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First of all our best wishes go to Eugene Vonderembse who is assuming the duties of President of the NNRC as of January 1, 1971. We wish him every success and many years in his new office. To our retiring President, Bill Schultz, who has served us these many years also our best wishes and we hope that he may serve us in another capacity as his work schedule may dictate.

Second, our thanks to the many friends sending Christmas cards this year. We regret that we have not been able to reciprocate due to the hospitalization of Ruth since November 20, 1970 until December 17, 1970 having had an emergency operation. she is now at home and recuperating nicely after a long sojourn in the hospital.

From the January 8, 1951 issue we learned that Dixon Russell of Baltimore was once again in the Army. He was located at Camp Stoneman, California.....Also, Director Murray Buitekant of Brooklyn was vacationing in Florida.....Ray Edge of Buffalo, N.Y. stated he was getting an occasional verification including one from WCMA which was long overdue. Ray thought that a new engineer at WCMA was apparently the cause for the change in policy.....Charles P. Atherton, returning from the West Indies, gave some interesting information on Radio Trinidad. They use no call letters and operate on 1295kc. from 0500-2200 EST.

On the Broadcast Band, the following stations were reported: KFQD 790 Anchorage, Alaska by Abe Cohen; BBC-881 Welsh Regional by Bob Knox and Steve Johnson; Toulouse I, France-944 by Steve Johnson; Bordeaux, France-1205 and Lille, France-1277 by Steve Johnson; BBC-1295 Ottringham, England by Bob Knox and Steve Johnson; WSTA-1340 Charlotte Amalie, V. I. by Ed Lendzioszek; Saarbrucken, Germany on 1421 by Steve Johnson; AFRS-1370 Sendai, Japan by Abe Cohen; BBC-1457 West Regional by Steve Johnson; French Common Wave-1493 and Sweden Common Wave-1562 by Steve Johnson.

Stations deleted on the broadcast band included KYES-610 Butte, Montana; WOPT-1220 Scriba, New York; KSFE-1340 Needles, California; WEEB-1360 Southern Pines, N. C. who merged with WSTS-1010.

In the Amateur Section, De-eX Delux included the following stations reported: AR8AB Lebanon on 14.170; CR7AH Mozambique on 14.366 by Sheldon Dunham; EA0AC Fernando Po on 14.350 by John DeMyer; EQ3FM Iran on 14.180 by John DeMyer; FF3CN French West Africa on 20m phone by Al Matas; MI3RP Eritrea on 20m phone by Ed Richmond; OQ5DZ Ruanda-Urundi on 14.16 by Roy Waite; and ZS3S Windhoek, Southwest Africa by Roy Waite on 14.190. AR8AB was reported by Alfred Rugel.

In the Short Wave Section among those stations reported were: HER7 17.780 Bern, Switzerland by Russell; OIX4 15.190 Lahti, Finland by Russell; Brazzaville-11.970 by Russell; LLG 9.610 Fredericksstad, Norway by Gerran; TAS- 7.285 Ankara, Turkey by Gerran; Lusaka, N. Rhodesia 7.220 by Hank Bennett; FK8AA 6.030 Noumea, New Caledonia by Art Russell; Budapest, Hungary 6.247 by Arnold Gerran; PJC2 2.460 Curacao by George Cox.

Jack Schneider of Buffalo, a former Jerseyan wrote that he is again DXing with success and that he logged 72 new stations during November and December with frequency checks accounting for most of the new stations.....Chairman Louis Hahn reported issuing Super Ace No. 144 and 500 and 600 bars of the Merit Certificate to V. P. Jack D. Rhea of Springfield, Mo. and the 1200 bar of the Merit Certificate to Ralph M. Johanns of Buffalo, New York.

This about covers evrything for this issue and in closing we wish every one A HAPPY AND HEALTHFUL NEW YEAR.

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MEMBER OF THE MONTH Chairman Bob Koppel reports that the Awards Committee has honored member Jerry Black as our member for the month of January. Jerry is a very active member and has been recognized by the Awards Committee.

