

## AROUND AND BEHIND THE DIALS.

## Items of Interest to Listeners

## Addresses &amp; Addresses Wanted

Can any dxer supply me with the address of PK6XX, which is the call of an expedition in New Guinea? Do they verify?—646A. (Waitoa).

## Identification Wanted

Station on 25m. band heard on Tuesday, July 26. At 5.50 a.m. a negro session was being broadcast, in English, and at 5.56 a.m. a foreign programme commenced. At 6.2 a.m. a gong was struck and a man announced in a foreign language, and at 6.4 a.m. a play commenced.—551A. (Frankton).

## DX Topics

## Return Postage Please!

THESE are my first notes for some months, so here goes: On July 14, I heard W6LCH working VK4JU, and he said that SWL's (especially N.Z.), do not include postage in most cases, and that no more cards will be sent unless a self-addressed and stamped envelope is forwarded with each report. VK4JU spoke along the same lines. W6LCH said that he had received 47 listeners' cards in one day, and most of them were without return postage. It's no wonder some hams won't verify!

I am using a 5-valve receiver with earphones (4000 ohms). My antenna is 150ft. long and 35ft. high, N.N.E.-S.S.W.

I have a card and would like to exchange with other dxers in any country and guarantee a reply. My address is:—W. Mai, Box 319, Hamilton.

## Who Has Heard PO6ZE?

RECENT QSL's are from COBZ, LU7BK, VE5VO, W1XK, XUSRB, KA1ME, F8LX, CSW, PA0AA (Holland), COCH, TI4NRH (Costa Rica), and W6BKY (heard on 75m. band). I reported W1XK twice before receiving

their veri. The first time they sent a letter stating they would not verify (it was printed in this paper), later, I saw that dxers were getting cards so I wrote again.

LU7BK states that the best reports he receives are from N.Z., but he would like still more from here. He uses 600 watts. QRA: Aguilar 2612, Buenos Aires, Argentina. KA1ME has a special SWL verification card.

Particulars of CSW: Wavelength. 30.81m.; freq., 9.737 m.c.; schedule. 0.10 to 2.00 (their time).

## Next Week

We regret to announce that, owing to unforeseen circumstances, it has not been possible to enlarge this section this week as promised. Numerous difficulties have arisen in connection with the preparation of this section, but these have now been overcome and we can guarantee that, commencing with next week's issue, this section will be greatly increased and entirely rearranged. In addition to the results of the N.Z. DX Club competitions it will contain special articles of interest to radio listeners, and a host of DX notes and news, station changes, etc. It will be well worth waiting for!

W6BKY was using 550w. He says he has heard ZL's on 75m. phone around 5 or 6 a.m. PST. TI4NRH has a very nice veri.

Reports are out to VE5JK, VE3AHN, W9CPD, CO2HA, CO8YB, KPO, VE2FO, and the Paris S.W. station on 31.41m.

I have been hearing a station on 47m. every night at about 8 o'clock, the call being PO6ZE. This station seems to be some expedition. He contacts only two stations—PO6ZO and PO6ZB. PO6ZO is at some camp, while PO6ZB appears to be on a ship called the Edinburgh. I do not know where any of them are located, however, so any information on these stations would be appreciated.—551A. (Frankton).

## Exchange of QSL Cards.

THE following list of dxers who wish to exchange QSL cards with other dxers was sent in by 551 A. (Frankton). All are in U.S.A. and all guarantee to reply:—

Stuart D. Kreisher, 710 Walnut Street, Reading Pa.

Robert Cooper, 231 Grove Street, Tonawanda, N.Y.

Elliott Layden, Box 21, Hertford, N.C.

## Milking to Music.

SINCE I started dxing I have reported 17 shortwave stations and four broadcast band stations which is quite good for seven days' dxing when one takes into account the fact that I'm kept very busy on the farm. My radio has rather an unusual home—it's in the milking-shed. It's been there for over two years now, and I get really good reception.

Recently I heard RNE on 12.00 m.c. and also on 11.00 m.c.; the same woman was announcing on both wavelengths.—674A. (Hamilton).

## Questions And Answers

"SUPERHET" (Auckland): The circuit of the receiver you sent in is a very good one, and should give excellent results if you build it up with good components and take a little care in winding the coils. However, your suggestion of changing the I.F. to 175 is distinctly not good. One reason for using 465 k.c. is that there is one I.F. transformer only; so that the selectivity depends on that one transformer mainly! Hence a high I.F. is used. We would strongly suggest buying a good grade iron-core type for 465 k.c.'s, and not to change the frequency. With such a transformer the selectivity will be as good as is possible with a single transformer, and further, the signal strength will be greater.

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## N.Z. DX Club Meetings.

## HAWKE'S BAY

In the Club Room, above Wood's Tearooms, Waipukurau, at 2.45 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10.

V. L. KING (119H.B.),  
Branch Secretary

## NORTHLAND

At 21 Anzac Road, Whangarei at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, August 15.

R. A. ROYCROFT (2HQ),  
Branch Secretary.

## AUCKLAND

In the Society of Arts Hall, Kitchen Street, at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10.

F. NEWING (510A),  
Branch Secretary

## WELLINGTON.

In the Club Rooms of the 1st Wellington City Rover Crew, 3rd floor, "Times" Building, Kelburn Avenue, at 8 p.m. on Monday, September 12.

H. WICRENS (503W.),  
Branch Secretary.

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