TV-CCI AIDS

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NBZ-4	Eyewitness News
	Nightcast (2300)
	Live on 4 (1730)

Newscenter 5 WCVB-5

NewsCenter 6 WCSH-6

Eyewitness News WCTV-6 WNEV-7 The New England News Live at 5 (1700)

Live at Five WDAM-7 News Seven



MOVIE NAMES

WCVB-5 Great Entertainment (Sa/Su around 12 a.m.)

Prime Movie 25 (M-F 2000) Movie Classics (Su 2230/2300)

WHLL-27 Sci-Fi Horror Theatre (M-F 1600)

Shocking Theater (Sa 2000) Hollywood 27 (M-F 2000)

WSBK-38 Movie Loft w/Dana Hersey (M-F 2000)

Mystery Movie (Sa 12 a.m.) Movie 38 (Sa/Su 1200, 1400, 1600)

WMTW-8

New Hampshire News

News 9 WALA-10 News 10

WTOK-11 The Newscenter WGME-13 News 13

WLOX-13 Newswatch 13 WLTX-19 News 19

WJKA-26 Live at Five WMGT-41 Newswatch 41



/WXXV-25)

WPXT-51 51 Movie at 8 (M-F 2000) WLVI-56 The 8 O'Clock Movie (M-F 2000)

Sunday Movie at ... (Su 1200, 1400, 1600) The Late Show (Sa 2330)

WGOT-60 Prime Movie (M-F 1930) WQTV-68 Theater 68 (M-F 2000)

Creeper Classics (Sa 2330,



MULTI-CITY IDS

WMTW-8 Portland-Auburn-Lewiston (what happened to Poland Spring, their city of license???--jfc)

WCBB-10 Augusta-Lewsiton-Portland

WXXV-25 Biloxi-Gulfport-Pascagoula (note city of license Gulfport not given first as required--jfc)

SLOGANS & NON-IDS

The News Station WGME-13 What Maine's All About WNNE-31 Your Hometown Station

WMGT-41 We Know What Matters

WXEL-42 Somewhere to Turn Your Local PBS Station ("Local" emphasized to wean people from WPBT-2!)

WGXA-24 Full CB (9), ID/time in LL, temperature in LR

WTXL-27 Full CB (8), ID at bottom

WATL-36 3/4 CB (7x-2+-s), ID in box at center WLTZ-38 RETMA-TP, ID at center (see right)

Alabama ETV Net uses unID full CB





SSBs, OTHER S/OFF FEATURES

NOTE: The SSB type previously coded as ACMssb (A Capella Men) will heretofore be known as the AHAssb (for 'Aim High, America,' the words that appear over the U.S. flag at the close). This type has been noted on these additional stations: WLTZ-38, WMGT-41. Another SSB that features an a capella (i.e., unaccompanied) men's chorus has been noted, but in this version the men's voices are joined by an orchestra later in the SSB. The video of this SSB (which will inherit the ACMssb code) has scenes of waving flags, plus scenes of water, fireworks, etc. WSAV-3 noted using an America the Beautiful (ATB) film which starts with waving flag, then mountains, falls, Statue of Liberty, various DC buildings, NYC skyline, Golden Gate bridge, Iwo Jima memorial, Marines in dress uniforms (likely produced by the Marine Corps).

MISCELLANEOUS

WNEV-7 has MA lottery results; WMTW-8 carries NH lottery results. The daily and weekly drawings for the new FL lottery are carried on: WTVJ-4, WUFT-5, WCTV-6. WJHG-7, WFSU-11, WTLV-12, WTVT-13, WLTV-23 (in SS), WEVU-26, WTVX-34, WJTC-44...

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EASTERN TV-DX

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TERIFFIC TROPO TANTALIZES DIXIE DX-ERS...

REPORTS FROM TV-DXers IN AL, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, IN, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, NC, NH, NJ. NY, OH, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, WV, Quebec, Ontario & the Maritimes

DEADLINE: 1st of each month

Besides its showers, April is often known for its tropo. Some nice reception out to 560 miles was noted by TV-DXers below the Mason-Dixon line this April. Greg Coniglie, en vacation in Myrtle Beach SC, nabbed a couple of dozen FL stations as far away as Miami, even logging a Palm Bay translator...all on a lowly UHF "loop" antenna! This editor has experienced some of the best tropo seen since moving to Jacksonville.

Greg Coniglio, 5100 Glenwood Drive, Williamsville NY 14221

DX IN NORTH MYRTLE BEACH SC:
The only antenna used was a UHF loop. Only UHF-DX was possible; the condominium had CATV on VHF. However, I was able to use a friend's portable TV briefly for a bandscan (rabbit ears and bow-tie for antennas). Here is what can be seen under "dead" conditions:

WJKA-26 Wilmington NC WUNJ-39 Wilmington NC Wilmington NC WPDE-15 Florence SC WECT-6 Wilmington NC WBTW-13 Florence SC WHMC-23 Conway SC WTAT-24 Charleston SC WGSE-43 Myrtle Beach SC

As for DX all was quiet until April 5th, when "the skies opened up..."

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Tropo disappeared suddenly around 1800 on the 6th, in advance of a strong cold front about to cross FL and SC. On the morning of the 6th, I picked up the Melbourne FL NWS station relaying a special wx statement about heavy fog in north central FL. Any connection? (Probably-jfc) How often does this sort of thing happen down there? Every one of my loggig on those days would have beaten my NY record (CBCE-16, 260 mi.). (Tropo along the Atlantic coast is quite frequent in spring, but not usually at the intensity you observed. I have received coastal NC and southern FL simultaneously a few times, so one can assume that the two areas were seeing each other at those times—Jfc)

Is the 16 a translator or a full-powered satellite? It was in for quite some time, quite strong. (It is indeed a translator. In its previous incarnation, as W56BG, it had an ERP of 43.2 kw, and I would think they put out about the same now on 16--jfc? WCEU-15 overrode local WPDE at a bad time; there was a tornado watch for most of SC at the time! (I'm jealous that you've seen two stations I haven't: WCEU-15 and WRES-18. I have seen no sign of the latter, and the former only broadcasts 6 hours per week!--jfc)

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The unID-47 is the same station that I reported in the February VUD. One of the Baltimore Orioles network stations mentioned during a game was W47AG in Rocky Mount NC. I wonder if W47AG could have been the unID? However, on April 14th there were other NC stations received, but nothing on 47. (If it is an LPTV you're seeing, the low ERP would probably cause it to be seen in some openings and not others. Why not see if they have a phone listing in Rocky Mount and splurge a few dollars to call them?--Jfc)

************************************* If you are an active TV-DXer and haven't yet ordered your DX DISTANCE PRINTOUTS...shame on you! For only 7 measley U.S. greenbacks, you can have a custom-generated printout of your EXACT DISTANCE to every U.S. TV station, most Canadians, and some Mexicans. Such a buy! Send your check, M.O., cash, or whatever to the address at the head of this column! EASIERU 1835 Fruil Street, Huntington IN 46750
Bob Zent 1835 Fruil Street, Huntington IN 46750
MARCH 1988
5 Tr 1030 WCOM 68 OH 140 9 Tr 0730 WYMT-57 KY 270 9 Tr 0930 WAAY-31 AL 425
Mansfield 0800 WKHA-35 KY 270 0940 WCAY-30 TN 340
1102 W54-- OH 120

Bucyrus (an LPTV that does no local IDs...was able to ID thru local ads)

At the end of March, I replaced the pre-amplifier on my 6' parabolic, upgrading to a Winegard PA-4975. There is a nuticeable improvement on some marginal signals in the 70-100 mile range. I'm waiting to see what it will do with a good tropo opening. This is a rather expensive unit, and perhaps a word of caution is in order. I get a bit of overload when I turn the antenna in the direction of my nearest locals (about 22 miles), so the PA-4975 may not be the best choice for DXers living in a city with UHF locals. (That sort of overlad is normal for most pre-amps, though some are more prope to it than others--jfc)

I'm gonna try to make it to the WTFDA convention this year; haven't been to one since '78. Hope to see a good turnout. (Me, too!--jfc)

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WEXE!

MIDLAND ODESSA	
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John F. Combs (N4SES), 1308 Wi	illow Branch #24, Jacksonville F	FL 32205
APRIL 1988	APRIL 1988	APRIL 1900
5 Tr 2345 WLTX-19 SC 267	17 Tr 0533 WFTX-36 FL 242	21 Tr 0817 WYAH-27 VA 540
	0554 WJKA-26 NC 334	(State #27 and best
	0554 WOLO-25 ? SC T	indoor tropo seen)
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	18 Tr 0038 WLTZ-38 GA 239	0833 WNOL & WYAH both
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	0139 WBBH-20 FL 242	LA at same time!
0600 WRJA-27 SC 260		0843 WGNO-26 ? LA T
0600 WATL-36 GA 286	0730 WRJA-27 SC 260	
0600 WNEH~38 SC 282	0730 WJKA-26 NC 334	
0601 WAXA-40 SC 301	0731 WOLO-25 SC 262	0854 WACS-25 GA 202
0601 WGXA-24 GA 201	0731 WHMC-23 SC 293	0857 WSRE-23 FL 329
0601 WMGT-41 GA 201	0732 WCES-20 GA 206	2143 WSRE-23, WEIQ-42
0603 WLTX-19 SC 267	0732 WLTX-19 SC 267	22 Tr 0540 WLTX-19 SC 267
0603 WOLO-25 SC 262	0732 WGSE-43 SC 295	0540 WHNS-21 NC 341
0606 WJHG-7 FL 221	0733 WUNP-36 NC 469	0540 WATL-36 GA 286
0607 WXIA-11 GA 283	0752 WUNK-25 NC 432	0540 WMGT-41 GA 201
0609 WVEU-69 GA 285	0756 WRLK-35 SC 267	0551 unIDs-26 3/4 CB
0609 WRET-49 SC 316	0800 WUNJ-39 NC 334	0605 unID-15
0624 WRLK-35 SC 267	0825 WLTZ-38 GA 239	0800 WCOV-20 AL 304
0624 WLTZ-38 ? GA T	0825 WXTX-54 GA 239	0800 WMPV-21 AL 348
0625 WXTX-54 ? GA T	0829 WGIQ-43 AL 241	0800 unID-42 not WEIQ
0630 Had to leave	0842 WACS-25 GA 202	0802 WMAH-19 MS 431
	20 Es 1602 unID-2 weak	(State #28)
		0809 WHLT-22 ? MS T
+ other Tampa U's strong	21 Tr 0800 SC 19,23,25,35 0805 WUNK-25 NC 432	(CBS briefly mix
0853 unID-51 ID 3/4 CB		w/WJCL and WCLF)
under WOGX	0805 WJKA-26 NC 334	
0854 WXEL-42 FL 272	0805 WLTZ-38 GA 239	0810 WSRE-23 FL 329
15 Tr 0552 WJKA-26 NC 334	0805 WNOL-38 LA 491	0817 unID-23 cartoons
0553+ unIDs-25, 27, 40	0807 WUNJ-39 NC 334	0820 <u>WXXV-25</u> MS 437
16 Tr 0600 WTVX-34 FL 234	0807 unID-39z CCI for	0825 WEVU-26 FL 267
0600 W29AB FL 77	awhile, never	0832 WEIQ-42 AL 368
17 Tr 0530 WLTX-19 SC 267	broke through	0832 WGIQ-43 AL 241
0531 WBBH-20 FL 240	0807 ₩GSE-43 SC 295	27 Tr 2140 WRJA-27 SC 260
0532 WEVU-26 FL 267	0811 WUNP-36 NC 469	21 4 0 WJKA-26 NC 334

EQUIPMENT: (for UHF) 4-bay antenna and EU-4S pre-amp in second-floor apartment. TOTALS: 231 stations

April brought some of the best tropo I've seen since coming to Jacksonville. The 21st and 22nd in particular were great. I know some trans-Gulf stuff was around because twice during the month Houston-area hams were hitting the Orange Park FL 2-meter repeater, but I never was able to note any TX on the TV. I suspect, however, that the unID-39 that was zero-beating WUNJ on the 22nd may have been Houston; it's the only one within the realm of possibility that matches the offset. Some of the other unIDs (like the 23 that was running cartoons in EE and was a commercial stn, ruling out WHMC, WSRE, and WLTV) may have been TX also. Guess I'll never know!

WMGT-TV

YET ANOTHER "WHERE'S THAT TRANSMITTER" UPDATE!

Fred McCormick supplied me with a few more stations with the city of license in one state and the transmitter in another: KYMA-11 AZ (CA), KVRR-15 ND (MN), MLAX-25 WI (MN), and WPWR-50 IN (IL). Add these (and WTGI-61, mentioned in a previous correction) to the master list previously published in TV-CCI AIDS and you should have the definitive list. (I know...this update should have appeared in TV-CCI AIDS, too. Howver, I had already done that column and it just filled a page and, well, see, I had the space here to fill, and I thought I would use it to make the page come out neat and pretty. So there.)

SO HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN since you've sent a DX report? This column, and the club, depend on your support. Let us know what you've been seeing! It's been real................JOHN

by William R. Hepburn

WEATHERADIO CANADA is the Canadian equivalent of NOAA Weather Radio. This article updates my original listing in the Oct. 1979 VUD. Back then, I was in high school... now I work for Environment Canada (our version of NOAA) and am one of the 'voices' on station XMJ-225 Toronto.

Weatheradio Canada is operated by the federal gov't by AES (Atmospheric Environment Service — our version of the NWS). The service began on Jan. 24, 1977 when the Vancouver station fired up its transmitter. By 1979, a province-wide network was already operating in Nova Scotia with plans for more networks. Unfortunately, the early 80's brought with it funding problems — so the network has been slow to expand. The Atlantic Provinces do have a large number of repeaters thanks to additional funding from provincial government

Plans are currently under way for more main stations in Ontario... while Alberta is studying proposals for a complete repeater network.

Powers listed are ERP in watts, 'd' indicates a highly directional antenna. '*' indicates a CP or future proposal.

Repeaters are listed under their parent station.

WEATHERADIO CANADA

<u>Call</u>	Freq	Power	Location
*XLA-852	162.55	45d	VICTORIA/VANCOUVER BC MATSQUI BC SIDNEY BC
XLF-339	162.4	50	CALGARY AB
XLM-572	162.4	125	EDMONTON AB
XLF-322	162.55	112	SASKATOON SK
XLM-537	162.55	118	REGINA SK
			WINNIPEG MB RIVERTON MB
* -	-	-	THUNDER BAY ON
* -	-	-	SAULT STE. MARIE ON
* -	-	-	SUDBURY ON
* -	-	-	WINDSOR ON
			TORONTO ON COLLINGWOOD ON

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shared part-time repeater also relays VCO 161.65 SYDNEY NS (Sydney Coast Guard Radio cont marine bost)

GANDER NF XLM-616 162.4 XLM-616 162.4 BRENT'S COVE NF XLM-616 162.55 CHANNEL-PORT AUX BASQUES NF XLM-616 162.55 CONCHE NF CORNER BROOK NF XLM-616 162.55 XLM-616 162.4 DEER LAKE/BIRCHY NF XLM-616 162.55 GRAND FALLS NF XLM-616 162.55 HERMITAGE-SANDYVILLE NF XLM-616 162.4 MARYSTOWN NF XLM-616 162.55 MOUNT ST. MARGARET NF XLM-616 162,55 PORT REXTON NF PORTLAND CREEK NF XLM-616 162.4 ST. ANTHONY NF XLM-616 162.4 SI. JOHN'S NF XLM-616 162.4 STEPHENUILLE NF XLM-616 162.4 XLM-616 162.55 TREPASSEY NF

The Canadian Coast Guard uses some of the ωx frequencies of 162.4 & 162.55 on the Pacific Coast for its weather broadcasts due to congestion of the main frequency of 161.65 MHz.

These stations, as well as others on 161.65, 161.775, 161.85 and 161.9 MHz, the U.S. Coast Guard on 157.1 MHz and commercial marine stations on various freqs. will be detailed in coming articles that will update my Sep. 78 and Mar. 81 listings.

Mope you can DX a few of these stations. By the way, our station in Toronto gives a fuller detailed ID between the hours of 12 and 1 am. 73s. \sim

WESTERN TV-DX

Fred McCormack Box 5221 State University Station Fargo, ND 58105

<u>June 1988</u> <u>Deadline: 7- 7-88</u>

An unbelievably dry DX period is apparent. I still have hardly enough reports to get a column together, but I want to get up to date. Reports of DX loggings not prior to April 1 and received by the above deadline will be used in the August Western TV-DX column. Let's have lots of input. The absence of some of the high volume reporters from this column is quite noticeable. What's happening?

William	Draeb, E	llis St	., Rt.	#2, Kewaune	e, WI 54216				CST,	/CDT
January	1988			13 tr 2011	WSEE 35 PA	405	31 tr 2145	WCET	48 OH	400
27 tr 20	59 WCET	48 OH	400	19 tr 2101	WXIX 19 KY	400				
28 tr 07	30 WOSU	34 OH	395		WCET 48 OH	400	April 1988			
	WGRB	34 KY		27 tr 1833	WPTT 22 PA	480	5 tr 0635	WUSI	16 IL	402
				March 1988				WKPC	15 KY	437
February	1988			5 tr 2020	WCET 48 OH	400	12 tr 0620	WCET	48 OH	400
2 tr 20	22 WXIX	19 KY	400	31 tr 0520	WKBS 47 PA					
	WCET	48 OH	400		WPGH 53 PA	480	May 1988			
20	30 WKSO	29 KY	538		WPTT 22 PA	480	1 Es 1720	unids	chs 2,	3
20	34 WGRB	29 KY		0530	WNEO 45 OH	405	1730	WSJK	2 TN	600
	WCTE	22 TN	589		Youngstown L	JHF's		WRCBt		
13 tr 17	58 WPTT	22 PA	480		chs 21,27,3					

No E skip seen in April at all, but May got off on the right foot with E skip, and not only that; I saw the lone hold out on channel 2 east of the Mississippi River in the United States. The opening didn't get above channel 3. Tropo activity has left a lot to be desired lately, but maybe that's good because I don't have much time now anyway.

That's all for now. 73's, Bill

(Nice going with cleaning up the eastern channel 2's! fm)

John M. Jefferson, 4016 Crest Court, Pleasanton, CA 94566

PST

January 15 wasn't the major event December 14 was, but it wasn't trivial. Interestingly, it was into two of the three areas noted December 14, but in reverse order!

January 15, 1988 Es	January 16, 1988	Es	
0800 KMID 2 TX 1175	1033 unid	2	(MUF channel 2)
0800 MUF to 95.5 into Coahuila			
0851 XHBS 4 SN 1150			
0922 MUF to 100.1 into Sinaloa			

Well, that's it for now. Hope there's more doing where you are than there is here! Can't blame work, either; I've been home since January 24 (written March 5 - fm) with a broken ankle (from helping a friend put up an FM antenna; I only dropped four feet, but what a landing!), so have all kinds of time.

Yours truly, John (I trust your ankle is healed now. It's sound like it was rough. fm)

Fred McCormack, 135 Prairiewood Drive, Fargo, ND 58105

CST

Dismai DX conditions here too. Only a few tropo loggings since my last report. Two new stations have been added to my log book. One was a <u>K32AP</u> at Windsor, North Dakota (93 miles), new on the air on channel 32. It is presently operating as a translator of local KVRR-15. On April 4 at 2323, I logged new on the air <u>KAWB-22</u> at Brainerd, Minnesota (114 miles). KAWB is a satellite of KAWE-9, Bemidji. No E skip yet, but no doubt soon?

AN OPEN LETTER TO ERIC BUENEMAN AND THE MEMBERSHIP OF WTFDA

by Robert Grant

In recent months, the **FCC FM NEWS** column in the **VUD** has been the scene of discussion between Eric Bueneman and I concerning the future of radio broadcasting and my proposed system known as Medium Frequency FM. One important concern was the issue of the use of "dial-settings" from 108.1-131.3 for Medium Frequency FM to distinguish it from AM radio. These dial settings are independent of the frequencies used by MFFM and in fact MFFM uses no new spectrum not already used in the transmission of an AM signal. Eric argued that even though the frequencies from 108MHz through 132MHz are not intruded upon by MFFM, the use of "dial-settings" (channels) 108-132 was unfeasible because of "confusion with the VHF aviation band".

The comments on page 20 of the May, 1988 VUD, however, demanded this special attention. His statement ".. A majority of American radio listeners have at least heard of the... VHF aviation band..." is highly suspect. While it is obvious to nearly anybody that airplane pilots communicate with control and with one another via radio, only a large minority of the lay public would likely know that VHF frequencies are used for this purpose (as are HF and UHF frequencies). I would be "willing to bet money" that less than ten percent of the public (and this is the important part), if asked, could identify the VHF aviation band with any particular set of frequencies, as Eric seems to suggest. The use of actual frequencies (540-1700) as dial settings for MFFM is entirely unsuitable because this would produce confusion between AM and MFFM. The suggestion that "... the FCC would be flooded with complaints from the (FAA) and members of the Air Line Pilots Association, as well as licensed pilots.." is not realistic either. I consider it to be an insult to the intelligence of our nation's trained pilots. They could simply be notified that their frequencies would not be used by MFFM or any other service. Also important to mention here is the fact that air communication frequencies are generally referred to as channels, not full frequencies (e.g.: 127.255). Thus, pilots would not be concerned with the use of "dial-settings" by MFFM stations, for they can understand the difference between frequencies and channels/dial-settings.

