

News and Views of the D.X. Club

Answers to Correspondents

DXIT (New Plymouth): DX Club stickers for envelopes should be available within a week.

"Audie" (Nelson): Your method of finding the local time for any country in the world is quite good, but you make no allowance for time belts. In each of these, embracing 15 degrees of longitude, the time is the same. Your log is quite good.

DX29MC: You heard 2YA testing. KFI Los Angeles is OK.

HFA (Masterton) suggests that a competition might be held for short-wavers, the holder of the greatest log of confirmed foreign stations (including amateurs), taking first prize. A competition of this description would be rather hard to run, but we would be agreeable to do so, provided there were sufficient entries. We would be pleased to hear the opinions of other short-wavers.

"Logan Park" (Dunedin): The address of JOKK appears in a panel in these pages. 2ZX is operated by the Western Electric Company, Hone Gibbons Building, Dixon Street, Wellington.

DX40C: The addresses of European stations as given in the lists appearing in the last few issues of the "Radio Record" should be quite sufficient.

Addresses & Addresses Wanted

"Bob" (Wellington):—WABC, Atlantic Broadcasting Corp., New York. KFWB,

Wernes Bros. Broadcasting Corp., Hollywood, California. There is no station KFBL.

Identification Wanted

Station heard at 4 a.m. on August 30 on approximately 321 m. (935 kc.). Weird music, similar to that often heard from

solo, followed by an orchestral item, was heard. Latter sounded foreign. This was followed by a song, sung by a child, and a further orchestral number. Closed down at 2.5 a.m.—"Logan Park" (Dunedin).

American on approximately 1185 kc. (253 m.), heard on August 30, about 5.30 until 5.40 p.m. Items heard: (1) "Springtime in the Rockies," followed by two announcements. (2) "China Town."

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Radio Bangkok, but more high-pitched was heard. At 4.25 a.m. an announcement which sounded like "Hello" in English. Remainder was drowned by static. What is the call of the A.W.A. station on approximately 247 m. (1210 kc.) which relays many other stations.—L.E.H. (Waikato).

Station heard on approximately 309 m. (970 kc.) at 1 a.m. on August 27, playing gramophone records. Also a Jap. heard giving instrumental items at 11.50 p.m., just below 4QG, Brisbane. He closed down at 12.10 a.m. on the 27th.—P.K.B. (Oamaru).

Japanese station on 923 kc. (324 m.), heard on September 1. At 2 a.m. a flute

(3) "I Am Spending too Much Time on Myself." (4) "Jingle Bells." Static was too hard to hear call.—"Marama" (Colac Bay).

Foreign station logged on August 30 at 3.55 a.m. on approx. 935 kc. (321m.). Music and singing is very similar to that heard from Radio Bangkok. From 3.55 to 4.30 a.m., the same weird music, etc., continued with short breaks of about half a minute, but no announcement was heard until 4.30. This was in a foreign language. At 4.42 music changed considerably, being more like an orchestral item, was played quickly, and sounded much like a bow being drawn quickly across a violin. At approx. 4.48 announcer spoke in English. The words, "Hello, hello," but the rest was lost in a crash of static.—"Hydro" (Napier).

Foreign station on approx. 1065 kc. (281m.) heard at 6 a.m. on August 30. Also another on 1175 kc. (255m.) at 6.5 a.m. (Further particulars should be given.—Ed.) Also Australian a little below 2WL heard announcing "32K, Melbourne," a fortnight ago. Is this call correct?—G.A. (Thornbury).

From August 28 to September 3 the following stations have been heard between 5 a.m. and 6.30 a.m.—One on 12M's frequency. Music sounds as though from a large stringed instrument orchestra. One below 2ZJ—both music and talking. Seemed to be a mixture of English and foreign language. One just below 12R. Majority of transmission is speech in a foreign language. Heard announcer say that Professor — would speak. This was followed up by talking until I switched off at 6.30 a.m. One on 3ZR's frequency. Music and foreign language. One just below 4QG. Music from a large orchestra is always heard.—"Digger" (Hamilton).

Two Californian stations on 1160 kc. (255m.), and 970 kc. (309m.), broadcasting dance music between 5.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. Strength good, but announcements poor. DX670C (Dunedin).

Chinese station heard on September 1 from 4.50 a.m. until 6.17 a.m., when, with the approach of dawn, he faded away. Number of items, vocal and orchestral, heard at R6. Music often resembled pipes, and at other times was characteristically weird. During first

few minutes, station changed its frequency from 910 kc. to 890 kc., but later it remained on 910 kc. (329m.).—DX40C.

Station heard on August 18 at 11.15 p.m., just below 2FC, Sydney. Heard person speaking on the Australian Bond Loan. He spoke for about an hour, after which the announcer gave call sign, which was spoilt by static.—JH (Wellington).

Stations Identified

"Nightbird" (Dunedin):—I also heard a station on approx. 275m. (1090 kc.) after midnight on June 22. I put this down to a new Perth station, but according to GWT's card, the only other station in Perth is 6WL on 297m. (1010 kc.).—"Six Valve" (Christchurch).

"Ground" (Wanganui):—Station of 1YA's old frequency is either 4RK, Rockhampton, or KHJ, Los Angeles. 900 kc. (333m.).—E.J.M. (Oamaru); WGN, Chicago, on 720 kc. (416m.). J.H. (Wellington); JOKK, Hiroshima, 353m. (850 kc.). "Static" (Nelson). KGR, Longbeach, California, on 225m. (1330 kc.), P.K.B. (Oamaru).

E.J.M. (Oamaru) and "Digger" Hamilton).—On the morning of July 19, after 2FC had closed down, I heard the Japanese station, and at 1.30 a.m. heard the call JOKK.—P.M.B. (Dunedin).

E.J.M. (Oamaru):—Station between WLW and 2YA is KMPC, owned by R. F. McMillan, Beverly Hills, California. "Ground" (Wanganui). American next to 7ZL is KMTR. DX12HB (Havelock North). Station on 2BL is Radio Bangkok. "Logan Park" (Dunedin).

DX650C:—Station on 55 is WGN, Chicago, while that on 59 is WLW, Cincinnati. DX9A (Onehunga), KMTR under 7ZL, and WBBM under JOAK. "Southlander" (Invercargill, WBOQ, New York City, has been testing for several nights lately on 880 k.c.s. (349 metres).—N. Jenkins (Masterton).

DX650C:—WENR. Great Lakes Broadcasting Co., 20 North Wackerdrive, Chicago, Illinois. "Audio" (Blenheim). American heard would be KHJ. He comes in here at fair strength.—DX20C (Oamaru).

"Audio" (Blenheim):—55. JOIK, Sapporo; 58. JOGK, Kamamoto; 63.3. JOIK, Cendai. "Tiny" (P.N.): 61N. "The Breath of America." is from a record broadcast recently from 2CA, Canberra. H.M. (Dunedin). JOAK, Tokio, twin station used for educational purposes, with occasional music. Other station was HSPI, Radio Bangkok. "Southlander" (Invercargill). WBOQ, New York, were broadcasting on August 15, and were particularly good on the 31st. 2BL came on on both occasions, and blatted him out. Station on 870 kc. is WENR, other 4GR, Toowoomba. WTC (Heathcote Valley), KVOO, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Organ, request hour till 7 p.m. N.Z.T., Friday and Sunday. JPC (P.N.).

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