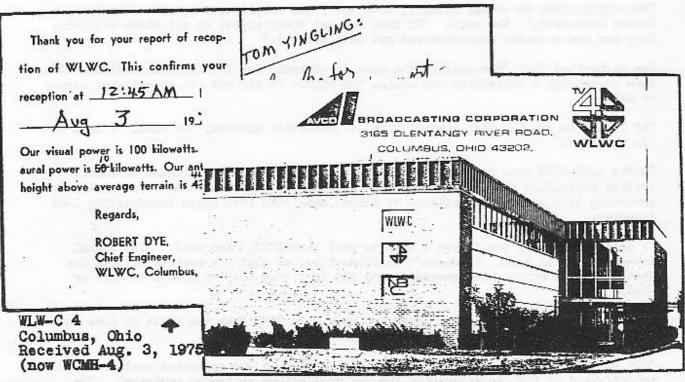
73 Frank

MEMORABILHA

March 1978

Robert J. Williams 251 6th Avenue East Twin Falls, Idaho 83301 Phone: (208) 733-3621 Deadline: 5th of month

This month, MEMORABILIA presents some more of those wonderful old QSLs of yesteryear; sent in by Thomas J. Yingling, Jr. of Baltimore MD. Thank you very much, Tom!



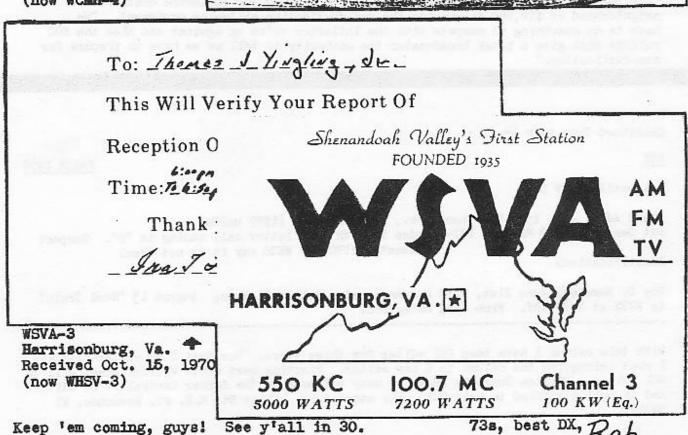
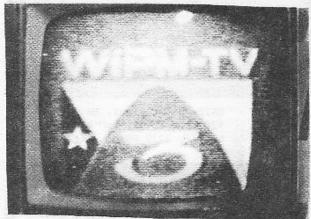


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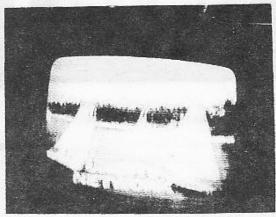
Jim Alexander 4 Brook Court Parsippany, NJ 07054

March, 1978

This month, we have two pages of TV-DX, contributed by 11 DXers. Items of particular interest include Ken Simon's photo of WIPM- 3 Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, and John Combs' catch of 500+ mile tropo on rabbit ears! Before beginning with the photos, your editor would make a couple of corrections to the Dec. '77 column. The photo of WLVT-39 from 555 miles should have credit to Jim Gould, and the photo of KOTA- 3 should read Rapid City, SD (not Lead, SD). Now, the photos:



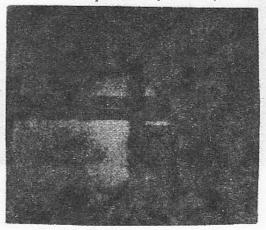
WIPM- 3 Mayaguez, Puerto Rico E-skip (Simon)



WUNC- 4 Chapel Hill, NC E-skip (Efferson)



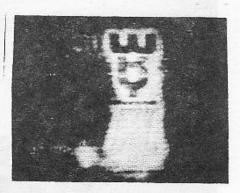
WKAR-23 East Lansing, MI 280 mile tropo (Traska)



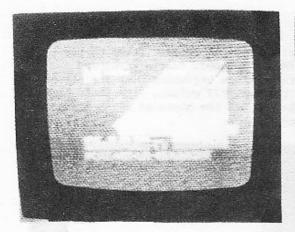
WJHL-11 Johnson City, TN 490 mile tropo (Olson)