With regard to I suggesting that "...AM be eliminated...", nothing could be further from the truth. MFFM is FULLY COMPATIBLE with all AM receivers. AM receivers would still receive the AM signal, with typical AM performance. MFFM merely gives AM broadcasters a chance to survive by allowing them to send an FM simulcast within the confines of their AM signal spectrum. As for the FCC's "hands-off" policy being

against AM radio by halting the progress of the Motorola C-QUAM AM stereo system, if the FCC had adopted a "hands-off" policy with regard to AM stereo in the first place, there would be a Kahn ISB decoder in virtually every stereo made today, as well as those made fifteen to twenty years ago. A "hands-on" policy today, to choose between two thirty-year-old technologies, would be irresponsible. MFFM makes both C-QUAM^r and ISB obsolete.

What prompted this open letter, however, was Eric Bueneman's article on page 36 of the May VUD, proposing to reallocate 2300-2500kHz and 3200-3400kHz to domestic AM broadcasting. This idea reminded me of when I was eight years old, and wrote local TV station WKBD, channel 50, begging them to change to channel 6 because I didn't get a good, strong picture on WHF. (they were on UHF because WJIM [now WLNS] in Lansing, MI., channel 6, is only about 65 miles from WKBD. That's too close, trust me.) This reallocation idea is very well intended, but it has so many technical problems that it is truly unworkable.

The first problem is assuming that the frequencies in question are simply not in use (the same problem I had in proposing WKBD-ch6). I know that much of 2000-2700 kHz has been used for maritime SSB, and a listening in to 3000-3500 reveals many machine and CW signals highly suggestive of maritime mobile. If these bands were to be reallocated to broadcasting, they would not be effective in the manner that Eric suggested. By far most of the channels would be regional channels. Regional channels are extremely inefficient at these frequencies for many of the same reasons regional channels are inefficient above 1000 kHz. As one increases frequency (in this case, from 500-10000 kHz.), groundwave coverage is reduced as skywave signal strength is increased. The regional stations on a given channel above 1000 kHz need to tighten their patterns to protect other stations at night, and their own groundwave signals cover short distances. A typical regional channel above 1000 kHz has a few dominant stations with good groundwave service at night to about 30 miles in the major lobes of their patterns, a few weaker night stations, sometimes with coverages greatly reduced by interference, and a very large number of daytimers. To illustrate my point, look up the nighttime lists for 550 kHz, and the nighttime list for 1270 kHz, and then consider that the coverage for each station on 1270 is only about one-sixth the area of each station on 550! WXYT, Detroit, is one of the dominant stations on 1270, and their night signal is not much better than that of WQBH, a local station that shares its channel at night with over 100 omnidirectional stations. At 2 or 3 megahertz, the groundwave coverage gets even smaller, and the skywave interference becomes even stronger. It would be even harder to protect other stations. and even in the major lobe such a "90-meter regional" would not cover as much distance as a local station on 1490 kHz.

SSB longwave would use 148-248 kHz (used by broadcasters in Europe and Asia and falling into obsolescence for beacons over here), for groundwave broadcasting out to several hundred miles day and night. Stations every 4 kHz (and divisible by 4 kHz), would transmit upper-sideband-suppressed carrier audio with a low-pass filter at 3750 Hz. No carrier, no carrier interference and no carrier fading. The low frequencies make SSB feasible for consumer crystal-controlled receivers, no "donald-duck-effect". The 248 kHz upper limit refers to the width of the last channel, 244. SSB does not inherently sound like the tinny, distorted SSB we hear in CB and amateur radio, but rather like a good narrow AM receiver or a non-hi-fi VCR's linear audio track in the VHS ELP/Beta III mode.

MFFM offers a new future for AM broadcasters and radio listeners. It is a technical improvement and a marketplace appeal improvement. Soon part-15 station QFML (Quality FM Longwave) may be broadcasting on 180 kHz with an MFFM-type combined modulation signal.

MEDIUM FREQUENCY FM, P.O. BOX 249043, DETROIT, MI 48224. Thank You.

SOUTHERN · FM DX:

Danny Buntin 1312 N. Skyline Stillwater, Ok 74075

JUNE 1988

DEADLINE: 10th

For FM DX reporters from AL, AR, CA, CO, DC, DE, FL, GA, KS, KY, LA, MD, MO, NC, NM, NM, NV, OK, SC, TN, TX, UT, WV & WV. Report today!

********* A HANDS ON LOCK AT THE NEW ONKYO T909011 TUNER: ***********

Tuner talk in Southern FM heats up again this month. Eric Fader of Peekskill, NY recently got to test tune Onkyo's new T9090II and compared it side by side to his original T9090. He kindly submitted these comments to SFM:

"On April 22, Paul Mount drove up from NJ to my house with his new T9090II(\$425 on sale, as a "floor model" from some store in NJ). We hooked the T9090 and the T9090II to the same antenna, with similiar connections, and later reversed them all to make sure things were equal. The T9090II is very slightly more selective. There were only a couple of cases where it mattered at all because I have one 105-120 db local and no others over 60 db when peaked. So, for me, there would be no great improvement with respect to adjacent channels. If you've seen the T9090II specs., you've noticed that the "80 db adj. channel" spec.is for +300 kHz, not ±200 kHz. I'd estimate the T9090II adjacent selectivity at 200 kHz to be less than 5 db higher than the T9090's--maybe 43 for the II vs. 38 for the original, or something like that. The ±300 kHz figure doesn't help a DXer(or anyone. I wouldn't think) very much. And--surprise -- the T9090 is very noticeably quieter. Not by much, but consistently, up and down the dial, for any weak station. So a weak station(i.e. less than 15-20 db) next to a strong local would be heard with less "slop" and "crash", but more "fuzz", stereo or not, on the T-9090II.

I found the T-9090 much more "user friendly", with larger buttons and a more attractive layout. The T-9090II does have a remote control and some improved features, like different LED's for frequency readout, tuning level and digital db readout, although one still has to hit a button to get these to appear. The II's new analog-scale LED db readout is not really much help. One quirk noted is that the T9090II's db levels "ran higher" by about 5-10 db over much of the band compared to the T9090's. Signals were identical in strength and sound. but the numbers were different. There was virtually no difference at over 50 db signal strength, however.

Our conclusions: Anyone who has a choice(and T9090's may not be too available any more) should choose a T9090, if they're not too troubled by real locals (over 60 db or so). Anyone in close proximity to locals, such as Paul in NJ, or the DC guys, might welcome the T9090II as a slight but noticeable improvement in adj. selectivity over the T9090. One more note, my ad in the VUD selling the Onkyo T9090 was in case I decided I wanted a T9090II. But I don't now.

On a different matter Eric related, "Regarding the" unnamed DXers" under Gus Mancuso's report(Nay), I can't believe that 252 stations in 10 years from East Brunswick, NJ is representative of what the average DXer with average equipment would get from there. Unless it's someone who never stayed up late during trops, never caught the NY/Phila. locals off, never heard Es, etc. And there shouldn't be much difference between 50 and 65 miles from NY-between 5 and 15, yes, but not 50 and 65, (1 agree with your comments, but I suspect we need to better respect the fact that each DXer is an individual who must DX under a different set of circumstances who may have different attitudes regarding the hobby. As long as the DXer is enjoying himself and following guidelines when contributing to the VUD, then perhaps that's good enough. DE)

MEJANWHILE, ANOTHER T9090 OWNER CLEANS UP ON LONG HAUL TROP!

Keith D. Pugh, 227 Martin St., New Hope, AL	35760
Equipt: Onkyo T9090, Stereo Probe 9 at 30'.	l .
4/8 tr	4/22 tr
1227 WPSR 90.7 IN avansville, ID 240	0049 WBSN 89.1 LA New Orleans, g, ID 388
(station #1000)	0108 WHSY 104.9 MS Hattlesburg, ads, Y-104
1301 WNIN 88.3 IN Evansville, ID	0121 WCKW 92.3 LA Laplace, rp, ID
1321 WRAY 98.1 IN Princeton, r, ads, ID	0135 WBST 102.3 MS Ellisbille, k, ID
4/9 tr	0136 WSLY 99.3 AL York,s,ads, Y-99
1136 MGEK 106.3 GA Donalsonville, ID	0148 KLOL 101.1 TX Houston, rp, ID 620
<u>4/15 tr</u>	0150 KYKX 105.7 TX Longview, ID
1020 WCJM 100.9 GA West Point, k, \$	0200 KHOM 104.1 LA Houma, ID
<u>ns</u>	0209 WHCB 105.7 TX Houston, g, ID
1027 WBNCt 100.9 OH Bryan	cont

245

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203

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402

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503

270

562

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On May 1st saw ch 2 Es, kMID

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4/22 tr
4/22 tr
0221 ARBE 104.1 TX Houston, r, 1D,33 ab
                                            0934 WT 1 93.1 FL Miami. c. ID
                                                                                       209
                                            0944 SINT 94.9 FL Tallahassee, TNT Country
          97.9 TX Houston, r, ID
0221 r.FMA
                                            0945 AUUV 103.3 FL Bradenton, b, ID
          96.5 TX Houston, r. Ib
          99.5 LA Lake Charles, LAGO, rm
                                            0952 WMLT 75.7 HL Clearwater, r. W-Lite 500
          99.5 TX Fort Worth, k, k-plex
                                            1000 WDSI 105.3 GA Quitman, ID
0349 KPLX
          93.5 MS Bay Springs, Zn-Bock
                                            1012 WIJI 101.7 FL quincy, s, ads. Power Stat.
0823 WUSA 100.7 FL Tampa, r, N-101
                                            1014 WHEN 101.9 FL Fort Lyers, k, ID
                                            1018 WALC 104.9 FL Havana, ID
0845 WJIS 88.1 HL Bradenton, ID
                                       515 1020 WCIE 91.1 FL Lakeland, ID
0850 WMF 88.5 FL Tampa, j, IL
0852 WLVU 106.3 FL Holiday, ID
                                            1032 WGUL 105.5 FL New Port Richey. ID
                                            2322 KAJA 97.3 TX San Antonio, KJ-97FM
0858 WeVM 90.5 FL Tampa, ID
                                            2355 WFHC 91.5 TN Henderson, s/off, p
0859 WJPT 88.3 GA Jessup, g, $
0917 WQZX 94.3 AL Greenville, ads. 294
                                            4/23 \text{ tr}
0927 WAVV 101.1 FL Narco, r, Wave 101
                                            0002 ABUC 107.5 TX San Antonio, k, ID
0928 WRBO 104.7 FL Tampa, 2105
                                            0019 KFMK 97.9 TX Houston, 98-FM, ID
                                            0022 kGCBt105.7 TX Spanish
0929 WKES 101.5 FL St. Petersburg, g,ID 518
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Greg Coniglio, North Myrtle Beach, SC DX vacation equipment: JVC RC-W44 Boombox or Sharp WJ-272 Boombox 4/3 trFrom Charlotte, NC: 0850 WMIT 106.9 NC Black Mountain, g 4/1 tr2137 WOUT 101.5 TN Johnson City, rp 1055 WLTR 91.3 SC Columbia, c.o/local WHQR 2141 WBBQ 104.3 GA Augusta, r 138 1534 WAEV 97.3 GA Savannah, r.o/local WHSL 2202 WRDU 106.1 NC Wilson, rp 2115 WRLX 102.9 NC Hickory, b.Relax 102.9 200 4/2 tr 2124 WCRJ 107.3 FL Jacksonville, k 0800 WZLI 106.1 GA Toccoa, r. "Z-106" 2145 WFYVt104.5 FL Atlantic Beach 0801 WAKG 103.3 VA Danville, k 132 2157 WGIG 100.7 GA Brunswick. k 0809 WQSM 98.1 NC Fayetteville, r. Q98 114 "Bulldog Country" 4/4 tr 0815 WYAV 104.1 SC Conway, r. Wave 104 139 0837 WETSt 89.5 TN Hohnson City, t 118 0001 WMMY 94.5 NC Eden. b. My 94.5 0852 WSB 98.5 GA Atlanta, r, B-98.5 0940 WJYOt107.7 FL Mount Dora, rm From near Chester, SC: 0942 WBJW 105.1 FL Orlando, r. BJ105 0923 WQOK 97.5 VA South Boston, s 0943 WHT 96.5 FL Orlando, rp, Q96 Some very good trops were noted to FL and VA 0945 WOCL 105.9 FL DeLand, oldies Most Charlotte and Winston-Salem stations heard, as well as most Raleigh-Durham-Chapil Hiss's, Charleston, SC and Savannah, GA, Columbia, SC 4/6 tr From North Myrtle Beach, SC: 1740 WGIk 99.1 FL Jacksonville, k 1803 WLVk 96.9 NC Statesville, k 1810 WARG 103.3 VA Danville, k 300 2020 WBBO 93.3 NC Forest City, mj 205

0932 WQBA 107.5 FL Niami, Super Q, in SS

2119 WKZB 94.3 NC Wallace, r. Mx Radio k94 o/WWPD and WWHT 2157 WTEB 89.3 NC Bew Bern, c, ex-89.5 0646 WQBA 107.5 FL Miami, SS 0647 WIRK 107.9 FL W. Palm Beach, k 0654 WTID?106.9 VA Suffolk, k, Kix 106, local ads, call change? 0655 WH. T 105.1 FL Coral Gables, rs, Hot105568 0658 WWDE 101.3 VA Hampton, ads 2022 WaCk 97.5 VA South Boston, s 0659 WPOW 96.5 FL Miami, r. Power 96 2028 WEUR 96.9 NC Goldsboro, r. q96 0702 WHYI 100.7 FL Ft. Lauderdale, r. Y100 2130 WPVR 94.9 VA Roanoke, big bands 0703 WJQY 106.7 FL Ft. Lauderdale. rm 2149 WKTC 104.3 NC Tarboro, k, adj. to 172 0704 WAXY 105.9 FL Ft. Lauderdale, oldies 540 strong WYAV 104.1 "105.9 Waxy FM" 2150 WBBQ 104.3 GA Augusta, r. v 104 0708 WOVV 95.5 FL Ft. Pierce, r 2207 WRCM 98.7 NC Jacksonville-Wilmington-0709 WSRF 105.7 NC Columbia, k,Surf 106 Morehead City, k, listed 92,1 in FM At. 81 0730 WCMS 100.5 VA.nx.k 2230 WPDZ 103.1 SC Cheraw, r. o/local WYAR. 1300 warf 101.1 FL Cocoa beach, r.Star 101400 IDs 106X(w/WJMX 106.3, see note) 89 1634 WRHT 95.9 NC Morehead City, Wright-FM, wx

Excellent coastal trops on the 6th. Many Florida UHF's in. I wonder if people in Virginia Beach were getting Liami? DXing was done in two windows, one facing the ocean and one facing inland. The ocean facing one brought in some coastal stations perfect, while the other revealed inland stations loud with no sign of the coastal ones. If I were to do bandscan, I would need to do two as they would be totally different from the 2 windows.

NCCE: WEDZ 103.1 acts like a full-power translator of WULK 106.3 Florence, with a short dual WJWX/WFDd ID between commercials as its only mention. Every other time, it IDs as "106X", sJIX's ID. Even the top of the hour 12 only mentions WJIX. Is this legal? Also no sign of 92.1 MGC translator in florence. After I put my hyrtle leach bandscan in the February '68 VUD, I realized it really should have been in your column. (Editor's note: Actually. I don't print bandscans. I feel the Southern FM DX column is supposed to be about DX and helpful comments to pursue F Ding. A list of stations that are routinely received from a certain location, as in a sandscan would be inappropriate material for SFN.) John Jefferson, 4016 Crest Ct., Pleasanton, CA 94566

Not a lot to report this time, but there've been a couple of loggings. When I submitted my February report I forgot to include a 1/15 es opening, and KSTN Stockton died a couple days ago, allowing me to catch KOSZ Grover City on the eve of their power boost (to B1 status). Mr. Funston, the owner, told me they would be at their new power & xmitter site by 3/4 or today at the

TIME CALLS	EREQ	ST	CITY	DIST	REMARKS
OBOS XHMP	95.5	COAH	Torreon	1390	ID
0845 XHMAT?	99.5	SIN	Mazatlan		Sp
0901 XHFL?	90.5	SON	Ciudad Obregon		Sp
0913 XH??	89.3	SON	Ciudad Obregon?		R. Sonora
0922 XHCNA	100.1	SIN	Culiacan	1250	Culiacan ref
3/3/88 TR					
1820 KOSZ	107.3	CA	Grover City	185	Cozy R., 1cl

I suspect 89.3 may be a (high-powered) relayer for XHHB 94.7 Hermosillo since format & announcers sound the same (& XHHB unids as Radio Sonora also). Further, the reception was quite clean, but the gain dropped to near-zero at times. auggesting problems with an off-air pickup. The xmitter is almost certainly in southern Sonora, as there was no sign of 93.9 or 94.7 Hermosillo, but Cd. Obregon, Culiacan, & Los Mochia (XHBS-4) were all in at the time

Matt Sittle, 220 Brookfield, Kingsport,	TN	37663	
4/3 trs		4/19 trs	
2329 WLAP 94.5 kY Lexington, r			203
2331 WMQX 93.1 NC Winston-Salem	130	2056 WGSB 105.1 AL Albertville, k, calls	256

Hi! DXis still very slow, but still I was able to log two new stations when WZXY was off the air 4/19-21, and I was able to see what I could get on 105.1. I used trs for troposcatter in my report, as I feel it is a more accurate description of what I heard. Es activity is up an MUF up to ch 6 on 5/1 already! Hopefully the Es will make up for the lack of tr so far! 73's & super DX to all.

Gus Mancuso, 5615 Inwood St., Hyatts, MD 20785

In mid-July I'm going to do a band scan from E. Windsor(central)NJ, staying at Clarion hotel(one night on each side of bldg) for four nights. It will be from a Monday to a Thurs. night, will finalize dates next mo. I'm looking for others DXers to come out at same time. Location is midway between NYC & Philly, just off Jersey Tpke. There's plenty to do during day. Atlantic City 1 1/2 hrs. away, Great Adventure amusement park 1/2 hr. qway, NYC 1 hr. away. Goal: 175 stations. (Strange, how, I fail to see the appeal behind logging area stations that are supposed to be regularly received. DB)

Danny Buntin, 1312 N. Skyline, Stillwater, OK 74075 Equipt.: Onkyo T9090 tuner, Frobe 9 at 20', rotor 4/18 gw

2041 kFXI 92.1 Ok Marlow, "Foxy 92" 100

A busy work schedule and an apparent poor off-season has kept DX activities down considerably here. The meager above represents the only new logging since July 29. At least things have no where to go but up now. I nope. To add some new nenewed interest here, I am thinking about moving my antenna up about 10 ft. higher. How awkward to use the FM Atlas now that it's gone metric. To please the Canadians a metric edition shoul have been prepared for them.

KVRO

2171/2 S. WASHINGTON ON THE STRIP STILLWATER'S HOTTEST FM



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CHECGING 1 CONVENTION SITE FOR 1989

The ANARCEN '88 is only one month away, and work is being done on the 1989 convention! The first act was to choose a convention site. This usually is done two years before the convention, from the bids submitted, but due to the change of Executive Secretaries the vote was delayed.

We were provided with two bids- one for St. Petersburg FL and the other for Valley Forge PA. The St. Petersburg proposal has been around for over two years. It was submitted by Jeff White, who is well known in the international radio field. He has been associated with several radio ventures such as Radio Earth and Radio Discovery. With his connections, he has proposed a convention theme focusing on media in Latin America. At first his bid was co-sponsored by an ANARC member club, but they withdrew their support (for reasons best known to themselves). The Valley Forge proposal was submitted by the North American Short-wave Association after a successful mini-winter convention.

Both proposals were interesting and each had their good and bad points. The St. Petersburg proposal lacked ANARC club co-sponsorship. The Valley Forge proposal lacked specific program and seminar ideas. Although the Valley Forge convention site would be better for me, I voted for the St. Petersburg convention site. I felt that Jeff White had better ideas for programs that would be interesting and different. Being that he is well known in the DX hobby, the radio community and has worked for and with ANARC, the lack of co-sponsorship should not be allowed to stand in his way for getting the right to host the convention. He is, with the help of South Florida DX'ers, very capable of presenting an exciting and successful convention.

The other ANARC reps agreed that the St. Petersburg proposal was the best as it was chosen as the convention site for 1989. More in the future.

A new issue for ANARC, taxing the sale of new radio and television receivers to help support public broadcasting. I'd like to hear from other WTFDA members on this issue. Tell me if you would support such an issue and why or why not. Fell free to write to me on this or any other subject that you fell should be of interest to ANARC at:

Steven Sprachman 15 Berry Lane Hicksville, NY 11801-6203

I'll use the responses in a future ANARC Update.

To all the <code>wTFDA'ers</code> going to <code>ANARCON'88</code>, please tell everyone about our club and have a great time at the convention. Please <code>write</code> and tell <code>me</code> about the convention and tell <code>me</code> what you thought about the convention—both good and bad.

SPRACHMAN'S CORNER

The Virtues Of AM Radio

The virtues of FM radio have been extolled in the VUD many times. This is only natural as FM DX'ers. But this has been done at the expense of AM radio to the point of saying that AM radio has died! Well, a recent trip down to North and South Carolina allowed me to examine AM and FM radio in different locations. One of the first places I was able to do this was in Princess Anne MD on the

Eastern Shore of Maryland. The differences between the bands at 7am was quite remarkable. The FM band was covered with many strong and clear signals, while the AM band had only one clear signal from the local station in Pocomoke City (WDMV-540). The rest of the AM band was unlistenable.

Our next location was Norfolk VA. Here there were plenty of strong signals on the AM band, but half the stations were rebroadcasting the program on the FM outlet. without mentioning that their AM outlet existed!

The next stop was the Outter Banks of North Carolina. It was here that the first virtue of AM radio became appearent. There were only a couple of local AM stations and it was the distant stations that really amazed me. Long Island's wHLI-1100 and wBA8-AM 1240 were coming in with strong signals at 5pm. These stations, plus strong signals from New York City's wNBC-660, wA8C-770 and wCBS-880 allowed me to keep in touch with the news from home while being 400 miles away.

