

RWORLD on SHORT WAVE

Conducted by the N.Z. Shortwave Club

Club Notes

From the Secretary's Pen.

(By A. B. McDonagh, Sec., N.Z. S.W.C., 4 Queen St., Wellington).

IN my last notes I announced that Germany would commence their Sunday night's broadcast to New Zealand as well as Australia in December. Since then, at 1 a.m. Monday, I heard them call "Hello, Asia, Hello Australia, Hello New Zealand."

MR. F. W. SELLENS informs me that on Saturday, November 17, he picked up 2RO, Rome, Italy, on about 30.7 metres from 8.20 a.m. onwards. A lady announced that they were testing. This was given in several different languages and the programme then continued. The strength was R6 with a slight gush.

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A NUMBER of people write to tell me that W8XK on shortwave and KDKA on broadcast have called up the N.Z.S.W.C. and Mr. Carr, of Wanganui, who is a prominent DX Club member, Another listener informs me that he heard Germany calling New Zealand listeners and playing a special record for Mr. J. B. Thompson, of Palmerston North.

WELLINGTON members who are interested in the WRRL tests are asked to co-operate with Messrs J. V. Mc-Minn, C. A. Fairway and F. C. Spencer. who are undertaking the work locally,

Echo Tests Heard.

GSB, Daventry, 31.5 metres, were heard on several evenings this week at 6.30 p.m. N.Z.S.T., with eche tests for half an hour. There was no trace audible of any echoes, but my receiver is a superhet and I believe unsuitable for these tests.

GSD, Daventry, 25.5 metres. Special aerial tests Wednesday November 21 from 8 to 10 p.m. N.Z.S.1 They used alternative aerials every quarter hour during this transmission (No. 1) and asked for reports.

Can any shortwave listener identify either or both of the following shortwave stations, both foreigners, heard late every evening on the following frequencies. One on 9.5 megacycles, practically same frequency as GSB and the other on 6.1 megacycles. In neither case has a call sign ever been heard and the language does not appear to be either French, Italian, Spanish, Russian or German. On the former a solemn type of music with plenty of organ pieces. On the latter, music of the lighter type, a lot of which is familiar.— DX201W (Wellington).

THE following shortwave notes are from Mr. H. I. Johns (N.Z.171W), of

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

There was a great deal of good music to be had on Saturday night on the 31 metre band. VK3LR, 31.3m. with a good programme from national stations. also a foreign station (Dutch?) on 31.5m. with good organ music, etc. VK3ME. 51.55m. with the usual good programme or recordings, 3LR and 3ME being at full loud-speaker strength, and a foreign station at fair speaker strength.

KAY, Manila, speaking to Berlin at 11.10 a.m. also provided good signals. On signing off they stated that their frequency was 14,980 k.c.

JVQ, 40.16m. and JVT, 44.41 ,both provided excellent signals at midnight

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18.

COC, Havana, Cuba, 49.96m., came in very well from 5 p.m. approximately, closing down at 5.57 p.m. XEBT also Provided good signals, closing at 5.57

GSB, 31.5m., put over very good signals. Since programmes have been on from 8.0 till 10.0 p.m., signals do not seem to fade out at latter part of programme. GSD was also up to standard.

The German shortwave station, DJD on 19.73m, at 10 p.m. put over the usual good programme of music and news items, at good loud-speaker strength. This station is always worth listening to, They closed with the playing of the two German National Anthems at 11 a.m.

RNE, 25m., was also a good signa! talks being given in English and Rus-They close at midnight.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19.

There seem to be no stations on the hir in the mornings from about 8 a.m. till 12.30 p.m., when France starts to come in, but with weak signals. FYA comes DJA, 31.38m., till closing time 3.30 p.m.

W8XK, 25m., round about 2.30 p.m. Seems to have left the air for some time now, no doubt owing to conditions,

DJC, 49.83m., broadcasting to North America at same time as DJA has not been heard for some time.

FYA, 25.6m., at 4.18 p.m. was putting over a strong signal, RS, QSA5 and very

American phone station at 5 p.m., R6. OSA5, putting over a programme of music and a short play. This station is KEE Bolinas, California on 38.96m. relaying the N.B.C.'s programme KGU Honolulu

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