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Headquarters: 265 Stilwell Road Hamburg, New York

Dear Members,

Just before press time this month (minutes before), our typewriter here at headquarters broke down. For this reason, the bulletin will be late, and we will not be able to include all the information usually included in this part of the bulletin. Next month all information not mentioned here, will be published.

- New members-
- 70. Frank Lenzioszk, East Hampton, Mass.
 - 71. Larry Marshall, Devils Lake, North Dakota
 - 72. Jerry Kosch, Toledo, Ohio
 - 73. Harry T. Stout, Elizabethton, Tenn.
 - 74. David Knowlton, Manchester, New Hampshire.
 - 75. Detlef Schuler, GDR/Germany
- Renewing are-
- 9. Dorsey E. Wood, two years.
 - 10. Ralph Kerstein, one year.

Club QSL cards are now available to all members. Order from headquarters at \$.35 per fifty cards, postpaid. Maximum order, 50 cards per order. We put this condition on the cards as not to delete our supply faster than it can be replenished. Place as many orders as you wish.

PLEASE NOTE, ALL MEMBERS AND EDITORS!!! Deadlines are NOT the 5th of the month as stated in this bulletin. Correction is, 10th of each month. (That is for members only, editors deadline to headquarters remains the same!!!!)

73,

Richard D. Roll
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SHORT WAVE SECTION

N O R T H A M E R I C A N S H O R T W A V E A S S O C I A T I O N
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Once again we have lots of reports but from only a few members. Special thanks are extended to George Buchanan of Webster Groves, Mo, and Alan Roth of Bridgeport, Conn., who are not members, but were kind enough to send me reports. Now for the scoreboard totals:

	STNS HRD	QSL	COUNTRIES HRD	QSL
Orcutt	290	92	95	69
Arthur	113	27	46	25
Derrickson	??	??	50	20

Without any further ado, lets get on the reports. TIMES ARE GMT.

ANDORRA- Radio Andorra International logged at 2215 w/ID in Ger, Sp, Fr, and Eng on 6197 kcs. (ROTH)

ANGOLA- CR6RD, 7160 kcs (first time ever hrd on this fq!), fair to poor at 0605 w/Pt mx & ann // 9665 which was fair.... CR6RF, ~~5042~~ 5042 kcs (also first time hrd here), weat at 0614 w/Pt mx (BUCHANAN) Emisora Oficial, Luanda, hrd on 17705 kcs at 2245 s/off in Pt (ROTH)

ARGENTINA- RAE, Buenos Aires, hrd at 2225 on 9680 kcs w/folk mx and excellent sigs. (GEISE)

BOLIVIA- Radio La Cruz del Sur, La Paz, 4985 kcs, fair to poor at 1103 w/opening anmts in Spanish; then mx. (BUCHANAN)

BRASIL- ZYZ5, 4985, weak 0920 in Pt; fair 1004 recheck... ZYI21, 4935, weak at 0921 in Pt... ZYZ30, 4875, fair 0925 in Pt... ZYR61, 4855, fair at 0926 in Pt... ZYU8, 4845, fair to poor at 0937 in Pt... ZYB22, 4895, good 1006 w/Pt ID. (BUCHANAN) ZYR78, Radio Bandeirantes, Sao Paulo, logged at 0100 on 11925 kcs w/Pt mx. Good Sigs. (ORCUTT)

BURMA- Burma B/C Service, ~~4725~~, 4725, weak 1131-1200 fade out w/native mx & ann in Burmese. First time hrd on this fq. (BUCHANAN)

AUSTRALIA- Radio Australia has begun new xmsns on 15375 from ~~0100-0400~~ // 17870. 15375 weak, 17870 not audible. (ROTH) Sri this is out of place. Ed.

CAMEROUN- Radio Yaounde, hrd on 4970, at 2230 s/off in Fr. Excellent signals. (ROTH)

CANADA- CBC, Montreal, hrd on 5970 at 2200 vy strong w/ mx & comm. (Geise) In a later report from Al Roth, this stn is hrd on 6120 at 2200... CJCX, Sydney, hrd on 6010 kcs at 2345 in Eng. (ARTHUR)

CHILE- Corp Chilena B/C, Santiago, hrd at 2300-0000 on the new fq of 15313 kcs in Sp. (ROTH)

CHINA- Radio Peking hrd on 11885 at 0150-0155 s/off w/good sigs, some QRM and QSB (Arthur) Peking on 7035 weak 1019 w/oriental mx and on 7195 fair 1021 in Eastern lang. (BUCHANAN) Hrd on 7035 at 2200 in Spanish. (ROTH)

