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We're back to desktop publishing for this issue and perhaps the next, but it's going to be a month-to-month situation. Regardless of input medium, however, we'll endeavor to bring you the latest and best DX loggings. You can help by reporting same.

The new *Passport to World Band Radio* arrived in today's mail, and we can safely say that Larry Magne, Tony Jones and their crew have come up with another winner. Run, do not walk, to your local bookstore for a copy (or order one through the mail).

We join in wishing Jerry Berg a well-deserved "retirement" after eight outstanding years as LR-B editor. There's probably no truth to the rumor that his QSL museum has grown to the point that it's taken over all the space in his house, forcing Jerry and his family to move into a pup tent in the back yard.

Tnx to this month's reporters: **Rowland ARCHER**, Raleigh NC ... **Rufus JORDAN**, Pittsburgh PA ... **Chris LOBDELL**, Wilmington MA ... **César OBJIO**, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

ANGOLA: Em. Reg. do Lobito — Presumed this on **7152** (down from 7172) around 2235 with orchestral selections dual 6152 (Benguela). Both freqs rather weak and unstable amid unsettled conditions. Interesting they'd move to exactly 1 MHz below Benguela. (*BH 9/11*)

BRAZIL: Rdif. do Amazonas — On **4805** with messages to people near the Manaus area, including someone in Rio Negro; at 0055 ID. Clear, steady signal. (*Objío 8/26*) ... **R. Nacional, Boa Vista** — On **4875** at 0105 with seeming ads and messages: "atención" ["atenção"] heard several times. (*Objío 8/26*) ... **R.Clube do Pará** — On **4885** heard to 0335; this is past usual s/off time per '88 WRTH. (*Objío 8/26*)

COLOMBIA: La Voz del Rio Arauca — On **4895** with IDs of "La Voz del Rio Arauca, 1110 en su dial." Like a local here evenings. (*Objío*) ... **R. Nueva Vida** — On **5567**, presumed this from 0115; religious broadcast with choral music and references to "la palabra de dios." At 0200 closing announcements with big reverb "atención" and address of Apartado Aereo 400, Cucutá, Colombia. (*Archer 8/29*)

FIJI: University of South Pacific — On **9070** from 0500 with woman calling other university stations "from Suva," etc. Male professor picking up at 0506 with lecture, including 2-way transmissions with questions from students at other universities. About 50% copy; best just before 0558*. Hate to say it, but this seems to be in the ute category rather than SWBC. (*Archer 8/22*)

GUAM: KSDA — On **11980** from 1017 with English lessons in Standard Chinese; at 1059 full English ID, then more Chinese. Under USSR till 1057, then in clear. (*Lobdell 8/30*)

HONDURAS: Sani R. — On **4755** at 0034 with religious programs. English IDs, songs in Spanish. Good

but mixing with co-channel *Cinaruco*. (*Objio 8/26*) ...*La Voz Evangélica* — On 4820 at 0511* announcing freqs of 1310 kHz, 103.7 MHz, 4820 kHz; asking for reports to Apartado Postal 145C, Tegucigalpa. (*Objio 8/28*)

NAMIBIA: R. SWA — On 3290 with instrumental pops till 0300, when English ID by man and woman, then back to music. (*Lobdell 8/12*)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA: R. West New Britain — On 3235 from 1103 with phone-in show, islands music and Dire Straits selection to 1115. Super level. (*Archer 9/2*) ... **R. Milne Bay** — On 3365 from 1035 with religious programs on 9/4, nice islands music on 9/5. At 1100 ID "... Kundu service of NBC, R. Milne Bay ... Papua New Guinea ... in the 90-meter band." Doorbell, then "... on Monday, the 5th of September." At 1112 another English ID. Nothing from Milne Bay last winter/spring during even the best periods, but now hearing them at a level that would be enjoyable except for QRN. My PNG #19. (*Archer*)

PERU: (T) R. Moderna — On 4299.5 from 1036 with flutes, vocal groups, fast-talking male DJ. Ute on LSB: fading began in earnest around 1050. (*Archer 9/2*) ... **(T) R. Frecuencia Líder** — On 4418.4 from 0307 with flutes and yelps on a fairly decent Peru night, though QRN high. Alas, another station that uses ultra-reverb, which kills ID, although fairly sure of "R. Frecuencia ..." at 0329:20. Then more flutes to 0359 national anthem and 0401 s/off. (*Archer 8/29*) ... **R. Atahualpa** — On 4821.6 at 0945-0950 with great whistling/whooping/fluting music, mentions of Bambamarca, frequent IDs. (*Archer 8/27*) On 4822 from 0438 with pop vocals, IDs: off at 0457 with anthem after giving QTH and freqs. (*Jordan 8/6*) From around 1010 with rustic *folklorica* and rapid IDs and TCs. Good at tune-in; faded around 1035. (*Lobdell 9/6-7*)

PHILIPPINES: R. Veritas Asia — On 6010, followed from 1130 several mornings until finally pulled out ID 9/2 at 1155: "This is R. Veritas Asia, broadcasting from Quezon City, Philippines. The following broadcast will be in Japanese, on frequencies of 9.505 and 11.790 MHz, at 12 hours UTC." Fanfare, then off. (*Archer*)

SAUDI ARABIA: BSKSA — On 15430 at 0525-0600 with Holy Qur'an service; solo and choral recitations. ID at 0530. (*Jordan 9/4*)

USSR: Ashkhabad or Tbilisi — On 4930 at 0200 with Mayak IS and time pips, then talk till 0208, when "Pennsylvania 6-5000" played. Weak, noisy. (*Objio 8/26*) ... **R. Moscow via Dushanbé** — On 21585 at 1130 with English; co-channel QRM from R. RSA. Finally heard this after spot checks all during J88. Site per UHN, PWBR, ILG. (*Archer 9/5*)

VIETNAM: V. of Vietnam — On 7433.5 from 1105 with woman giving news and long commentary, then ID at 1116. About 30% copy. Don't recall logging this one in August before—more signs of great Asian DX to come. (*Archer 8/27*) [*Presumably language was English.—BH*]

UNIDENTIFIED — On 4875 at 0933-1030 with religious programs: dreaded reverb used during probable ID at 1029 each day. Drifting up from 4875.6; very muddy and with ute QRM on LSB, though fair on USB. (*Archer 9/2-4-5*)

73 / DX.

Bob