

News and Views of the D.X. Club

Answers to Correspondents

DX9A (Mangere).—You are obviously picking up a relay of 2FC. KFT is located at Los Angeles, not Mexico.

DX23A (Cambridge).—DX stickers have been ordered, and delivery is expected within a week.

"Audio" (Blenheim).—See conditions governing both DX Cups, in the July issue of the "Radio Log." When stations are referred to as "just below" other stations, the wavelength is, or should be, meant. However, the fact that the tuning dial of many commercial sets are marked in kilocycles, confusion results, for "just below" in kilocycles is "just above" in metres. It would be a good idea if correspondents did not use this method of locating stations.—Yes, there are quite a number of members of the DX Club in Blenheim. The times given for the Australian stations in the second issue of the "Log" are corrected for N.Z. time. Your 300-foot aerial will rather broaden tuning, but as long as you mention that fact in your report, it will be O.K.

J.G.R. (Blenheim).—We have decided that "daylight reception" is to be interpreted as being between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. all the year round.

"British Every Time" (Kaikoura).—Your log, for the type of set you are using, is easily the best we have seen. Congratulations.

letters will appear in this month's "Radio Log."

G.F. (Ohura). The "Radio Timetable" was printed on both sides for the sole object of giving purchasers full value for their money. DX clocks are sold unmounted for the same purpose. Incidentally, our office boy did not take at all kindly to your suggestion that he should

ing KGA 20, stranger 24, KGER 27. He was asking for reports from all DX clubs. Items heard were:—Band item, "Stars and Stripes for Ever"; dance number, "The Girl." The "New York News" was mentioned several times. All that was heard of the call was "W—H." Strength R8. He signed off at 6.11 p.m.—DX46A (Cambridge).

Station heard at 12.50 a.m. on September 13 on 1245 k.c. approx. (241m.), broadcasting a dance programme. Announcer was distinctly American. Also, at 1.30 a.m., a Japanese or Chinese station, on 850 k.c., broadcasting the usual weird music. I often hear an American on 1280 k.c. approx. (234m.). On the 13th it was relaying music till 7.30 p.m. from the Hotel —, Los Angeles. Announcer mentioned "mountain time" when closing.—"Kennedy" (Wellington).

On September 14, at 12.35 a.m., station operating on 2AY, Albany's frequency, heterodyned slightly by 3RU, Balwyn, on a shade higher frequency, and a Morse station directly behind. Some of the items were "The King's Horses," "Eleven More Months," and "The Stein Song." Strength was quite good, but QRN spoilt the call every time, and, to make matters worse, a lady with a weak voice sometimes announced. I heard as much as "Experimental Station VK," and some of the balance resembled "J.K." He closed down at 1.30 a.m. Does anyone know the frequencies of 3GK and 3HA? It may have been one of these. If I am not very much mistaken I have heard 1ZQ operating a couple of times lately. I don't think there is any mistaking that announcer's voice.—B.W. ((Stratford)).

Two Americans heard on September 10 one on 1140 k.c. (263m.) broadcasting organ music. The only item recognised was "Songs My Mother Taught Me." The other was on 1360 k.c. (220m.), and was broadcasting a boxing match. Both were very weak, and consistent fading, combined with static, prevented any announcement being heard.—DX15MC (Woodend). [Please give times heard.—Ed.]

Station heard from 10.30 to 12 p.m. on September 7 on 440m. (680 k.c.), relaying 2FC at R9, equal to 2BL in strength. Another station on 1080 k.c. (278m.) heard from 11.25 to 11.30 p.m. on August 30. He announced "Station — relaying the National station. Miss Gladys Moncrieff will now sing —." He signed off at 11.30 p.m. N.Z.S.T. with no further call. Strength R7. Also an American heard testing on August 30 between 7.30 and 8 p.m. on 770 k.c. (390 m.). Items heard included "The Volga Boat Song," at 7.40 p.m. on August 30.—DX42W (Lower Hutt).

Foreign station heard 1½ deg. above 3AR. Announcer spoke in a foreign language resembling Japanese, and every now and again he would say "1931" in broken English. Has any DX'er picked up KHQ, Washington, on the same frequency as the above station?—DX9A (Mangere).

Cuba station heard between 2MO and 3KZ on September 13 at 10.30 p.m. I heard a call in broken English which sounded like "This is CM or H, Havana." He then played a foxtrof, during which he gradually faded out. Although I wait-

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M.G. (Chch).—With a good aerial and earth you should succeed in picking up the main Australians without difficulty.

"Digger" (Hamilton).—You have done excellently to compile the log you have in three months. Keep going.

J.G. (Tapakanui) and others.—Your

mount them, and he threatened immediate retirement should we ask him to do so.

"Monotrad" (Christchurch). We are pleased you brought up the question of unpublished letters containing replies to queries appearing in the "Identification Wanted" column. Often a number of correspondents write in identifying the same stations. Of course we cannot duplicate these, and only one letter appears. Unfortunately space reasons preclude any acknowledgment of the other letters, but they are none the less appreciated. We trust you can see our difficulty in this matter.

Addresses & Addresses Wanted

A.H. (Tirau).—2WL, Wollongong Broadcasting Co., Wollongong, N.S.W.

Identification Wanted

Station just above 3LO and just under 2BL, heard broadcasting a church service at 3.30 a.m. on September 7. Closed down at 4.10 a.m. Also a station between 2ZP and 2BL. Speech was foreign. At 2.5 a.m. orchestral number with tenor solo was heard. At 2.15 a.m. a talk was heard, followed by a violin solo with piano accompaniment at 2.25 a.m. This was followed by a further talk, and at 2.35 a.m. a further violin solo with pianoforte accompaniment. After an orchestral selection at 2.40 a.m. I heard an announcement in English, "We are now going to —."—A.E.J. (Levin).

Station heard at 6.30 p.m. on September 12 on 248m. approx. (1210 k.c.) with call: "—I, British Columbia." A concert was in progress, and clapping could be heard. A lady called the "Venetian Nightingale," sang two numbers, and then another station came on the air and blotted the transmission out. Announcer had a slight American accent. What Americans operate on 206m. (1450 k.c.) and 203m. (1460 k.c.), and are hard to separate?—H.F.A. (Masterton).

Station on about 1420 k.c. (211m) heard at 5.45 p.m. on Sept. 6. Dial read-

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