- CONGO REP- Radio Brazzaville hrd on 11725 kcs at 2353 w/poor sigs. (ARTHUR) Also hrd on 9730 kcs; fair 0522 w/nx Eng. Het QRM (BUCHANAN)
- CUBA- Radio Habana hrd on 11840 kcs at 2200 w/nx and usual trash. Good sigs 20 over 9. (GEISE)
- DAHOMEY- Radio Dahomey, Cotonou, 4875 (replacing 4870), excellent 0603 w/Eng lesson. (BUCHANAN) Hrd at 06:15 ending this pgm w/ann in Fr. Orch mx followed. Same fq (ORCUTT)
- ECUADOR- HCJB, Quito, hrd on 11912 kcs at 2150 w/rel pgms (GEISE)
HCLMQ, on 4780 kcs hrd at 0500-0515 w/good sigs in Sp... HCOB5, hrd at 0645-0815 on 5105 kcs w/Sp pgms. Vy strong. Sounded more like 50 KW instead of .300 KW. (BUCHANAN) Radio Catolica, HCRP1, Quito, hrd on 5010 kcs at 0200 w/Sp nx... Radio Cuenca in Cuenca hrd on 5910A kcs at 0520 w/Sp mx & ann. Not listed in WRH... La Voz del Norte, HCDF1, Ibarra, hrd on 5860 kcs at 0458 w/LA mx... Radio Ondas Azuayas, HCJC5, Cuenca, hrd on 4980 kcs at 0335 w/Sp inst mx. Mentions Radio Atahualpa often as this stn belongs to that netw... La Voz del Rio Tarqui, HJCA5, Cuenca, hrd on 3990 kcs at 0519 w/Sp mx... HCPS5, Radio Ondas Canarias, Azogues, hrd on 5250 kcs at 0550 w/La mx... Radio Iris, HCDY4, Esmeraldas, hrd on 3945 kcs at 0430 w/La instrumental mx. (ORCUTT)
- EGYPT- Radio Cairo hrd on 15210 kcs at 2000 in Arabic (ROTH) Also hrd on 11915 kcs at 2145-2235 in Ara. Gud sigs. (ARTHUR)
- FIJI ISLANDS- FEC, Suva, hrd from 0930-1000 on 4758 kcs w/ID in Eng at 1000. (ROTH)
- FORMOSA-(Taiwan)- The Voice of Free China, Taipei, hrd from 1030-1055 on 9685 w/gud sigs in Eng. (ROTH) BBC on 6095 kcs at 0943. Gud sigs w/oriental mx & ann in language //7130 (Fair) (BUCHANAN)
- FRENCH GUINEA- Radio Cayenne on 6175 kcs fair to good at 1015 s/on w/guitar IS, Fr Nat Anth., & Fr ID; then mx. (BUCHANAN)
- GABON- Radio Libreville on 4777 kcs hrd at 2300 s/off in Fr w/fair to poor sigs. (ROTH)
- GHANA- Radio Ghana, Accra, on 21670 kcs hrd 1745-1806 s/off w/fair sigs and much QRM. (ARTHUR)
- HAITI- La Voix de Ave Maria, Cap-Hatien on 6100 at 2330 in Fr (ROTH)
- HONDURAS- Radio Comayaguela, HRXW2, on 6110 kcs fair 0402 s/off in Sp. (BUCHANAN)(ORCUTT) HRUC, on 6155 kcs at 0430 w/nx. Seema to be Pro-Castro judging from the "news" program in which the U.S. was attacked. (BUCHANAN) Radio Juventud, HRQW; Tela, hrd on 4980A kcs at 2228 w/LA mx. Seems to have moved from 4995. (ORCUTT)
- IRAQ- Radio Baghdad on 6153 kcs at 0300 w/nx in Ara. Also on 9635 kcs at 2030 in Fr. (ROTH)
- ISRAEL- Kol Israel, Tel Aviv, on 9009 kcs at 2015-2045 in Eng. Fair signals. (ARTHUR)
- JAPAN- NHK, on 16 MB hrd at 0030 w/poor sigs. (ARTHUR)
- KOREA, NORTH- Radio Pyongyang, 6250A kcs, at 0946 in Korean (BUCHANAN)

LEBANON- Lebanese B/C System, 15295 kcs, fair 2108 w/Eng ID & nx.

LIBERIA- A new public non-commercial service broadcasting station is operating from Liberia. The Radio Voice of the Holy Cross Mission in Bolahun operates daily 1945 to 2145 except Sunday 1915 to 2215. Dual xmsns on 3240 and 4800 kcs. Power is 500 watts. Credit for this is given to my Uncle, Reverend Joseph Smyth, who is the head missionary at the Holy Cross Mission in Bolahun. (Editor)

MALI- Radio Mali, Bamako, 4835 kcs hrd at 0626 fair w/native mx //7145 kcs. (BUCHANAN)

MONACO- Trans World Radio, Monte Carlo, hrd on 7315 kcs at 2000 s/off in Eng. Asked for reports. (ROTH)

MOROCCO- Radio Maroc, Rabat, hrd on 15345 from 2130-2200 w/Eng nx at 2200 (ROTH)

MOZAMBIQUE- CR7BV, 4835, very strong (best signal ever) 0412 w/Eng and Afrik ann, commercials and pop mx. (BUCHANAN)

NETH. NEW GUINEA- R.O.N.G., 7190 kcs, fair but badly QRMd in Dutch at 1201. (BUCHANAN)

NIGERIA- Nigerian B/C Corp., Lagos, on 4990 kcs at 0606 in Eng with local nx. Fair to poor. (ORCUTT)

PAKISTAN- Radio Pakistan on 11672 kcs hrd from 2010 to 2030 s/off in Eng. Moderate QRM. (ARTHUR)

PERU- OBX4M, 5980 kcs, good 0532-0559 s/off in Sp... OAX4K, Radio Central, 9540 kcs, poor 0527 in Sp. (BUCHANAN) Radio Nacional Iquitos, OAX8C, on 9610 kcs at 0354 s/off in Sp... Radio El Sol, OBX4C, Lima, on 15170 kcs at 2259 in Sp w/commercials & ann... Radio Piura, OAX1B, Piura, hrd on the new fq of 5705A kcs, at 0400 w/LA mx (ORCUTT)

PORTUGAL- Emissora Nacional, Lisbon, is back on 6185 from 9740 kcs, although it still anncs the latter fq. Noted at 0200 //6025. (ROTH)

SARAWAK- Radio Sarawak, 4950 kcs, fair to poor 1156 w/oriental mx. No sign of Radio Sabah on 4970. (BUCHANAN)

/ BUCHANAN

SIERRA LEONE- SLBS, 3316 kcs, fair at 0610 w/organ mx, Eng annmts.

