

## News of XER.

ACCORDING to a recent verification, XER operates on a power of 75 k.w. on 735 k.c. (408m.) full time. Station is owned by the "Villa Acuna" Broadcasting Co., Inc., their address being: "Villa Acuna Coah, Mexico." Their slogan is: "The Sunshine Station between the Nations." I received two cards the second bearing the typewritten words: "Reception verified." It is signed by G. A. McDonald, C.V.B. (North Auckland.) Thanks; on your advice I wrote to XER. I could not catch one word of English while listening to him. The only new Americans I have logged lately are WMBR and KWJJ, the latter a daylight station evidently on an irregular night session.—"Wainui" (Gisborne).

## The Beverage.

WITH reference to the Beverage aerial, a correspondent writes: "I built the Outspan Five according to specification, but have shielded only one coil, the centre one. Using it in conjunction with the Beverage aerial, I can receive all the New Zealand and Australian 'A' class stations, and most of the 'B' class, including such small-powered stations as 3ZR Greymouth, 2ZR Hastings. Several Japs are heard regularly after 9.30 p.m. while lately KFI, California, and two other Americans which heterodyne 1YA and 2YA have been heard at medium speaker strength. 2FC and 2BL may be picked up weakly in the daytime, notwithstanding that my locality is not too good. I have tried several other sets, but results are not half so good."

## Radio Strasbourg.

I HAVE recently received verifications from Radio, Strasbourg, and WBOQ, New York. It would be a good idea if when members write saying they have received verifications from European stations, they gave the frequencies so that a reliable list could be compiled. Radio, Strasbourg, operates on 869 k.c. (345m.) and their address is 5 Rue des Francs-Bourgeois, Strasbourg.—DX260C

## 3WR's Schedule.

"JOEY" (Hokianga): Stations of the North-west broadcasting system are: KGR, Seattle, 309 m. (970 k.c.), 5 k.w. KGA, Spokane, Washington, 204 m. (1470 k.c.), 5 k.w., and KEX, Portland,

Oregon, 245. (1180 k.c.), 5 k.w. "Country Lad" (Gore) and others: Particulars of 3WR, Wanganui, are as follows:—Wavelength, 238 m. (1260 k.c.). Schedule, 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m., 9.45 and 12 midnight daily, N.Z. summer time. The transmitter is crystal controlled with a power of 50 watts. It is operated by the Wanganui Broadcasting Pty., Ltd. A new Australian "B" station, 4BH, Brisbane, was heard at 9.50 p.m. on January 4. Wavelength was approximately 218 m. (1370 k.c.). CFCN, Calgary, was heard at 7.55 p.m. on January 6 on 3YA's frequency until the latter station came on and drowned the more distant transmission. Conditions on Jan. 1 were excellent for reception of the New Year's Eve celebrations from the American stations. The best heard were: WABC, WLW, and W3AU, with KFI, WENR, and WJZ in second place. Nearly all the Atlantic stations were on until well after 9 p.m. N.Z.S.T. Can any dxer give me the frequency of VK-2UR, Uralla, N.S.W.?—DX16W (P.N.).

## DX Jottings.

VERIFICATION is just to hand from 3AK, which is operated by the Akron Broadcasting Proprietary, Ltd. Particulars are similar to those published in the "R.R." of Dec. 24. The card is signed by G. F. Palmer, so 3AK is apparently related to VK3RU. Concerning XER, a press reporter of the "Tulsa Daily World," Tulsa, Oklahoma, who heard XER acknowledge my report at 5.18 a.m. C.S.T. on Nov. 29, wrote me for information about Dunedin. He states that although Tulsa is 900 miles from Villa Acuna, XER comes through as loud as the local KVOO, with 5 k.w.—DX1150C (Dunedin).

## K6X6, Hawaii, Testing.

AT 8.20 p.m., N.Z.S.T., on December 27, Radio K6X6, Hawaii, operating on about 38 metres, was heard trying to re-broadcast a transmission from an N.B.C. station in San Francisco. I heard him state that he could not make much of their transmission and would call the broadcast off. He stated that the transmitter would not be available the following day and asked for particulars re the programme and when it would next be put over. He closed down: "This is station K6X6, Hawaii."