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In reference to the request by Dave Thomas recently noting the fact that we do not hear from many old-timers, we received a letter from our good friend, Henry (Hank) Tyndall, presently residing in Homestead, Florida. Hank writes as follows: "Like many old-timers, I haven't felt much like writing in and also sending to the statistics editor, having been practically out of active DXing for several years. This is mostly due to being in Florida during the DX season and also because of not wanting to be up dialing. I became 70 last month (November), another good reason. However, I have not hung up the phones "for keeps" as I still spend some time in the early Fall DXing. As long as you would like to have some data from the old-timers, I now have 6,877 BCB verifications from 171 countries.".....Hank also mentions that much of his time is spent golfing and visiting many places of interest.....Thanks for writing, Hank and it is good to hear from you and hope your letter prompts some more of the old-timers to drop us a line.

In our survey of the 1950s in the BCB Section for February 5, 1951, a report was received from Evan B. Roberts, Danvers, Massachusetts in which he described the reception of the European BCB and Long Wave stations. This report was three pages in length and, at that time, contained valuable information as to when to tune for these stations. Evan noted the peak times were between 1600-1900 and 2330-0400 EST. Perhaps, after 20 years, these times still are the best times to tune. It will be worth a try.

Charles P. Atherton, Exeter, N. H. DXed on January 7 and heard the following between 0145 and 0245: Paris-863; Prague-638; Lyons I- 602; Ottringham-1295; Rennes-791; Toulouse- 944; Marseilles-674; Moorside Edge-692; Scotland-809; Wales- 881; Brookmans Park-908; Bordeaux-1205 and Sofia-827.....Steve Johnson, Havre de Grace, Md. listed the following TP stations: KGMB-590 Honolulu; KPOA-630 Honolulu; KULA-690 Honolulu; and KAHU- 920 Waipahu, Hawaii. Also, the following TA stations: Rennes-791; Hilversum II- 1007; Marrakish I, Morocco -1043; Italian Sync.-1448; and Hengello, Netherlands-1594.

Harold Williams, Seymour, Conn. reported that he had 29 verifications in since the last report. His total now 613.....Jack Schneider, Buffalo, N. Y. wrote that he did not do any serious DXing until he went to work on the second shift at Colonial. Jack was getting home at 0100 and added 45 new stations during that time to bring the Buffalo log to 750 for 5 years on and off DXing.

As of January 25, 1951 there were 2214 licensed AM stations in the United States on the air; 510 FM stations licensed and 107 TV stations on the air of which 59 were licensed by the FCC.

De-eX DeLux on the Amateur Bands listed the following stations: CR7AI-14.36 Mozambique by Leroy Waite; CT3AM- 7.05 Madeira Is. by Leroy Waite; EA8AV-14.37 by Ed Richmond, Conn. and Al Rugel, Kansas; EA8AX-14.33 Canary Islands by LeRoy Waite; OE13DX- Austria-14.33 by LeRoy Waite; ZD2PLL-14.33 Nigeria by Alfred Rugel; and ZK2AA-14.34 Niue Island by John DeMyer, Michigan.

Stations reported on the Short Waves included: Rome-21.556 by Grady Ferguson, Charlotte, N. C.; BED-3- 15.220 Taipeh, Taiwan "The Voice of Free China" by J. Art Russell, Pasadena, Calif.; V3USE-15.047 Forest Side, Mauritius by John Oskay, New Brunswick, N. J.; SEAC-11.976 Colombo, Ceylon by John Oskay; CR6RD-11.922 Nova Lisboa, Angola by John Oskay; CR7BH-11.764 Lourenco Marques by Grady Ferguson; ZJM-7 11.716 Sharq al Adna, Cyprus by John Oskay; and Peking, China-11.685 by Grady Ferguson.

All for this issue- will see you with some more Pioneer News next month.

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Before continuing our survey of the 1950's, our sincere thanks to those who sent cards and well wishes to Ruth who is recuperating nicely from her recent operation. We owe letters to several and will write as soon as possible. Again our thanks to you.