SOUTH AFRICA- Radio S. Africa, 3316 kcs, fair at 0420 in Eng w/stock market quotations;..3250 fair to poor w/Commercial Sve at 0422;... 4895 fair at 0455 in Afrikaans. (BUCHANAN) Also on 9680 fair to poor 0539 w/Eng political talk. (BUCHANAN)

SPAIN- Voice of Spain, Madrid, hrd on 9360 kcs at 2217 w/nx,mx(GEISE)

SUDAN- Radio Omdurman, Khartoum, logged at 0400 on 5015 in Ara (ROTH)

TOGO- Radio Togo, Lome, 5047 kcs, fair 0606 w/Fr nx. (BUCHANAN)

TUNISIA- Radio Tunis, noted at 2300 on 6095 kcs in Ara. (ROTH)

VENEZUELA- Radio Nacional Venezuela, Caracas, logged at 0130 on 6170 w/Eng on Mondays only. QRM fm SBC on 6165. (ROTH) YVOA, 4830, fair at 1100 in Sp relaying Radio Rumbos. (BUCHANAN)

VIETNAM, NORTH- Voice of Vietnam, Saigon, 9840 kcs, waek at 1213 with talk in lingo. //9755 not heard. (BUCHANAN)

VOLTA REP- Radio Haute Volta, Ouagadougou, 4815 kcs, fair at 0602 w/opening annmts in Fr. (BUCHANAN)

WINDWARD ISLANDS- WIBS, Grenada, 9500 kcs (NEW), strong but QRMed 0220 to past 0300 w/test xmsn to N. Am.; calypso mx w/frequent annmts & IDs all Eng. (BUCHANAN)

UNIDENTIFIED- Station on 7140 noted around 1215 w/non stop pop mx and fair signals. (BUCHANAN) Stn on 4945A at 0500 w/Eng mx and comms, blocked at 0506 by RTTY stn. Probably Springbok Radio. Also one on 4890A at 0500 w/Eng nx. Fair sigs. Mx at 0514. Nairobi??? (ORCUTT)

I'd like to extend my greetings to Rich Derrickson of Alexandria, Virginia. I hope you'll report every month, Rich, as we need more DX reports for the section.

Rich sent the following QSL times:
 ORU, 50 days; Cairo, 17 Days; VOA Tangier, 20 days; Amman, 4 months; Melbourne, 1 year; Stockholm, 1 month; Hilversum, 1 month; Sofia, 3 months; Copenhagen, 4 months; Havana, 3 months; WRUL, 1 month, Bucharest, 3 months.

If you other reporters will send the same type of info, I'll use it to fill space. Schedules are also appreciated.

CREDITS ARE GIVEN TO THE FOLLOWING REPORTERS:

Ron Geise, Beloit, Wisconsin
 Rich Derrickson, Alexandria, Virginia
 John Arthur, Endwell, N.Y.
 George Buchanan, Webster Groves, Missouri (Non Member)
 Alan Roth, Bridgeport, Connecticut (Non Member)
 Your Editor

NOVEMBER

DEADLINE FOR THE ~~NOVEMBER~~ ISSUE IS OCTOBER 6. ANY REPORTS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE WILL BE HELD OVER UNTIL THE NEXT MONTH. SINCE I'M LATE IN SUBMITTING THE STENCILS THIS MONTH, I HAVE TO CALL FOR AN EARLIER DEADLINE. REMEMBER TO REPORT IN GMT.

Till the next time - vy best 73s and gud DXing.

Good luck,

Rich

---FRIENDSHIP CORNER---

NORTH AMERICAN SHORTWAVE ASSOCIATION

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Along about this time of year, unless your QTH is in Florida or California, you are probably aware that old man winter will soon be here with his blankets of white and blasty breezes. However, in most cases, the winter season is welcomed heartily by the majority of swls because it tends to bring about better DX conditions. Then too, we spend more time in our shacks pursuing our hobby. So, no matter you be a digger of DX from the BCB, the SWBCB's or the HAM bands, or even a combination of either/all; Take time out from spinning your dials and make a few new friends via cardswaps or magnetic QSO. Not only will you find it fun, but also rewarding and pleasurable..... in many ways for many days. Add to your DX totals, by all means, but also increase your friendships, promote goodwill and understanding amongst the world of swls!

CARD SWAPS

First, as has been the custom of this section, let us greet the latest OM's to join us; And take it from me, they are all FB. 'Tis a real pleasure to welcome each of them.

1. JIM HINES, Rural Route #1, Montour, Iowa.....Although Jim isnt one of the older OM's in the hobby, he has made many new friends already and has become known even in certain European countries. This lil ole "Cornhusker" is an attribute to any club!
2. STEVE RAICHE, 20 Oak Bluff, East Longmeadow, Mass.....Here is one of the most avid and astute BCB DXers around, has the totals to prove it too! Steve is the kind of OM who does his best in all his endeavours whatever they might be. WELCOME OB!!
3. NEAL GREGORY, 5975 S.W.91st.Ave., Portland 25, Oregon.....If I'm not mistaken, Neal is our first member from out in the northwest. No doubt he will be reporting all kinds of DX hrd in the Pacific areas. Was told condx are FB out thatta way. Watsa OM?
4. LARRY MARSHALL, Box 291, Devil's Lake, North Dakota.....Another welcomed addition to the membership roster. Altho there are other N.D. swls, here is one you can rely on to QSL 100% every time. A real compliment to the "Sioux State" and good ole NASA!
5. JERRY KOSCH, 5321 Banbury Street, Toledo 15, Ohio.....This OM, like so many others from his home state, has gotta be FB. Hope to be seeing your name in the DX sections Jerry; Build your QSL totals by keeping that AR-3 humming. It can do it!!
6. FRANK LENDZIOSZEK, 54 Mount Tom Avenue, Easthampton, Mass.....No newcomer to the ranks of swling or cardswapping is this FB OM as many of you know. I'm sure you will agree with me in saying it is great to have such as he join us in NASA. Yezzir!!!!