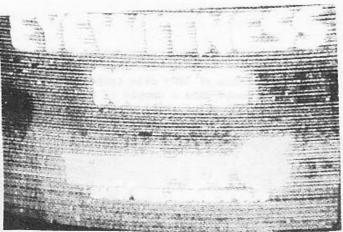
XEJ- 5 Ciudad Juarez, CH Mexico E-skip (Pizzi)



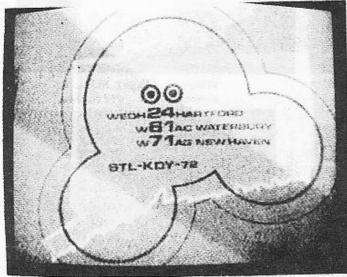
WKY- 4 Oklahoma City, OK (now KTVY- 4) E-skip (Williams)



KJAC- 4 Port Arthur, TX 1,180 mile E-skip (Battin)



KSTP- 5 St. Faul, MN 920 mile "built-in" E-skip 6/6/77, 2259 EDT (Egan)

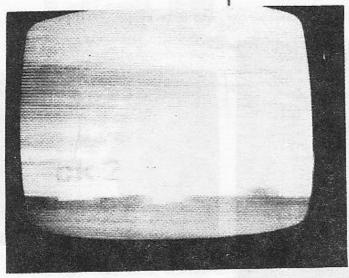


WEDH-24 Hartford, CT 275 mile tropo (Yingling)



WCTI-12 New Bern, NC 510 mile "built-in" tropo (Combs)

My thanks to our contributors:



CKCK- 2 Regina, SK E-skip 6/9/76, 2035 PDT (Aden)

Ken Simon, West Palm Beach FL
Roy Efferson, Baton Rouge LA
Paul D. Traska, Buffalo NY
Gary Olson (photo taken at
Deerfield, Illinois)
Jim Pizzi, Orcutt CA
Robert Williams, Twin Falls ID
Buck Battin, Duluth MN
Dave Egan, Valleyfield PQ
Tom Yingling, Baltimore MD
John Combs, Orlando FL
Frank Aden, Bend OR

73 and good DX, Jum

VHFUTILITYDX

Pat Dyer 5315 Silvertip Drive San Antonio, TX 78228 Deadline: 5th of month

MARCH 1978

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

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2127, N2085C 122.8
                              vic Cambridge, MD(Choptank Aviation Co., Inc.;
                              Beechcraft Travelaire, 2-engine, 5-seat)
6-20: 0044, N540G
                     119.7
                              nr Baltimore(Continental Oil Company; Lock-
                              heed Jetstar L1329, 4-e, 8-s)
7-11: 0013, XAPIK
                     134.0
                              nr NYC(Aeromexico Flt 406; DC-851; 25 watts)
  14: 0952, N13375
                     122.1
                              e Ches. Bay (Belson Aviation; Cessna 172, le, 48)
  16: 1744, NIM
                              nr Beacon Hill Farms, Paeonia Springs, VA
                     122.8
                              (Arthur M. Godfrey, pilot, Beech D-55, 2-e, 6-s)
  17: 0109, N61648 119.7
                              ov Annapolis(Steven James Rosamilia; Cessna
                              172,1-e,4-s; 2500 feet) (50 w)
Indian River, DE(Coast Guard;/25'whip @ 65'ASL
      0224, NMK 21
                     156.8
      1717, GBOAA
                     132.15
                              ov Sea Isle, NJ(British Airways Speedbird
                              F1.578, Concorde; 25 w)
 23: 0036, N10380
                     122.8
                              ldg Cambridge, MD(Tramar Aviation, Inc.;
                              Cessna 150L trainer, 1-e, 2-s; 72 w)
      1533, N33TP
                     118.3
                              DC area(Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc.;
                              Falcon Fan Jet, 2-e, 12-s)
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Thomas J. Yingling, Jr., 221 Pinewood Road, Baltimore, MD 21222 Electra Bearcat 201,101; 11-el UHF, 3-el hi-VHF beams; EST