In the Broadcast Band section it was noted that February 19, 1951 marked the debut of a new Baltimore Station operating on 1400kcs., WWIN and on 24-hours a day. This was the frequency vacated by WCBM who moved to its new frequency of 680kcs.

During the month new BCB stations heard included: WIAM-900 Williamston, N. C. by Charles J. Martin, Harold Williams; KCIJ- 990 Shreveport, La. by Harold Williams; KLWN-1320 Lawrence, Kansas by Ed Lendzioszek; KBOP-1380 Pleasanton, Texas by Harold Williams; KCRE-1400 Crescent City, Calif. by Abe Cohen; and WBKV-1470 West Bend, Wisc. By Charles J. Martin and Ed Lendzioszek.

BCB Stations Deleted included: WACL-980 Waycross, Ga.; KBOX-1230 Reno, Nevada; KDAN-1340 Oroville, Calif.; KPHC-1450 Walsenburg, Colo.; and KCHE-1590 El Reno, Okla.

Reported in the Short Wave Section were the following stations: Tel-Aviv, Israel on 17.665 by Grady Ferguson; VOA-Manila, Philippines-15.250 by Art Russell and Ken Focht; JBD-3 Osaka, Japan-15.225 by Art Russell; Colombo, Ceylon-15.120 by David Dary and Grady Ferguson; Radio Peking, China-15.060 by Grady Ferguson; FHE-3 Dakar-11.897 by Grady Ferguson and Howard Perkins; Karachi, Pakistan-11.725 by Grady Ferguson; Jeddah, Saudi Arabia- 9.650 by Charles McCormick; Radio Tananarive, Madagascar-9.515 by Grady Ferguson and George Starry; Malta FBS- 7.220 by David Dary; Tangier-2 on 7.200 by Grady Ferguson, Charles McCormick; Tel-Aviv, Israel- 6.830 by Charles McCormick; CQM-7 Bissau, Portuguese Guinea- 6.993 by Ken Focht; and Radio Andorra- 5.990 by John Oskay; and also Djeddah, Saudi Arabia-5.976 by Grady Ferguson.

In the Amateur Section the following were reported:

28.710	AG2AB	Trieste by Leroy Waite , Ballston Spa, N. Y.
20m	CS3AB	Azores Islands by Gus Stellwag, New York
20m	CT3AK	Madeira Islands by Ed Richmond, Connecticut
20m	EA8AP	Canary Islands by Ed Richmond, Stamford, Conn.
20m	EA8AX	Canary Islands by Ed Richmond, Stamford, Conn.
EA9AI	20 m	Spanish Morocco by Gus Stellwag, New York
7.030	IT1BGE	Catania, Sicily by Leroy Waite, Ballston Spa, N. Y.
75m	KH6IJ	Hawaiian Islands by Ed Richmond, Stamford, Conn.
20m	UR2KAA	Estonia, USSR by Ben Adams, New York
14.155	VQ5AU	Uganda by Ben Adams, New York and John DeMyer, Michigan
10m	ZD4AB	Gold Coast by Al Matas, New York

Also noted was that CM9AA was expected to be in FGS- land by the third week of February and expected to be on the air a week after arrival. He also was planning to be in PX- and CZ- land.....ZS2MI Marion Island was said to be on 14.190 fone.../ Bud Rugel noted from VQ4RF that VT1AF, VT1AB, VT1ED and VT1RF are all quite active from Kuwait.

Harold Williams noted that he was starting his third year in the NNRC having first heard about the Club during an NNRC broadcast over station WVET. Then Harold had 10 verifications. He now has 681 BCB and 7 SW verifications representing all 48 states except Nevada and Oregon and all Canadian provinces except British Columbia and the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

This just about takes care of everything for this issue and we hope to have some more of the Pioneer Days next month. In the meantime good DXing to all.

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The past few weeks letters have been received from two old-timers, namely, Joe Mauriello, Haskell, N. J. and Roy Utter of Succasunna, N. J. Both Joe and Roy reminisce about the Pioneer Days of DXing and excerpts from their letters follow.