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NOTES & QUOTES.....(Just a cotton-pickin minute...let me list the credits for the preceding QRA/QTH's!!)

A-Direct	L-Frank Lendzioszek	S-John Arthur	*-Editor
B-Bill Hutchinson	Q-Larry Marshall	T-Jim Hines	
H-Dave Hailey	Q-Neal Gregory	V-Warren Anderson	
K-Bill Crook	R-Gary Rolison	W-Bill Willis	

Now to the Notes & Quotes.....Jim Creek(in list) is a new swapper and this is the first official listing of him in any bulletin!! Once other clubs get hold of his QRA and/or his QTH is passed by other OM's, he will undoubtedly get swamped with swaps, so best you hurry. And be sure you send him some words of welcome, not just a "cold" card! Be a friendly swl, not just a swapper!!! Make your cards pay off in friendships!!!.....I had hoped to have definate info on that KH6 swapper I mentioned last month, but to date I am still QRX. I am in contact (via mail) with his sister however. (Hi!) and am trying to talk her into joining our lil ole hobby. (She is 18 in case you are wondering!! and NO, she does not want anymore penpals.) I'll keep you posted...on the cardswap deal that is!! Hi!.....Clayton Woodward, Palmer, Alaska is now a registered monitor. I got him a PE call and ordered cards for him. By the time you get this bulletin, he will be KL7PE2Q and will have cards. He is another OM who will be swamped with swaps once his QTH gets around. It is always kinda nice however, to know that with a bit of kindness and an offer of friendship, he and a few other OM's have become interested in swapping. I dont want any tnx or anything such for helping these OM's, I have been thanked threefold already, in ways some of you wouldnt understand, yet others of you fathom quite well. A wonderous things, kindness and friendship!!! Why not try it?!! Not only is it an attribute to you, but also to our hobby and club. More friendship and less controversy/antagonism is what we need! No matter what club(s) you are a member of, promote friendship, good will and understanding; In time it will prove most beneficial to us all!.....Swappers Bill Crook and Roger McNicoll (both in list) are co-sponsoring an award that many of you may be interested in. It is for swapping all Canadian call areas ("SACCA"). For complete deatils, er details, drop either of these two OM a card (plus a card or stamp for reply)..... (cont'd)

.....Cards can now be purchased from club headquarters! They are the "blank" type which can be used for either cardswaps or reports to hams. I am not certain of the prices at this time, but perhaps President Roll will have that info in another part of this bulletin.....I understand that our HamBand editor, Gary Rolinson, is leaving us to serve in Uncle Sam's Navy; Altho we dislike seeing him leave, I am sure he will make us all proud that he was once part of lil ole NASA. Gary will long be a part of swing because he has made so many friends through it and altho he is not active in it anymore, he will be remembered and respected by many fellow-hobbiests the world over. So, to a swell guy, a sincere swl and now a "wearer of Navy blues", we extend the very best of wishes for luck, success and happiness. May your course run true and your waters be calm ole buddy!.....Cardswapper and NASA member Greg Gordon is now the President of the Ohio Valley Shortwave Club (OVSWC). We wish him and his new organization the best of luck and success. It's a long hard struggle to get a club going these days and an even more difficult struggle to keep it going. A sample copy of the OVSWC bulletin can be had by sending 10¢ to Greg at - 1037 Ravenswood Drive, Evansville, Indiana. You might swap cards with him at the same time you write for a sample bulletin!.....Altho Jim Ekblom-WPE3BPJ, 1141 Hadtner Avenue, Williamsport, Pa. is not a member of NASA, I thought some of you might like to know he challenges any/all swls to a battle of chess via mail. His only request is that you be 18 or over since he is 22 and sez he wouldnt like to risk getting beat by a young OM. Hi! Sure would like to see someone "whip his pants off" at chess, I failed in my first try with him!(But I've plenty of excuses! Hi hi!).....New member Steve Raiche (in list) has been able to fulfill his quest of collecting license plates from all 50 states. FB and congrats Ol, now why not try for all VE provinces? Our fellow-swls from up that way are a real friendly group and I am sure you would find many of them quite willing to help you!.....Guess that does it till next month!!!!

TAPE TALKS

First of all I want to clear up any possible wrong assumptions as regards the Reel of Friendship(s) I have been mentioning in this column; Please know that none of these reels are connected with any certain/particular/specific club!!! Last month I may have given you the impression that the NASA had its own reel and that the ASWLC had its own also; What I meant to get across was that I sent invitations to various members of each of these clubs and since those of NASA did not respond as I had hoped, I added the few who did, to the reel which contained segments sent in by the members of ASWLC. All three of the "ROF" are comprised of members of many assorted clubs...not just one! The purpose of the "ROF" is to promote friendship between the members of ALL clubs!!! ~~TNK!~~ (Incidentally, if you never rcvd an invitation to join the "ROF", it is because I am unaware that you have a recorder; Thus, if you wish info, pse drop me a card and I will gladly send you the instructions and a reel!)

And now for the latest list of "yakkers" to submit their data. Instead of the way I had been doing it, I am now going to try this new set-up...let me know what you tink of it.(All OM's prefer 3" reels recorded at 3.75 ips monodual-track unless noted.)

