

Answers to Correspondents

D. McK. W. (Nelson) and Miss L.C. (Hastings): Full particulars of the DX Club and Competition appeared in the first issue of the "Radio Log," published about a fortnight ago. A few copies are still available from our offices, P.O. Box 1032, Wellington.

F. J. (Tikorangi): Your log is an excellent one for a four-valve battery set. A list of the main European stations is published this week. 4ZR, Inch-clutha's schedule is as follows:—Thursday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-noon.

Addresses & Addresses Wanted

COULD any DXer supply me with the call sign and address of the Indian station which broadcasts on approx. the same frequency as 6WF, Perth?—F.J. (Tikorangi).

Identification Wanted

AMERICAN on approx. 1445 kc. (207 m.), heard on August 8. Call sounded like "KTEG." Items heard included: 5.25 p.m., several accordion solos; 6 p.m., vocal quartet; 6.3 p.m., another accordion solo with vocal refrain; 6.6 p.m., accordion solo, resembled an Irish jig; 6.12 p.m., violin and piano. He was heard again the following evening when between 6 and 7 p.m. he was broadcasting dance music. On both occasions he was surging badly. Very little fading, however, and no interference. Strength about R2 or R3.—DX37W. (Wellington).

STATION heard between 1.20 and 1.38 a.m. on August 9 on 1250 k.c. (240 m.) broadcasting musical items. Also station on 1250 k.c. (240 m.), which came on the air at 1.38 a.m., blurring out the previously-mentioned station. Musical items came through well, but speech was weak. Another station was heard at 2.5 a.m. on 1400 k.c. (214 m.), playing orchestral items. Call sounded like

"3R—." Also station heard at 12.25 a.m. on August 10 on 1410 k.c. (213 m.). Lady announcer gave call as "3K—." On August 11, between 1.16 and 1.40 a.m., I logged a foreigner on 810 k.c. (370 m.). Several items were heard very clearly at R6. (What were they?—Ed.) Two further stations heard at 12.20 a.m. on August 10 on 1480 k.c. (202 m.). Heard several items from each, but could catch no call. (Note.—The frequencies given above are only approximate.)—DX40C (Invercargill).

STATION on 780 k.c. (384 m.) heard on June 10. He came on the air after KTM had closed down. The following items were heard: "Sweet Sue," piano; "Why Shouldn't I," tenor solo; "Because I Love You," Lloyd's Trio.—DX2HB (Hastings).

JAP heard at approx. 10.30 p.m. on August 11 on 218 m. (1370 k.c.). Speech, interspersed occasionally with what sounded like Morse, was heard.—F.J. (Tikorangi).

FOREIGN station on 960 kc. (312 m.) heard about 11 p.m. on August 9. Several strokes of gong, followed by alternate soprano and tenor songs, accompanied by several stringed instruments were heard. Also station on approx. 650 kc. (461 m.), heard on August 9 at 10 p.m. after 4YA had closed down.—DX1HB (Waipukurau).

STATION giving call which sounded like KOGC, Minnesota, U.S.A., heard giving a test programme on the 7th inst. Signed off at 9.15 a.m. Call was repeated several times, and reports asked for from New Zealand and Ontario. He remarked he was on 1360 kc. (220 m.), with a power of 700 (?) watts. Also station dial reading 14, 3, just above 2AY, Albany 11, 0, heard on the 7th. At 9.25, item,

"When Father Papered the Parlour," followed by bagpipes and solos.—DX22 NW (Tasman).

ON August 14, at approx. 1.40 a.m. gramophone record, "I'm a Dreamer," followed by a call which sounded like 3RU. Station was operating on approx. 1500 kc. (200 metres).—DX63OC (Gore).

STATION heard just below 3SH, Swan Hill, on August 13, in the early morning.—DX22OC (Dunedin).

[Your log is quite good, though if you substituted a set of new valves you would

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probably notice a big improvement in your set's performance.—Ed.]