In 1938, Joe lists the following catches: U3AZ on 14mc. in Moscow; UØNG in Venchnendsk, USSR; ZC6AQ on 14mc. in Palestine; XU8RB in Shanghai, China; and PK6XX the Expedition to Borneo. During 1942, 1943 and 1944 the following were logged: WAKF 1714kc. Everett, Mass; WPOP Philadelphia, Pa. on 2474kc.; WPOF New York City on 2450 and WPFH on 2414 Baltimore, Md. all police stations. On the Short Waves, Joe heard the following: Hungarian National Radio on 11.635mc.; Advance Press HQ in Naples on 4.830mc.; Vichy Radio, France on 9.575mc.; AFHQ Algeria on 16.025mc.; and TPC-5 in Paris on 15.240mc.

From Roy we have the following: From Pioneer Days, I read with interest that Hank Tyndall wrote as one of the old-timers and this has awakened another old-timer, the "Old Squire of Succasunna"..... To begin with back in 1922 when I wrapped sever-coils of wire around a Quaker Oat Box and with one WD-11 tube and some other stuff I made a one-tube set that covered the 360 and 400 meter bands where all of the stations were then located. Some time later, when the frequencies were lengthened, I had to build another set, this time with a WD-12, a John L. Reinartz Coil and with it used to get out to KOA in Denver and KSL Salt Lake City on good nights. Then followed a 5 tube Freshman, a 5 tube Grebe and an 11 tube Philco. The old Philco gave out last year. I haven't DXed in several years, but I have never lost my interest in radio and the good old NNRC and my many friends made through the Club.

Speaking of old times, I find in my scrap books of early days some of the following from clippings: From the column "Broadcast Winnowed" in the Newark Evening News by the Dialist (Charlotte Geer) in 1928, a poem:

Comes now the season of my Great Content
As I dash home evenings on pleasure bent
For the air's chockful of distant waves
That I long to master and make my slaves
Winging away far out through the ether
Scanning away those waves meter by meter
Hopping all over- then finally the Coast
Ah!. That is waht pleases a DX hound most.

At the third meeting of the NNRC, President Cranse announced he would broadcast the Club aims and activities over WOR at 8:45 PM in a 15 minute talk. The principal talk at the meeting was given by Paul Godley, Technical Editor of the Newark Evening News and his subject was Tuned Antenna.....Then on March 24, 1928 the NNRC visited station 3XN at Whippany, N. J. On December 6, 1928, Paul A. Koher demonstrated Television in the Newark News Auditorium. I remember the screen size was about 4 inches, and people with round faces came through better than those with thin faces. On January 3, 1929, Leonard Cox's cast of Main Street of WOR with Don Carney and the rest of the cast entertained the Club. Also, Swanee Taylor gave his famous WOR "Snores and Sneezes", a wonderful show.....I also find that I became a member of the "Aural Order of the Hard Boiled Owl", a rubber eared-bird that preys on sleep, migrates winter Saturdays at midnight over station WAAM when Paul Godley ran a program from Cedar Grove, N. J. on DX. (To be continued in the next issue)

It has been a real pleasure to do this month's report, especially hearing from the old-timers Joe and Roy. We sincerely hope this reminiscing will awaken some more of those who DXed years ago. We would like to hear from more of you. Best wishes.