While listening to the FM stations in the Eastern half of North Carolina.

I came to realize one of FM radio's bad characteristics, its sameness. The disc-jockies lacked local accents, even on the stations that played country music. The jingles sounded like the ones used everywhere else. In one place, I remarked to my wife Joyce that the station we were listening to sounded like K-Joy (WKJY-98.3 Hempstead NY). The station had the same slogans and the DJ sounded and talked like the ones on WKJY. (This may be accounted for because, as I have recently found out, "K-Joy" uses a satelite music service). It was only when the stations played local advertisements that I was able t realize that I was in North Carolina and not Nassau County.

Then we came across a small town along I 95, 30 miles east of Raleigh, named Smithfield. Its AM station provided us with some of the most interesting listening of the trip. The noon time announcer had the most pronounced southern twang of any person we came across while listening to the radio or in person on our whole trip. He was real folksy, saying things like "Howdy Friends" and "I'll see you at the furniture store (one of the advertisers) after work". The music he played was real "hio" country music, the slow ballards with lots of fiddles. I expected to hear ads for Floyd's barbershop, Goober's Gas Station and all the other fine shopping in "Mayberry". So, the best virtue of AM radio is that in many places it has retained that local feeling that has been lost on most FM stations.

Media News From The Trip

There is life after Home Shopping, or at least there is on WTGI-61 Wilmington DE. WTGI presents several hours of the American Value Network during the day. At night, they show ethnic programs in Spanish and Italian, and several syndicated programs on the weekend.

Raleigh NC has two new television stations. WYED-17 is now on the air with the Home Shopping Network. And Raleigh is getting an LPTV station. We saw W688K from St. Augustine College in Raleigh testing with teletext. They plan to start programming in the fall.

New York Media News

WQHT ("Hot 103") will be moving to 97.1 mHz once the FCC approves the sale of WYNY. The move will allow WQHT to be nearer to the competition (WQXR-FM and WEVD. "the Great 98", just kidding!). WWPR and WRKS.

Additional AM Bands?

It was with great interest that I read the proposal of expanded AM bands in the May VUD. But, I think there are things that the FCC has to do prior to the expansion. The FCC should work to Maximize the available spectrum space that is allotted to AM radio now. The FCC should force all the simulcasting stations to follow what I call the "3 S's"——Split up, Sell off, or Shut up. This would force the present owners of these stations to either put money into them to enhance their programming or to open up frequencies to those looking to start—up a new station but are unable to due to the high cost of buying an existing station.

Once the AM band is extended to 1700 kHz, the FCC should

create several clear channel bands within the present AM band using the frequencies of 640 to 780 kHz, 820 to 890 kHz, and 1000 to 1210 kHz. Special regional

encies of 640 to 780 kHz, 820 to 890 kHz, and 1900 to 1210 kHz. Special regional stations would be set up on these "clear channel bands" that would have higher then present powers, say 75,000 watts for coastal stations and 100000 watts for mid continental stations. Lower powered stations on the clear channel frequencies would be given first shot at getting one of the new frequencies in the 1610 to 1700 kHz band.

I like the idea of an "AM 2" band on the 120 meter band, but I think if an "AM 3" band is created using the 90 meter band, that it should be only open to a small number of "regional clear channel stations" due to the propagation nature of signals on this band.

Well, let me close here! Until next time.

WGMB Rock 98







Steven P. Sprachman







[UNIDENTIFIED DX]

Robert Grant 5775 Bishop Detroit, MI 48224. June, 1988.

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oldsymbol{m}
       Mike Reid, 65 Spring Garden Ave. #1408, North York, Ont., M2N 6H9.
  1986: Fri 12 Sep Au 91.7 0200 EDT-- early 70's rock, ID as "Jazz 91-7, W???"
  1987: Mon 29 Jun Es 101.1 2200 EDT-- rock, "K-lite". Calls sounded like "KL/TE"
                                     (PTA: LA, TX, OK.)
Robert J. Williams, 312 Shoshone St. E., Apt. B-8, Twin Falls, ID 83301.
  1987: Mon 8 Jun Es ch 2 1421 MDT-- recipe ad with Orlando address. (WESH unlikely,
                                     about 6 yrs. ago, stations stopped running
                                     their own boxes. -RG)
        " " ch 2 1428 MDT-- end "Kitchen Tips", CKND2, KGFE in. (PTA: MN, ND, SD, ON, MB)
        Fri 17 Jul E<sub>S</sub> ch 4 1755 MDT-- "Newlywed Game" (PTA: Central US. KLNE-3 in @ 1931.)
           " " ch 3 1903 MDT-- begin "Perry Mason" (PTA: Central US.)
        Sun 9 Aug Es ch 3 2133 MDT-- Wrestling. (PTA: ON,MN,WI,IL,IA,MI,MO.)
       Mon 10 Aug E_{\rm S} ch 2 1330 MDT-- begin or end "I Love Lucy" or "The Lucy Show"
                                     station could have been showing it at 1300 or 1330
                                     (PTA: CO,NE,KS,etc.)
                   " ch 3 1430 MDT-- begin "Concentration" (PTA: IL,WI,MN,MB.)
                   " ch 3 2130 MDT-- begin "M*A*S*H" (PTA: along MS river.)
              " ch 3 2212 MDT-- "Love Connection" (PTA: TN,LA,TX. KTBS in @ 2205.)
Robert Grant, 5775 Bishop, Detroit, MI 48224. editor.
  1988: Sun 1 May E<sub>S</sub> ch 3 1600 EDT-- ad- "Paul York Toyota", promo- "Coal Miner's Daughter"
                                     (PTA: SSW, suspect KATC.)
        Mon 2 May E<sub>s</sub> ch 3 1030 EDT-- "Geraldo", plus or minus offset.
                                     From Carleton, MI:
                  Es ch 4 1756 EDT-- zero offset, nxcast, in box: "Summertime Hotline 325-3323"
                                     (Cuba in, suspect WTVJ or WTVY.)
                     ch 5 1830 EDT -- YL announcer in SS, in studio with floral setting
                                     (?) and talking in tone that seemed to imply public
                                     announcements instead of news, audio too sporadic
                                     for me to understand anything in SS. not// to ICRT-
                                     Cuba on 3. Line rate slightly different than US NTSC
                                     stations, a floater, but not a flier.
Keith Pugh: from 9/86 CCI:
  1986: Sun 25 May E_S ch 2 1351 CDT-- movie "Gigi" in FF. (was on SRC in PQ and Maritime
                                     provinces at time. -Mike Reid.)
        Matt Sittel: from 9/86 CCI:
   1986: Sun 25 May E_S ch 3 1411 EDT-- Indy 500, ABC. CF:M-4 in (could also be Indy 500
                                     on CTV. -Mike Reid.)
        Larry Van Horn: from 9/86 CCI:
   1986: Tue 10 Jun E_S ch \overline{\mbox{2 2004 EDT-- BB}}, NY vs. Det. (not WGRZ -Mike Reid)
        Wed 11 Jun Es ch 6 1650 EDT-- "The Young and The Restless" (CIII, Paris, ON or
                                     CIII6, Hull, PO. -Mike Reid.)
        Scott Hood: from 9/87 CCI:
   1986: Thu 17 Jul Es ch 3 1810 EDT-- "MCTV" (MCTV also runs a net of CTV stations, based
                                     on CICI, CITO and CKNC [funny, I thought CKNC was
                                     CBC, -RG]. unID was either CICII, Elliott Lake,
                                     Ont., or CITO2, Timmins, Ont. CKVR is not in MCTV.
                                     -Mike Reid.)
        John Combs: from 8/87 CCI:
   1987: Tue 9 Jun E<sub>S</sub> ch 3 1218 EDT-- "Leave It to Beaver" (Definitely CKVR. -Mike Reid.)
        Sat 13 Jun E_{S} ch 2 1157 EDT-- quiz show with 2 teams of 3 students each.
                            (CKCO2 had "History Canada Quiz" at time, could be. -Mike Reid.)
        Mon 15 Jun Es ch 2 0916 EDT-- "Let's Make a Deal" (Definitely CIII2. -Mike Reid.)
                    " ch 3 0930 EDT-- begin "World Alive" (CKVR again. -Mike Reid.)
        Robert Grant: from 7/87 CCI:
   1987: Wed 3 Jun E<sub>S</sub> ch 3 0115 EDT-- ad in EE with PQ address. (most likely PQ, so
                                     CBSET. -Mike Reid.) (with both you and Charles
                                     Charles Gauthier agreeing, I think I will log this
                                     one as CBSET, #360. TNX, RG.)
        Fri 5 Jun E<sub>S</sub> chs 5&6 1543 EDT-- ad "Chebouctou Ford". (could be "Chedabucto"
                   in reference with Chedabucto bay in NS. probably CJCH and CJCH6. -M. Reid.)
                   " chs 3,5&6 1630 EDT-- FF stations // with talk, not // CBEFT-54.
         (most likely TVA- ch3: CHAU1; ch5: CHAU or CFER2; ch6: CJPM. -Mike Reid.) (TNX AGN, -RG)
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MORE "CRUNCH" EXCHANGES:

Toronto, Ont.: 870-####, 872-#### (Mike Reid.)

San Francisco/ Oakland, CA.: 478-#### (Mark Strickert.) Milwaukee, WI.: 799-#### (Mark Strickert.) Sorry, Mike Reid, about the delay in your report. It was postmarked

8/26/87 but arrived in late January, 1988! I guess that says something about USPS and/or Postes Canada.

I have a list of lowband stations running the "For Kids' Sake" PSA package, and I will send a copy to John Combs as soon as possible (TV CCI AIDS is no longer my department).

The 1988 Ec season appears to have gotten an early start. I observed three Ec openings in the first week of may (the first time I have seen more than one $E_{\rm s}$ opening in this week). On 5/5, while at Carleton, I had excellent stable, snowfree $E_{\rm s}$ from Cuba and observed the "European-style" ICRT test pattern on channel 3. Has anyone else noticed that the pattern is B&W except for a narrow horizontal bar with color bars (the same colors and in the same sequence as the regular color bar patterns).

If one tries to compare this $E_{\rm S}$ season with last year's, one is bound to be disappointed, but one good miracle deserves another, hi.



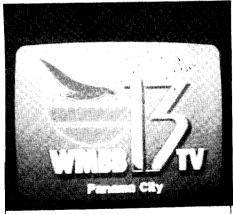
Column layout by: David J. Nieman 12284 Nice Road Akron, New York 14001-9529

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This months reporter is; Carlon Howington - St. Petersburg, FL



W65BG Tallahassee, FL 200 mile tropo seen March 1, 1988

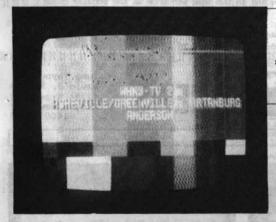


WMBB-13 Panama City, FL 300 mile tropo seen March 1 1988 at 1900 ESTime "over local; WTVT-13"

Carlon's foto file continues.....



KTMD-48
Galveston, TX
750 mile tropo
seen 2/16/1988
at 2100 ESTime



WHNS-21
Asheville, NC
500 mile tropo
seen 3/2/1988
at 0525 ESTime



W17AB
Tallahassee FL
200 mile tropo
seen 3/2/1988
at 0545 ESTime

STEERS THE TAT



KTWO-2 Casper, WY 849 mile E-skip seen 8/19/1987 at 1725 CDTime non-ID "K2"



WTKR-3 Norfolk, VA 767 mile MS seen 10/12/87 at 0415 CDT



KGNC-4
Denver, CO
811 mile MS
seen 10/12/87
at 0515 CDTime

Thanks Bill for the great DX fotos; some-day maybe we can run some of your DX set-up.



WEEKNIGHTS 7:00PM

KYW-3
Philadelphia,
PA
741 mile skip
seen 10/24/87
at 0420 CDT
"E-skip any time or season"

DAVE



New FM Station, Translator Grants

AK Adak AFR *103.1 220 h, Alaskan Forces AK Galena AFR *101.1 300 h, AK Forces Radio AZ Kearny 105.1 580 h,v; 204 m CA China Lake 102.7 3000 h.v; -20 m CA Pacific Grove KSUR-1 99.5 35 watts h. d-a: primary in Greenfield [Life Bostg., g? CA Quincy 103.1 3000 h,v; 142 m, New/ CA San Diego 98.1 28000 h,v; 195 m, Represantative Media, to replace KIFM

(Selected translators only; for more detail see

May "FMedia!" newsletter)

FL Orlando 98.9 3000 h,v; 100 m, Urban Bostg. GA Cuthbert 100.7 3000 h,v; 100 m, D. R. Limitone [Idaho Falls) ID Pocatello K296EA 107.1 (KEZF 96.1/

IL Marshall 105.9 3000 h,v; 100 m KY Hyden 92,3 2400 h.v: 111 m LA South Fort Polk (south of Leesville; 31-08-33; 93-15-15) 101.3 3000 h,v; 100 m MI Roscommon 101.1 3000 h.v; 100 m

MN Atwater (Willmar) 94.1 3000 h.v; 100 m MS University (Oxford) 92.1 3000 h.v: 100 m. Student Media Center of the II of MS MO Buffalo 99.9 3000 h,v; 81 m, School District,

but channel designated as commercial, so it's possible the schools will run the station

NV Carson City *91.3 66000 h,v; 660 m, q, Western Inspirational Broadcasters NV Reno 92.9 39000 h.v: 879 m

NJ Stockton (Delaware Township: 40-26-56: 74-56-40) *89.7 500 h,v; 53 m, Penn-Jersey Educational Radio Corp.

NM Carlsbad 104.1 100000 h,v: 150 m NM Farmington *90.9 150 h,v; 86 m, San Juan

NY Long Lake K 2188 A *91.5 (W\$LU 89.5 Canton) [*103.3 Cleveland) OH Brecksville W221AR 92.1 (WCRF/ OH Defiance 105.9 3000 h.v: 98 m

OH Mansfield *91.7 750 h,v; 137 m, \$, c, Ohio [(KMGE 94.5 Eugene) State II OR Cottage Grove K265CX 100.9/ OR Sweet Home 107.1 2200 h,v; 114 m, Galaxy

Bost. Partners; see "Deletions" below PA Johnstown W261CH 100.1 (WBXQ 94.3 Cresson) [m, WCBG, Inc. PA McConnelisburg 103.7 91 watts h.v: 554/

SC Aiken *89.1 10000 h,v; 378 m, \$, cj, tT[alking book for blind] 67 kHz, SC ETV WA Rock Island (between Chelan and Wenatchee)

99.5 3000 h,v; -46 m, Fine Arts Broadcasting WA Spokane K285DZ *104.9 (KGTS 91.3 College Place) [88.5 Tacoma)

WA Woodland K2048G *88.7 (KPLU/ WI Ripon K2210H 92,1 (WRVM 102,7 Suring)

Call Letters Assigned CA Delano 105.3 KKXX-FM (KAMM--AM is in

Paradise CA), r (CHR) CA Ferndale 99.3 KWHZ [("AC-CHR") CA Fresno 102.7 KTHT (KKNU), "K-Hit." r/ CO Denver 98.5 KYGO-FM (KYGO) CO Grand Junction 107.9 KJYE GA Sparta 102,7 WHAN

GA Statesboro *90.3 WOTR GA Warner Robins 101.7 WPPR (WRBN-FM)

ID Idaho Falls 99.1 KUPI-FM (KQPI) IL Chicago 100.3 WXEZ-FM (WLOO) KY Ashland 93.7 WRVC-FM (WAMX-FM; AM is

in Huntington WV) ME Camden 102.5 WQSS (WMFT), to be \$tereo MEScarborough-Portland 106.3 WPKM (WD CS)

"still classical/religious" MA Gloucester 104.9 WBOQ (WVCA-FM); see FMedia! for report on S. Geller's selling of

this station

MI Detroit 99.5 WDFX (WDTX) MI Harbor Springs 103.9 WLTO (WFGI) MI Portage 107,7 WRKR, to be \$, rp (album rock). ID with Kalamazon

MO Macon 99 9 K ZO X MT Dillon 98.3 KDBM-FM (KDLN-FM) MT Kalispell 103.9 KOFI-FM NM White Rock 101.1 KTJB

NC Hertford 104.9 WKJE (WELD) ND Wahpeton 107.1 KGWB OK Sulphur *91.1 KFOM (KSUW) PA Harrisburg 99.3 WIMX (WHIT-FM), still r, but "AC-oldies mix"

C Port Royal 99.7 WHTK (WOEC) SD Pierre 95.3 KLXS" FM" (KNEY)

TN Clinton 95.3 WTNZ-FM (WTNZ; AM is in Knoxville, not "WNKX," as on p. 37 FM [FM; AM new calls Atlas-11) TX Houston 104.1 KRBE"-FM" (KRBE-/

TX Lubbock *90.1 KAMY (KCEI) VA Charlottesville *89.3 WVTU WV Dunbar 94.5 WBES

Facilities Changes Granted

AL Bay Minette WLPR 105.5 1900 h,v; 125 m AL Carrollton WAGT 94.1 100000 h.v: 307 m AK Fort Greely AFR *93.5 (from 101.1) 300h AK Tok (Junction) AFR-FM 300 h[orizontal] AFR-FM *101.5 (from 101.1), 300 h

CA Chico KFMF 93.9 (from 93.7) 2000 h.v: 344 m. Remove "Rockin' 98" non ID from p. 146 FM Atlas-11

CA Hemet KHYE 105.7 170 h,v; 312 m, transmitter to Polly Butte, 7 km SE CA Santa Maria KXFM 99.1 1800 h,v; 581 m, transmitter to 22 km SE

CA Santa Rosa KVRE-FM 101.7 18500 h,v; 117 m. Class B1 on former Class A channel CO Pueblo KATM-FM 100.7 636 m (13500 h,v) FL Gainesville WYFB *90.5 100000 h.v: 203 m FL Ocala WMFQ 92.9 (from 92.7) 50000 h,v;

Im (100000 h.v) 145 m FL St. Petersburg WQYK-FM 99.5 300/ HI Waimea (new) 99.1 38500 h,v (953 m) IL Champaign WEFT *90.1 99 m, d-a (10000

h.v); on air with such and now \$ KS Girard KFRB 101.1 99 m (3000 h,v) KS Wichita KEYN 103.7 100000 h.v. 265 m. transmitter Colwich KS. Station missing from

p. 165 FM Atlas-11. Add it to that page, \$. KY Cadiz WBZD 106.3 98 m (3000 h.v) LA Lake Charles KYKZ 96.1 430 m (100000

[100000 h.v] LA Shreveport KWKH-FM 94.5 334 m/ MD Baltimore WXYV 102.7 133 m (50000 h,v)

MN 1 overne KLQL 101.1 300 m (100000 h,v) MS Ellisville WBSJ 102,5 (from 102.3) 50000 h,v; 115 m MO Ferguson KCFV *89.5 d-a [directional

antennal, protecting WRTE *89.5 Cahokia MO Kansas City KKF1 *90.1 130 m (100000 h,v) MO St. Louis WIL-FM 92.3 100000 h,v; 300 m MO Webb City KIXD 93.9 (from 94.3), see "FM Rulemakings, Finalized" in FMedia! and learn why KIXQ now on 93.9 with Class A facilities

NE Aurora KMTY 97.3 (from 103.1) 50000h,v; 103 m

NM Hatch (new) 101.1 302 m (100000 h,v) NY Buffalo WFBF 89.9 20000 h,v; 12 m NY Homell WKPQ 105.3 43000 h,v (162 m); correct "FM Atlas" 11th edition, p. 168, town name from "Cornell" [AF 88.7) NY Hyde Park W213AC *90.5 (from W204-/ NY Rochester WKLX 98.9 150 m (50000 h,v) ND Lisbon KOLX 106.1 (from 106.3) 50000 h,v

OK Sand Springs (new) 102,3 3000 h,v; 91 m

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OR Corvallis KEJO 101.5 100000 h,v; 305 m, adding vertical PA Philadelphia WRTI *90.1 14000 h.v; 285/ PA Williamsport W269AP *107.1 has WGRC 91.3 Lewisburg (from WKR Z-FM 98.5 Wilkes-Barre) SD Mitchell KMIT 105.9 100000 h,v; 138 m

TN Lebanon WYHY 107.5 57500 h,v; 376 m TX Amarillo KMLT 97.9 adds vertical TX Anson KTCE98.1 (from 98.3) 50000 h,v: 89/ TX Coarge KJOJ 106.9 344 m (100000 h,v) TX Monahans KWES 102.1 298 m (100000 h,v)

TX Pittsburg 96.9 (new) 3000 h.v (92 m) UT Daden KWCR *88.1 3000 h.v: 44 m UT Richfield KKWZ 93.7 99000 h,v; 501 m VA Charlottesville *89.3 (new) directional (d-a) WI Wausau W201AA *88.1 (from W208AC 89.5)

Stereo, or to be \$tereo

CA Corning KCEZ 100.7 r, "oldies of the '50s, '60s and '70s, and 'EZ-101' (strict)."

CA Philo KZYX *90.5 to be cj, with NPR. Expects to be on the air 1-89. "About the only thing they won't likely have is hard [Family Stations, Inc. rock " CA Redding KRFR *89.7, now owned by/

HI Lihue KFMN 96.9 OH Chillicothe WXUC *89.3, pc. Add WXUC

calls to p. 137 FM Atlas 11 PA Ebensburg WIYQ 99.1 back in true \$, "but overall sound quality is still poor" PA Lewisburg WGRC *91.3. a SC Hilton Head Island WIJY 105.5

WA Bellingham KUGS *89.3

Not in Stereo, Remove \$ listing WV Sutton WCKA 97.1 rk, "mono, horrible sounding signal, has West Virginia Metro News, as does WCWY, just 40 km away. IDs with WSGB-AM, even though I could find no sign of the AM (silent?)"