Name	QRA/QTH	Make/Model Recorder
John T. Arthur	3004 Watson Blvd., Endwell, N.Y.	Kraemer "Standard"
Steve Raiche	20 Oak Bluff, E. Longmeadow, Mass.	Ampro "48"
John Harvey	4957 Creek Rd., Leviston, N.Y.	Webcor "Viscount"
Dave Alessi	2709 W. 11th St., Erie, Pa.	Webcor "Stero-Lite"
Jeff Mazer	4325 Glenlytle, Pittsburgh, Pa.	Webcor "Royalite"
Dan Weinstein	1134 Waban Hill, Madison, Wisc.	Webcor "Microcorder"
Odis Woodward	2092 Evelyn, Memphis, Tenn.	Realistic (???)
Larry Marshall	Box 291, Devils Lake, No. Dak.	Recordio "RK-400"(?) Realistic
Jim Ekblom	1141 Hadtner Ave., Williamsport, Pa.	Keystone "400"
Gene McGahey	P.O. Box 206, Isola, Miss.	Webcor "Regent Coronet"
Bob Daigler	Niagara County, Burt, N.Y.	RCA "SRT-301"
Doug Hart	201 So. West St., Crawfordsville, Ind.	Pentron "Triumph"

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Like Hi Again! --

How's DX? It's pretty good if it is the same at your QTH as it was here. Seems as though the cooler weather is bringing in those long ones quite well. Before we get down to business there is something very important which I must disclose. As much as I regret my having to do so, I must render my job as Ham-band Editor. The reasons are varied and also numerous, but they all make it entirely impossible for me to continue in my present position. In other words, I got snatched--by Uncle Sam that is. A recommendation has already been made for a replacement, the decision is to the discretion of your President. Anyhoo... I must regretfully say that this will be my last section, until I may someday resume my present status. As much as I don't want to, I must. Many factors concerning my home life, and not too distant future, are what I must consider first, and unfortunately and regretfully, my position as editor second. Le fin.

Members will

DX'ing Tips-- Sending reports and receiving QSL cards.

There are perhaps many a frustrated SWL who consistently sends out SWL reports to hams, by the dozens, and finds only a rare few that trickle back with a confirmation. This my friends can be due to many overlooked shortcomings in the manner in which one sends an SWL report. Not like a broadcast station, a ham is not mainly concerned with what exactly his transmissions carried, program or message wise. He is more interested in the readability, strength, and quality of his signals. Therefore, if the information included in your report is that which is the most beneficial, the chance of getting a QSL is not quite so small. As a sidelight to this, once I heard a ham on the air commenting on an SWL report he had received. It seems to me that the poor soul had not been accustomed to reporting in the RST system and had given a report something like this: "Ur sigs in hr Q9 R2Q S5 and T 15 over" I thought I would swallow my headphones as I heard him ridicule said SWL. He also commented that he would get no QSL card from me for a report like that.

Therefore, include in your reports, things that would interest him, and aid him in the operation of his station, rather than a lot of comment on, and a complete resume of everything he said, and your agreements or disagreements. Nothing is more provoking to the average radio amateur than a useless SWL report. Moreover, along these same lines, it is much better to write a letter, and include your report in it, than to send just an SWL card report. SWL card reports do not and cannot contain enough information to be beneficial to the receiver. Hams also appreciate postage, something which cannot be included if just a card is to be sent. Here's an almost sure fire trick for getting QSL cards. Include a stamped self-addressed envelope, where all else fails..this will work. Also since foreign hams usually QSL to the American hams they work through the ARRL Bureau, they are not accustomed to QSL'ing direct. If you wish them to do so, it is best to indicate such and include postage for them in the form of a couple of International Reply Coupons (IRC) and a self-addressed envelope, addressed in the proper manner. A couple of times I have received pennants and picture post cards in addition to a QSL card from foreign hams. They really appreciate your thoughtfulness in most cases.

We have a few reports to include, also may I say that 15 Meters has picked up quite a bit since the weather has been cooler. Note editors report.

The first report this month comes from Ronald Geise, Route 2, Newark Rd., Beloit, Wis. Ron is using a SX-110 and a 140 foot long wire. As K9FPM he is a VHF man, but for SWL'ing he prefers the lower freqs. On 20 CW Ron reports TG9AD, XE10K, F2BCK, and ~~KEXX~~ VP9HK. On 15 CW ~~XXKG4AM~~. Can't seem to get things straight here, hi. Thanks for the nice report Ron, and I hope you will be reporting into the Ham-Band section in the future.

Seem as though I've seen this name somewhere before, here's a report from John T. Arthur, 3004 Watson Blvd., Endwell, N.Y. Glad you dropped us a line John. The rx at this QTH is a Lafayette KT-320 w/HE-11 fed by a 50 foot longwire, running N-S. John listens mainly to 20 Meter phone and reports the following: EA3JE, SM2JKO, CO8JK, ~~K0UMH~~/VO1, CX1CA, G5JO, and CT1's. Bands also full of American stations with an occasional VE1-8-2. Thanks for the dandy report John.

Richard D. Jennings, 3510 College Ave, Beaver Falls, Pa. passes along the following catches from 40 M. CW, CX1BT, KG4BB, WP4BJJ-BJT, KZ5MQ and YV1AB. YV4CI was also heard on 40 M phone with his SX-140 and long wire antenna. Thanks for the swell report Rick.

Your editor has been doing some listening on 15 M CW and comes up with the following: G3LZE, G3PVL, VQ2IE, PI1STG, DL7JX, and WN8DBG/KP4. Late evening listening on the 40 M CW band has shown that 40 really opens up. Heard: ZS1A, ZL1HY, ZL1BK(?) this one was real weak. PY7VST, HK7UL, various YV's, VP4AA and a HH2. The only new one heard on 20 was VQ4RF. Also heard VK2BW on 20 M CW at about 0100 EST.

That's about it fellows and have but one more item before I close. We are asked by our President to please observe deadlines. Remember... Members deadline to section editors is the fifth day of the month before the date of publication, and please observe.

You will no doubt be notified via this bulletin or otherwise about the situation of a new Ham-Band editor.

