

Answers to Correspondents

L.F. (Dunedin): 3KZ operates on 1350 kc. (222 m.), aerial power 200 watts.
23MC (Chch.): We do not know.
Would "Marama" (Invercargill) please send his address?

Identification Wanted

American on 1310 kc., on Nov. 25, from 9.3 p.m. to 9.9 p.m. Records were played, but heterodyning was too bad to get call clearly. It sounded like KESW.—"Bulova" (Timaru).

Stations Identified

15A (Matamata): Station on 690 kc. is a Canadian. Too weak to get call, but is either CFAC or CJCJ—most likely the former. 980T: On Nov. 9 at least three stations could be heard heterodyning on 550 kc. Loudest was KEYR, which played "Masquerade" every few minutes. "Omsk": CFAC is listed on 690 kc., c/o the "Calgary Herald," Calgary, Alta; there was a Mexican near 890 kc. (KES), but it ought to be on 1055 kc. now. Think I had our friend on 1410 kc. a few nights ago at R3. I think "Bandoeng" is his call. Did you hear KDKA at 1 p.m. on Nov. 22?—"Bulova" (Timaru).

DX Topics

WPC Appreciates Reports.

STATION WPC is very grateful to all those New Zealand dxers who have reported such good reception of the station during the past few months. They will promptly verify any correct reports. A verification from VK3DH (1350 kc.) states he is receiving many reports from New Zealand, but all are going to 3BH first.—"Bulova" (Timaru).

Special Tests in Mid-December.

IN a letter recently received from Mr. Robert R. Rawstron, of Claremont, N.H., U.S.A., he states that a number of stations are likely to be on the air between December 11 and 17 with special programmes for the Transcontinental DX Club. If they come through with courtesy programmes they will be lined up as follows:

"Dec. 11, LT3, Argentina, 1080 kc., 4.5 a.m.; Dec. 12, CPX, La Paz, 1350 kc., 4.5 a.m.; Dec. 13, L8S, Buenos Aires, 1070, 3-4 a.m.; Dec. 14, PRAK, Rio de Janeiro, 1153 kc., 4-5 a.m.; Dec. 15, CX26, Montevideo, 1050 kc., 3-4 a.m.; Dec. 16, OAX, Lima, Peru, 790 kc., 4-5 a.m.; Dec. 17, HJN, Bogota, 685 kc., 4-5 a.m."

"Note I have given the stations' local time, because in some cases I am in doubt as to the exact difference between it and your time (N.Z. time)."

Mr. Rawstron also says that none of the stations will verify unless an I.R.C. is sent. "Omsk" (Whakatane): As far as I know, WHEB, Portsmouth, N.H., is still on the air on 740 kc., but he is a day-time station only. Can anyone tell me the call and location of the Chinese (?) station on 610 kc? He was R6 at 2.30 a.m. on Nov. 22, with records, but talk in Chinese only. He was repeating one word a lot, and went off the air before 3 a.m. VK3BH, Mitcham, is now on 250.1 metres.—N. Jenkins (Master-ton).

ZILY, Moulken, on the Air.

VERIFICATION is just to hand from COMK, Moulken, which states that the station will now operate on 900 kc., with the call ZILY, Moulken, Manchou (not Manchuria), and will broadcast news in English on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 9 p.m. I have also at long last received my verification from 5DN, Adelaide, also a card on which they say "comparative strengths of station received in your locality are helpful."—J.P.C. (P.N.).

News and Views

Of the DX Club

JQAK's Schedule.

STATION JQAK states that from October 16, 1931, they have been operating on 645 kc. (465 m.), not 650 kc. (461 m.). Power is $\frac{1}{2}$ kw. Schedule: 6-6.20 a.m., radio gymnastics; 11-11.20 a.m. and 3.30-4 p.m., market prices; 7-9, amusement, weather information, time, etc.—43T (Stratford).

XGOA's Address.