Format Changes Formats are the same as in the "FM Atlas"

CA Escondido KOWF 92.1 k, "Cow-FM"; simulcast with KOWA (AM), "Cow-AM." Not "KWNQ," as shown on p. 143 "FM Atlas" 11th edition CA Fremont KPIG 107.5 k

CA Glendale KMPC-FM 101.9 rp, "emphasis on new music"

CA Sacramento KOPT 100.5 rj, "The Point," and promoting "Quality hits and jazz," difficult to get in San Francisco bay area CA Visalia KSEQ 97.1 r (AC-CHR)

CO Pueblo KCSJ-FM 107.1 rm, "adult contem-["Transtar Special-EZ" porary" FL Jacksonville WEJZ 96.1 b./ GA Atlanta WZGC 92.9 s (from sr), still "Z-93"

WPCH 94.9 m, now "60% b, 30% m, 10% soft r." WAPW 99.7 sr, "now a 70-30 urban-rock mix; nonID 'Power-99' (from Power-99.7)"

IL Galena (new, seeking calls WJOD) 107.5 m. expects to be on air in August. Watch to see if it comes on in Sterea. IL Godfrey WLCA *89.9 r, "hits"

MO Ste. Genevieve KSTZ 105.7 rm, "adult contempoary. Don't expect to hear live disc jockeyson KSTZ: the station is all automated OH Bellefontaine WPKO-FM 98.3 rm, "adult

contemporary," simulcast with AM OH Xenia WDJK 95.3 r, AC-oldies PA Beaver Falls WWKS 106.7 rm, still "Kiss-107" PA Everett WSKE-FM 104.3 k, parallel to AM -need to know if \$teren PA Johnstown WJNL-FM 96.5 back to b PA Lock Haven WWZU 92.1 rp, "not just r"

FCC-FM

SC Cheraw WPDZ 103.1 rm, relaying WJMX 106.3, "106-X." Florence, It's "acting as a full-power translator of WJMX, Only WPDZ mention was heard in between commercials." Top of hour ID which our reporter heard mentioned only W.IM.X.

TN Soddy-Daisy WYVY 102.3 r, "CHR/AC blend," strict nonID: "Y-102," and IDs with Chattanooga, 'WNOO-AM is still s (urban).' TX Devine KTXX 92.1 k

TX Fredericksburg KFAN 101.1 rm (from k), ID with San Antonio, No nonID: no "K-Fan." Its transmitter move closer to San Antonio and 418 m height means it comes in "as strong as any San Antonio station"
WA Tacoma KVTI *90.9 r (CHR). "I-91"

WV Charleston WVNS 96.1 mr (from b), "Warm-96" (Star Station" WV Oak Hill WVMA 94.1 rm, "94.1-Your/

AB Edmonton CKNG m. "soft M-O-R vocals." still "King FM" non ID

ON Toronto CHUM-FM 104.5 rm, "a-c"; always says Chum-FM, "never C-H-U-M-F-M" PO Montreal CKMF 94.3 denied its bid to delete "special interest music from its program-

ming. . . The Commission said it viewed with grave concern the company's repeated failure to comply with this aspect of its Promise of Performance and will require CKMF-FM to continue to submit weekly performance reports"

NonIDs, Not Just Slogans

ALAIbertvilleWOSB 105,1 no nonID, "FM-105" and "The Country Giant" always followed with calls; no "QSB" either.

CA Manteca KSJQ 96.7 Q-97, "CHR, of course" GA Columbus WNKS 102.9 Kiss-FM (not "102.9 Kiec.FM"

WFXE 104.9 Foxy-105 (not "Fox-105") ID Emmett KJHY 101.7 K-Joy. Sheriff's deputies confiscated some office equipment and a microwave dish used by KKIC AM, KJHY remains on the air. Two men had lent the KKIC-KJHY neneral manager money and then he defaulted on the loan, according to newspaper reports. Details also from KTVB (TV), which mentioned "pirating of the Transfar service, no lights on their tower, and liquidation of assets of the stations by the state and IRS." l"Stereo-105.5")

IN Valparaise WLJE 105.5 no nonID (was/ OR Coos Bay KYNG-FM 106.5 The King, r, "CHR. With a name like that, should be Christian"

OR North Bend KOOS 94.9 Country-95 PA Clarion WCCR 92.7 C-93 PA Ellwood City WKST-FM 92,1 Star 92.1 PA Mifflinburg WWBE 98.3 B-98

PA Butler WLER 97.7 The Leader (not strict) from "Magic-98"; ID with Pittsburgh [North] PA Linesvilla WVCC 101,7 FM-102 (strict)

PA Wellsboro WNBT-FM 104.5 B-104 SC Florence WJMX 106.3 106-X WV Beckley WBKW 99.5 99.5-BKW, still/ WV Miami WLZT 107.3 Lite-107 (strict) WV Morgantown WCLG-FM 100.1 Power-100

(not strict, from "CLG-FM") WV Mount Hope WTNJ 105.9 country-106, 1D with Oak Hill Beckley

WI Kaukauna WKFX 104.9 Fox-105 (not strict); 10 with Green Bay and "Fox Cities" WI Whitewater WSUW *91,7 U-91 (strict), S

Multi-City IDs in Use

See this feature in FMedia!

On Air (selected)

IN Chesterton WDSO *88.3, but Dixers are advised to try to hear it now, as it "signs off for the summer in mid-June"

LA Laplace WCKW-FM 92.3 new tower, at Vacherie LA, 596 m (100000 h,v), with coverage claimed to Baton Rouge

PA Erie W252AB, "heard mention of them on primary-'106.3 on your dial, 98.3 for Erie WMLI an Improved DX Target Center City'

WI Sauk City-Madison WMLI 96.3, having moved from 96.7, "no nenID," but uses slogan "Lite-96." ID changed from "Sauk City-Prairie du Sac"

Off Air, or Not Yet On

KS Lenexa K224AS 92.7, translator for KSKII 106.1 Lyons KS, still listed by FCC as a c-p (construction nermit)

PA Erie W285AI 104.9 (WCTL 106.3 Union City translator): "does WDON [104.9 Geneva OH] mean they had to shut down?" [Probably not, as W285Al is outside WDON's primary; W285A! listed by FCC as licensed?

VA Cape Charles WIAV 96.1, along with AM WVAB 1550 Virginia Beach

VA Tazewell WTZE 100.1, "no sign of this at all" ON Belleville CBBB 94.3 ON Peterborough CFFF 96.3, "I was not even

aware of plans for these" (Belleville and Peterhorough

Deletions

KY Flemingsburg WBPK 106.3, "Request for extension of time (2nd) denied, c-p and call letters deleted"

OR Sweet Home K296DG, replaced by new c-p SC North Augusta W296AJ 107.1, replaced by W296AS 107.1 Augusta GA

See also May VUD, for:

AL Dothan WRWA *88.7 Way-FM noniD, Nordauist, p. 8 AL Geneva WRJN 93.5 m. Classic-93 non10.

need to know if stereo, Pugh, p. 15

FL Clearwater WNLT 95.7 Lite-Rock nonID, p. 8 Nordoniet [p. 15, Pugh GA Savannah WEAS-FM 93.1 Ace-93 nonID / MS Forest WOST-FM 92.5 Country-92 nonID.

NY Rome WFRG-FM 96.1 96-Frog nonID and apparent dual city ID with Utica, p. 8, Nordanist

NY WMHR translator list, p. 10, Coniglio. FCC-Dataworld list shows no WMHR translater on 101.7

OH Port Clinton WOSE 94.5 rm (from k), Coniglio, p. 9 lp. 15 VA Norfolk WNOR-FM 98.7 is Pugh's unID./

FMistakes, VUD and FM Atlas-11 Selected FM Atlas errors only-for more of these consult EMedial

AL Fort Mitchell 98.3 calls are WAGH (not "WFGH"), May, p. 17, col. 2 AZ Eagar pp. 69, 99 FMA, remove KEXC 92.5 AZ Phoenix p. 68 FMA, add 98.7 KKLT

CO Denver p. 71 105.1 FMA, KXKL, not KBRO CO Rocky Ford p. 71 FMA, KAVI is 95.5, not 95.9 foot 'WRTM FL Blountstown p. 30 FMA, 102.3 WPHK,/

GA Warm Springs-Columbus WJSP-FM *88.1 missing from p. 135 Station Directory Part II. Is \$, 306 m, 100600. "This problem was first noted and reported two years ago, when the

10th edition appeared; apparently, you never corrected it!" calls missing IL Loves Park p. 105 FMA, *91.1 WGSL/

IN Delphi p. 105 FMA, delete listing IN Portland p. 160 FMA, WPGW-FM calls/ facilities missing. Add \$, 55 m, 3000 IA p. 55 FMA, 100.1 KCTN is Garnavillo, not "Guttenberg" Inot "WKDO"

KY Lexington p. 39 FMA, 98.1 WKQQ./ LA Lafayette p. 140 FMA, *90.9 KSJC calls omitted not 'WWEB' ME Orono p. 11 FMA, *91.9 WMEB./

MD Annapolis p. 21, no stations listed. Copy them from p. 108 FMA larger type MA Rocklandp. 13 FMA, *88.3WRPS should be/ MA Worcester p. 13 FMA, add *91.3WCUW NV Reno p. 72, 104.5 is KIIQ. not "KSRN" remove 102,3, add 101,7 KSXY NH Nashua p. 171 FMA, correct WHOB city

from "Hobbs" NH

June, 1988

NY Canton p. 93 FMA, 96.7 WVNC, not/ ("*WJGT" OK Woodward p. 163 FMA, 102.3 KWDQ, not "KWOO"

OR The Dalles p. 78 FMA, KACT is 97.7, not

92.7 [WQYX, not "WQYK" PA Clearfield p. 116 FMA, 93.5/ PA Schnecksville p. 139 FMA, *90.3 WXLV calls

missing [*91.5 listing PA Summerdale p. 142 FMA, remove/ PA Williamsport map p. 19 FMA lists two "Wilkes-Barres." Change the one over group of stations starting with *88.1 WWAS to read

Williamsport. Add 105.1 WILQ. ["WYXZ" SC Allendate p. 29 FMA, 93.5 WDOG, not/ TN Centerville p. 37 FMA, 96.7 WCQT, not Inot 'WI ME

TN Harrogate, p. 39 FMA, *90.5 WI MII / TN Signal Mountain *91.5 calls are WAWL (not "WCSO"), April VUD, p. 15, col. 1

TX Alice p. 65 FMA, 92.1 KOPI, not Inot "KLTY"

TX Arlington p. 62 FMA, 94.9 KHYL/ TX Bastrop p. 62 FMA, 107.1 KSSR, not יימו א״י

[out of sequence TX Dallas p. 145 FMA, KRSM *93.3/ TX Denison, pp. 61, 64 FMA, remove KGCC *89.7 [not "KLOZ"

TX El Paso pp. 64, 67 FMA, KPRR./ TX Houston p. 63 FMA, 96.5 KKHT, not [to 100.7 not 107.7

TX Jasper p. 63 FMA, KJAS to move/ TX Mesquite p. 63 FMA, *88.3 KEOM, not "KOFM" [not "KOFR"

TX Odessa p. 64 FMA, *90.5 KEHC./ TX San Angelo p. 65 FMA, 93.9 KYSD (now KTEO-FM), not "KTXE"

98.7 KELL not "KGLB" WV p. 20 FMA, station seeking 93.9 is WRRR 101.7 St. Marys, not WATQ 103.9 New Martinsville [not "KGWY"

WY Laramie p. 83 FMA, 95.1 KCGY,/ AB Lac La Biche p. 138 FMA, 89.9 listing omitted; is 10 watts, no calls assigned

BCp. 173 FMA, CIBC-4 107.5 is Burns Lake, not Prince George Inot "CELLO" BC Fort Nelson p. 123 FMA, *88.3 CBUO./ BC Port Alberni p. 88 FMA, 98.1 CBTQ add *

BC Tumbler Ridge p. 89 FMA, *89.9 CBTU, not "22 9" not 90.3 both places NB Campbellton, p. 95 FMA, *90.5 CBAE,/

NF Bonne Bay, p. 97 FMA, 89.1 add * NF Norris Point p. 97 FMA, CFBB 93.7 add * NS Halifax p. 96 FMA, 97.5 CKDU remove * ON Belleville CBBB 94.3 add * n. 124 FMA

ON Chatham p. 92 FMA, 88.1 CBEE add 1 ON Cornwall p. 92 FMA, 97.3 CKON, not "CHOM" [-1, not "104.1"

ON Hawkesbury p. 43 FMA, 102.1 CHPR-/ ON Kingston p. 14 FMA, CFRC is * 101.9, not

ON Kitchener CFCA 105.3 remove *. p./ ON Penetanguishene CBCM *107.5 add *, p. 125 ON Sarnia p. 43 FMA. 90.3 CBFG add * ON Sudbury CBBS 90.1, CBOS 90.9 add *, p. 125 FMA

Iomitted YT Whitehorse p. 146 FMA, 93.5 CHLA cells/ Question about need to add * to the following university stations of Canada (p. 125 FMA) which one reporter considers noncommercial, but which could have commercials (such as known to exist on CKDU 97.5 Halifax NS), or embellished underwriting, "Nonprofit" is not good enough; to warrant listing with an asterisk. a station must be devoid of commercial exhortation. Stations in question are:

ON Guelph 93.3 CFRU, U. of Guelph ON Hamilton 93.3 CFMU, McMaster U. ON London CHRW 94.7, U. of W. Ontario ON Ottawa CKCU 93.1. Carleton U. ON Peterborough CFFF 96.3. Trent U. listed above as "off air" ON Toronto CHRY 105.5, York U.

ON Waterloo CKMS 94.5, U. of Waterloo MEXICO Ciudad Juarez pp. 64, 67 FMA, add 106.7 XHUAR

Minus sign (-) did not print, p. 8, FM Atlas, for stations having antenna below average terrain Covers: Printer made mistake and used same

Covers: Printer made mistake and used same color as last edition. They took 10% off the price of printing because of that!

AM Happenings Most Likely Caused by FM

- WWL 870 is "slowly and unannouncedly abandoning its Newsradio all news format; it remains all news in drive time only..."
- WSMB 1350, "conservative talk radio with its dying audience, limps along. . . Norad, the seller, ren into some flack with the FCC on a station it owned in upstate New York. Friends told the dynamic young businessman who bought WSMB at auction that he was making a grave mistake."
- WA Mountlake Terrace K.K.ZU 1510, 1000 watts daytime. "Station which is in suburban Seattle has been silent since Jan. 16, 1885. FCC wants owners Northwest Broadcasting to show cause why its license shouldn't be revoked..."
- For more of these and other FM-related news, consult FMedial newsletter. Dixers' subscribing rate for one year is 181 from FMedial Box 24, Adolph MN 55701-0024, U.S.A. FM Atlas-11 still available. Get yours for \$9.95 per copy, two or more copies \$8 each. Add .55 per order postage. A good reference for the skip sessorn, now upon us! Readers tell me the book is somewhat better than its predecessors.

SCMO/SCServices, 67, 92 kHz

- ID Boise KIYS 92.3 †U (telemetry), 92 kHz; retains †M, 67, Seeburg KJOT 105 1 †M 67 † †Block | 92
- ID Caldwell KBXL 94.1 †R (foreground, inhouse, "Valley FM"), 67; †U, low frequency telemetry, 92, "Valley FM may merge with Seeburg and occupy the 92 kHz channel of KIYS, since the same owner is leasing 67 there for 1M. If that happens, KBXL's telemetry could migrate to 67. Move is said to be considered because of KBXL's charging Valley FM \$500/month for the SCA lease."
- MA Springfield WMAS-FM 94.7 no more Greek, 67, 1E, but retains forground at 92 kHz, which "parallels the 92 khz foreground music of WCRB (Waltham) 102 5."
- MA Worcester WSRS 96.1 TC, "has been carrying WTAG AM 580 on 67 KHz for the past month. WSRS was once WTAG-FM, though the stations went their separate ways back in the mid-'60s. Purpose of the WTAG feed on WSRS is not known. Audio level is fairly low, but very clean. WSRS had formerly carried "maverick" network feeds on their subcarrier, including a famous one (reported in FMedia!) which turned out to be an open microphone in the White House Rose Garden!"
- MI Grand Rapids WXMI (TV) channel 17 to carry on an audio subcarrier "Sight Seer, Inc.," the reading service which is currently on WGNR *88.9 Grand Rapids
- MN Grand Rapids KNNS 96.9 TW, 67, relaying Duluth's NOAA weather station. "Maybe they just run it in the summer." Was on last summer, too.
- NJ Newark WFME *94.7, has "WEBN," 92 kHz, English/French West Indies, with plenty of calypso music. "We like the idea of your radios with their better bass and treble for the kind of music our customers enjoy. The McMartin radios lack the range we want. We need radios in quantities of 100 a week, and nobody can supply them to us fast enough." WFME 1E, 67 kHz, now with Brussian.

- ON Toronto CBL-FM *94.1 no SCA (had tC radio stations' program relay, 67)
- CKFM 99.9 67 kHz temporary relaying of "the main CKFM signal, sometimes DF RB AM 1010, and at other times various station feeds (which, according to the wild language used, is obviously not intended for the public's early." That until ethnic (Chinese) starts. On 92 kHz, it's still ethnic, but the "92 kHz SCMO actually has its own call letters! It IDs as 'CHCR 99.9 SCMO'.
- FM Rulemakings Proposed First date below (if given) is deadline for filing comments at FCC; second date is for replies. Stations affected, if any, are listed before the dates. Only a few of these given here; the rest are found in FMedia!
- AL Ariton 97.7A, by Patsy Nancy March and Rickey Earl Nance, but there's a question whether Ariton is a bona fide community, with the FCC citing Sec. 307(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, that requires it to fairly and equitably allocate frequencies "among the several states and communities." Ariton is not listed in the U. S. Census, but is in the 1987 Rand McNally Road Atlas, with coordinates 31.42.14; 85.45.14. Site must be located 12 km north, to avoid a short spacing with WKKR 97.7 Auburn AL, as well as a rule-making to allot 98.1A to Eufaula AL. This proposal is in conflict with Bonifay FL, below.
- AZ Fort Mohave 107.1C2, Fort Mohave Broadcasting, May 31, June 15. Individuals commenting are asked to help determine whether Fort Mohave is a community qualifying for an FM allocation. It is located in the AZ-CA-NV border area and is said to have 219 individuals, "of which 183 reside in the Azizona portion." Copiesof comments should go to both the FCC and Fort Mohave Broadcasting, P. O. Box 8073, Fort Mohave AZ 86427. Requires Mexican concurrence.
- AR Osceola 98.1C for C2, KMPZ, June 6, 21 FL Bonifay 97.7C1 (from 97.7A), WTBB, conflicts with Ariton AL (above)
- IA lowa City, KRNA 94.1C1 from 93.9C1, May 31, June 15 [93.5 A, May 31, June 15 IA Mason City, KNIQ 93.9C1 for/
- IA Sioux Center 93.9C2 for 94.3A, KVDB, June 13, 28, but in conflict with Sioux Falls SD, below [6, 21
- KS Larned 106.9A, Thomas L. Higgins, June/
 KS Osage City 92.9C2 for 92.7A, K2OC, June
 16, July 1; this assignment made possible by
 KTGL 92.9C1 Beatrice NE moving its transmitter farther north. KTGL now transmitting
 from Hallam NE, and ID with Lincoln. "It's a
 pretty decent Lincoln station. Studios now in
 Lincoln, mentioning Beatrice only once an
 hour." KUCV *90.9 Lincoln applies to move
 its transmitter to Hallam, with license transfer
 from the Seventh-day Advents t Union College
 to Nebraska Educational Television Com-
- MI Pentwater 94.1A, James J. McCluskey. He is one of two applicants for the other Pentwater channel, 103.1A. By assigning this frequency, a hearing can be avoided: June 9, 24
- MN Cloquet 100.5C1 for 100.9A, WKLK-FM, June 5, 21. Because of WCTS 100.3C1 Minneapolis, site must be 9 km NE, or at WKLK-FM's present location, visited by WTFDA 1987 convention attendees
- MN Grand Marais 95.3C for 100.5C, Timothy D. Martz, with Cloquet.
- Martz, with Cloquet.
 MN Mora 93.3C1, removing 93.3C from Nisswa
 MN, John Godfrey. June 9, 24; with site
 restriction 13 km north, to prevent a conflict
 with WAYL 93.7 Minneapolis, which wants
 full Class C protection. Downgrading of the
 Nisswa allotment made possible because
 nobody filed for that channel when the

- window was open MN Wabasha, Interstate Communications, 102.5A, June 9, 24. Site restriction 5 km west to avoid a conflict with WHTL 102.3A Whitehall WI
- NY Conklin, 93.3A, Programmed Communications, Inc., June 13, 28. Must be 5½ km SW, to avoid a short-spacing with WNTQ 93.3B Syracuse and WKXZ 93.9B Norwich NY
- NY Óld Forge 94.1A, Ross Broadcasting Co., May 31, June 15. Requires Candian concurrence. [10, 2]
- NC Grifton 99.5C2 for 99.3A, new c-p, June/ TX Denison 104.9C2 for A, KMKT, June 9, 24, but must be 21 km E to avoid short sp acings to KWNS 104.9A Winnsboro and KZBX 104.9A McAlester 0 K
- T.X. Kerrville, 94.3C2, counterproposal VA Staunton 94.3B1 for 94.3A, WTON-FM, June 13, 28, Site to be 13.4 km SW to protect WOZK 94.1B. Keyser WV and WORA 94.3A. Warrenton VA. "In addition, this proposal is located within the protected areas of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory 'Quiet Zone' at Green Bank WV. Therefore, it must conform with the notification requirements of Section 73.1030(c)(1)-(5) of the Rules."

