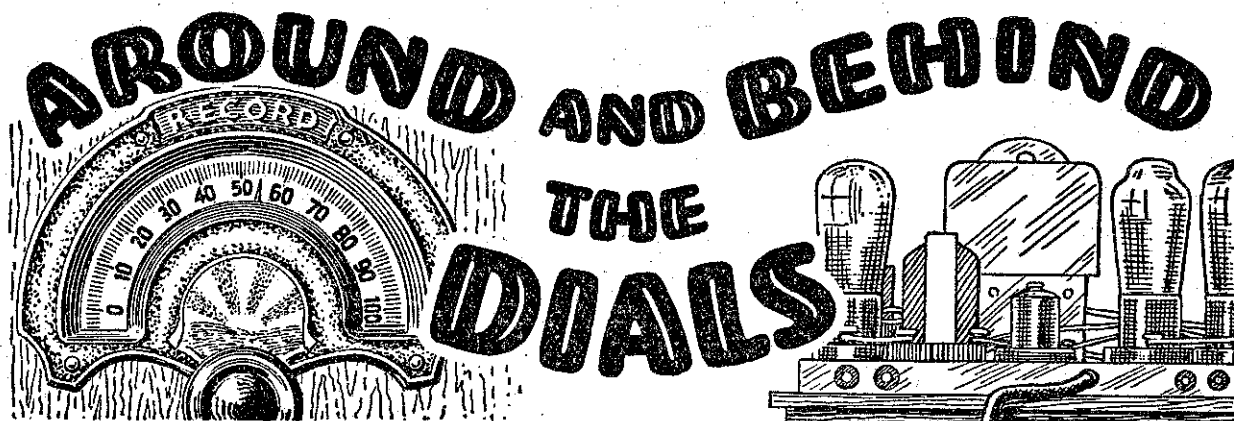




Answers to Correspondents

"Digger" (Pukeroro): As far as I can make out, "y" in Mexican stands for "and," so apparently XEO-XEFO is a dual call, similar to WHO-WOC.—232W. (Wellington).

[They evidently mean to imply that XEO has now changed its call to XEFO, as the latest American lists only give XEFO.—Ed.]

164A. (Morrinsville): Although I did not notice your logging of XEYZ, my notes apply just the same. I reported a Mexican (?) on 780 k.c. twice, and took the address from both the "Times" call-book and another call-book, but both letters were returned through the D.L.O. One had no less than 11 stamp impressions besides notations, and stamped across it was "Not known." The second had only four cancellations, and was also returned through the D.L.O. Across it was in English: "Does not exist." However, I wish you the best of luck with your report.—"Digger" (Pukeroro).

DX Club Meetings

Auckland.

In room 52, 5th floor, Lewis Eady's Buildings, Queen St., at 7.45 p.m. on Wednesday, November 21.

A. G. CONCHIE (241A.),
(Corresponding Sec.).

South Canterbury.

At the Secretary's residence, 35 Bowker St., at 7.45 p.m. on Wednesday, November 21.

D. N. ADAMS (2HQ.),
(Branch Sec.).

Manawatu

At 157 Bryant St., at 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 15.

C. J. MORGAN (143W.),
(Branch Sec.).

Hawke's Bay

In the club room at the premises of Mr. L. Beachen, next Annand's, Waipukurau, at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 14. Members are reminded that the "A" and "B" trophies will be decided at this meeting.

L. W. MATHIE (1HB.),
(Branch Sec.).

DX CLUB News and Views

VK2XL Dispute Settled: Extracts from Verifications: Reception Excellent: Russian Stations Will Not Verify! VK's At Good Strength.

Identification Wanted

VK on 1550 or 1560 k.c., heard at R4 on Monday, October 29, at 1.40 a.m. They played "My Moonlight Madonna," and gave their call as "VK3—, Melbourne."—"Oxshaw" (Mataura).

157W. (Wellington): Your station on 850 k.c. was WWL, New Orleans.—W.J.R. (Morrinsville).

DX Topics

VK2XL Dispute Settled.

I THINK that I can settle the dispute about VK2XL. On Friday, July 5, at 1.26 a.m., I listened for 25 minutes to VK3XL, on 1240 k.c., and wrote to this station, and received a card to say that my report was O.K. This was on the same night that VK2XL was to test on the same wave, and I think that some of the boys might have heard VK3XL instead of station 2XL, which does not exist.

I have reports away to 7LO, Africa; PRE2, Brazil; XHHR, China; CE94, Chile; JOBG, Japan; WRDC, 4AY, and WWL. I have a total of 415 verified stations, with 74 reports away. I have 57 100-wattors, two portable army stations in Michigan, power 50w., two U.S.A. army planes, 710 and 715 k.c., and 10BQ, 15W. in Canada.—38H.B. (Gisborne).

VK's At Good Strength.

WITH ideal summer conditions DX reception has never been better than during the past fortnight.

VK's on Monday, October 29, came roaring in at great volume, and "old man" static was conspicuous by his absence. New loggings were 3BH, 3DH, 2NE 3KW and 3GZ, while second reports have been sent to 3YJ and 2BQ. I also heard a VK on approximately 1400 k.c. at 1.30

a.m. The station was at very weak strength, with severe fading, and I could not secure enough data for a report. I heard the call once, and this sounded like "4QL." Did any other dxer hear this station?

Eastern reception still continues to be good, and new loggings are HSP3 and XHHH. The Indian station VUB has been at good volume during the last few mornings, and the programmes, although rather weird, are well worth listening to.

American reception has shown a vast improvement, and after 7 p.m. the Pacific Coast stations reach good entertainment volume. New loggings are KEX and WWL. XEMO has been heard a good deal lately testing on 870 k.c., and asking for reports.

I received two more cards and a photo. from VK3CH, which makes a total of three cards and two photos, all for one report! His frequency is given as 1235 k.c., power 10 watts.—"Sunny" (Alexandra).

Extracts from Verifications.

DURING the week-end I raised my aerial 10 feet, and while no difference was noticed on Americans, the Eastern stations were received much better, and two more were logged, namely, XGOD (978 k.c.) and MTFY (675 k.c.). Two more were heard, one on approx. 850 k.c., and one on 1100 k.c., but were too weak to copy. Verifications are coming in slowly, the latest being from KNX, XEW, and KSL (second).

The following extracts are from cards received recently:—

KNX: "We are always happy to receive letters from our friends, and trust you will continue to listen-in."

KGW: "It is a pleasure to be able to verify your report of reception of this station, and to thank you for the courtesy of your report."

KDYL: "We are pleased to acknowledge your communication, and to verify your report."

XEW: "We appreciate and thank you for your report, and hope our concerts continue to be interesting to you."

Receiver in use is a six-valve a.c. t.r.f.—232W. (Wellington).

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