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1-4: 2000, 450.1125 Baltimore, MD(WBAL-11; broadcast remote action cam.)
      2005, 450.3125
                          "(WM AR-2;
                                                                       " mini-cam.)
      2035, 450.9500
                          "(WJZ-13;
                                                                       " Eye Witness)
  2050, 450.0875
2100, 450.5500
6: 2000, 163.565
                          "(WBAL-
                                                                       " eye)
                          "(WJZ-
                           Ft. Meade, MD (military police)
      2005, 161.295
                          Baltimore, MD (Amtrack police)
                         " (B & O RR police)
" (ADT Alarm Co.)
      2055, 160.470
      1530, 460.950 " (ADT Alarm Co.) 1545, 461.000 (EPC Alarm Co.) 1600, 463.900 " (Crown Guard Co.) 1650, 464.600 (Pinkerton)
  <u>7:</u> 1530, 460.950
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Robert L. Foxworth, GPO Box 2111, New York, NY 10001 sent along a copy of an article from the January 27, 1978 issue of Science (Vol. 199, pp. 377-388) that considers how a distant stellar system observer might detect the various VHF-UHF signals from the earth with daily and seasonal variations.

My loggings. Hallicrafters SX-62; Hammarlund SP-600-JX-10; two 30' wires at 12', nw-se and ne-sw runs; F2 unless noted, with daily peak MUF's given; bs-backscatter; new underlined; GMT used

1-11: 1700, KGC 755 1702, KED 482 1707, KEG 776 1715, KCE 518 1723, KCI 233 1727, KOP 303 1731, KGE 450 1747, Oakland 1750, 37.88 Ore 1830, KSV 810 1833, KOA 796 12: 1635, 35's US 1639, KDH 354 1644, KCD 915 1658, KCA 585 1659, KCI 233 1659, KCA 410	12: 1820, hi-35 13: 1557, KCD 850 1558, KBF 372 1623, 37.54 US 1626, KGF 392 1629, KGE 450 1641, KLU 346 1642, KEG 776 1658, KEJ 451 1659, KCI 315 KCH 954 14: 1636, KCD 845 1651, KCD 823 1652, KCD 500 1658, KRP 942 1659, KCA 639 KCI 233	14, 1700, KCB 979 KCA 410 1702, KCG 964 15, 1940, 30-31 US 16; 1652, KBA 887 1659, KCA 410 1931, KSV 810 1937, KOK 418 1943, KCP 308 1945, KCB 715 KCD 453 KCD 453 KCD 427 KAD 874 KCB 281 KCA 585 KCC 350
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30: 2100, 37.000

31: 1940, hi-35

2216, KLF 527

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16: 1945, KCH 519
1956, KCA 695
2010, WSL
2015, KQL 885
2020, KOP 303
2023, 37.88 US
2032, Bend
2033, KUA 288

17: 1725, 31 / US
18: 1620, 31 / US

25: 1915, 32.82
10w-31 US
26: 1535, 30.30
27: 2115, 30.42 Can
28: 1845, 30.42 Can
29: 1640, 6WW
1659, KCA 410
1707, 35.05
1714, KCD 697
1920, 35.58 bs
                                                                                                                                                2235, mid-35 US
2-1: 0003, KLF 527
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1610, 32 US

1715, hi-35

2: 1935, KSV 810

1944, KOP 303

2125, 36.15

3: 1835, hi-33 US

2022, 35.58

4: 1520, hi-35

1810, low-33 US

5: 1815, 35.28

1850, hi-31 US
  17: 1725, 31 / US
18: 1620, 31 / US
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  19: 1935, 35.28
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  20; 2118, 32.96
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  22: 1725, 30.42 Can 1659, KCH 954
  24: 1900, 30.42 Can
2105, 32.96
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KAD 874 33.90 Pembroke, MA-f
KBA 887 33.70 Bolton, MA-f
KBF 372 33.54 Hadley, MA-f
KCA 410 33.90 Wareham, MA-f
KCA 585 33.90 Plymouth, MA-f
KCA 639 33.90 W Wareham, MA-f
KCA 695 33.78 Manchester, NH-f
KCB 281 33.90 Reidgeweter MA-f
KCB 281 33.90 Reidge
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KCB 281
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 KCB 715
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Norwich, CT-f KGE 450
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KCB 979
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33.90 Hanson, MA-f KLU 346
KCD 427
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KCD 453
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33.56 Trumbull, CT-f KOK 418
33.70 Provincetown, MA-f KOP 303
KCD 500
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KCD 580
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33.96 Montville, CT-f
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33.08 Portland, OR-ho
KCD 697
                                                W Bridgewater, MA-f KQL 885
N Abington, MA-f KRP 942
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KCD 820
KCD 823
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                                                  Brewster, MA-f KSV 810
Wareham, MA-f KUA 288
Shelton, CT-f WSL
KCD 845
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KCD 915
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KCG 964
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                                                  Terryville, CT-f
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f-fire (o-county), hac-h.f. cw harmonic, ho-hospital mp-mobile phone, tp-tone pager