Stations Identified

DX2HB (Hastings): I heard a station on 780 kc. (384m.) over two months ago, when he appeared to be on a regular schedule, as no announcements concerning tests were heard. I thought the call was "KPL." I noticed that two old friends, 2ZH and 2ZE are on the air again, the former having increased his power to 100 watts. He operates on his old frequency of 1260 kc. (238m.), and he came in at R8 on test transmission.—DX7W. (Marton).

"NEW CHUM" (Dunedin): VK3HB, Brighton: See my notes of last week.—N. Jenkins (Masterton).

DX5HB: WLAC, Nashville, 1470 kc. (204 m.), conducting a special foreign church service.—DX1HB (Waipukurau).

DX Topics

A DX Night.

DURING the evening of August 2, from 4.30 p.m. onward, I heard 31 American stations, not counting several faint ones, below strength R2. KGER and KFSD have been coming in well lately. Some nights they have been at R7. The following particulars of KRDL are taken from a recent verification: Power, 10 kw., frequency 1040 kc. (288 m.). Address, "The Times Herald Sta-

tion," Adolphus Hotel, Dallas, Texas. They are on the air every week day from 6 a.m. until midnight, or later, and every Sunday from 7 a.m. until midnight, C.S.T. I find that 3BA and 3BY are two of the worst offenders in regard to answering reports. I sent them two each, with stamped and addressed envelopes enclosed, but have received no reply. 4RK comes in splendidly here.—N. Jenkins (Masterton).

Monogrammed Envelopes.

I THINK DX2HB's idea for DX envelopes with the club's monogram is a good one. The alternative of seals is, of course, a matter of taste. I prefer the former.—DX24HB (Waipawa). [Those Australians barred from the DX competition unless logged in daylight must be received in daylight. If the station is logged after dark, even though at the transmitting end it is still daylight, the verification does not count.—Ed.]

KFBI Again Reported.

IN a recent issue J.P.C. (P.N.) questions the reception by D.T.H. (Timaru) of KFBI. On July 15, at 10.50, N.Z.T., and on the 16th, at 10.30, I also picked up this station on 1050 k.c. (286 m.) and held him until after 11 p.m. On the 16th the announcer stated that they were commencing their programme at 5 a.m. This would coincide with 10.30 p.m. our time, as KFBI is about halfway between the 108th and 90th meridian and KMTR is almost on the 120th. The latter, I presume, would observe the Pacific time, which would make a difference of two hours between the two stations and thus bear out the different times quoted by D.T.H. and J.P.C.—E.J.W. (P.N.).

A Sensitive Set

I NOTICE a reader recently gave his experiences when using the Brown-ing Drake. I have a four-valve set, using one stage of neutralised r.f. similar to that used by the Hammarlund Roberts. Using an aerial consisting of about 50 feet of 24 d.c.c. around the picture railing, I am able to receive KPL, Los Angeles, as well as several Japs, on the speaker, and, of course, a large number of Australian and N.Z. "B" class stations. 2YA is at ample volume on the speaker during daylight, and 2FC can be heard faintly. I found that .01 mfd. condenser across an Ormond balanced armature, with a 9in. cone and large baffle unit gives very lifelike reproduction.—H.A.B. (Huapai).

Another New Australian.

ON the night of August 12 I heard 2XL, Broken Hill, testing. I heard a number of items—accordion items, solos, dance numbers, etc., and an announcement stating that he was testing, and that he would shortly be on the air as a "B" class station. He also asked for reports. Transmission was weak, and subject to a considerable fading, but when at maximum strength was perfectly clear and readable. Unfortunately I omitted to take a dial reading, and so am unable to state even the approximate frequency. Has any other DXer logged this station yet? Also, on August 12, between 11.25 and 11.30 p.m., 2WL, Wollongong, was logged. [2WL, South Road, Wollongong, operates an approx. 1420 k.c. (210m.). This station has been reported several times in recent issues.—Ed.] In the issue dated the 14th, DX7W advises "Novice" (Dunedin) that the station heterodyning 4QG is JOAK. Would this not be JOHK? Mention is also made of station 3RI, Melbourne. Has any DXer particulars of this station?—Re DX15W's suggestion

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