FM Rulemakings, Finalized (Selected)

Dates are when FCC filing windows are open

- FL Green Cove Springs WSVE's request for 92.7A move to Neptune Beach FL denied. FCC contends changing the channel to a new community cannot be done without allowing other parties the opportunity to apply in the new community. This WSVE refused to allow, so the channel stays in Green Cove Springs. Indenying this, the FCCited Riverside and Santa Ana, California 65 FCC 2d 920 (1977), recon. denied, 68 FCC 2d 557 (1978).
- FL Marathon 94.3C2 for 94.3A, WMUM

 IA Sioux Rapids 102.9C2, as requested by Don
 Swanson of KTFC 103.3 Sioux City fame.
 This allocation made possible by KCHE-FM
 Cherokee's moving from 102.3 to 92.1.
 Window period June 2 to July 2.
- ME Boothbay Harbor 96, 781 for A, WCME. Site restriction 20 km north to avoid a short-spacing with WWMR 96.3 Rumford and WCYT 96,7 Rochester NH.
- MI Bad Axe 102, 1C2 for 92, 1A, WLEW-FM, but must locate 15 km NW to avoid a short-spacing with WDET *101.9 Detroit. Canada has concurred with this allocation. CFNY 102.1 Brampton (now licenced Toronto) ON has moved to a site that is no longer-short spaced to Bad Axe.
- NM Socorro 104.7C for 92.7A, KMXQ, but site must be 28% km NW to avoid a short-spacing with unapplied for 1047C2 at Roswell NM
- TN St. Joseph 101.5A, June 7-July 7, Site must be 9.2 km NW to avoid spacing conflict with monophonic station WFMH-FM 101.1 Cullman AL
- TX Atlanta 99.7C2 for 99.3A, KPYN. Denied James A. Reeder's petition to reconsider this action, who wanted 99.7C1 in lieu of 100.1A at Shreveport LA, and modification of the KGOZ Shreveport Losse to specify 93.7C1. Reeder, however, has taken the matter to the Court of Appeals, making the grant at Atlanta "conditional."
- TX Livingston KETX-FM 92.1, which succeeded in getting 92.3C2 allocated, wanted a site restriction of 4.3 km west removed. Restriction was to avoid short spacings to KTBS 92.1A Nacogdoches and a pending rule making to substitute 92.5C2 at Groves TX in lieu of 92.1A there. KETX-FM pointed to the "extremely high land cost" and the expense of constructing a 152-meter tower at the new site. KTFA, however, pointed out that

FCC-FM

KETX-FM "advanced only its private economic interests in support of a waiver." The FCC agreed with KTFA, dismissing the appeal for short-spacing, saying it has never granted such a waiver at the rule-making stage, citing Portland, Fennessee 35 FCC 26 601 (1972); and Toms River, New Jersey 43 FCC 26 414 (1973), and it went on to say that KETX-FM failed to prove that a transmitter site was not available at the new location.

TX Morton, James S. Bumpous' petition for 97.7C1 dismissed because he failed to supply comments that he would apply for the channel if allocated

VT Canaan 94.1A, June 7-July 7.
VT Marlboro 101.5A, site restriction 2.7 km NW, to avoid short spacing with WLKW-FM Providence RI.

Readers' Reports

"I cannot understand your tremendous hostility against AM. Why don't you just ignore it and let things be while us normal folks continue to enjoy it?" writes Steven Garren, "It will probably be around a lot longer than you. If it were not for the few religious and classical stations on FM, it would virtually be a cessood of rock music from one end to the other. The quality of a given radio hand consists of more than its technical merits alone. While new age music may seem to be a 'welcome and interesting trend', what it represents is anything but that. if you will take the time to investigate it and see for yourself. Since you insist on dumping the American system of measurement, which has served us so well for so long, in favor of metric then you need not expect me to be a regular purchaser of the FM Atlas any longer. Anyway, with the overcrowding of the band, DXing is becoming closer to impossible. . . WBPS Winder is *89.5, not 91.7." [My answer is that the inches, feet, etc. system, whatever it's called, is not an "American" system but something inherited from England; also does WBPS broadcast in stereo?]

Both the CRC and CKO stations are told to get on with it and license stations they've long had c-ps for. "In the decision renewing the radio network licenses for the CBC, the [Canadian Radio and Telecommunications] Commission told them to get on with establishing transmitters which have been approved by the CRTC some for as long as 10 years. The CBC said they would be happy to if someone supplied the money. They were also told to expand the stereo networks. Much laughter," writes Walter Patton. "Your March column showed a new BC Burns Lake CIBC-4 107.5. Supposedly this was deleted before beginning broadcasting. If not, what about Houston 105.5 and Smithers 96.1 which were also to have been CIRC-FM rebroad casters and which were cancelled by the same announcement? Since CIBC-1 is in Vanderhoof there would be room for them, judging by the CIBC-4 call." Not sure, because it is possible I extracted information from an older source than what you have. Walt, so I will leave things as shown in the March VUD until I hear otherwise. He also shows calls granted for a VF2005-FM Pemberton BC, a CIRK 97.3 Edmonton AT rebroadcaster. Station news he sent will be in next month's VUD and this month's FMedia! He also sent word on several BC stations applying to relay CBYG *91.5 Prince George instead of CFPR AM Prince Rupert, as well as several wanting to defect to CBTK *88.9 Kelowna from CBU AM Vancouver, while CKKS 96.9 Vancouver applies for a Chinese SCMO. Not known if 67 or 92 kHz would be utilized.

No official word on facilities granted or actual city of license, but CFMX 103.1 Cobourg ON given the nod for the 96.3 frequency with transmitter in Mississauga ON. Station would Join Gus for a DXpedition

bring CFMX's fine-arts signal into the western side of Toronto. CFMX is claimed to be the only commercial classical music station in Canada, a fact which I dispute, because there is CJBR-FM 101.5 Rimouski, programmed by the CBC, but nevertheless a commercial station. The CRT C denied several competing applications for the same dial spot, and denied another application for 92.5 in Toronto-Hamilton. No word on whether there are any surviving applications for 92.5, except for CIRV Toronto, which wants to get off its interference-plagued *88.7.

In rather shaking news, the CRTC denied the much-heralded frequency swap between all news CKO-EM2 99.1 and CKEY 590 AM Toronto, CKO-FM2, which is identified in the news incorrectly as "CKO," had hoped the swap, which would have also netted them \$4 million, would have enabled them to start alf-news stations in Winnipeg, Regina, St. John's and Saint John. Now the CKO stations will have to alter plans, expressing disappointment at the decision CKO was accused of not building its complete network, even though it promised to do so when it was licensed for such in 1976. Despite repeated promises, CKO has been a laggard, giving it much in common with the CBC. See note about Belleville and Brockville ON n. 93 FM Atlas-11, for CBC stations not a-huilding

CKEY's desire to invade the FM band was allookedataskanceby the Canadian regulators, saying "CKEY's music format would not have significantly increased the diversity of what is already available on existing FM stations in the Toronto market."

SCMO-purveyor CKFM 99.9 Toronto could go down the tubes if the CRTC has its way. Main carrier has been accused of playing too many "hits" per hour. No more than half the station's programming time should be devoted to top-40 hits, and 20 percent of their music programming must be Canadian. Unlike other broadcasters faced with similar problems, CKFM is said to have gone slow to change its music policy, even in face of CRTC concerns, and "has shown no contrition." Station was to have faced a CRTC hearing May 26. More on this as we find out:

we find out. Gus Mancuso sent local Washington DC Arbitron ratings. "Local AMs did very poorly with WWDC 1260 and WCPT 730 failing to make the list. . . Have changed plans for my Super DX week', Will be doing the bandscan from NJ, not Ohio, Will be staying at Clarion (formerly Hilton) Hotel in E. Windsor NJ. just off turnpike. Will be going in mid-July, from a Monday to a Thursday night, Would appreciate a plug in June VUD column! Other members welcome to join us, must go Dutch, of course! As to something to do in daytime Great Adventure Amusement Park nearby. The strategy is to stay one night on each side of hotel for optimum reception, shooting for 175 stations. Got new Atlas yesterday. Maps better." In the raings Gus sent, WGAY 99.5 is No. 1 with 8.1, then WKYS 93.9 tied with WMAL AM at 6.2 WMZQ 98.7 5.5, and WAVA-FM 105.1,

WWDC-FM 101.1 and WHUP. 96.3 tied at 5.2. John Ebeling says the June "Radio-Electronics" has a good article on FMX. Eldon Luoma just returned from three months

turned from three months in Alberta, where he enjoyed the Olympics in Calgary. "About two weeks ago we went up to Edmonton and visited every radio station there. Edmonton has the most friendly radio stations of any major city in Canada. It's got Vancouver radio stations beat a hun

dred times over for friendliness and generosity! In the way of FM changes, Red Deer has only one commercial or local FM station, CIZZ 98.9, owned by CKGY 1170 AM, which was sold last year by CKRD 700 AM (that company doesn't seem to like FM stations; they just own AM and TV, headquarters in Medicine Hat). CKUA-FM's programming out of Edmonton is on AM-FM simulcast, with relayers in places like Red Deer.

CKIK FM may be sold in the near future. CRTC turned it down a year ago. Price was about S4 million. They are an independent station, the same as CKRY is, both being in Calgary. In BC, "Mountain FM" is still mono and a lot of their translators or relays are boosting power, and some are changing frequencies." Details next month. "Many thanks for the fine publication and service."

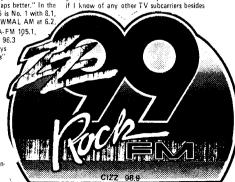
Richard Reese: "I really like the new Atlas, especially the translator section, and some of the new maps. However, I don't like the way Texas is divided up, and that CA should be expanded."

"We have a great FM commercial station here, WZBQ 102.5 Jasper AL, with 13000 watts erp, but their tower is on the second tallest tower in Alabama between Tuscaloosa and Jasper, so that makes the 13,000 watts sound like 150,000 watts, and 80 miles is its range," writes Madison C. Brumluach. "Also, programs are simulcasted on a relayed basis between two AM studios in these two cities. How about that?"

Another Alabama person, Keith Pugh, writes, continuing to get an unidentified station on 88.3, playing rock in stereo. He asks "Has WUTZ Summertown TN been off the air, or have they ever been on? I've never heard WUTZ. That signal seems closer than that, because there isn't much fading."

Bill Hepburn: "My comments in the April VUD re the scanner frequency deletions prompted a letter from ANARC requesting further info. I bought the scanner last March '87 and no longer have the disclaimer. I went to the local Radio Shack store to see if I could see one. Apparently, it doesn't say anything about any regulations, and that Tandy probabaly deleted the frequencies voluntarily to help maintain 'privacy' (hal) of cellular phones. I finally got my CD-01 [SCMO detector] and the adapter works great! I've hooked it up to my JVC stereo receiver since it's my most sensitive tuner. I hunted around the MPX section and found a good hook-up point without affecting the tuner performance itself. I out the audio output of the CD-01 into the 'aux' audio input jacks of the stereo; thus I get SCMO when I push the 'aux' selector. It's a real convenient set-up! Easy swapping between main and SCMO audin " (I'd think a better place to plug it into would be the tane "monitor" jack(s)-he i

"As a station fades in in stereo, SCA soon follows. Sensitivity? 10 dB or 10 microvolts is a guess for usable SCA sensitivity." Then he asks



the video, stereo and SAP? Yes, there's the professional channel, or "pro channel." It is at 102.271 kHz on the TV audio carrier, but I don't know of any stations regularly using it.

Rich Foreman, NY, sent information from "Broadcast Banker-Broker" newsletter, showing his firm in 16th place nationally in radio station deals. The five station sales in which he was broker amounted to \$15 million. First on the list was Wertheim with 16 sales and \$351 million, followed by Blackburn & Co., Drexel Burnham, Chapman and American, Estimates were by Paul Kagan Associates, Carmel CA.

Frank Aden sent word that KKIC AM returns to the air in Emmett ID, joining co-owned KJHY 101.7 (see above, "NonIDs." for problems KJHY is having or has had). Eric Bueneman sent a complete St. Louis area radio-TV station list, including noting some stations as having directional antennae. One of his notes reads: "WIBI has two translators in the St. Louis metro area, W211AD Granite City IL on 90.1 (directional to protect KBDY and WLCA on 89.9 mz, KRSH on 90.1 and KWUR on 90.3), and W288AW Alton II. on 105.5 (directional to protect KSTZ on 105.7 mz)." He also sent some TV news, which I assume went to Bill Fahber, as well. For a copy of his next list send an SASE to:

St. Louis Radio-TV List, % Eric

Bueneman 836 Lamplight Lane Hazelwood MO 63042-3407

NY area ratings sent by Paul Mount. They show WHTZ 100.3 first with a 6.2 and WWPR 95.5 declining to No. 8 at 4.1, WINZ AM is second overall, then WPAT-FM with a 4.7. He's sent advance word that WQHT 103.5 and WYNY 97.1 will change frequencies. Move could help WYNY, which is at 14th and a 3.0, while WQHT is tied for fourth (along with WLTW and WBLS) at 4.6. He creates this equation. New age=The wave≠ New Wave € Modern Bock.

W. R. McIntosh sent some news items about FM from the "Los Angeles Times," One concerns CA's Noble Broadcast Group

paying \$65 million for KMJQ 102.1 Houston TX This is a record price for any one FM station. It is also buying KMJM St. Louis for \$16 million and WMHE Toledo for \$19 million. This \$65 million price would eclipse the previous FM record of \$43 million paid for KJO1 98.7 Los Angeles, Noaiso owns XETRA-FM Tijuana, which the article incorrectly identifies as a "San Diego" station. Noble's sole owner is John Lynch, who has developed



the firm into becoming one of FM's largest groups. He's financing the purchases through Prudential-Bache Securities, Toronto Dominion Bank, Bank of New England and Mutual of New York, with plans to be announced soon to buy five additional stations. A person who had been at the NAB told me that the convention now is largely occupied by firms offering venture capital to folks wanting to buy radio (and TV) stations.

KTWV (94.7)'s owner, Metropolitan Broadcasting and NY-based Sillerman Acquisition Corp. are merging, to the tune of \$300 million. KTWV's "New age" programming is questioned. "After an initial spurt of success, the format's performance has leveled off in recent months, prompting some industry sources to question its long-term prospects. Metropolitan is said to have a considerable debt because of the high price it paid for KTWV, plus operating losses. Amount of the debt, however, was not revealed.

Another article Mc sent is about nighttime rock radio in L. A. and the zany promotions the stations use to lure listeners. "The strategy is to get the older, 25-plus audience involved in the show It's a critical demographic audience, because if you can add their numbers to your teen numbers, you can really make yourself very attractive to advertisers," says Jeff Pollack, radio consultant. Here are some examples. KROQ has an "I hate my Ex" feature in which he surprises old flames by putting them on the phone with disgruntled former girl or boyfriends. KHS-FM offers unsolicited pick-up advice, and an audio ranking of the erotic charms of the girls in a graduating class. KMPC-FM offers a "pot shots" feature. where employees can call to complain about their bosses or co-workers. Ratings for the latter show, however, are said to be "dismal."

Ratings in L. A. remain about the same, with KPWR 105.9 tops at 7.5, followed by KIIS-FM 102.7 6.9, KABC AM 5.5, KOST 103.5 4.3, KJOI 4.3, KLOS 95.5 3.8, KROQ 106.7 3.7, KBIG 104.3 4, KRTH 101.1 3.7 and KFWB AM 4.2.

R. H. Perrin says WPKM 106.3 Scarborough-Portland ME (formerly WDCS) is still classical, with gospel after noon, and "no sign off at midnight. Seems to have dropped Mutual news on the hour."

And that's all the VUD-type news I have for this month. The above is unduplicated from FMedia! Now, to fill, I'll run the following, which appeared in the May FMedia! newsletter.

More Small-Print Happenings and FM Industry News

NAR and ECC reach accord on FM translator "abuses" on eve of NAB convention in Las Vegas. No details specified, and I am suspicious of what they've agreed on, knowing the lunching, politicking, etc. that has gone on between the two bodies. NAB Radio Board Chairman Jerry R. Lyman, at the convention: "Improvement of the AM band and protection of the FM band from frivolous and irresponsible spectrum policy is your NAB Board's message to government. We just can't allow the quality of our transmission to be undermined by regulatory apathy to the facts. The public will not be served by more low-power signals, or new FM allocations shoe-horned into an existing band. We do not want the same destruction, done to the AM band, visited upon FM."

Broadcasters speaking out so far in favor of translators are John LaTour, Power duPree Broadcasting, and Dan Kelley, KISZ-FM Cortez CO. LaTour owns 43 FM translators, and points out that the "impact of translator-delivered stations is inconsequential in the top 50 markets," and in smaller markets they supply diversity, such as classical music, or Christian contemporary. Latour, who probably knows more about what's happening on the translator front than almost anybody else, thinks the FCC's outlook toward low power FM is "more positive than it has been in the past." He met with FCC "bigwigs" in February, and is optimistic that FM translators would be given the option of switching over to more fulltime programming, as happened with LPTV, "although this is by no means a sure thing." Kelley, who does not own a translator, mentioned that his market gets service from Albuquerque NM via translators, but they are no competition, since his own full-service stationard stations like it are the ones showing in the ratings. No text of the inquiry has yet been released by the FCC, and in the meantime, it's questionable whether applications for major facilities changes in existing

freeze lasts, or translator rules become more restrictive, existing translators could become more valuable, having somewhat of a "grandfathered" status Under a further rule-making the FCC would make it possible for translators 88-92 mz not owned by the primary station to pick up signals by such means as satellite. FCC would also alllow a "secondary authorization,

translators can take place, with one unofficial source saying "no." If the

such as studio-transmitter link in the microwave frequencies. 'This secondary authority would be similar to that which we recently provided for use . . . in conjunction with FM booster stations." In this context, the FEC has allowed "experimental authority" for a high-power FM booster on 100.7 in Milwaukee, of WBZN-FM 100.7 Racine WI, It uses a 250-watt transmitter with 2000 watts ERP at 91 meters HAAT, in downtown Milwaukee, getting the main signal by microwave. Some interference has been found between the main and booster signals, requiring "real close tailoring" to the coverage area. A second experimental booster is expected to be filed for in a Milwaukee residential area, as well as for a Denver experimental booster of KHIH 94.7 Boulder CO. Another application is for a 100 watt booster of KZLA 93.9 Los Angeles, to be located in Newhall CA. Watch other Malrite stations similarly go after boosters.

FCC announces a revised form to use in applying for FM boosts: stations, including the new high power hoosters, and it announced something new-television booster stations. Boosters operate on-channel and can only be owned by the primary station. A new form for the filing of FM booster and translator station applications is the March, 1908 edition of FCC form 349. One station that could become a major player in the national

translator scene is KILA *90.5, now winging its sounds over Satcom 3, transponder 4, discrete stereo channels 6.3 and 6.48. "God has told us to do a new thing with His station from Las Vegas," with five goals listed: "to reach people through cable systems, home satellite systems, radio stations, owned and operated stations (by simulcasting) and eventually through translators . ."