IN a letter recently received from XGOA, address is given as "The Administration of the Central Broadcasting Station,

Southland Branch

THE next meeting of the above branch will be held in Every-body's Hall on Monday, December 5, at 8 p.m.—S. ROBSON, District Secretary.

Palmerston North Branch

ON Thursday, December 15, at the residence of Mr. J. P. Cowlishaw, 157 Bryant Street, Palmerston North.—H. BASSETT, District Secretary.

Gisborne Branch

AT 8 p.m. on Wednesday, December 7, in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Schoolroom, Cobden Street, Gisborne. All dxers are asked to bring along the past month's best verification.—G. H. STEWART, District Secretary.

Central Executive Committee of Kuomin-tang, Nanking, China." Wavelength 440 m. (682 kc.). I would advise any dxer reporting on them to forward a reply coupon, as it cost them 15 cents to answer me.—29W (Wanganui).

XER'S Address.

XER'S address, taken from a recent verification, is: The Villa Acuna Broadcasting Company, Inc., Villa Acuna, Coahuila, Mexico. This was in answer to my third report. This time, however, I enclosed a pamphlet on Dunedin, so evidently it was appreciated.—L.S. (Dunedin).

WGN Ceased Verifying.

STATION XGBL, Shanghai, on 1263 kc. (236.5 m.), recently verified. He also mentioned that he had received several letters from New Zealand reporting on reception of station KRC on 869 kc. (345 m.) and asking for verification. He states that this station has been permanently off the air since October, 1928. In a recent letter, WGN, Chicago, informs me that they have ceased verifying as from last September. WGN, Citizens' Broadcasting Co., Inc., Asheville, N.C., recently verified. They have a splendid stamp. The station director, G. P. Shepherd, asked me for some New Zealand stamps.—91HB (Mohaka).

Empire Short-wave Heard Testing.

AT 2 a.m. on November 24 I heard W3XAL, Boundbrook, New Jersey, on 16.873 m., at R7-8, QSA3, very clearly. I also heard the British Empire short-wave station testing on the Indian zone from 2.30 a.m. to 4.30 a.m. Signals were R8 at first, dropping to R6 at 4.30 a.m. Speech and records were 100 per cent. readable. They were on 25.3 metres, and there was no trace of them on the 16.9 metre band.—83MC (Chch.).

What to Hear in December.

HAS anyone heard the call of the Jap. on 920 kc. (826 m.)? He was audible at 8 p.m. on Nov. 23, heterodyning an American. I have identified the station I was inquiring about on 740 kc. (405 m.) as CJCA. Reception of KFI at midnight. What I meant was that those who rise at that hour and listen in till morning, will probably hear him. Here are a few notes on "What to Hear in December." On Dec. 4 you will hear a special broadcast by KOH on 1380 kc. (217 m.) from 4-5 a.m. E.S.T. On Dec. 6 special programmes will be broadcast by WTBO, 1420 kc. (211 m.) and KPOB from 3-5 a.m. E.S.T. (E.S.T. is 17 hours behind our time.) XED, XEB, and XEO might be heard here on Sunday nights, because they are on late on Saturday nights. Try for the Canadians, as they are heard fairly well at this time of the year. Americans are also good, but are entirely spoilt in this locality by an intense ripple above 1200 kc. Eastern stations, excluding Japan, are very poor at present. Europeans are still good, but are gradually becoming weaker. 15A: Canadian stations are the only ones occupying the 690 kc. channel. Call resembles CFAC—"Omsk" (Whakatane).

Some New VK's.

ACCORDING to a recent verification XGOA has an additional call—XGOB. VK7RY, Devonport, Tasmania, was logged recently though it uses only three watts. VK7GS, Lindisfarne, and VK7LJ, Burnie, can also be picked up now. "Omsk": I will be glad to hear from you when you receive your verification from VAS.—J.P.C. (P.N.).

WSJV's Locality Changed.