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We conclude the reminiscing of the Pioneer Days by Roy Utter with Roy remembering the NNRC Dinner of February 21, 1929. Among the entertainers were the Landt Trio and White of WJZ, the Imperial Imps of WGCP and Amy Goldsmith of WEA. Then on April 4, 1929, Norman Brokenshire of CBS was the guest. At the September, 1929 meeting we were entertained by Henry Burbig of the CBS program CE CO Courtiers. Running along to May 20, 1933, we find the one and only Kate Smith heading our entertainment. Also Jimmy Brierly, the Three Scamps, the Hertz Brothers and Rosamond Cellini, a great show. (I can agree with you, Roy as I was fortunate enough to attend this one with our family at that time- it incidentally being our first).....Then in May, 1934 another excellent show with Rudy Vallee, Morton Downy, Lanny Ross, Arthur Allen and Roger Bower of WOR as master of ceremonies. (This one is also remembered quite well as it occurred one month before we were married!). These were the good old days and fond memories of good times and many friends, like Irv Potts and Les Kraemer who have gone to their reward. Also in 1934 there was a headline in the column that the Vermont Director adds Good Ones to his List- Hank Tyndall listed 1152 verifications and reception of Pecamp, France and Turin, Italy.....Roy continues that it has been a joy reading several of his old scrap books and that he retired in April, 1969 after 47 years 3 months on the job. He is 67 now and enjoying life with gardening, lawn-mowing, travel and slides. In the winter he collects old Jazz, Tapes Jazz Music and Snowmobiles. Roy has a 25 HP Johnson Snowmobile and it is wonderful. Also all year long Roy enjoys the company of his 4 grandchildren.

In the March 11, 1940 issue, DX Qualifications Chairman Joseph F. Smith gave the statistics on the NNRC Merit Band Wagon as follows: The Driver was Dave Thomas of Proctorville, Ohio with 2000 verifications. On Board was Henry Tyndall, Burlington, Vt., 1500 verifications; Ray E. Everly, Newton, Ill., 1100; Robert W. Botzum, Reading, Pa., 1100; Carroll H. Weyrich, Baltimore, Md., 1100; Lloyd S. Hahn, Baltimore, Md., 1000; Mrs. Grace L. and Frank Simpson, Montclair, N. J., 1000; Mrs. F. W. Reitz, Ocean Grove, N. Y., 800; Louis Hahn, Rutherford, N. J., 800; Howard Kemp, Waterbury, Conn. 800; Peter J. McKenna, Newark, N. J., 600; Gus Magnuson, Providence, R. I., 400; Lawrence C. Reed, Wilmington, Del., 200; Paul D. Jones, Jr., Bay Village, Ohio, 200; G. Elmer Klein, Baltimore, Md. 100; Frank Pytlak, Wallington, N. J. 100. This new merit certificate covered verifications on the Broadcast Band only.

In the March 18, 1940 issue, a report by Earl Roberts, Indianapolis, Indiana noted that March 3, 1940 was one of the finest mornings for the reception of Trans-Pacific stations. Earl noted that they were coming in so thick and fast that it was impossible to log all of them. The following were heard: 1YA at 2:25 AM; 3GI at 0610 with such volume it was thought to be a North American station; 4YA-790 was R5-7 from 0400-0600; 2BL-740 peaked at R5; 2CO-670 at R4; and 2NR-700 at R4 shortly after 0500; 3AR was logged shortly after 0600 broadcasting a concert on 620; also 4QG-800, 2CY-850, 2YA-570, 3L)-770 and 3YA-720. Unidentified and weaker stations were on 580 and 760.....These stations would look good in many logs today.

In the March 26, 1940 issue, Phil Nichols volunteered the information that a lot of 15 minute tests were on the air on the fifth of the month or the first Tuesday. Many are on 1370 kcs. and begin at 0200. Some stations heard included WCOS, WGGBR, WFTL, WSTP, WSAV and WMOB. Phil also noted that some of these tests are on the 7th day of the month also. Two logged were WHOP and KTEM.....Arthur J. Parfitt, Cleveland, Ohio noted that stations were testing for the Van Nostrand Engineering Service on the first Tuesday of each month until they were included in the Federal Communications Commission listing. The tests commenced at 0200.

This about does it for this issue and we again invite the old-timers to write in. We are always happy to hear from you.

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DON'T FORGET- NNRC-PICNIC-CONVENTION - JUNE 19, 1971
BUSHKILL PARK -- EASTON, PENNSYLVANIA

From the April, 1951 issue, Director Walter I. Goldy of River Forest, Ill. wrote that he was having difficulty in getting verifications from the following stations: CMCA, XEFW, KFFA, KBUR, WCBS, WARD, KDTH and KOLT.