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SCOTT HOOD'S REPORT - CONTINUED

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7h 4 Es 2055 <u>WAVE</u> 2055 <u>WZEX</u> 2105 WNFI'v 2110 WZAT 2110 WKSI't 2135 <u>WBAM</u> 2145 WPIGt:	99.1 99.3 102.1 98.7	NC FL GA NC AL	Hananan Whiteville "Foxy 99" Palatka "I-100" Savannan "Ž-102" Greensboro, Kiss-FM, "Pillow-Taik" (I think it was WYKZ-SC. See my comments.) Montgomery "Bam-99" Brunswick "101-6"	1150
Mo 8 GW 2 005 <u>WQMI</u>	95.3	ME	York,ac ("Transtar Net." // WXJY 96.3) "I-95.3"	41
Sa 13 Es 1945 <u>KFDI</u> :	101.3	KS	Wichita:k "Radio Ranch" (good heavy compression like WKCG)	
1650 unID 1920 [KCPW] 1925 KFKF	105.1 ("Po 94.1 98.9	k (ti wer 9 KS KS	Tuscaloosa, "Fox-96-FM" ranstar) "K-105" 95") and <u>KLSI</u> in Kansas City Leavenworth "98.9 pure gold" Carrolton	1300 1300 1300
	94.3	"Powe r & e	LaCrosse er 95 FM" (don't think KC, this sounded more dance) (that was KCPW's format when I heard th Terre Haute	1 0 75 em-gc) 925
2010 WLLR 2010 WNCO 2015 WNID 2015 KGGO 2020 WEZL 2030 UNID 2050 WMT 2100 KDMI 2100 KWK	101.3 101.3 101.1 94.9 94.9 103.5 96.5 97.3 106.1 107.7	IL OH KXIA IL? IA SC.L. IA IA IA IA MO	East Moline Ashiand A? calls sounded clear "in Chapmaisn" (sounded like local address) Des Moines (prev. tentative) Charleston (Scott, note call correction-sc) puis BB Cedar Rapids Des Moines It rock-W-106" (WJX0???-sc) Granite City St.Louis, r & b, "Masic 108"	1200 1100 1200
0110 WPDH : 0135 <u>WEBE</u> 0330(WTHT):	101.5 107.9 102.9 & WGNA	NY CT ME Alba	tland in \$troms Poushkeepsie Westport Portland, still r, "FM 103" any (first time in Beverly for Albany)	170 159 84
Mo 29 Es 2 0 45 <u>KTUX</u>	98. 9	ΤX	Carthage,r & 6 on (?-gc) "Tux-99"	1500
JULY 1987 Tu 7 Es 1825 <u>KNWC</u> 1920 WASK	96.5 105.3	30 1%	Sloux Falls Lafayette	1300

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on Their Poin Es court.	
(936 chib 184.7 "Columbia.Albany.Bowling Breen" (938 kNNG 98.7 IC Springfield "Class FM" (BiS unib 98.7 BB:Baitimore vs Chicago	
2045 KADIt 36.3 MO St.Louis, (old CALLS? See Aug 2)	
Su :2 Tr 2:30 wBLI :06.1 NY Patchosue	170
To 14 Es 1825 <u>KTXR</u> 101.5 MO Sprinafield 1830 KW70t 98.7 MO Sprinafield	13 0 0 1300
Fr 17 Es 1900 KWNC 96.5 SD Sieux Falls	
We 22 Tr 0055 unID 94.1 r & a/c (included Niel Diamond, Certain was 94.1) 0100 WAWZ 93.1 NJ Zarepath 0110 WTOS 105.1 ME Skowheean 0110 WELITIME, I NY Patchogue (airwaves extremely volatile from N to S)	235 163 17 0
Th 23 Tr 1950 WABK 104.3 ME Gardiner 2000 WRCG 101.3 ME Augusta (went from steady \$trength to nil wit a minute. Barely in for rest of hight (Airplane scatter 2245 WWDE 101.3 VA Hampton 2255 WXX 105.3 VA Nortolk	129 Sh(n -7-9c) 500 500
Fr 24 Tr 0145-0355: NEW YORK AREA: 101.1, 107.5, 105.1, 97.9, 100.3, 98.7, 97.1, 95.5 PHILLY AREA: 98.9, 96.5, 93.3, 94.1, 100.3 0150 WRHI 99.9 MD Ocean City 0155-WWMX2106.5 MD Bait,more, "Mix-106" 0250 UnIDs 97.1,97.3 (see 0330) 0305 WADB 95.9 MJ Point Pleasant 0315 WILL 36.3 NJ Asbury Park, "K-94-FM" 0330 UWGHI 97.3 VA Newport News, "97 Star,WGH"	375 380 240 235 500 90 500
0340 WNOI 98.7 VA Norfolk 0346 WYFI 98.7 VA Norfolk 74fter doing down earlier, Norfolk coming back, 344 times as stro 0350 WCMS 120.5 VA Norfolk 0355 WAWIT 98.1 MJ Zarepath 2055 WAWIT 98.1 MJ Zarepath 2055 WAWIT 98.1 MJ Hampton Bays 0405 WMIB 187.1 MJ Hampton Bays 0405 WMIZ 104.5 VA Norfolk time for 7.5 27254 YWELES WOWN to New England	500 ne!) 500 235 270 145 500
TH TW JAY IT 19255 HOTEUS ZO , 33 RI - Middletown	73
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in i 19 110 <u>Wins</u> 200.: Mi Stemont 1:00 0010 :00.: Hez, "Joy 100" 1:15 <u>Wini</u> 100.! Wi Neemah-Menasha

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2705 NORN 103.7 MO Lebanon		Ø140 .kop. hany Ph. Ly and MYC relogs	
2050 NZNN 105.3 MO Rotta	1000	ම්2ම්ගි <u>මුලිට්ට</u> 101.ට පත Lancaster. ඉද	345
2103 (KRYY) 95.3 MO St.Louis, "Joy 35" 1 2115 ATTS 94.7 MO Serinafield	1100	M235 WPCH 101.5 MY Poughkeeps;e	170
2145 WDZQ 95.1 Rt. Decator		0235 JVMX 106.5 MD Galtimore 0250 wKDN 106.9 NJ Jamaen	38Ø
ZIAC MEZZ		0255 <u>WBYJ</u> 107.5 PA Boyertown	290
Fr 14 Tr		0310 <u>W10V</u> 105./ PA Ephrata, k	295
0050-0730:Many NYC area re-loss		Ø325 WGNT 105.1 NY Newburgh	335 18 0
0140 unID 102.3 J or EZ (CT?) (Maybe, they're now WVVE-The Wave-gc)	, 17 0	0305 WNEW, WPIX, and WCBS, with "West 57th" audio!!!	205
Then the relief it is a second to the contract of	149	Ø355 WAYV 95.1 NJ Atlantic City	295
2120 WHAI DOLL OF DISORFIELD	- · -	0405 WNOW 104.3 NY New York 04107W0HT3103.5 NY Lake Success	20/5
Sa 15 Tr		0410 WMGM 103.7 NJ Atlantic Dity	195
0120 WAWZt 39.1 NJ Zarepath	235	0430 WMJY and WWHB on 107.1	295
		1145 Philly appears out: only CT (incl. WILIt-98.3) (weak splashes-	-NYC) 2
Fr 21 Es			
2140 WNNS 98.7 IL Springfield		Tu S Tr	
Su 30 Es		0050 WCBS & WNSR NYC, both weak, nothing organized 0725 WNDB, WUSE, and WDAS Philadelphia	205
1020 No IDs (96.5-"American Top 40"), TV virtually clear!		A. CA. GAMMA MOOTE, WILL MONG CUITAGEIBUIA	
		South naton, CT:	
Mo 31 Tr 0110 WRNS 95.1 NC Kinston, k (Nice catch!-gc)	625		
0120-0320 Philly & NYC reloas	023	Sa 12-Su i3	
0140 WJRZ 100.1 NJ Manahawin	270	WWYZ 92.5, WLVH 93.7, WKSS 95.7, WDRC 102.9, WIOF 104.1, WHCN 105.9	3,
0150 WKHI 99.9 MD Ocean City	375	xmtrs on mth, in view (1-3 miles), creating total image hash on FM	band!
0150 WBAB 102.3 NY Babylon	175	Back in Severiy:	
0220 WWDEt101.3 VA Hampton	500		
0300 WFME 94.7 NJ Newark 0300 WADB 95.9 NJ Point Pleasant	215 240	Tu 29 Tr	
0300[WVVE]102.3 CT Stonington	97	2015 WALK 97.5 NY Patchosue, (in \$trone at 2120)	170
0300 WIDQ and WDAS Philadelphia		2110 WBLI 105.1 NY Patchovave 2115 More Philly & NYC (WCBS)	170
0320 WMJY 107.1 NJ Lone Branch, "Y-107"	230	113 NOTE FAILTY & NYC. (WCBS) 1210 WBAZ 101.7 NY Southold	
0320 WEAZ 101.1 PA Philadelphia	295	2220 WWHB 107.1 NY Hampton Bays (almost \$trong)	130 145
CT in \$trons, time for Z's		2220 WiNG 92.1 NY Saa Harbor	130
0715 Philly a little stronger 1920 airwayes unstable, but within New England		2230 WSBH 95.3 NY Southampton	140
2020 WMAS 94.7 MA Springfield	32	We 30 7r	
2020 WHFM 93.1 MA Springfield	92	We SW IF 0120 WYNZt100.9 ME Westbrook	
2030 WPLJ 95.5 NY New York	20/5	0125 <u>CBZ</u> :01.5 NB Fredrickton, CBC	81 315
2030+ Philly reloss: WWDB, WUSL, WKSZt, WEAZ, WDAS	295	0130 CBH 102.7 NS Hailfax, CBC (// CBZ 101.5)	420
2105 NYC relogs: WRKS, WFME, WHTZ, WCBS, WBLS 2110 WJRZ-NJ 100.1 + umID 100.1 (WQVR?)	205	0220 <u>Clok</u> 1 00. 5 NB St.John, a/c, "St.John's newest FM K-1 00 "	305
2115 WEAZ & WCBS at one point, the only two together! (Like being or	m	ME down to normal, 0310 Canada dy ne out	
East Coast of New Jersey)	•	9010BER ::987	
2120 WKXWt101.5 NJ Trenton	2 50	<u> </u>	
2130[WEGX]106.1 PA Philadelphia + tent WBLI	295	Th 8 CW	
2145-2215: WNSR 105.1 New York and WSNI & WYSP from Philip 2230 South dying down, but Portland suddenly in near \$tregath		1940 WMRG 103.3 Boston: now o, "Oldies 103" (WODS-ec)	17
2240 WING 97.7 MA Winchendon (strongest ever here)	59		
2255 WILI 98.3 CT Willimantic	30	Fr 15 Tr	
2300 Horizon appears to have shrunken but intensified:		2130 Concord NH usua:!y strone: some CT: WWLI-105.1 in real \$trone. 2305 WGAD 88.3 MA Franklin	
CT in near local \$tren9th		manus Carris San Company of the Comp	42
SEPTEMBER 1987		Mc JS GW "Meltdown Monday"	
ear remover, 1007		91509HG83106.3 NH Nashuas r. "B-106.3" (after being off over	31
Tu 1 Tr		two years!!	-
201220 except for some weak ST; WOTB 1202.3 and Cape Cod in & out of t	ocal		
\$trength, South is dead. Fortland & Augusta in or near \$trong.		To 10 Te	
Sa 5 Tr		:945 same CT in	
1025 Arrwaves unusual for this time of day. Conditions setting up?		1915 WWDB Philadelphia	
2055 WWDB 96.5 PA Philadelphia	295	we 21 GW	
2130 WKHI 99.9 MD Ocean City	375	Ne 2: UW 0745 WBOS 92.9 Boston: now "Country Favorites-93"	
2235-2250: WHTZ: WCBS: and WEVD			

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Mo 26 Tr - Now 6510 1845 Portrand in or year Atrons Finer. WBLM-187.5) 2010 unia 101.7 Jimete (MST) "...101-FM"

To 27 Tr 0720 WWDB 96.5 PA Philadelpphia 2030 WTOS 105. I ME Skownegan

285 163

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NOVEMBER 1987

Mo 2 Tr 2150 CT in: 2200 WALK in

15001 Michigan Ave. Dearborn, Michigan 48126 1845 CT in; 1855-1900: WBLI & WALK in

Tu 24 Tr

0725 WWGT 97.9 ME Portland still r, "Maine's Powerstation, G-98" (In August they were "Great 98", those slogans really change fast don't they?-sc) 84

Fr 27 In

2025 WHD@ 106.1 NH Claremont

Su 29 Tr

0145-0350: NYC reloss + WALK & WAWZ 99.1

Mo 30 Tr

2035 WALK 97.5 NY Patchogue, sudden, strong (airplane?-gc) 170 2045 WHDQ 106.1 NH Claremont 95

DECEMBER 1987: Nothing

JANUARY 1988

81WGY 99WGFM

Tu 12 Tr 1925 ME, Cape Cod in strons

Th 14 Au? (probably-9c) 2045 uniDs (06.3, 98.1, 97.9 (2) 2105 unID 96.5 AOR (mostly obscure), "commercial free, 96.5-RLK" (college station() Extremely weak, but in/out for an hour+ (Sounds like a pirate. See William wyllie's NFM report in the AUGUST 1367 VUD-ect

FEBRUARY 1953

To 16 Tr: WWGT 97.9 ME in

MARCH 1988

Fr 25 Tr: some CT, also WPLM-NY (170 m.1: at 2000

Eas Scott had some comments which unfortunaters I have to east for space considerations. South, with endwith there's anything eigh you want to add. Scott said he preferred the one-column. He also recommended dua - km/m, reporting as well as uTC/local time. (don't think too many become would so for the a thousand Scott, of you would Tike to report in \mathbb{GTC}_{r} you can, but we sure to note the wime zone in your report. Same goes with mile & rm. Another lara Scott meditioned was using date & day willows he let. In this White I will accept teports. withese modifications they are notioned. Indines for the input: Scott.

And now....on to a report by Raiph Strobel of Moncres Indiana...

Ralph Strobel - 106 E. Davidson St Muncie, IN 47303 Time here is EST. Equipment: McIntosh MR-78 FM Tuner - Stereo Probe 9 Antenna at 38 feet.	_
September 1987 2 KS	
0159 KENW 89.5 NM Portales, "PM, Portales, NM and 98.7 FM" 107	'2
2258 WTHL 90.5 KY Somerset, g, faintly heard o/WUOL Louisville, KY 22	!5
0959 WMAE 89.5 MS Boonewille, c\$, Mississippi Network IDs on hour 45	0
2340 W201AE88.1 IL Decatur, WBGL 91.7 xlator, gave Champaign address 25	;o
0000 W202??88.3 IL ? 91.9 WSSR Springfiled ID, UPI nx, 0006 s/off ?? (I wrote WSSR and WJCH Joliet, IL. Neither have a translator, so who is thi	(8)
27 MS 0415 KVNE 89.5 TX Tyler, "Currently it's 65°. You're listening to KVNE. October 1987	-
9 MS 0900 KENW 89.5 NM Portales, "You're listening to KENW-FM" 107	2'2
21 MS 0800 KWGS 89.5 OK Tulsa, "tomorrow partly cloudy with ayou're 66 listening to FM-89 - KWGS Tulsa, a listener's supported service of the University of Tulsa"	io
28 MS 0936 KTSC 89.5 CO Pueblo, "KTSC-FM" 107 December 1987	⁷ 0
4 MS 0005 CBSM 89.5 ON Sault Ste. Marie, "and that's the CBC news" 43	50
7 MS 0830 KENW 89.5 NM Portales, "KMTH-FM Public Radio" 107	72
10 MS 0050 WHRO 89.5 VA Norfolk, "each week features the finest in jazz 55 singing, delivered by the giants of yesterday, and today, and tomorrow. Don't miss the vocal sounds of jazz every Friday night at 11:30 here at 89-5 FM WHRO"	50
(Heard o/WMAE Booneville, Mississippi Network s/off by tr)	00
UOZO WIEK UJ. J GA COLUMBUS, INID CHUICH ID IOCUCOU UU - J. J.	60
2247 WINK 30.5 IN 1010 Mgc18, 1011000 INCOME.	5 9
27?? WAIV 96.9 FL Jacksonville, "that kinda station, 97-Wave"	50 50
27?? WAIV 96.9 FL Jacksonville, "between the Jax landing and the" 75.0805 WLHQT 96.9 AL Enterprise, "kick off a Q-97 minute" 66.27?? WAIV 96.9 FL Jacksonville, "97-Wave WAIV" 75.27?? WINK 96.9 FL Fort Myers, "let's go to the hit lines now - (Same old relogs on 96.9!) Wink FM-97"	59 50 25 50 59
21 MS 0302 unID 90.1 ?? ? "Benny Green, trombone; Sonny Clark, piano; Milt ?' Hinton on bass; Art ? on drums. Here's classic oldie - C.C. Wright from 90 Jazz Flace" (Anyone know what's "90 Jazz Place?")	
23 Es 1815 WXDJ 95.7 FL Homestead, mj\$ 96 1806 WMCU 89.7 FL Miami, g3 1025 1821 WJIS 88.1 FL Bradenton, g\$ 96 1812 WZTA 94.9 FL Miami, r\$ 1025 1824 WAYJ 88.7 FL Ft, Myers, gr\$ 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96	OO
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Ralph Stro	pel's rem	ort continues:	
January 19	<u>ხა</u>		
2 <u>N.S</u> 1717 WEQR	96.9 ::3	Jeldobore, "x4.9 W∃QX"	540
3 MS 2727 WX 2C	96.9 33	Charleston, "Charleston"	625
		Jacksonville, "steps. As rapidly as Jacksonville	750
		is growing, that continues to be a major"	
4 MS	04 0 ET	Included in the state of	750
0124 WAIV 0140 WXTC	95.9 SC	Jacksonville, "WAIV" Charleston, "WXTC"	625
	96.9 NJ	Atlantic City, "FM-97 WTPG. We just heard Good	570
	i	Morning Heartache from our custom library"	
???? WEQR	96.9 NO	Goldsboro, "this week's delivery. WEQ"	540
		Jacksonville, "97-Wave's accu-weather for Florida's	s 750
		sunny with a high of 65. Right now, we're at 45 - WAIV"	
		Charleston, "and tomorrow, highs increase again,	625
with high	getting	up to around 48at 8:06 this morning. Right now it's	
37 at Nort	hand 3	8 downtown at 96.9 WXTC-FM Charleston's Lite Rock, 97	-FM."
???? WAIV ???? unID		Jacksonville, "AIV"	750 ???
???? WAIV		? "Just east of Saint Johns on" Jacksonville, "Right now in Jacksonville"	750
???? WINK	96.9 FL	Fort Myers, "uh huh, Wink-FM, uh"	959
???? WLHQt	96.9 AL	Enterprise, "Q-97 minute"	625
(All this	was taped	while I was sleeping. My reel to reel at slow speed	
caught all	this. T	oo bad all I got was relogs. Where are the 96.9's I n	eed?)
2157 WRM3	89_3 FL	Boynton Beach, g\$, news, wx, temperature was 690	1020
2200 WQCS		Fort Pierce, c3	975
<u>13</u> tr			
1951 KDHX	88.1 MO	St. Louis, gave address, asking for donations also	300
20 MS	20 E MC	December 11 - 11 - Dilection OO 7 Mb7 with an effection	l, EO
OOJO WHAE		Booneville, "Biloxi 90.3 MhZ, with an effective ra" (Public Radio Mississippi s/off)	450
21 MS		Taviv (Fability Madio Mississippi S, VII)	
		Abilene, "on KGNZ" (Previous Es)	970
February 1	988		
11 tr 1759 WVNP	89.9 W	Wheeling, strongest toward Wheeling, not Huntington, W	лг 225
18 tr	0,1,	"" coling, bolongest toward wheeling, not hantington,	** 22)
1218 WHSK	98.9 IN	Kokomo, ex-89.1, 10 watts, c mono at noon, o/WKSD/WSL	м 38
March 1988			
3 MS	08 0 145	Warman Count Yahan Marking Handa Wana	620
1255 <u>KKPR</u>		Kearney-Grand Island-Hastings, "Olivia Village - Olivia Village in the Conestoga Mall - Grand Island	720
(I wrote t	his stati	on, but no reply. I then called information to Grand	•
Island, NE	. Yes, t	his city does have a Conestoga Mall, so what else?)	
	98.9 ??	? "FM. It's 2:11. This is Max Miller" (Who?)	???
23 MS	101 1 10	Carrollton, "in Carrollton" (Previous tr)	1.70
April 1988		Carrollton, "in Carrollton" (Previous tr)	430
6 MS	-		
0200 KENW	89.5 IM	Portales, "New Mexico 88130. Toll free"	1072
<u>7 MS</u> 0859 WINK	96 9 FI	Fort Myers, "Fort Myers, home of the"	959
23 tr		,	727
0335 <u>WDIZ</u>	100.3 FL	Orlando, r5, This station gradually faded in for	800
one minute	and 15 s	seconds o/WCKI Oak Ridge-Knoxville by tr. I taped the	
torrowing	me Bon Jo	E with some new stuff. That was 'Of Fools.' By request ovi on DIZ Orlando's Rock and Roll Radio Station." The	,
music bega	in and gra	adually faded away into the static. There was no mete	or
scatter or	· Es activ	rity at the time, so it had to be tr. This is a dista	nce
record	othing el	lse new from here. Happy DXing, everyone! 73, Ralp	h S.

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GRES CONTOLIO - 5100 GLENWOOD DRIVE - WILLIAMSVILLE, NEW YORK 14221	
EQUIPMENT: PIONEER TX-9100 TUNER W/RADIO SHACK FM-5 MOUNTED 20' AGE ROOF. ARCHERROTOR & 75 OHM LEADIN USED.	ON
APRIL 1988	
16 TrS 1830 WPHN 90.5 MI Gaylord, wx, ID, g	325
17 Tr 0939 <u>CJFM</u> 95.9 PQ Montreal, "FM 96", focal ments. 0948 WSCP 101.7 NY Pulaski, k in o/local WBTF Attica 0958 CHEZ 106.1 ON Ottawa, FF until 1000, then into EE	312 135 229
19 TrS 1624 WXGT 92.3 ОН Сотимьия, г, "92—X"	315
21 TrS STRONG LOCAL CHRE 105.7 ON VERY LOW POWER (about 10 watts) 1600 WMJI 105.7 OH Cleveland, r, "Majic", legal ID, LOUD 1607 WCXA 105.7 PA York, r, local ads, slogans: The G, and G-106 1609 WMRV 105.7 NY Endicott, a/c, legal ID taped later 1642 CFGL 105.7 PG Laval, FF 1707 WCXR 105.9 VA Woodbridge, rock oldies, 105.9-CXR 2013 WHCN 105.9 CT Hartford, rp, new state (#33), 1st New England:	189 239 15 0 3 0 8 314 314
23 TrS 1141 WRKZ 106.7 PA Hershey, k	22 0
<u>8881 YAM</u>	
6 Au & Tr Au in morning, unids 90.3, 91.9, and 89.1 1750 WXKC 99.9 PA Erie, rm, "CLASSY 100", legal ID said: "50,000 watt voice of the Tri-State" so that CP must	
have be completed. Over local CKFM Toronto. 1811 <u>WJET</u> 102.3 PA Erie, r, "JET-FM-102", between super-strong local WMJQ 102.5 & strong local CFNY 102.1	93
$9~{\rm Tr}$ $_{1705}$ $_{\overline{\rm MPTM}}$ $95.7~{\rm OM}$ Piqua, ID o/WEBF. Heavy thunderstorms were in that area at the time	354
10 Tr 1637 <u>WYST</u> 92.3 MD Baltimore, traffic report. Finally heard over normal mix of WRRN/WR0C/WVAE	285

COMMENTS:

Siko Siko siko siko siko siko siko sik

Scott Hood: I forgot to comment about your tentative WKSI logging. I believe you heard WYKZ in Beaufort, S.C. When I was in Myrtle Beach, I heard them use that "Kiss-FM" slogan. They did have a program called "Prilow-Talk". I note you had WZAT Savanmah as well. WKSI is more of a Top 40 Station, and does not have a "pillow-talk".

So far this season, the only good trop day noted by me was May 6. The end of Roril, which brought below normal temperatures, was dead for any type of trops. No skip noted yet (As of May 10th) either. 73s.

GREG

IF YOU FINISH BEFORE TIME IS CALLED, YOU MAY CHECK YOUR WORK ON THIS SECTION ONLY. DO NOT WORK ON ANY OTHER SECTION IN THE TEST.