CONCERNING WSJV: When listening on Oct. 17 I heard the announcer state that reports were to be sent to some place in Washington, D.C., but on looking up my Call Book—not the latest—I found that the locality given was Alexandria, Virginia, to which address I sent my report. Later I found from a more recent Call Book that the location had been changed to Washington, D.C. I do not hold a verification from this station, Oct. 17 being the first time I have logged him. I have now sent another report to the correct location, B.W. (Stratford): Yes, I was very surprised to find that WFLA addressed me as president of the New Zealand DX Club. On the bottom of my form, which I have duplicated, I have put "Member, N.Z. DX Club" and sometimes "President, Timaru Radio Club." "Bulova": My set is not a superhet. and 3YA is too broad during the day to hear KDKA. I will remember that invitation.—D.N.A. (Timaru).

A European List.

REGARDING "Omsk's" note re Breslau and Goteborg, as I mentioned before, I have frequently heard both stations on the same morning. My set is marked in kilocycles, and I think I have sufficient experience in dinging to know where to find a station on a certain frequency correctly. However, I think J.L.L.'s note in the last "Radio notice" should not be taken of the power listed to European stations, as they are constantly changing; as an instance Naples is supposed to be 1.5 k.w., but I have heard this station on numerous occasions lately at such good volume that the power must be at least 10 k.w., the call "Roma-Napoli" being heard by me on several occasions.

The following European stations have been heard in Invercargill several weeks ago and can be taken as correct:—

Budapest, 545 k.c.	Graz, 852 k.c.
Sundsvall, 554 k.c.	Barcelona, 860 k.c.
Vienna, 580 k.c.	Leningrad, 860 k.c.
Brussels No. 1, 589 k.c.	Strasbourg, 869 k.c.
Nijni Novgorod, 598 k.c.	Brno, 878 k.c.
Florence, 599 k.c.	Brussels No. 2, 885 k.c.
Prague No. 1, 614 k.c.	Milan, 905 k.c.
North Regional, 625 k.c.	Paris, 914 k.c.
Langenburg, 635 k.c.	Breslau, 923 k.c.
Lyons, 644 k.c.	Goteborg, 932 k.c.
Beromunster, 653 k.c.	Naples, 941 k.c.
Odessa, 666 k.c.	Genoa, 959 k.c.
Rome, 680 k.c.	Zagreb, 977 k.c.
Stockholm, 689 k.c.	Bordeaux, 986 k.c.
Belgrade, 696 k.c.	Tallinn, 1004 k.c.
Moscow Stalin, 707 k.c.	Hilversum, 1013 k.c.
Berlin, 716 k.c.	Hosice, 1022 k.c.
Katowice, 734 k.c.	Vilpuri, 1031 k.c.
Sottens, 743 k.c.	Copenhagen, 1067 k.c.
Midland Regional, 752 k.c.	Bratislava, 1076 k.c.
Bucharest, 761 k.c.	Heilsburg, 1085 k.c.
Leipzig, 770 k.c.	Turin, 1094 k.c.
Toulouse, 779 k.c.	Bari, 1113 k.c.
Levov, 788 k.c.	Morasko-Ostrava, 1137 k.c.
Helinski, 815 k.c.	London National, 1147 k.c.
Algiers, 825 k.c.	Frankfurt, 1157 k.c.
Muhlacker, 833 k.c.	Horby, 1167 k.c.
London Regional, 843 k.c.	Trieste, 1211 k.c.
	Nurnberg, 1256 k.c.
	Fecamp, 1364 k.c.

All stations given above can be taken as definite, with one possible exception, Copenhagen. I held a station on its frequency of 1067 kc. for one hour, but was unable to catch a call. Lady announcer was heard, but whether this is Copenhagen or not I cannot say. The Italian stations have gone off in strength lately, but the English, French and German stations have improved in volume. London National has been excellent.—S. Robson.

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