

## Short-wave News

## Radio Maroc, Rabot, Morocco.

THE Radio Maroc (Rabot) broadcasts are re-transmitted every Monday by the new 9 kilowatt Maroc-France short-wave station between 12 and 1.30 a.m. N.Z.T. on 23.8 metres, and between 7.30 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. on 32.26 metres.

CNSMC (Casablanca), on 48 metres, also relays the same entertainments, according to the following schedule: Tuesdays, 8.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.; Wednesday, 12.30 a.m. to 1.30 a.m.; and on Sunday 12.30 a.m. to 1.30 a.m., and from 8.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. N.Z. time.

## XDA, Mexico City.

MR. W. BRIDEN JONES (Palmerston North) received a letter from Mexico with the following particulars: XDA is a 20 kilowatt "Telefunken" crystal controlled transmitter, working on a dual wavelength of 20.5 and 40.9 metres. The station operates the transoceanic radio telegraph and press radio telephone. They operate a constant service from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m., N.Z. standard time.

## Log for Week Ending Sunday, March 29

RV15, Siberia, 70.1 metres.—Every evening at good volume. Static is less severe just now.

HVJ, Vatican City, 50.26 metres.—Nearly every morning till about 7 a.m. at R8-9. On Friday morning a complete schedule for both wavelengths was read, both for telephony and telegraphy. It was too fast for me to copy.

50.1 metres (about).—There is a station working on this wavelength each morning at good volume, with plenty of music. Talk is foreign, and so far a call has not been identified.

7LO, Nairobi, 50 metres.—R6 at best each morning, but very gushy.

PK3AN, Sourabaya, Java, 49.7 metres.—Saturday, 11.45 p.m., just audible through static.

WSXAL, Cincinnati, 49.5 metres.—Sunday, good at R3 at 5 p.m., but on R4 at the same time on Saturday.

VOR2, Vienna, 49.4 metres.—Monday, 6.30 a.m., talk at R5.

W3XAL, Boundbrook, 49.18 metres.—Sunday and Saturday, spoilt by static. Volume not so strong as a few weeks ago.

Saigon, Indo-China, 49 metres.—Saturday only evening up late enough to hear, when volume was only R8 at 11.30 p.m. Static was very bad.

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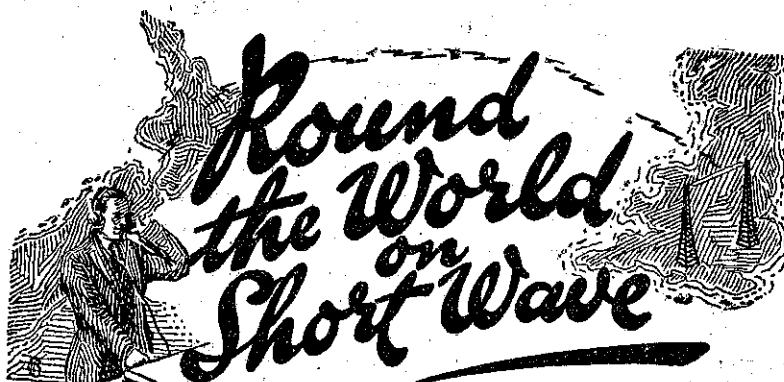
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THIS page is conducted in the interests of shortwave enthusiasts. A weekly log comprising notes of reception and interesting topical events is contributed by Mr. F. W. Sellens, Northland, Wellington, but all listeners are invited to send in paragraphs of general interest.

W8XX, Pittsburgh, 48.86 metres.—Sunday, at 4.30 p.m., messages for the Far North were received at R8.

HRB, Honduras, 48.62 metres.—Sunday, R8 at 4.30 p.m., but only R4 on Saturday at the same time. Readability very poor on account of static and surging.

Moscow, 45.4 metres (about).—Always quite good each morning till about 7 a.m.

44.6 metres (about).—On Monday a lot of "Alloa, Alloa," was heard at R5, but nothing else; closing at 6.30 a.m.

VK3ME, Melbourne, 31.55 metres.—Saturday, from 9.30 p.m., at R9, testing with records, reading, etc. Reception excellent.

OXY, Denmark, 31.51 metres.—Thursday morning was the best yet from this station. At 6.25 a.m. the "Holy City" was heard at R7. At 6.30 a.m. a clock chimed and struck 8 (one hour ahead of GMT). This was followed by an announcement, but could not understand any of it. The talk was similar to German.

W2XAF, Schenectady, 31.48 metres.—This station can be heard as early as 11 a.m. now, very weak, but reaching R9 soon after 2 p.m.

Zeegen, Germany, 31.38 metres.—6.30 a.m. is the best time now for Zeegen. Some very fine music has been heard during the past week.

WIXAZ, Springfield, Mass., 31.35 metres.—Sunday and Saturday, 4.30 p.m., being about the time for best volume, which on the latter day was R8-9, with an organ recital.

PCJ, Eindhoven, Holland, 31.28 metres.—Thursday, R7 at 6.30 a.m. to R6 at 7.35 when signing off. Saturday a little stronger at the same time. The Saturday afternoon programme came through quite well, being best at 4.30 p.m., when volume was R8-9.