## DX Meeting in Dunedin

I HAVE noticed in the "Radio Log" and in the DX columns of the "R.R." that dxers are desirous of having meetings in the various centres to exchange views, compare notes, etc. If I could be assured of a reasonable attendance I am prepared to arrange for a room for a meeting place for Dunedin dxers, and to call a meeting say some time next month. We could then discuss whether monthly meetings would be advantageous. Personally I think the idea a sound one as quite a number of things could be discussed of interest to dxers, and perhaps we could have lectures and competitions among ourselves. If you are interested, please drop the Editor a line and let him know if you will roll up and he will publish a list of the official numbers of those that are coming along.—DX76.0C. (Dunedin.)

R.C.A. communication, Kahuku, Hawaii, closing down, Hawaiian time is now 10 o'clock.—S.W. (Gisborne).

## Over 1000 N.Z. Reports.

ON January 1 a number of American stations were heard, the best being KYW, WLS, WENR, KOA and WLW, which were all at about 88. XER, Mexico, was also very good. When writing recently 7LA mentioned that up to the time of verifying my report they had received 1357 reports from New Zealand.—DX670C (Dunedin).

## DX Jottings.

STATION KFXM, 1210 k.c. (248 m.)—this is only a 100-watt station—KGA, 1470 k.c. (204 m.), and WJR, 750 k.c. (400 m.) are among my latest loggings. Did any dxer hear the description of a volcano from KGU, Honolulu, on Dec. 27? I found it very interesting. Also the New Year's Eve celebrations from the American stations, many of which were on all night. What are the frequencies of ZTC, Cape Town, and the Colombo station that DX780C received?—"Omsk" (Whakatane).

## Club Meetings.

"COUNTRY LAD" (Gore): I notice that you have 2KY, 3WR and 7LA on your "black list." I hold verifications from all these stations. I often think that some stations pick up a letter at random and answer it when they feel in the mood. N. Jenkins (Masterton): I wrote to XEN, Mexico City, on September 20, but I have not received a reply yet. DX640C (Dunedin): I think your idea re club meetings is excellent. The following is the translation of a letter I received from Muh-lacher: "Your letter of the 7/9/31 corresponds with our station's programme. We are sending you the programme heard and a list of European stations."—DX 840C (Dunedin).

## The N.W. Broadcast System.

"JOEY" (Hokianga) asks which stations are associated with the north west broadcast system. The following are taken from a verification from KHJ, Los Angeles (frequencies are not given): KOIN, Portland; KVI, Tacoma; KOL, Seattle; KFPY, Spokane. I should

imagine these stations are on the Columbia chain, as is KHJ. New Year celebrations from KFI were great. All the stations over there seemed as if they had forgotten to close down.—DX2HB (Hastings).

## On New Year's Eve.

UP till the evening of New Year's Day conditions have been very bad here, but on that night they took a change for the better. As it was New Year's Eve in U.S.A., their stations were all on very late. In fact, when I switched off at 10.45 p.m. there was still a dozen or so stations on which could be heard all over the house. Some of these were: KEX, KFOX, WTAM, KYW, WENR, WABC, KOA, KGO, KVI, WFAF, and KFI. At 9 p.m. I logged WKBW, Buffalo, New York, 1489 k.c., a 5 k.w. station, just as he was signing off. He came in at R7, and announced they had been on a special New Year programme. Earlier in the evening XER, Del Rio, was R8 on the speaker. DX12NW (Nelson): I took my information re 3CB's wavelength from the verification. This is what they said in the remarks: "Very pleased to

## 2CO and 2SM

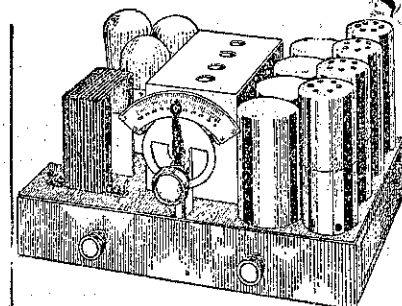
Full details of the new Australian stations 2CO and 2SM will appear in the January "Radio Log" which will be on sale in Wellington on January 19.

hear from you. Regret delay. Wavelength here now 206.8 m., was 214.2 when you heard 3CB.—N. Jenkins (Masterton).

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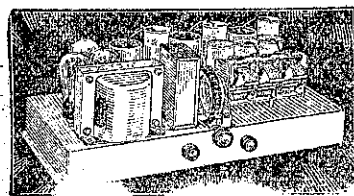


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