Very best of luck to all those who graciously gave of their time and effort to help make the Ham-Band section pull through, and keep up the good work for whoever it might be that will replace yours truly.

73 - as always best DX. Au revoir.

Gary J. Rolinson

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TO SCREAM OR NOT TO SCREAM - THAT IS THE QUESTION (?)
Part I

While I don't want to take sides in the argument as to what kind of music is considered to be best, I thought this topic might be of interest -- particularly since this set of circumstances is involved.

It has seemed, yea even been said, that Rock and Roll music is standing on its last legs. Many stations have stopped programming said music and switched to "Real music". (We will cover one such station in the next issue.) However, what set of circumstances would prompt a previously "Real Music" station to switch to Rock? Let us see.

WENE, an Endicott, N.Y. station, had been a "Real Music" station for five years. Yet on August 20, 1962, they scraped their semi-classical format for a new set of programming -- Rock'n'Roll. An interview was in order.

In a land-line interview with Mr. Gray, General Manager, I learned that the change was due to many reasons; primary of which were: (1) requests from the listeners to change, (2) the fact that surveys showed screamers had better success, and (3) the fact that screamers had more listeners, thus more potential market, thus more income.

How does this effect the other local broadcasters? Well, phone-calls to two other stations (WINR and WEBO) showed that they weren't worried about it at all. In fact WINR's Manager, Mr. Scalen, thought it was rather like a fad -- a gimmic to attract a larger audience; and WEBO's Manager, Mr. Grayson, welcomed the competition. (Mr. Grayson had worked with WENE for several years, switched to WEBO in 1959.) (WINR is a mixed programming station: some semi-classical, some pop; and WEBO is a screamer.)

How will this switch effect have on WMGM's change back to WHM and "Good Music", we will have to wait and see. In the next issue, I hope to be able to discuss WHN's switch. As of now I am awaiting a reply to my letter to them.

GENERAL CHATTER -- Still no word from you members on where/what/how you would like a MWDX contest. Guess I'll just get out the old slide-rule and figure one up.....Congrats to John Harvey on qualifying for the MW award.....73's to all you new members. You're the ones that will make our club the best.....I expected reporting to be at a low ebb during the summer QRN season, but I must say that I didn't expect it to be this bad. We have averaged about three reporters per issue, and no sign of increase. If these DX'ers in Florida and W6-land can pick up the DX, we all should be able to. After all, they're a lot closer to the tropic zone, and there is probably always QRN down there. Let's see what we can do, huh???? END OF SPEECH.....:

MWDXers Scoreboard-- Send your scores along for the next issue.

STATIONS	HRD/Veried	States/Countries	(XXXXX) BEST
B. Eddings-	59/23	14/5	YNOL
R. Derrickson-	89/2	18/8	YNOL
J. Arthur-	360/41	27/8	La Coruna

For your general information, the receivers of those listed above are as follows: Eddings-NC-173 & NC-188; Derrickson-RCA T80; Arthur-Lafayette KT-320 & RCA A-106. (Eddings and I both use 50 foot longwire antennae.)

QSL information-- For your benefit, we have decided to include this as a regular feature. Pse send data on your latest verifications.

WXVA-118 North George St., Charles Town, W.Va., veried w/ 8 1/2" x 11" card, w/ blue & white area map and call letters on front, info on back. (Derrickson)

KFI-141 North Vermont Ave., Los Angeles 54, California, veries by letter and stamp. (Arthur)

XEX-José Maria Marroqui 11, Mexico, D.F., veries w/ XEQ card; blue & white w/ a mike & Mexican sombrero on front, info on back. In Espanol. (Arthur)

CURRENT REPORTS-- These are the latest loggings as received here. All times are EST in the 24 hour system.

ALABAMA-- WAAY-1550, Huntsville, hrd 1820 w/ fair sigs. (4DLT)

ARKANSAS-- KTHS-1090, Little Rock, hrd 2230 w/ St. Louis Cards game, S9 sig. (9JN)

IDAHO-- KRPL-1400, Moscow, hrd 0630 s/on under unknown station (Wilson)

IOWA-- KXEL-1540, Waterloo, hrd 2230-2300 w/ Herbert W. Armstrong, S9 sig. (9JN)

ILLINOIS-- WBBM-780, Chicago, hrd 2230 w/ dance mx. WIND-560, Chicago, hrd 2225 w/ pop mx. WLS-890, Chicago, hrd 2230 w/ Dick Biondi Show. All S9. (9JN) (WLS comes in here from about 2130 - 0530. Biondi comes on 2200-0100. Ed.)

KENTUCKY-- WHAS-840, Louisville, hrd 2230 w/ Billie Mae's mx. (9JN)

MARYLAND-- WDMV-540, Pocomoke City, hrd 1545-1700 w/ mx; nx on the hour. S3-4. (2CLD)

MICHIGAN-- WJBK-1500, Detroit, hrd 1640-1715, w/ mx; nx at 1700. (2CLD)

MINNESOTA-- WCCO-830, Minneapolis, hrd 0318 w/ poor sigs. (Wilson) Hrd 2200 on w/ evening mx, nx, and talk. (2CLD)

MISSOURI-- KWK-1380, St. Louis, hrd 2233 w/ R'n'R mx. S9. (9JN)

MONTANA-- KGVW-630, Belgrade, hrd 0313 Mon. AM w/ FC. (Wilson)

NEW MEXICO-- KENN-1390, Farmington, hrd 0635 w/ country & western mx and ann. in both English and Navaho.