Solar fluxes the first week of February hit the highest levels (over 160) since late October of 1972 !

Some hints for those who are at the right range (1500 miles or more) from the 33-MHz fire departments (most of which are in the NE US). The best time for ID's comes with the "6 pm test" when just about every one of them gets on. Next best time is the "noon test", followed then by the on the hour ID's (when given). Sometimes they just give the three digits of their call.

Early Jan had some instances of New Zealand TV audio (50.75) into Hawaii. An extensive Japan-Australia event occurred on Dec 3 on 6-m as well as Japan-New Zealand.

If things keep up, Mar-April n-s F2 should be the best since 1972.

Remember this is a DX column and submissions may be edited accordingly, as space and time permit.

CORNER

PSB-DSL

Thomas J. Yingling, fr. 221 Pinewood Road Baltimore, MD 21222 Phone # 1-301-282-5649 Deadline: 10th

FL	K18-	481	45.06	Ft. Myers, P. O. Box O, 33902, prepared card from Donald Smith for Florida Highway Patrol. Blevins
1L	KSA-	726	39.46	Decatur, 253 E. Wood St, 62523. prepared card from Lt. Holsapple, for Macon County Sheriff Dept. Blevins
1 N	KSA-	449	42.42	Jasper, Jasper District #34, 47546. prepared card from Harold C. Merriles, Chief Comm Officer. for Indiania State Police Dept. Blevins
MD	KGC-		54.28	Gaithersburg/Bethesda. Montgomery County Fire Dept, 250 watts, letter % prepared card from Raymond L. Mulhall, Comm. Officer. Dorman
Ve			54.28	Hickory. Harford County Fire Dept, prepared card in 15 days signed by Lt. James W. Rockey, SASE included. Dorman
	KIF-	337 1:	54.28	Fairfax. Fairfax County fire Dept. Mutural Aid freq.,same above 2, send back prepared card in 11 days, SASE used. Dorman
4.10	Q3L			
AL	CJCA	97.3	Edmo	inton, 10230 108th St, T5J 2X3. Send card signed by G. Skullen, Chief
11	WEMT	98.7	Chic	ago, 500 N. Michigan Ave, 60611. Letter from Gordon S. Carter, Eng. in
mN	MCAL	89.3		hfield, 55057. Letter signed by Tom Smith, confirmed report for June , received 9-24-77. Aden
MS	ULIN	95.5	Mana	son, P. O. Box 12247, 39211. Memo x coverage map from Charles Fletcher, ger in 7 days. "Our antenna is located on WAPT-TV tower at 1060 feet. ir tower is on Maddox Rd in the southwest section of town." Samford
	WOMV	98.7	Vick	sburg, P. D. Box 1111, 39180. Letter & coverage-map from Bill Ford, CE, weeks. He describes his own DX'ing interests in a long letter. Sawatzky
NE	KIBC	93.5	Ogal sign	lala, P. O. Box 733, 69153. Letter % tourist info in 6 days. No name or ature. Describes report from DH % CA. Sawatzky
	KTTT	93.5	real	mbus, Box 518,Letter (interoffice type) signed by Ralph Wayne, PD, (not ly signed, just typed) enclosed a rate card with CM on it. Aden
DK		91.7	from	lwatter, Oklahoma State University, 74074. Letter % program guide back Frank W. Raker, Operations Coorinator. Ellis
DH	MWAO	93.7		t Vernon, 43050. Unsigned memo from Don Talbot CE in 2 weeks. Simon
		106.9	but	on, box 518, 44302. Station info % note of "most distant recetpion" no dates. from F. J. Peters, VP for Eng. in S days. Simon
		107.3	ing	ia, EST Building, 44035. Long personal letter childing me for not report- more details. From Glenn P. Smith, CE in 5 days. Simon
рд		100.3	type	ville, 964 Park Ave, 16335. No letter, mine retumned w/confirmation in on bottom of my letter. No signer % reply in 5 days. Traska
	DUBA	107.3	time	is, 28 U.Scribner Ace, 15801. Letter from Gerald E. Meloon CE with RP in 8 days. They were personnally glad to hear from me, as a few of them from Western NY 2 said never has anyone successfully DX us from Buffalo. ka.
	UJ01	93.7	Simo	
SD	KCHF	93.5	Thank	x Falls, 224 S. Main St. 57102. Send letter signed by Joe Miller, PD, ked me for listening & said to stop in next time I am in SF, 50. Aden
TX	KMGC	102.9	to the ment	as, 1401 S. Akard St, 75222. Letter finally arrived after being returned he P.O. twice because of wrong address. Signer was Ms. J.C. Webster, GM, ions recetpion also in NJ & Ontario, with Christian music on main channel sak on SCA. Stereo planned. Elving.
VT	UNH Y	95.3	Uhite (both	e River Junction, Box 910, 05001. A long letter % separate letter verie, h veries) 4 page station profile, 2 CM, 3 bumper stickers from Andy art, CT in 5 days. Lindblade.