Also in this issue, Dixon W. Russell, Baltimore wrote that he was currently a Sergeant in the Korean conflict and that he was stationed on the central part of the front near the Han River which was, at that time, in the thick of the fight.

Carleton Lord wrote from Pittsburgh that he liked his new job with U. S. Steel very much and the NNRC wished him and Betty Lord every success in his new venture.

Also in the April 2, 1951 issue, Charles Martin wrote that his 2000th verification was received from WHOC and Editor Robert S. Knox commented on the fact that he would be a long time in reaching that plateau.

On the Broadcast Band the following stations were reported: PRG-9 Sao Paulo, Brazil- 1100 on 2/22 from 0311-0440 by Gus Magnuson; KIFW Sitka, Alaska- 1230 on 2/26 with a Frequency Check by Abe Cohen; HJAF Cartagena, Colombia on 1245 at 2010 by Steve Johnson; and KFRB Fairbanks, Alaska- 1290 on 3/4 from 0445-0500 by Joe Enz.

Chairman Louis Hahn of the DX Qualifications Committee reported the issuance of the following certificates: Silver Acc No. 54 to Roger Anderson, Arlington, Va. and Short Wave Traveler No. 29 to Edmun B. Richmond of Stamford, Connecticut.

In 1951 the name of the town Hot Springs, New Mexico was changed to Truth or Consequences. KCHS was the call of the radio station assigned to this town.

The month of April also saw station WWHG Hornell, N. Y. switch from 1590kc. to 1320kc. The reason for this switch was that the facilities of WLEA were purchased by WWHG and thus the call WWHG was transferred to the new frequency. This deleted the WLEA call as well as the permit of WWHG for 1590kc.

In the Short Wave section edited by Henry and Amelia Bennett, the following were reported: ZOY-15.340mc. Accra, Gold Coast by Chas. Sutton; BFEBS- 15.300mc. Singapore in parallel with 11.880 with English Newscast by Grady Ferguson, Charlotte, NC and David Dary, Manhattan, Kansas; Manila, Philippines- 15.298 at 2315 with a broadcast in Russian and promptly jammed on this frequency by Art Russell, Pasadena, Calif.; BED-3 Taipeh, Taiwan-15.235 in English 2300-2330 by Art Russell; Djedda, Saudi Arabia- 11.950mc to s/off 2341 by Grady Ferguson; Karachi, Pakistan- 11.725mc. by Grady Ferguson; ELBC Monrovia, Liberia-6.025mc relaying VOA programs by Grady Ferguson, David Dary and Ken Focht of Reading, Pa.; and CRFBU Radio Clube de Mozambique by Harold N. Wiber, Kansas City, Mo.

In the Amateur Section by Earl Roberts it was mentioned that CM9AA was in Guadeloupe and using the call FG7XA with a power of 60 watts on 20 meters. All QSLs were to be sent to CM9AA's home in Cuba.....John DeMyer said that FE8AA has been called and worked on 20 lately and this would be a new country.....Another new one reported was VK9YT and he was believed to be on New Ireland.....John DeMyer also reported that VTLAB, VTLAC and VTLAF in Kuwait were looking for "W" contacts between 0800-0900 EST.....Charles McCormick reported two new prefixes that will bear watching- DL9 for possibly a new zone in Germany and OK1Ø which could be possibly some occupation forces in Czechoslovakia such as the OEL3 used by the American troops in Austria....The ARRL announced that the Saarland, 9S4 has been officially placed in the books as a new country.

All for this issue and again remember June 19 for the NNRC Picnic-Convention.

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This month we go back to the days of 1940 and, in the April 1 issue, we find an announcement of a new BCB All-Purpose Certificate. This certificate when issued will show progressive certification of one's BCB Dxing. Chairman Joseph F. Smith had all the details.