NEW MEXICO-- KARA-1310, Albuquerque, hrd 0650 w/ religious mx. (Wilson)
(con't)

OREGON-- KBND-1110, Bend, hrd 2300, w/ QRM from KRLA, Pasadena. KSHA-
860, Medford, hrd 0445 Wed. w/ FC. (Wilson)

PENNSYLVANIA-- WCOJ-1420, Coatsville, hrd 1850 w/ gud sigs. (4DLT)

TENNESSEE-- WLAC-1510, hrd 1950 w/ fair sigs. (4DLT) Hrd 2254 w/ mx,
S9 sigs. (9JN) Hrd 1850 w/ QRM from WMEX, Boston. (2CLD)

TEXAS-- KCUL-1540, Fort Worth, hrd 1900 w/ poor to fair sigs. (4DLT)

UTAH-- KSUB-590, Cedar City, hrd 0102 w/ FC, Mon. (Wilson)

WASHINGTON-- KWIQ*1260, Moses Lake, hrd 0710 w/ country mx. (Wilson)

WEST VIRGINIA-- WXVA-1559, Charles Town, hrd 1630 w/ gud sigs. (4DLT)

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BRITISH COLUMBIA-- CJOR-600, Vancouver, hrd 0208 s/off. (Wilson)

MANITOBA-- CKY-580, Winnipeg, hrd allnight w/ pop & R'n'R mx. (Wilson)

ONTARIO-- CHML-900, Hamilton, hrd 2000 w/ gud sigs. (4DLT)
CKLW-800, Windsor, hrd 2220 w/ ex sigs. (4DLT)

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BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE-- XEXX-1420, Tijuana, hrd 0240 w/ Spanish pops.
XEMO-860, Tijuana, hrd 0210 w/ albums from a
San Diego nightclub. In English. (Wilson)

BACK TO THE U.S.***--

CALIFORNIA-- KUTY-1470, Palmsdale, hrd 0718 s/on. KVEN-1450, Ventura,
hrd 0700 s/on. KSCO-1080, Santa Cruz now using 10Kw.
daytime, 500w. nites. KDHI-1250, Twentynine Palms, hrd
0232 w/ FC. (Sri OM. Ed.) (Wilson)

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KEY--

w/ - with	ann. - announcements, announcer
mx - music	FC - Frequency Check
nx - news	gud - good
wx - weather	QRM - interference
sig - signal(s)	R'n'R - Rock and Roll
QSB - fading	w. - watts
hrd - heard	
ex - excellent	
s/on - sign on	
Kw - Kilowatts	

MWDXers PROFILE-- (This month we feature Richard Orcutt, our SW Ed.)— (I quote from a letter.) "I've been MWDXing since Feb. 1959. Most of my 455 stations were heard on a variety of different radios, including a 1960 Mercury auto radio, an 11 tube Magnavox hi-fi, a Zenith Trans-Oceanic, a Sentinel transistor, and the latest, a Hammarlund HQ100C. Latin American DX is my specialty, but I keep trying for Radio Luxemburg on 1439 kc., but with no luck! So says our SW Editor. I've been pleased to receive his reports and tips. An FB DXer, if ever there was one.*

CHIT-CHAT-- I suppose that it's only proper to clue you as per what we did this summer. Well, to sum it up in one word, we traveled. We went almost everywhere, did almost everything legal, saw almost all the sights, and came back home flat broke. We left Endwell on June 25th, and returned August 18th. We traveled 13,700 miles, and put more than \$200 on our gasoline credit cards. We went through 20 states, 2 provinces of Canada, and a segment of Mexico. We saw Pikes Peak, Mesa Verde, Organ Pipe Cactus Nat'l Park, Joshua Tree Nat'l Park, Crater Lake (for the second time), the Redwood trees, Mt. Hood, Mt. Rainier, the Century 21 Exposition, Vancouver, Banff, Lake Louise, Glacier Nat'l Park, Craters of the Moon Nat'l Monument, the Rocky Mountains -- both American and Canadian, and loads of realitives. We visited friends and realitives in Augusta, Kansas; Pasadena, Cal; San Jose, Calif; and Fresno, Calif; along with Denver, Colorado. As per the World's Fair; before you ask, it is teffific! It closes September 21st, and YES! It is rather expensive. However, if you've been there I'm sure you'll agree with me that it is very much worth it. If you haven't been there, you should try to arrange to go. It's wonderful. Most of the exhibits were free; some even gave free samples: the Brazilian exhibit gave out samples of Brazialian coffee. I'm very sorry to say that I did not get into the Science Pavilion. Every time I came near the lines were two or three blocks long -- if not longer! I made an effort to contact (via land-line) any fellow SWLs along our route of travel. I didn't do too well -- i.e.- in L.A., I could have called at least two SWLs; and didn't. So from Santa Cruz, I called WPE6BTV in Fresno (for a buck!) and had a nice QSO w/ him. I can reccommend nothing higher than travel to broaden ones outlook on life, relax him, and reinvigorate him. So much for that!!*

PSE TAKE NOTE-- If you have a particular MW station that you would like to see featured in this section, pse send me their call & QTH, and I'll write to them and gather the data. OR, write to them, get the info yourself, and then send it along to me, and I'll make a feature out of it. This feature will start in the January (or possibly December) bulletin, and I would like to have a few stations represented at the start. Write soon!!*

MORE NOTES-- I would like to mention again that I am available to help you, the member, in any way I can. I would be able to help in many ways, but you must come to me with your problem. I can give advise, help with Identifying a station, and many other little things, and I would very much like to. Need help?? Write!*

Well, I am going to try to use the whole allotment (4 pages) from now on. I hope to be able to count on your support.

Best of DX es 73,

Your MW Editor

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Well, here's the second edition of the "NASA Newsroom". We will be running two pages this time. Before getting into the news and comments for this month, let me send out a note of thanks to those members who have submitted items for publication. Your help is much appreciated! I may not be able to use all articles sent in, but I'll do my best. Deadline is the 5th of each month. Now let's get going with those items!