STOP

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS COLUMN. AAT Antenna height above average terrain AG Antenna height above ground ASL. Antenna height above sea level AZ Azimuth (North -0°) BT Beam Tilt CIR Circular polarization CP Construction permit CRTC Canadian Radio-relevision and Telecommunications Commission Directional antenna ELL Elliptical polarization ERP Effective Radiated Power FCC Federal Communications Commission (USA) HOR measured along a horizontal plane MAX. In the direction or elevation of maximum signal strength Construction permit modification Transmitter or tower location carrier frequency offset 10 kHz above standard

APPLICATIONS FOR MEM TELEVISION STATIONS

carrier frequency not offset

carrier frequency offset 10 kHz below standard

RP HAAT	CITY/APPLICANT
100 410	Cordele; Sunbelt-South
	Telecommunications Ltd.
000 951	New Orleans: Swan Broadcasting
7.9 1640	Secaucus; Whitely Communications (in
	contest with license renewal of
	WWOR-TV)
000 1243	Burlington; Burlington 44 Company
000 1248	Burlington; Burlington Channel 44
	Burlington; David McMeekin
360 1247	Burlington; Lake Champlain
	Communications Inc.
000 476	Burlington; Maple Leaf Broadcasting
	Ltd. Partnership
360 2474	Burlington; Nichols Broadcasting
	Corporation
200 ?	Burlington; Nophi Inc. (bad data)
000 1737	Burlington; Northeast Kingdom
	100 410 100 951 17.9 1640 100 1243 100 1248 100 1373 100 476 100 476 100 476 100 2474 100 7

APPLICATIONS DISMISSED

WA 24 100 971 Pullman; P.N-P Broadcasting Inc.

CA Clovis: ch.43; North Star Communications. CO Denver; ch.50; Denver Communications Ltd. IL Danville; ch.68; CMM Inc.; George E. Gunter.

IA Newton: ch.39: Rebin C. Brandt.

LA Hammond; ch.62; Hammond Broadcasting Etd. NV Paradise; ch.39; Suidhit! Broadcasting Inc.; Nevada Broadcasting Group; Nevada 39

Inc.; Wynn Communications Inc. NY Corning; Coyle Communications Ltd.

NC Konnapolis; ch.64; Kannapolis Telvision Company.

TX Austin; ch.54; ATV As occurred inc.;

aprial City Community Interests Inc.; DB Broadcasting Inc.: Television 54 Corporation.

X Cruckett; ch.40; Hefty Communications: Paggy Nicholson

TX Del Rio, ch.10; Sancia Communications.

IX El Paso; ch.65; Salcido Broadcasting Company. (denied)

TX Victoria: ch.31; Victoria Broadcasting (dismissed): Turner Broadcasting and Communications (denied).

COMSTRUCTION PERMITS GRANTED

ST CH ERP HAAT CITY/APPLICANT CA 43 1057 2145 Clovis: San Joaquin TV Improvement Corp. HI 15 750 5784 Wailuku; King Broadcasting Company 1A 39 1330 656 Newton; Newton Broadcasting Co. KS 33 1981 449 Wichita: Wichita Communications NV 39 2000 2276 Paradise: Rose Communications NY 48 1000 781 Corning: Rural New York Broadcasting NC 64 12.4 318 Kannapolis; Community Action Communications Inc. TX 54 5000 807 Austin; Balcones Broadcasting Ltd. TX 65 1000 1454 El Paso: UN2JC Communications Ltd.

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS CANCELLED

TX 47 415 420 Greenville: Bill Richard Wright

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	WI		WTAH	Oshkosh	
1	Wi	39	WWTL	Marshfield	
	VA	69	WRBV	Fredericksburg	
	ΤX	30	KLMH	0dessa	
	SD	21	KXRC	Rapid City	
	PA	29	WXEK	State College	
į	OH	55	WEYE	Hillsboro	
	NM	10	KCJA	Santa Fe	
	MT	23	KGCL	Missoula	
	MO	22	KMPT	St. Joseph	
	MN	26	KXBJ	Bemidji	
	KY	51	WEKT-TV	Pikeville	
	۱D	20	KMCV	Idaho Falls	
į	GA	33	WTKV	Valdosta	
ı	CA	62	KGGB	Santa Rosa	
	SI	<u>CH</u>	CALLS	CITY	

MODIFY COMSTRUCTION PERMITS

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AR	25	4368	596	KVTN	Pine Bloff
MS	34	5000	367	WZZV	Magee (amended)
PR	68	89.1	1949	WVSN	Humacao
TΧ	49	5000	1178	KTFH	Conroe
TΧ	52	2619	1076	KEWD	Fort Worth
χŢ	23	640	1381	KHCE	San Antonio

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT MODIFICATIONS

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СА	57	1120	833	KSTV-TV	Ventura		
CA	25	41.5	2362	KCAH	Watsonville		
FL	13	316	449	WETV	Key West		
FI.	28	1936	492	MOGH	Panama City		
١N	29	3090	774	WITK	Kokomo		
ŀΑ	63	3460	1304	KBTV	Des Moines		
ΚY	24	400	648	WKYU TV	Bowling Green		
EΧ	42	1130	480	HMLM	Odessa		

APPLICATIONS TO CHANGE EXISTING FACILITIES

ST CH ERP HAAT CALLS CITY AL 45 600 1011 WMCF-TV Montgomery (cD) FL 33 1191 1365 WHBR Pensacola (mp: on the air more than 2 years and still no

license) Cedar Rapids (mp)

IA 28 2316 672 KOCR LA 29 1260 1293 KVHP Lake Charles (co) MA 46 5000 942 WHRC 5Norwell (cp)

CHANGES GRANTED STATIONS ON THE AIR

AR Hot Springs: KRZB-TV, ch.26; granted CP to raise ERP from 244.9 kw max to 5000 kw max; 902' AAT/ 466' AG/1417' ASL (48' lower ASL): TL Jack Moun- PA 60 MBPH-TV Bethlehem: Sonshine Family Television tain, 2.5 mile south of Hot Springs; coordinates 34°22'17"/93°02'16" (Az. 97°, 0.5 mile from present IL). Should be a remarkable improvement in coverage area and DX possibilities.

CA San Jose; KICU-TV, ch.36; granted MP to reduce ERP from 2735 kw max/406 kw hor to 664 kw max: 2015* AAT/335' AG/2776' ASL (18' lower ASL): TL Monument Peak, Alameda County; coordinates 37°29'16. 8"/ 121°51'58.9" (Az. 338°, or NNW, 0.24 mile from present TL). Should be a little reduction in signal KS Salina; KAAS-TV, ch.18+, went on the air 4/3/1988; strength.

GA Atlanta; WPBA, ch.30; granted CP for 1380 kw max ERP (Conflicting sources on present ERP; data base from Larry Fuss has 1380 kw aiready, but Telvision Factbook has only 776 kw): 1095.5' AAT/1032.5' AG/2016' ASL (39' lower ASL): coordinates 33°45'35"/84°20'07" (plot about 1/4 mile NNW MN of WXIA-11 tower at 110 Arizona Avenue in Atlanta: Az 175°, or slightly east of due south, 3.31 mile from present TL), Don't look for much change.

MD Baltimore: WBFF, ch.45; granted MP to reduce ERP from 3925 kw max to 1292 kw max; 1238' AAT/1222' AG/1591' ASL (342' higher ASL): TL 0.24 mile NNW of the intersection of Hooper Avenue and 41st OH Street, Baltimore; coordinates 39°20'10"/76°38'59" (Az. 59°, 6.56 miles from present TL); BT CIR (presently BT HOR). No significant change in coverage or signal strength should be evident.

MO Columbia: KOMU-TV, ch.8; granted CP to raise ERP from 288 km to 316 km max: 793' AAT/738' AG/1575' ASL (37' lower); same TL (6.2 miles southeast of Columbia).

SC Greenville: WNTV, ch.29; granted CP to raise ERP to 5000 kw max (presently 339 kw according to Television Digest, but data base from Larry Fuss has SYSTEM D 1142 km): 1287' AAT/262' AG/2297' ASL (to be raised Ch.Rt (vis=49.75 mHz; aur=56.25 mHz) 116'); same TL. Power boost and antenna height in- TCH CST crease should increase DX along the Atlantic coast.

TX Rosenberg; KXLN-TV, ch.45; granted MP to change FRP to 2173 km max. This station has been on the HNG NTV air for nearly two years and has not yet received a license; the previous MP called for 2500 km max, Ch.R2 (vis=59.25 mHz; aur=65.75 mHz) which I assume is its present output. No change TCH CST in antenna height or TL.

WY Rock Springs; KGWR-TV, ch.13; granted CP to raise POL TP ERP substantially from 6.03 km to 210 km max; 1708' AAT/192' AG/8792' ASL (2166' higher ASL); TLI HNG MTV Aspen Mountain, 12 miles SSE of Rock Springs, ROU TVR coordinates 41°26'33"/109°06'28" (Az. 160°, or SSE, 11.36 miles from present TL in Rock Springs. Tool Ca.R3 (vis=77.25 mHz; aur=83.75 mHz) bad there isn't much DX in the Rockies.

CALL LETTER APPLICATIONS; NEW TELEVISION STATIONS

SI CH CALLS CITY/APPLICANT GA 21 WBSG-TV Brunswick; Coastal Com Inc.

CALL LETTER APPLICATIONS: EXISTING STATIONS

ST CH CALLS CITY/APPLICANT OR 22 KHSP Salem: KBSP-TV

CALL LETTER PRANTS. MEN STATIONS

ST CH CALLS CITY/APPLICANT Morehead City: Local Television NC 8 WFX1 Associates Inc.

MES STATIONS OM THE AIR

AZ Kingman; KMOH-TV, ch.6-, went on the air 2/26/1988; 100 km max ERP; 1920' AAT/75' AG/4496' ASL; TL Black Hountain, appr. I mile EME of Catman AZ: coordinates 35°01'57"/114°21'56": HOR: independent station: address: Grand Canyon Telvision Company Inc., 2201 N. Vickey Drive, Flagstaff AZ 86001.

612 ku max ERP: 1040' AAT/866' AG/2361' ASL; TL Ottawa County, Az. 282° from Manchester; coordinates 39°06'16"/97°23'15"; DA BT HOR; FBC affiliate. satellite of KSAS-TV, ch.24, Wichita KS; address: Channel 24 Ltd., 316 North West Street, Wichita KS

Brainerd; KAWB, ch.22 went on the air 3/1/1988; 212 ku max FRP: 745' AAT/648' AG/2020' ASL: TL east of Route 1, 6.1 miles north of Route 210, Pilager MN; coordinates 46°25'21"/94°27'41"; BT HOR; PBS affiliate, satellite of KAME, ch. 9, Benidji MM; address: Northern Minnesota Public Television Inc. RR 2. Box 279D. Prequot Lakes NN 56472.

Mansfield: WCOM, ch.68-, went on the air 2/29/1988; 2500 ku max ERP: 1721' AAT/1576' AG/2916' ASL: TL 1.16 miles SSE of intersection of Rte 95 and Divilbliss Road, 1.95 miles SW of Butler OH: coordinates 40°33°21"/82°26'41"; DA BT HOR; independent station; address: Com III TV Inc., 1201 Clentangy River Road, Columbus OH 43212.

FORUM

The following is the remainder of the European list sent by Hans v.d. Heidjen:

200 Praha 100 Ostrava POL TP 120 Bydgoszcz

35 Siedice 50 Nagykanizsa

150 Budapest

100 C. Budejovice 150 Bratislava 50 Pila/Walcz

90 Warszawa 60 Pecs

15 Turnu Severin 100 Bucaresti

200 Zielona Gora

POL TP

120 Oradea ROU TVR 15 Semenic

15 Dobrogea

Ch.R4 (vis=85.25 mHz; aur=91.75 mHz)

10 Jesenik TOU OST on Toka i UNG MTV ROU TVR 100 Suceava 50 Bucuresti

Ch_R5 (vis=93.25 mHz; aur=99.75 mHz)

100 Shumen

TCH CST 60 Poprad POL TP 100 Suwalka ROU TVR 50 Gheorgiani 50 Rinlad

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the 4/29 Atlanta Constitution about Georgia Public together. Television station WCES-TV, ch.20, Wrens GA. "On <u>ERIC S. BUENEMAN</u> (Hazelwood MO) sent me a copy of Monday, GPTV begins dismantling its tower in Wrens, the first edition of his St. Louis Radio-TV List Ga., leaving viewers in 15 east-central Georgia (Spring, 1988), in which he took nine lines of test to counties served by Augusta's WCES without public attempt to clarify a suspected mistake in the NATVDB. broadcasting for the three weeks it takes to install "There has been some confusion about the call letters equipment that will make it the most powereful station of Channel 4. The Worldwide TV-FM DX Association has in the Southeast. The state-operated station is the this listed as KMOV, which is incorrect. Viacom first in the world to install transmitting equipment Broadcasting of Missouri, when it took over ownership that uses spinoff [SDI] technology that will produce a of Channel 4 from CBS, Incorporated (KMOX/KHTR), signal 10 times stronger while using 40 percent less originally wanted to change calls from KMOX-TV to power than the old technology. By increasing capacity KMOV, but changed it's (sic) mind and decided to keep from 400,000 watts to 5 million watts, GPTV deputy the '-TV' suffix, thus KMOX-TV became KMOV-TV on June director Frank Bugg said, WCES also will become the 18, 1986, so KMOV-TV is the correct call, not KMOV as most powerful public broadcasting station in the WTFDA has erroneously listed. Proof: video station country. The 23-year-old station's 1.100-square-mile i.D.s." reach will be expanded by about 2,000 square miles, and the signal received by an estimated 333,895 VUD confirms the use of the "-TV" suffix in their viewers will be clearer. The 'fringe'-quality signal identification, as does the SRDS Spot Television Data that has been received by residents of Augusta (about book. But more reliable references such as the 1988 30 miles from the tower) will be 'city' grade for the Television Factbook, the 1986 issues of Television first time, Bugg said. Making the conversion will be a Digest reporting the callsign change, and the data team including 10 GPTV engineers and two representa- base list of Broadcast Data Services (division of tives of Comark Corp., the Pennsylvania company that Moffet, Larson & Johnson, Inc.) all agree that the sold the klystrode equipment to GPTV...." "If all works callsign is officially KMOV, regardless of what they as expected, all six UHF transmitters in the state are calling themselves. I'm not sure how many, if any, system are scheduld for klystrode upgrading (begin- of the readers of his list have access to the NATVDB, ning with the Albany/Pelham station in September), but I bet quite a few of them have access to TV Guide Utilizing technology used in beam-particle weapons that and local newspaper television listings, which are are part of the Strategic Defense Initiative, magnets notorious for consistently failing to include the "-IV" focus the beam and control the power of the suffix, as well as often identifying a station with the kluetroda evetam.

JOHN COMBS (Jacksonville FL) writes, "I called the correcting them. Glorious Church of God in Christ offices in Tampa to inquire about WRES-18, which you reported as on, but over Easter, I was able to DX, and pick up some IV which I've not seen. They said that they no longer Guides. According to the West Virginia Edition, WVAH had anything to do with the station, and that Breyard ch. 23 in Charleston moved to channel 11 on Monday Community College in Cocoa 'has the permit now.' Hmmm... April 11. Promos for this change were also heard on since when are CPs bought and sold?" "Meanwhile, Greg local radio stations. It also lists WBOY-12 Clarksburg Coniglio saw WRES-18 while vacationing in Myrtle Beach as (NBC,ABC), and WDVV-5 Weston as (CBS,ABC). We in Aprill" I was surprised myself come years ago when drove by their tower. (WDTV) and all I saw was the CRS Evidently the FCC allows some sales under certain broadcasts WPBY-33. It refers to it as a 'satellite'. circumstances, like if the permittee is going out of A friend went to Phoenix, Arizona, and sent me back business. But it makes sure people aren't obtaining a TV Guide and something called The Arizona Republic permits for the purpose of selling them for profit.

eluded me. A telephone inquiry revealed that they are "Viewers in Northern Arizona can receive KUSK's only on 3 days a week, from 1500-1700! That's it! 6 programs over the air on channel 7'. Xlators for 3.5 whole hours of programming a week! The person I spoke 10 Phoenix, and 8 Tempe are listed. All of them are in to said they have plans to expand that schedule." The Translator Guide except a '36 Prescott' for KTVP-Channel 64 in Franciscope Et was like that for some 10. It's not 36-Clarksdale as that is listed separately, time. They had planned to start up as an STV station, as "Verde Valley" (Unless by saying 36 Prescott and

but STV died out before they got on, so they played a few Three Stooges cartoons each day for several weeks at low power. It could be that the owners are still negotiating for syndicated programs, or are selling out

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"WYHS-69 in Hollywood is due on sometime in June. They are apparently owned by the same people as WBHS 50 Tampa, and will also be an HSN affiliate. (Gee! Imagine! Shopping on TV! What a NOVEL idea!!)

"And finally, WNPL-46 Naples has set a new target date of late summer. The person I spoke to said it would be at least that long before transmission began because 'we've got a big tower to build!' Wonder if that means they haven't started the tower yet. How long does it take to erect your basic TV tower these days?" About 24 months. Twenty months to find a KERMIT REID (College Park GA) sent an article from place and get the money, and four months to put it

Tom Yingling's Logos Run column on p.5 of the 5/88 wrong city. Maybe you should spend a few pages

From GREG CONIGLIO (Clarence NY): "While on vacation I saw an ad in Broadcasting for a LPTV CP for sale. logo. The only translator it mentions is W57AG, which

(Television). The 'Broadcast stations' section of the "He also saw WCEU-15, another station that has TV Guide lists KUSK Prescott on channel 27, but adds listing for channel 39 Phoenix. No call letters, just down a few years ago. Must be a LPTV. 'ACTS'. No listing for this in TV Guide. It has 27 and 7 for KUSK also; it has a channel 52 Univision for russon, and it has IBN for KPAZ-21, not ind like in IV Stockton has yet to begin regular broadcasting. Guide. However, KNXV-15 is Fox according to TV Guide, They've been seen testing (with public interest Ind to Republic

"While in South Carolina, I noted a strong opening to signal here, but that's it. Florida. Noted was WCEU-15 on air, with PBS (as in "Still no sign of KSMS-67 Salinas, so they're still at rudb). I also noted a translator of WESH-2 on channel low power. Also no sign of KREQ-23 Arcata. So I 16. Where is this? At the time, the Central Florida suppose they're operating at the 100kw level, not the 1 area was in loud. I also noted an uniD 50 with ads meg level they had a cp for. Still without phone for Q-105 (Tampa), music videos, and later Home listings are KCAH-25 Watsonville, KWEW-27 Coalinga. shopping. Did someone grab the 50z assignment to KCEO - 28 Oroville, KCMY - 29 Sacramento, KBCP - 46 Tampa? It also heard an ad on a Jacksonville radio stn Paradise, and KGGB-62 Santa Rosa. Like molasses in about network swaps in that city. I believe the January, they move forward!" changeover date was given as April 4th (I'm not sure, | Also from California is W.R. McINTOSH (Granada Hills though)." What you got was WBHS, channel 50 in Tampa, CA) with several articles from the Los Angeles Times. on the air for just over a month, WCEU-15 had been on From the 4/19 Times, an article on our favorite for only two months.

from his area: "channel 46 out of Norwell Mass. (WHRC impresario Michael M. Milken and the investment bank -wbf) has greatly improved its signal. It is as clear of Drexel Burnham Lambert of fraudulently as all the Boston stations and its ID claims it is now manipulating the price of the television retail serving Greater Boston. Mostly ethnic shows & channel's stock." "According to the suit, Drexel and movies. Channel 46 improved its signal on April 26. Milken diverted bonds issued by Home Shopping from 1988." Roy Barstow confirms; see below.

licensed for only 1403 kw max ERP. -wbf)

MCVX-58 below.

Channel 64 (WNAC-TV Providence RI - wbf) has been operating at reduced power for the last few days." It has a cp to reduce ERP from 5000 km max/4060 km hor to 3673 kw max; that might be a permanent marketplace to influence broadcasters actually work? reduction you observed.

power Spanish station in Boston is still on."

observations in the New England area in a letter dated a year ago, it seemed that children's television was 4/28. He noticed WHRC-46 Norwell MA in steady with given over to the deal makers and toy manufacturers, color on the last few nights. "Must be around 1,000 kw who had found in 'kidvid' a lucrative marketplace for now." He also saw the Movie Greats network. He saw cartoon shows that were based on toys. But now, a video identification that said "Norwell/Boston," but children's television activists—long frustrated in the the audio identified as "This is WHRC Channel 46 era of deregulation—can claim important victories in Boston." Movie until 12:07 a.m., followed by Hit Video court, where a federal panel instructed the FCC to USA stoff around 2 a.m.

better. 40 WGGB Springfield MA seems to come in here on the broadcast industry. more often. 38 WOLF Scranton PA also makes it in The most significant change, though, has come from more often, mostly CCI on Boston. 58 WCVX, MA also children themselves, who have switched from the

NY, "running a scroll, mentioned new station & WEVD short, their changing viewing habits have turned the radio. Anything on this?" I don't have any current multibillion-dollar children's programming industry on data on lotys or translators. "Also noted ch. 53 AVN its ear. Just when toy-based cartoons were most

verde Valley, it means that one station serves both (America's Value Network -wbf) is this old WWAC N.12" verge verges. In the Arizona Republic Guide, there is a I have yet to see any trace of WWAC since they shut

JOHN M. JEFFERSON (Pleasanton CA) reports "Contrary to the report in the March VUD, KFIL-64 programming) as recently as March, with a flawless

television network, HSN. "Home Shopping Network filed GEORGE MILEON (Lynn MA) makes a few observations a lawsuit Monday accusing Beverly Hills 'liunk bond' long-term investors to professional speculators and "Channel 60 in Merrimack, N.H. (WGOT -wbf) is now on Drexel clients, a so-called junk bond network. The the air. Extremely weak station which I can just speculators and Drexel then sought to increase the barely get. It's still a tad stronger than channel 50 value of the bonds by driving down the price of the from Derry N.H. 60 shows old junk & movies. (WGOT is company's stock, the suit says. Home Shopping, battered by a plummeting stock price in recent months, "Channel 60 and 46 now show the same movie at said the scheme damaged its financial stability and night, something called MOVIE GREATS. I'm not sure of drove away long-term investors." "In 1985, Home their affiliation, if there is one." They're Shopping Network pioneered the concept of buying independent. That Movie Greats sounds like a merchandise by telephone from television offerings. syndicated program using movies instead of sitcoms lits stock was highly touted when the company went and game shows. See Roy Barstow's comments on public in 1986. After reaching a high of \$47 a share early last year, the stock began to drop as growth "Channel 62 (WMFP, Lawrence MA -wbf) is still on the failed to meet expectations and other problems arose, air & is still very weak with its shopper network, including increased competition. The stock dipped as low as \$3.50 earlier this year... the suit claims the lows this year are a result of Drexel's manipulations."