Reporters are Don Blevins, Essex, MO; Randy Dorman, Severn, MD; Frank Aden, Bend, DR; Rick Samford, Burnet, TX; Peter Sawatzky, Waterloo, DNT; Ken Simon, W.Palm Beach, FL; Paul Traska, Buffalo, NY; Bruce Elving, Duluth, MN; Albert Ellis, Brantford, DNT; X Rolland Lindblade, Omaha, NE. This was a first for a while to have some PSB QSL's reported. Maybe others will renort too, this was an all fm report too. I hope everybody is okay after this winter snows in the East X Northeast for I had my fill of snow here in Baltimore. 73's X hurry up sommer.

Videotaperecorders for DXers

By now. virtually everyone in North America has been exposed to the mountain of nublicity and advertising on home video cassette recorders. The media and ads have already done the job of telling you that you can record the late, late show, but what about DX? Before getting into that, I should mention that I have "lived with" a video tape recorder (VTR) for about twelve years...but more about DX recording a bit later.

The two most popular consumer video cassette recorder (VCR) formats are those developed by Sony (Beta) and Matsushita (VHS). In both the Beta and VHS systems, the video tape is contained inside a plastic cassette and automatically threaded when the machine is engaged. The user never handles the tape. All of these machines provide forward (record and play), rewind and fast foward modes. Some VCR's also provide a pause feature, which momentarily stops the tape travel and allows the user to eliminate commercials, ID's (!), etc. A few VCR's also feature freeze frame or stop action. Unlike older reel-to-reel VTR's, virtually all of the new VCR's include an output modulator (to broadcast the signal into the antenna terminals of your set) and a built-in TV receiver. This set-up allows the user to record one program while watching another -- a highly advertised feature.

Can TV-DX be recorded on a VCR?

The answer to that question is yes, and maybe no. I'm really not trying to sound like a politician, but that is a brief and accurate way to sum-up the situation. Many VCR's have built-in, what can be described as a video squelch circuit. If the video signal level is very weak (moderate to heavy snow), the squelch circuit blanks the video, causing your TV screen to go black. The idea behind this system is to keep the screen dark until the program material begins. With this "feature" operational, you could not tape a weak DX signal. This blanking circuit can be disabled by a good technician. I have no data on which VCR's have or do not have the video blanking circuit, so my best advice is to consult a dealer specializing in video tape equipment (not a department, appliance or stereo store) or the individual manufacturers. Strong video signals with only light snow, or strong skip signals, should cause no problems and record properly.

Which brand of VCR is best?

