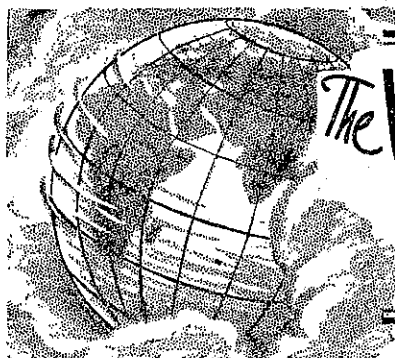




The WORLD on SHORT WAVE

Conducted by the N.Z. Shortwave Club

Club Notes

From the Secretary's Pen.

(By A. B. McDonagh, Sec., N.Z.S.W.C.,
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I REGRET that owing to late arrival of news I was unable to supply details of several special broadcasts. Though late for this issue I hope that most of the members will receive their "Shortwaver" in time.

The League of Nations advise me that their second weekly broadcast has been fixed for Monday mornings at 6.45 a.m. G.M.T., on a wavelength of 31.27 metres.

I have also received a photograph of the transmitter building of RNE and RV50, Moscow, U.S.S.R., which shows snow lying almost halfway up the ground floor windows. The chief editor advises me that we may soon hear English from RV15.

Several times I have mentioned that listeners should keep tuning in to the Empire station. Some very outstanding broadcasts are taking place, and the Jubilee celebrations in May should come in quite well.

As many were away on holiday, there was not a large attendance at the N.Z.S.W.C. general meeting just before Easter. The subjects were a paper on "What is on the Air at Present?" a lecturette (by courtesy of the B.B.C.), and lantern views of listeners' outfits, QSL cards, etc. If sufficient support is forth-

coming, further public meetings will be held in Wellington and in other parts.

A great many amateurs, on 20 metres, particularly American, are being received in the afternoons in various parts of New Zealand. EAQ is being reported as gaining in strength, so the special broadcast should come through well.

The following are the usual Japanese telephony stations:—Experimental station JZG, 47.39 metres (6.35 meg); telephony station JVT, 44.44 metres (6.75 meg); and JVM, 27.93 (10.74). Possibly JVN, 28.14 metres (10.66), or experimental station JIB, 28.49 (10.53) may co-operate occasionally.

On exactly the same wavelength are two Moroccan stations, telephony station CNR and broadcast station Rabat. 23.38 metres, 12.83 megacycles.

Reception Notes

MR. I. HENDERSON (Wellington) reports as follows:—

CT1AA, 31.25m., was heard at R5 from 8.30 to 10 a.m. on Sunday, April 21. ZEK, 34.29m., can be heard from 11 p.m. onward at R7. This station relays ZBW, Hong-Kong.

DJN and DJA are coming in with plenty of punch in the early afternoons. DJA closes at 2.10 p.m. at R8. DJN closes at 3.35 p.m., also at R8. DJN is very weak beside DJA at 2 p.m., but improves to R8 at 3 p.m. They relay the same programme up to 2 p.m.

The 50m. "Yanks" are weak after 5 p.m.

According to announcements from RNE, they will be on from 9-10 a.m. every day this week, and want reports.

Shortwave Jottings

THE following short-wave notes are from Mr. H. I. Johns (N.Z. 171W.), Wanganui:—

MONDAY, APRIL 22.

ZEK, Hong-Kong, 34.96m., with a programme of music. Poor to-night, with noise level and slight fading. Signals R5, QSA4, at 10.45 p.m.

JVN, 28.14m., talk being given in Japanese; very clear and steady signals, which were R7, QSA5, at 10.52 p.m.

YDA, 49.02m., lady heard speaking. This is the best station on the 49m. band round 11 p.m. Always good music. Signals R6, QSA4, at 11.9 p.m.

PKYDB, 67.11m., with a musical programme. Not very strong. Signals only R4, QSA3, at 11.24 p.m.

PMY, 58m., with a programme of good music. Signals R5, QSA3, at 11.30 p.m.

RV15, 70.1m., programme of orchestral and vocal music. Wonderful volume to-night, R8, QSA5, at 11.35 p.m.

PK1WK, 85.96m., station also with a musical programme, but fairly weak, R4, QSA3, at 11.45 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23.

FYA, 25.23m., musical programme, but very poor, signals R4, QSA3, at 7.45 a.m.

2RO, Rome, 30.7m., with the usual good music. R5, QSA4, at 7.47 a.m.

RNE, Russia, 25m., heard at 7.50 a.m., with musical items. At 7.55 p.m. the "International" was heard, after which speech was heard in German, at good loudspeaker strength. This was easily the best morning station. Signals R3, QSA5, at 7.5 a.m.

OER2, Vienna, 49.3m., musical programme, but weak. R2, QSA2, at 7.11 a.m.

DJC, Germany, 49.83m., musical programme, but also weak. R4, QSA4 at 7.14 a.m.

FYA, France, 25.60m., news session being given out in French. A few minutes later a programme of music was heard. At 12.31 p.m. very good signals. Music not so distorted to-day.

DJA, 31.38m., with the usual programme of excellent music at 12.55 p.m. Signals R4, QSA3.

CJRX, Canada, 25.6m., musical programme, but very weak. This station can be heard between 2 and 3 p.m., when FYA is off the air. The power of CJRX is 2000 watts, and it is on the same frequency as FYA.

WGLD, 20m., American amateur phone, heard well to-day. They have not been heard as well as they were this time last year.

XEBT, Mexico, 49.8m., coming in well to-day with musical items, also talks in Spanish.

W8XK, 48.9m., musical items, dance programme at very good volume, R7, QSA5, at 5.20 p.m.

GSD, London, 25.53m., musical programme. Signals not of great volume, but clear. R6, QSA5, at 6.30 p.m.

JVN, Japan, 28.14m., giving out news in English. At 9.56 p.m., R6, QSA5.

DJB, Germany, 19.73m., musical programme of orchestral items, but signals very weak, R3, QSA2, at 10.5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24.

At 6.40 a.m. conditions bad on all bands. On the 49m. band Morse stations were trying to do their best to stop any station from coming over. No stations heard at above hour had any entertain-

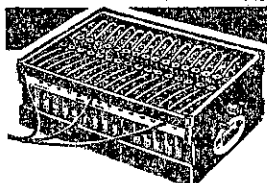
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