Does the FCC policy of deregulation and allowing the The 3/17 Los Angeles Times reports on how that "Channel 21 (WNHT, Concord NH -wbf) comes in halfway applies to children's television. "A House subcommittee decent with a directional antenna. It is now CBS begins hearing proposals today to return children's affiliated & it appears to beam more signal south than television to the protective custody of government the other stations in that area. Channel 19, the low regulation, reversing the controversial view of the Reagan - era Federal Communications Commission that ROY BARSTOW (Teaticket MA) makes further kids' IV is best left to the open marketplace." "Just reconsider its deregulation of children's IV, and on "49 WEDW Bridgeport CT does come in here a little Capitol Hill, where there is new enthusiasm for taking

Movie Greats Network, same movies as 46 WHRC, MA." | weekday-afternoon shows based on superhero toys and On March 7 he observed a ch. 44 lptv in Hicksville high-tech gadgets to sitcom-style cartoons." "In

otentiful, late in 1986, ratings for children's television hegan a sudden plummet, dropping by nearly one-third. Repadcasters see this as evidence that the FCC's anyway, (sic)"

"The debate over the commercialization of kidvid commercial minutes in children's programs, opening the established VHF drop in channels because 'there products that once risked regulatory challenge. At chosen for drop - ins share two important companies filled the void with costly first run room on the VHF dial to accompante a new station in share of the profits from the toy sales.

air a notice saying that the show is paid for and sell the stations in order to pay off some debts.

television network, the Educational Television Network, Raleigh NC. Tel-Am has gone bankrupt. which was to broadcast its first program on May 4. Local news in the Philadelphia PA area: WTAF-TV. satellite the network would be on.

From the 3/15 Times: "At 8 tonight, CBS will begin airing a new comedy called 'Trial and Error,' the story of two Latino friends And also beginning tonight. the Spanish-speaking communities in Los Angeles and six other major American cities will get a chance to enjoy the show: Through the cooperation of CBS. Columbia Pictures Television and Spanish-language radio stations in each city, 'Trial and Error' will become the first network situation comedy to be simulcast in Spanish. Participating radio stations include KTNQ-AM (1020) in Los Angeles as well as stations in Houston, Chicago, San Antonio, Albuquerque, Tampa and Tucson, all cities with large Spanish-speaking populations." "Despite the availability of a Spanish sound track. radio stations in New York City, Sacramento and Miami have refused to participate in the simulcast for one reason: In accordance with a directive from CBS, none of the show's commercials will be translated from English into Spanish."

FRED McCORMACK (Fargo ND) sent an article from the 4/11 electronic Media giving background on the channel change of WVAH in Charlston WV: "A UHF station in Charleston, W.Va., is moving to the VHF dial today, marking only the second time that a TV station has

ever made such a move. Independent WVAH-IV is moving from Channel 23 on UHF to Channel II on VHF because of a [FCC] rolling several years ago that faith in the open marketplace was justified. Chilren's created new VHF 'drop-in' channels in four markets." TW activists think contend that regulation is needed "Last November, independent KSTU-TV in Salt Lake City moved from Channel 20 to Channel 13 to become the first IV station to switch broadcast bands. As a began with the FCC decision in 1984 to throw children's result of that move, ratings for some dayparts on television into the free-for-all of the open KSTU, a Fox Television affiliate, have doubled, said Milt marketplace. The commission, without discussion, Jouflas, KSTU vice president and general manager." abandoned its longstanding guidelines limiting "The FCC's Mr. [Gordon] Godfrey said the commission airwaves to shows featuring toys and other children's seemed to be a demand for it.' The four market the same time, scores of new independent stations in characteristics: nearby mountains were limiting the need of inexpensive programs were cropping up. Toy potential coverage of UHF TV stations; and there was animation at bargain rates—sometimes for nothing—leach market. The UHF stations that won VHF channels through deals that allowed them to retain some in Salt Lake City and Charleston didn't automatically advertising time. In some instances, stations got a win the right to move. Both stations had to compete with a handful of applicants competing for each "The success of early toy-based shows such as 'He-| market's drop-in channel." "In Salt Lake City, KSTU Man and the Masters of the Universe' and moved from Channel 20 to Channel 13 because the 'Transformers' spawned dozens of imitators, to the station's current owner, Mountain West Television, dismay of activists, whose campaign to curb the owned a construction permit for Channel 13. Instead commercialization of the airwayes was rebuffed at of building Channel 13 from scratch, however, Mountain every turn. Then, last June, the U.S. Appeals Court in West bought Channel 20 last year and moved its Washington, ruling on a request by [Action for programing to Channel 13.... In Knoxville, Tenn., WTVK-Children's Television], ordered the FCC to justify the TV, Channel 26, is the leading contender to occupy deregulation of children's TV and to hold an inquiry, Channel 8 there. The NBC affiliate is awaiting which is currently ongoing, into the commercialization approval from the FCC to make the move.... issue. Shortly thereafter, the turnabout was Lastly, a few articles from RALPH STROBEL (Muncie IN). hastened. In September, the same appeals court The 4/12 Indianapolis Star reports that WXIN, ch. 59 agreed with the Los Angeles-based National Assn. for in Indianapolis, is up for sale. It is a Fox affiliate, Better Broadcasting that the 'He-Man' show was presently owned by Atlin Communications, which also sufficiently commercial to require KCOP Channel 13 to owns WATL in Atlanta, also for sale. Atlin hopes to

The 4/11 Muncie Evening Press reports that The 4/10 Times reports that the Los Angeles County financially troubled WITV in Indianapolis has been sold Office of Education is launching its own satellite by Tel-Am Corporation to Capitol Broadcasting Co., of

Programming would be at no charge to local school channel 29, will become WTXF (-TV?) as of June 1. districts, who will have to install their own satellite | WTGI-TV, ch.61 in Wilmington DE has restricted its home dish and equipment. The article didn't say which marketing programs to late nights, and is playing a lot l of Italian - language

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NB	CBAF26 CBAF29		Moncton Blue CBC QSL Cards send for all 3 stations for Charlottetown 37 cent stamp, send 1 card for each station, 3
PEI	CBRF27		New Glasglow cards rec'd from adrress of Box 950, Moncton, NB E1C BNB
NS	CDHLTL	00.1	All 3 cards were signed by C. Renault, in 6 months. (Ross)
D	CIOZ	96.3	Marystown, Box 2020, St. John's, NFLD A1C 5S2. Letter from Ken Hauschildt,
M: LD	0102		Dir. of Eng. in 6 months. (Ross)
PΑ	WEAT	19	Johnstown, P. O. Box 19, zip 15907-0019. Letter in 3 weeks from Timothy Lee
rn	,		Crosby, GM (Rosenberg)
MI	IMXHI	17	Grand Rapids, 3117 Plaza Dr. N. E. zip 49505. Letter in 3 weeks from Monica
			M. Fatum Public Relations (Rosenberg)
MI	HGUK	52	Kalamazoo/ 201 Manitou/ Grand Valley State College/ Allendale/ MI zip 49401.
			Letter back in 3 weeks from Brad Morgan/ Asst. GM (Rosenberg)
OH	HRGT	45	Dayton, 45 Broadcast Plaza, zip 45408. Letter in 3 weeks (again!) from
			Dave Miller, GM. (Rosenberg)
IN	HEFT	55	Fort Hayne, 3707 Hilligas Rd., zip 46501. Letter in 4 weeks this time, from
			Robert Fairchild, CE. Send coverage map, & FOX Buttons. (Rosenberg)
OH	WSFJ	51	Newark, 10077 Jacksontown Rd., Thordville, OH 43076. Letter in 2 months
-1 0-1	don	"Tolono	from Craig Stevenson, CE. (Rosenberg) ensa'' channel 2: San Salvador, Pasaje Istwania No. 262, Col. Escalon,
F1 291	vador	i erebi.	San Salvador, El Salvador, Letter & bumber-stickers in 5 weeks from
			Guillerno Deleon, Director. In his English letter (and I spend 2 hours on my
			Spanish report, hi) says that they were "impressed" by the report. (Combs)
MI	HCML	6	Alpena, Public Broadcast Center, 3965 Broomfield Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI
			48859. Attractive personal letter/ received in 20 days. Letter was signed
			by Randy Kapenga, Dir. of Tech. Services. HCML as stated on verie, & not
			HCMA as stated in HTFDA NATDB. (Wheeler)
NY	HNEQ	23	Buffalo, 184 Barton St. P. O. Box 1263, zip 14240. Never received orginial
			report, but did qsl after follow-up report was send. Reply in 8 days then.
			Signer was Jonathan E. Harrington, CE. (Wheeler)
LA	HBSN	89.i	New Orleans, 3939 Gentilly Blud., zip 70126. Letter from Steve St. Johns,
		an =	Asst. Pro. Dir. mentioning antenna on NDSU-TV 6 tower. (Elving)
MD	WSCL	89.5	Salisbury, P. O. Box 2596, zip 21801. Form letter with MSCL FM Public Radio handwritten PS thanking me for my informative letter. (Holbrook)
M	UTCM	01.0	Prinesess Ann. University of Maryland. Eastern Shore Campus, zip 21853
MD	HESM	91.3	Lette from Gary F. Flanigan, GM. (Holbrook)
IA	KATE	92.9	Dubuque, 8th & Bluff,zip 52001. Letter, bumber sticker & T-Shirt from John
		04.0	Hafkameyer, sent short note of qsl. (Elving)
MI	WONT	98.3	Ontonagon, 540 River Rd., 49953. Letter from John W. Moolcott, Sales Rep.
			Also send 2 bumber stickers. (Elving)
MN	KCRB	88.5	Bemidji, Birch Hall, Bemidji State University, zip 56601.Friendly, hand-
			written letter from Eileen Stankovich/ Manager verifying my reception. Iney
			said the SCA is used for State Services for the Blind. (Elving)
SC	WYFG	91.1	Gaffney, P. O. Box 578, zip 29342. Letter from Scott Curtis, Mgr. "Yes,
			you're the only person to receive us from such a great distance. You can
			imagine my astonishment when I read you your letter and double checked your
T			postnark". (Elving) Galveston, 5959 W. Loop, 4th floor, Bellaire, TX 77401. Letter from Sandra E
TX	KQQK	106.5	Scheid, Chief Financial Officer, penned a note to a copy of my report 3 1/2
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			Chief Foo after 1 follow-up letter. Send coverage-Map. (Yingling)
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			CPTV from Wayne Estabrooks, CE after 5 follow-up reports. (Yingling)
HI	WMUT	36	Milwaukee, 1015 N. 6th St., zip 53203. Letter from Thomas H. Heinze,
			Acting Manager Eng. Services. in 3 weeks. (Vingling)
п	MYCC	50	Chicago, 7500 S. Pulaski, zip 60652. Letter & prono package from Don Rhodes
			CE, in 3 weeks. (Vingling)
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IL	MICD	15	Champaign, P. O. Box 3750, 250 Country Fair Dr., zip 61821. Letter & coffee
IL	MICD	15	Champaign, P. O. Box 3730/250 Country Fair W. 7219 61821. Letter 8 correct or cup came by UPS from Ruthie A. Neatherall-Harper, Operations Secretary 8 P.R. Director in 1 month after 2 follow-up reports. (Vingling)

Well, another month of just QSL's. Next month back to the Lagos of channels 7,% & 9. You may in my address part of a ham radio call. Well, I pass the Novice & Tech. test and waiting for my call-letters which should be about KA3T?? I will let you know next menth what I got. 73's for now. Tom.

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BOB SEYBOLD - TOP TV DXER IN MANY WAYS

Don't complain to Robert (Bob) Seybold that "too many regular stations prevent good DX reception." Even in the dead of winter, Bob receives 136 stations regularly -- this has not stopped him from logging 1,032 stations (900 verified) -- more than anyone else in the world! With the exception of three UHF stations in Delaware, New Jersey, and Illinois Bob has logged all stations VHF and UHF within 500 miles. Via skip Bob has picked up everything in the continental U. S. on channel 2 (well, actually he hasn't yet gotten one in Alaska).

Bob regularly receives four stations on each VHF channel, except five on channel 2 and three on channel 12. On UHF he normally gets stations on 49 channels through channel 81; including four stations each on channels 16, 19, 22, and 31.

What is the secret of Bob's remarkable success? Actually there are several. He started DXing in 1950 when he was 17. As the owner/operator of a television repair shop his entire adult life, he constantly has a TV on and the flexibility to DX whenever conditions are good. He has excellent equipment, and three DX locations -- primarily his shop, but also his home. When conditions are particularly unusual, he heads for the tops of nearby mountains.

It all began on Dad's 100-acre farm with a Taco low and high band yagis on a sixty foot mast turned by a pipe wrench, and a 17" Zenith in the barn. Starting at five in the morning, while milking the cows, he watched meteor scatter and early openings. Some of the first DX loggings were channel 2 skip from Houston and Denver and trops from Cincinnati and Chicago. (Back then, Bob also did some AM DXing.) The next setup was a broadband VHF Winegard and a 12 bowtie UHF atop a 69 foot crankup tower.

At age 21 Bob started installing antennas professionally. This business expanded into the TV repair shop he still owns. Marriage at age 25 didn't change his DXing habits. Bob and Art Collins became close friends. During Art's summer vacations they set up a temporary antenna at an 1800 foot site. Shortly therafter he set up a full installation at an abandoned house at 1850 feet using various antennas. Amplifiers did more harm than good because signals were so strong at this height. In the early days there were many open channels and Chicago was common on VHF at 425 miles. Milwaukee and Minneapolis were frequently logged on summer evenings. Eventually "locals" at 150 miles started interfering.

Through the years Bob developed "hilltop DXing" into a science. Using a portable set, small VHF antenna, four-bay UHF bowtie, and a ten-foot pole, he tried out many sites from 1800 to 2200 feet. All were good for Northern DX; some also favored the East, South, and West. Certain locations were good because they blocked stations in one directions while favoring another. Incidentally, Bob never did VHF DXing from the hills.

Most of Bob's DXing is done at his shop, 650 feet above sea level. His present (and best) setup includes a Finco 7' parabolic with four bowties inside dish, and Channel Master 0063 antenna amp has very high gain and good back rejection. For VHF Bob uses the Channel Master Guantum series. His favorite set is a "hot" 1980 12" RCA (no ACI), though he uses three sets at a time when E skip is in. Zenith and Sony are good, but Bob says that RCA's digital sets are best. (Bob has three TVs at home; however, when DX hits Bob normally dashes for his shop five minutes away.)

Logging highlights through the years include PRF-3, Sao Paulo, Brazil, on May 17, 1957 (5,000+miles); Alaska on channel 2; KERA-13, Texas, on April 12, 1971; channels 26 and 39 from Houston four months later (first day KVRL-26 was on air); numerous West Coast and Mexican double hop loggings; thrilling hurricane-related trops from the South; WVUT-22 Vicinees, on a cold December day after years of trying; and his first Iowa opening.

One skip station promo urged viewers to watch a movie at 3:30 the next day -- skip obliged and let Bob do just that! June 11, 1985 was the best skip day with 70 stations and the highest MUF -- channel 8. Of course, Bob's best opening in 37 years of DXing was the 1986 Thanksgiving feast (400 to 600 stations) with Texas and Oklahoma UHF loggings to 1,300 miles.

Bob credits a number of factors to his success including knowing when to watch; observing weather, E skip, and lunar cycles; location; good equipment; and distance of 45+ miles from locals. Amazingly, Bob feels that he never had a "super installation" and wonders what his results would have been with superior equipment!

Bob is not a "lone wolf" who limits his DXing interest to what appears on his TV screen; he has always been active in organized DXing as a hobby. Along with Bob Cooper and Ron Denuff, he helped found in 1955 the original TV DX club, the American Inospheric Propagation Association, serving in all capacities including Eastern DX Editor in the bulletin, President, and Secretary. Bob has attended virtually all AIPA and WTFDA annual conventions.

There are a number of long time friends and DXers Bob would like to give credit to: Bill Draeb, Bill Eckberg, Dave Nieman, Bill Thompson, Mike Lapinski, Bruce Elving, Jeff Kadet, Hank Holbrook, John Broomall, Bob Cooper (who got Bob started in DXing), and many others. Bob looks forward to renewing friendships and making new acquaintances at the annual conventions.

Even though there are fewer and fewer unlogged stations, Bob states that his interest in TV DX will never die. Since trops openings from New York to the Southeast are rare, one of Bob's goals is to log trops from Florida (he already has UHF loggings from South Carolina and Georgia). Bob will concentrate more in the future on translators, new stations on the air, and FM DXing (his FM totals are "only" 1114, "it could have been 1500 if active.") Congratulations to Bob Seybold, a truly outstanding person and DXer!

WHAT IS THE MOST UNUSUAL AND PROFITABLE WAY TO INCREASE YOUR TV DX TOTALS? Start your own TV station, of course! The FCC has announced a LPTV window for June 15-30 and I plan personally to file an application for the area I live which is 40 miles north of downtime Atlanta. If I am successful, my station may get in Guniness Book of World Records as the lowest budget station in the country.

Would you like to be involved as a investor, consultant, supplier, or employee of a station owned by a fellow DXer? If so, write or call me. No promises; the application might be denied. However, this might present an exciting opportunity for you. Also, "Cherokee County's Community Channel" may be the only TV station in the world with a regular program on TV-FM DX!

HABLO MUY POCO ESPANOL ("I speak very little Spanish.") Bill Thompson sent two recent copies of a Spanish DX magazine. It is quite high quality with a multi-color cover, art and photos throughout, typeset format, slick paper, and even ads. Even though I could not read it, it appeared to be very interesting. If you are proficient in Spanish, and are interested, please contact me about these two copies and Bill Thompson for future exchange copies. Incidentally, WTFDA and VUD are listed on a page devoted to DX clubs/magazines around the world.

GEORGIA STATION NEWS - WAWA-14, Rome, Georgia, signed on February 29 with 1.4 million watts from atop Mount Altos, 820 HAAT, according to owner, Woody Sudbrink, Sudbrink Broadcasting. (These specifications are changes from those listed in the CP.) Call was changed because WZGA was considered "confusingly similar" to Rome radio station, WRGA. WAWA was chosen as an "attention getting call."

Station operates from 6:30 a.m. to after midnight. Sudbrink plans to establish a LP affiliate in nearby Dalton. Mr. Sudbrink indicated that new independent UHF stations need to purchase used equipment and with low overhead/tight cost control if they expect to be around for the future "golden days of UHF."

A construction permit has just been issued for channel 23, Dalton, Georgia, to Lowell Jackson, Dalton Family Television. Plans are underway to request a change in tower site to improve coverage area.

TV GUIDE currently does not list low power stations anywhere, but this policy is constantly being evaluated for possible exceptions. Also, a number of full-power stations are omitted if viewer interest is limited, for example, Home Shopping Network.

CHATTANOOGA LPTV W67BD, currently off the air, has changed ownership. The new owner, Mr. Godgiven, is moving the station to Mission Ridge -- a better location to cover Chattanooga but a poorer site for DXers, according to WTFDA member Les Rayburn.

TRINITY BROADCASTING NETWORK now has 100 stations in the United States including low-power "sattelators" which originate no programs and only serve as a relay for singals from TBN's satellite. TBN's newest station is on channel 36 in Nashville, Tennessee.

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STATION BREAK

WTFDA H.Q. P.O. Box 514 Buffalo, NY 14205-0514

WTFDA member ads only. Items may be edited to conserve space.

FOR SALE - Special buy from Zenith distributor!!! Zenith #973-227 channel 14 to 70 UHF corner reflector yagis--same as the Delhi sharpshooter series of yagis (made by Delhi!!!), high gain, narrow pattern, approximately 14 dB gain flat, suggested list for dealer \$38.96, selling for \$24.95 + \$6.00 U.P.S.
Rich Wertman - 6150 Crosby Road - Lockport NY 14094 (716) 433-0805

WANTED - I would also like to swap stickers and tapes with someone in our club and who is within North America. Geoff Wolfe - 5 Poole Street - Burwood, VIC. 3125 - AUSTRALIA

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FOR SALE - 1984 World Radio TV Handbook, rarely used, excellent condition. \$10 postpaid.

Paul Mount - 471 Emerson Avenue - Teaneck NJ 07666-2727

FOR SALE - Zenith is discontinuing their VHF line of Chromatennas series; I can still get most models though, sizes from 78 inch to 196 inch booms (very similar to Delhi's paralogs--actually made by Delhi!) Truck shipping only through approximately \$40.00. Get a bunch of DXers together and save by splitting the cost and I'll get the total figured up! Call or write me if interested.

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