Sorry, but that's a question that I won't attempt to answer. There are many variables involved, including features, personal taste and so on. I've talked to industry experts who each have a favorite format or brand. If you plan to buy a VCR (and not a VTR). I would recommend that you choose a machine using either the Beta or VHS formats. Both of these formats have received a great deal of acceptance and should be in fashion for years to come.

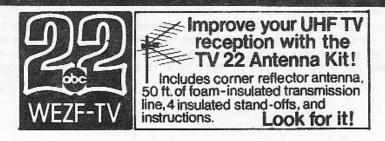
Should I buy now or wait for the prices to fall?

Don't expect VCR prices to change much in the near future. Most of the cost of a

VCR is tied up in mechanics and not electronics. As anyone who has bought a car lately knows, the cost of mechanical devices hasn't followed the route of the calculator. What you should expect to see is more features without much (if any) added cost. These features will probably include freeze frame, slow motion, remote mode control, and elaborate "timers." Such timers would allow the user to program the

VCR to turn itself on and off at Feature controls on RCA's VHS deck

several specified times on different specified channels. Some or all of these features will start showing up in late summer or fall



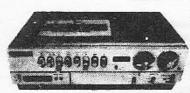
What VCP features should the DXer look for?

Beyond those features that are standard on most VCR's, freeze frame and slow motion are extremely useful to the DXer. In fact, these features are essential if you enjoy meteor scatter DXing. With freeze frame and slow motion, you can examine an MS burst virtually frame by frame. Pemember those clear bursts that came in and out so fast that you couldn't read the ID? With a VCR; IDing such bursts is much easier than trying to catch it on a single chance. I've logged several stations in this manner that would have been impossible without a video recorder. In case you haven't already got the idea, I'm suggesting that if you're in the market for a VCR, you should wait until you can buy one with slow motion , or at minimum-- freeze frame. But there is still another alternative...

So far, we've been talking only about VCR's, but there are a great many used reel-to-reel VTR's available at almost give-away prices. I've seen prices for 1/2" (refers to tape width) black & white VTR's ranging from \$100 to \$275. (With a VTR, you'll also need a video monitor for playback and a modification to your TV set for recording.) The nice thing about many VTR's is that freeze frame (of sorts) is almost always built in and you can create your own slow motion by manually moving the reels back and forth. This isn't the best thing for tape and head wear, but a limited amount of "freeze and turn" isn't likely to cause any problems. (I've been doing Sony 2-hour Betamax with it for twelve years and I'm still using the original video changer heads.) If you decide to shop for a used VTR, be absolutely certain that it works perfectly. VTR repairs can be quite expensive. Replacement of the video head assembly alone can easily run well over \$125. Try to stick with name brands, like Sony, Panasonic, JVC. Shibadin (now part of Hitachi), etc., as future parts availability will be best. Look only at 1/2" machines. The higher tape costs or one costly repair makes a 1" machine a questionable investment. Look for a 1/2" machine using the EIAJ format. This will assure you that it's a relatively modern machine that will provide one hour of recording on a 2400' reel (usually costing \$18-\$25 or \$5-\$10 for used tape). My own VTP was the first home VTR available-- the Sony CV2000.

In summary, If you want a video recorder mainly for recording DX, you might con-

This is a pre-EIAJ machine, which uses Sony's original format, known as "CV." It too can record up to one hour, but is not compatable with the newer EIAJ machines. While the CV-2000 lacks the refinements of newer machines, it does a fine utilitarian job



JVC's Vidstar

sider waiting for a VCR with freeze frame and slow motion or (if you're handy) buying a used 1/2" VTR. Before buying a VCR, check to see if it has a video blanking circuit and if it does, whether your dealer can defeat it. Finally, shop around! Look at all the machines and their features. Decide for yourself what's best for your needs. If you do buy a machine, order a service manual from the manufacturer. Even if much of the contents are over your head, you'll find that it includes useful maintainance It even may help you to better underinformation. stand how the VCR functions and how you can get the most out of it.

Morrie S. Goldman WA9RAQ

BSU wins radio tower dispute Reprinted from 12-6-78 "BALL STATE PALLY NEWS", submitted by Falph

for recording DX, moon landings or whatever.

Strobel.

Elackford Circuit Court Judge Bruce C. Bade ruled Thursday that Ball State University can construct a 300-foot radio tower despite objections of residents of Finnlandia Estates west of Muncie.

