

News and Views of the D.X. Club

Replies to Correspondents

T.J.C. (Porirua): We have tested a set of the make you own, and found it quite good for dx-ing.

A.E.S. (Wellington): Yes, several dxers, wrote in some time ago complaining that they had not received answers to the reports they sent to 4ZL.

DX43MC (Christchurch): A panel showing the interpretation of the Q.S.A. and R. abbreviations appears on page 11.

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DX450C (Dunedin): 3BY, H. J. and O. Holst, 27 Bambra Road, Victoria, S.E.7.

Addresses and Addresses Wanted

DX910C (Green Island): 3HA, Hamilton, Western Victoria Broadcasting Company, 1 Gray Street, Hamilton, Australia.—DX74W (Wellington).

Identification Wanted

Station on 600 k.c. (499m.), approx., just audible on Oct. 29. At 7.38 a woman sang two songs. Lady announcer. Also station heard at 5.30 a.m. on approx. 1110 k.c. (270m.). Ten strokes on a gong, something similar to that heard from KFI, were heard.—DX23MC (Christchurch).

Sydney station heard at approx. 12.30 a.m. on October 24, on 267m. (1120 k.c.). On signing off the announced mentioned that station was operated by some Sydney Publishing Company. Call resembled "BE."—DX82A (Cambridge).

Station operating just below KZRM, Manila. Speech is foreign. It generally closes down at 3 a.m. with an orchestral item.—N. Jenkins (Masterton).

American on approx. 425 m. (705 k.c.) heard at 11.35 p.m. on October 31. At 11.40 p.m. speech was heard, followed by a vocal item with yodelling. Speech concerning a reliable electric heater was again heard at 11.45 p.m. This was followed at 11.50 by a vocal item with banjo accompaniment. Also station on approx. 510 m. (587 k.c.), which often relays KFI.—DX36W (Wellington).

Stations Identified

DX27W. (Marton): Station heard heterodyning 3YA at 7.30 p.m. is KJR, Seattle, Washington, on 309m. (970 k.c.).

American Reception

The following table shows the relative strengths of reception (R1—10) of American stations heard between 5 and 8 p.m. on November 1—the best DX night I have experienced this year.

—H.F.A. (Masterton).

KFI	9
KGO, WLW, KPO	8
KTM, WBBM, *WDAG....	7
KMOX, KGMB, KNX	6
KSTP, KMTR, KTAB	5
KECA	4
KROW, KFWB, WENR ...	3
WOAI, WTAM	2

*WDAG, Amarillo, Texas, 213m. (1410 k.c.), was received for the first time playing recordings. This is only a 250-watt station.

I have heard the call on 3YA's silent day. He closes at 8 p.m. "Tiny" (P.N.), Cracow, Poland, on 244m. (1230 k.c.), I notice H. Jenkins (Masterton) identifies the European station on 1190 k.c. (252m.) as Leipzig, Germany. The latter operates on 250m. (1160 k.c.), and Gleibitz now operates on 253.4m. This is taken from a call-book dated September, 1931.—H.F.A. (Masterton).

L.R.H. (Dunedin): The Australian you heard with the Chinese programme on October 25 was 3DB, Melbourne, on 1175 k.c. (255 m.).—NZ16W (Wellington).

"Radio" (Invercargill): XER, Del Rio, Mexico. For further particulars see "DX Topics" column in this and last week's issues.

DX Topics

Uncensored News.

AT 11.30 p.m. on October 31 I heard a station on 412 m. (728 k.c.). An announcer gave the position of Japanese warships and of Japanese and Chinese troops. He stated that trench-digging operations had commenced, and that it was evident more trouble was impending. Shortly after a man spoke before the microphone in a foreign tongue, and when he had finished the announcer stated that he could not give the speaker's name as it would get him into trouble. The announcer then remarked that they were up in the hills and that their wavelength was altered from day to day so that they would not be caught with the transmitting plant. Strength was R6 on the speaker, so the station must have been fairly powerful. On October 5 I logged XEN at 410 m. (780 k.c.).—DX64A (Mokan).

Particulars of KTAB.

THE following is taken from a card received from KTAB, the Pickwick Stages station. The studios are situated in the Pickwick Terminal Hotel, San Francisco. Frequency is 560 k.c. (535.4 m.), and power 1 k.w.—H.F.A. (Masterton).

Our Youngest Member.

DX840C (Dunedin): Congratulations. I think you are the youngest member. I am only 18. I have been DX-ing for seven months on a three-valve set and have logged 54 stations. Has any DX'er received a verification from 4ZP, Invercargill?—DX74W (Wellington).

XER Again Heard.

AT approx. 11.15 p.m. on October 17, XER, Del Rio, Texas, was logged. Several items were heard and then an announcer remarked they were on the air from 5 a.m. their time, corresponding to 11 p.m. N.Z.D.S.T. He also asked for reports.—DX910C (Green Island).

Concerning Goats.

B. W. (Stratford) and others: I believe I can help you with the mystery Mexican station. For a number of years I have been corresponding with a friend just out of Milford, Kansas. Some time ago I received full particulars about a Doctor Brinkley, who owned station KFEB. It appears he used to conduct regular broadcasts on curing ailments.

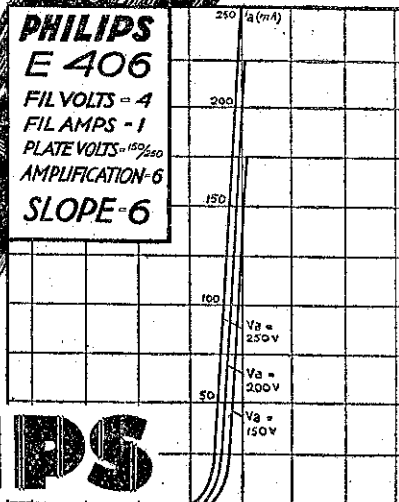
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