****BRUSSELS--As of Sept. 1st, 1962, the Belgian Radio dropped all English language broadcasts directed to North America. The apparent reason was a lack of interest on the part of listeners here. Presumably the programs in French and Flemish will be continued.

****LONDON--Britain's nuclear disarmament campaigners now have their own clandestine radio station. The station, calling itself "The Voice of Nuclear Disarmament", makes regular broadcasts on the wavelength used by the BBC's television service at the close of television transmissions. According to a reporter who was recently invited to watch a transmission, it has taken two year's work to put the station on the air regularly. Broadcasts are made from houses of sympathizers, arrangements being made by coded telephone messages. Programs consist of talks, interviews, and recordings. Broadcasts are at present confined to the Greater London area, but the organizers are reported to have plans for expansion to other areas. (The OAS used this same technique of pirating TV audio frequencies for clandestine broadcasts in Algeria during the recent conflict there.-Ed.)

****VIENNA--Czechoslovakia has built a jamming station to jam the Austrian Radio, the Vienna Socialist party newspaper Arbeiterzeitung recently reported. The station, near the Austrian-Czechoslovak border makes it impossible for Czechs to receive Austrian programs, the paper added. (That's all we need...another jammer on the airwaves!--Ed.)

(THANKS to ALAN ROTH of ASWLC for his permission to use the above.)

****ATTENTION HAMS!--A fourth edition of "Priest and Religious Ham Operators" callbook is due to be published this fall. All those listed by Fr. Jogues Chiocco, O.F.M. Cap. in his fourth edition are to be in this new publication. However, many additions are sought, and assistance is sought. Please send any new calls, names of religious operators, or any information that you might have to: Fr. Aquinas Cox, O.F.M. Cap., K1QVO, St. Anthony Friary, Hudson, New Hampshire. (Thanks for this item to John Cull, of North Abington, Massachusetts.)

****NOTE FROM THE FCC--All those interested in knowing the stand and thoughts of the FCC on "home broadcasting" with phono oscillators and other unlicensed "pee-wee" equipment, should write to them and request Information Bulletin No. 17-G, entitled "Memo To All Young People Interested In Radio". The address is: Federal Communications Commission, Washington 25, D.C. (This is free and quite informative.--Ed.) We may have an article on this in the "Newsroom" later on. Interested?

****OUTLAWS ARE OFF--No, not the TV variety, but the Scandanavian unlicensed floating transmitters Radio Nord and Radio Mercur. They were reported off the air following passage... (continued on Page Two.....)

(Outlaws cont.)...of laws banning them in Swedish and Danish parliaments.
(Richard Derrickson, Radio Sweden & Ed.)

NASA SPECIAL**** "Contemplating The Sky" by Bill Eddings...Altoona, Penn.

"Lying flat on my back, gazing into the night-sky while spending a few relaxed hours at the cottage recently, I was surprised to see a tiny star zip across the heavens. But it wasn't a star really and it wasn't my first sighting of it...No, it wasn't a plane at a height no plane has flown! It was nothing but an old "friend", the Echo satellite! The 100" diameter balloon, launched two years ago...still sailing along in orbit. It's quite a contrast to the other intricate metallic machines circling in their orbits; it's filled with nothing but emptiness! TV signals were once bounced off its aluminum coating, but the pictures were "uggy" compared to those recently via Telstar! Echo's chief function seems to be just for people to see, and talk about, aside from something for scientists to track. Anyway, it's a real achievement in itself to have something up there which is so easy to understand these days of complicated scientific gadgetry!" (Many thanks, Bill, for this interesting "first-person" article! How about receiving similar from some more of you guys?)

SPOTLIGHT**** (A Profile of NASA Members) This month: Rich Derrickson

Hey fellows! Meet Richard Derrickson of 305 Jefferson Avenue, in Alexandria, Virginia! Dick is sixteen, and is currently holding down the pretty rough job of being a high-school student. For SWLing, he uses a 23 year old RCA T-80, covering 3 bands: 540-1720 kcs.---2300-7500 kcs. ---and 7000-23000 kcs. The receiver is old, but in Dick's words, "it still works OK." The T-80 employs a built-in antenna. During his "SWL life" of about 1½ years, he has logged 37 countries and verified 10 of them. Here are some of Dick's personal observations about SWLing, his favorite bands and stations: "I like the 31 and 25 metre band best of all. Next would be the 19 metre band, then the 49 metre band. The 31 metre band is probably the most crowded and jammed, but there is more to listen for I think...more than half of my loggings came from it....about my favorite station, I like the CBC's "Listeners Corner" most but Switzerland rates first in my book for the best programs. Next would be the Netherlands and Australia. I'd say Sierra Leone is my best DX heard. I picked them up shortly after I got the rcvr., and before I knew about real SWLing. One day in school, I picked up the "Popular Electronics". I and found the SW section, so now I'm in the SW hobby. After I heard of QSL's, I tried to pick up Sierra Leone again, but no luck. I'd like to have a few external antennae but there isn't room here for them. I've read about that indoor SW "rabbit ears" type of antenna, but it's rather expensive and probably wouldn't do much better than the one now in use." ...Well, thanks, Dick, for the interesting info and comments! Here's wishing you the best of DX (including Sierra Leone!) and best of 73's. (I'd like to receive info from more of you to be used in "Spotlight".OK?) Anybody have any ideas or opinions about the "rabbit ears" type of SW antenna mentioned above? How do they compare with out-door antennae??) ||||...Well, that's just about all we'll have space for this time. Watch for the "Newsroom" next month, and meanwhile, keep those letters coming! Tell me what you want to read in this section, and what criticisms you have. So 'till November, best of 73's. Let's hear from you by letter, or if you'd like, by tape at 3¼ or 7½ ips. Muchas gracias! Ron Luyster.