Bade said the university is both an educational institution and a state agency and therefore is exempt from the Delaware County Zoning ordinance.

The suit was brought by the Delware-Muncie Metropolitan Plan Commission, but Bade miled any court action must filed by the property owners because the commission lacks jurisdiction over the university.

Completely updated and revised, and listing over 4,000 FM radio stations and translators of North America, giving individual station musical formats, networks and primary and secondary coverage radii to help take the guesswork out of FM listening at home or onn the go! Shows FM stereo stations, plus stations with vertical polarization for best car reception.

Many maps improved and re-drawn, showing cities with FM stations, frequencies, call letters, time zone boundaries. Revised editorial content discusses FM broadcasting developments, phony stereo and quad, tips on buying a car FM radio, improving reception, and "SCA: Radio's Great Unexploited Frontier," with stations having a 67khz subcarrier listed and what is actually being programmed on this part of the FM spectrum.

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WESTERN TV-DX This month: Doug Everitt reports his time situation has prohibited him from doing a MARCH column. Doug apologizes for any inconvenience to the members and says a column will be presented next month.

NEW WTFDA PUBLICATIONS...Mike Dorner has been preparing two new publications for FM DXers. Please watch "FROM THE STAFF" in upcoming issues.

NEW FM ATLAS AVAILABLE THIS MONTH...Dr. Bruce Elving reports the 5th edition of his FM ATLAS and STATION DIRECTORY is now out. Bruce reports a small price increase from the old price of \$3.50 to \$3.95. See top of this page for more details.

FROM THE EDITOR: Many members are now wondering what has happened to the missing regular DX reporting columns in the VUD plus other columns. I had originally planned this issue to be at least 35 pages but with the new deadlines, lack of DX and bad weather in the eastern half of the continents plus lack of editors for FM DX the issue was greatly cut short. The last few months have not been the best for WTFDA with the extremely late VUDs, apathy has increased greatly as many members have lost interest in the association. I plan to bring WTFDA out of this current problem situation but I can only do it with your support, WTFDA is not my association only, it is ours! WTFDA can only survive if the membership supports the VUD. Send in a report on yourself to MAILBOX, tell QSL CORNER of your latest QSLs, send in those special DX photos to PHCTO NEWS, report to your DX columns even if it is only a single logging! Send in old QSLs, logos and other oldtime material to MEMORABILIA, take time out to write that special article for the VUD you have been planning. Buy club supplies and join in one of the association projects. We can make WTFDA the best DX association in the world if we all work together. WTFDA is not dead! Let us all prove it to the DX world!





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BALTIMORE, MT-

Hosts Tom Yingling and Don Blevins are planning an exciting convention in this historic city. The proposed convention dates are August 4, 5, and 6 at the Lord Baltimore Hotel in downtown Baltimore. Tours of local stations are anticipated. Several technical presentations are expected, including one by a representative of the Baltimore Fire Department on their communications system. The hosts are considering a trip to nearby Washington for those interested. Information on room rates isn't available, and the hosts haven't decided on a registration fee.

LOUISVILLE, KY-

Hosts Ted Fleischaker, Wayne Murphy, and Bob Walker plan to have the convention at the Holiday Inn Southeast at the intersection of I-264 and US31E. This was the site of the 1976 NRC convention. Proposed dates are August 4, 5, and 6. Many activities are planned for conventiongoers. The hosts plan on tours of local TV and FM stations, plus a possible DYpedition to General Butler State Park in Carollton KY. The guest speaker at the banquet will be Clarence Henson, who built the first FM station in Louisville for WHAS. He's now the owner of WLFS and WOPX-FM. Many technical sessions are planned, including a presentation on SCA by Dr. Bruce Elving. The registration fee will be a very reasonable \$17.50. Louisville is very accessible, with many major highways running through the city. Louisville is served by Creyhound and Trailways bus lines, plus most major airlines.

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Host Ron LeBlanc plans on several technical talks and station tours during the convention, which will be held in the suburt of Marrerro. Convention dates planned are August 4, 5, and 6. No site has been chosen for the convention, and the registration fee hasn't been set. Ton hosted the club convention in 1972.



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