5SW, Chelmsford, 25.53 metres.—Volume good each morning from 6.30 a.m., but rapid fade always very severe, more than usual.

12RO, Rome, 25.4 metres.—Excellent each morning at 7.30 a.m., and most mornings from 6.30 a.m.

GBS, England, 24.69 metres, was heard calling J1AA, Japan, on Saturday at 9.30 p.m. At 10.30 p.m. still calling; said that J1AA was very weak.

J1AA, Japan, 20.1 metres (about).—Wednesday at 10 p.m. calling "Hullo, GBS, London; this is J1AA," etc. The place was given but cannot pronounce it. Records were played while waiting for London to reply. Volume was R8, with a strong ripple and noisy background. On Saturday at 10 p.m. J1AA was just audible when GBS was calling.

W2XAD, Schenectady, 19.56 metres.—Friday, 7.30 a.m., R3; too gushy to be readable.

PLG, Java, 18.8 metres.—Saturday from 9.15 p.m. records at R8, with severe fading.

## N.Z. Shortwave Club

## From the Secretary's Pen

I AM still struggling with a pile of letters, and in addition there's QSL cards, badges, and membership certificates to be got away. The country members will soon see we haven't forgotten them.

Here's a letter from Feilding saying it might be possible to get nine or ten members there, and asking if a branch could be formed. Certainly! You can have a representative and we can keep in touch with him.

Now, I have some bad news concerning the QSL cards, which we estimated would be 2/6 per 100. We found that it was necessary to use a better quality card in two colours, which makes the nearest we can do them at 3/- per 100 without postage. We feel sure that members do not want a cheap card, and the samples sent in look a really good article. We trust members will appreciate that we have cut the cost as fine as we could without cutting quality.

Hello, VK3ME, Melbourne, Hello 3ZC Christchurch; thanks for your good wishes. Yes, we will be pleased to report.

Our badges are now available, but they can only be supplied to bona-fide members.

I have a letter which gives me advice about another short-wave club. I won't repeat it, but I will say again that this is a New Zealand club which is run on the suggestions of its members. Conditions are different out here.

I am not sure, but I believe a mascot will soon appear in the shape of an owl paperweight. I heard one of the Nightowl Club members murmur something about it. Already a globe of the world graces the secretarial desk. Alongside it is the "original" horn speaker which Noah used for DX.

I shall be only too pleased to hear from anyone interested in short-wave. Address letters, A. B. McDonagh, Secretary N.Z. Short-Wave Club, 274 Cuba Street, Wellington.

## Short-wave Stations

## A Good List

FOLLOWING is a list of the principal short-wave broadcasting stations which may be heard in New Zealand at present. It was compiled by Mr. L. Saunders, NZ12W official receiving station:—

	Mornings, 6 to 8 o'clock.	Metres.
W2XAD, Schenectady, New York, U.S.A. ....	19.5	
W8XX, Pittsburgh, U.S.A. ....	25.25	
12RO, Rome, Italy .....	25.4	

G5SW, Chelmsford, England ..	25.53
PCJ (Fridays and Saturdays), Holland .....	31.28
Zeegen, Germany .....	31.28
1AY, Radio Placenza, Italy ....	45
7LO, Nairobi, Africa .....	49.50
RFN, Moscow, Russia .....	45.5
Afternoons.	
W8XX, Pittsburgh, U.S.A., till 5.30 p.m. ....	25.25
PCJ, Holland, till 6 p.m. (Saturday) .....	31.28
WIXAZ, Springfield, U.S.A., till 5 p.m. ....	31.35
W2XAF, Schenectady, U.S.A., till 4 p.m. ....	31.48
HRB, Honduras .....	48.62
VE9CL, Winnipeg, Canada, till 7 p.m. ....	48.7
W8XX, Pittsburgh, U.S.A., 5 to 6 p.m. (Saturday and Sunday) .....	48.86
W8XAL, Mason, Ohio, U.S.A., 6 to 7 p.m. ....	49.5
W3XAL, Bound Brook, N.J., 5 to 6 p.m. ....	49.18
W9XF, Chicago, U.S.A., 6 to 7 p.m. (off the air) .....	49.33
Evenings.	
RV15, Kharbarovsk, Siberia, 8.30 p.m. onwards .....	70.2
3ZC, Christchurch, N.Z., 7 to 8 p.m. (Fridays) .....	46.3
Night and Early Morning.	
Radio, Saigon, F3ICD, Indo-China, 11.15 p.m. on .....	49.0
DHC, Nauen, Germany, 11 p.m. ....	26.2
FTN, Paris, and FTZ, Rabat, Morocco, occasionally, 23 and .....	24
VK3ME, Melbourne, Australia, 10.30 to 11.30 p.m. (Saturday) .....	31.35
PLM, Java, occasionally, 11 p.m. ....	24.46
PK3AN, Sourabaya, Java, 12 p.m. ....	49.50
PMY, Bandoeng, Java, 12 p.m. ....	58
J1AA, Japan, irregular, 7.30 p.m. 10 p.m. onwards, 40 to 45 metres.	37.5
VK amateurs.	
ZL amateurs mostly on 80 to 90 metres.	

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