In the Members' Reports and Comments of the BCB, John T. Tweedie, Oakhurst, N.J. wrote that his DXing had been curtailed to a degree lately as every other week he worked midnite to 8 AM. His latest catches included PRA9;YV1RF;WFVA;WJPR;WHOP;WSAV;HJLABN;WGNC;WENY;LRA;YV1RK;CMBH;WBAB;KVWC;CMKE; and CBR. John also heard VONF at 1730 located in St. John's, Newfoundland coming in strong.

Frank Pytlak, Wallington, N.J. wrote that his DXing for the season and the year is just about finished as he is now back on the midnite to 8AM shift. The only time Frank would have to DX is on week-ends.

Reported in the High Frequencies column edited by Earl Roberts were the following: FZE8 17.280 Djibouti, French Somaliland by M. W. Soplop; DXS 15.160 Zeesen, Germany by Charles Leboeuf; YUE 11.735 Belgrade, Yugoslavia; DZD 10.530 Zeesen, Germany, a new one, by Earl Roberts; OFD 9.500 Lahti, Finland by Charles Leboeuf; ZRH 6.007 Johannesburg, South Africa by Steve Waring, California; YDA 4.900 Bandoeng, Java with programs similar to PLP by Earl Roberts; and ZQI 4.750 Kingston, Jamaica by Roger Legge.

S. C. Kellenberger, Chicago sent an interesting item from an NBC article. "When the City of Flint arrived at Murmansk with a German prize crew aboard, the crew waited over 4 days for definite action of some sort. Then they learned the decision, but the news came from NBC. Listening to Lowell Thomas, easily heard in Murmansk via short-wave radio, a news flash was heard that the German crew would be returned to the ship and allowed to leave for Germany. Twenty five minutes later the German crew boarded the Flint. The news was learned by an NBC representative in Murmansk, sent to Radio City via RCA Communications and given to Lowell Thomas who put the item on the air so fast it reached the City of Flint before the Germans returned to take possession."

Art Parfitt wrote that his only reports out were to Tripoli, Libya and Paris, France. He reported that he had heard all continents this winter and that Tripoli is the only veri to make his VAC.

Reported in the April 22, 1940 issue on the High Frequencies were: KR7K 17.310 West Base, Little America testing with WGEO, WCG and WEL. Schedule is for 2200 EST on either 17.310 or 12.862 as reported by Earl Roberts and M. W. Soplop; CR7BG 15.285 Lourenco Marques, Mozambique is beamed daily to America from 0700-0800 by Mrs. Mary Page; RV96 15.180 Moscow, USSR with RKI 15.040, RNE 12.000 and RAN 9.600 announcing in English at 2030 by Earl Roberts; KR7K 12.862 West Base, Little America heard 4/9/40 signing at 0035 by Mrs. Mary Page and Roger Legge and Earl Roberts; KVZC 8.100 Canton Island talking to KVZJ Jarvis Island by Earl Roberts; NIQ 7.995 Johnston Island verified via airmail postmarked from the USS Quail by Earl Roberts; and ZAA 6.084 Tirana, Albania verification received in 6 weeks by Roger Legge and M. W. Soplop.

At the annual meeting of the Club on April 26, 1940 the following officers were elected: President, Irving R. Potts; Vice Presidents Arthur E. Foerster, Earl R. Roberts, George H. Jacobs, Henry T. Tyndall, Lloyd S. Hahn, Lester W. Kraemer, William H. Applegate and Louis Hahn; Canadian Vice President, George H. Goodwill; Executive Secretary, Peter J. McKenna; Asst. Executive Secretary, John Sanderson; Treasurer, William H. Schweitzer; and Financial Secretary, Joseph F. Smith.

This just about does it for this time and our best wishes to all for a pleasant summer.

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From the May 15, 1940 pages, we find that the following stations were granted increases in power: KVFD-1370; KYCA-1500; WHMA-1420; WJEJ-1210; WKNY-1500; WMSD-1420; WSGN-1310 all to 250 watts from 100. KSAL-1120 granted increase to 1000 watts. KARK-890; KFNF-890 and KMJ-580 increased to 5000 watts....New stations were: WSSJ-1500 San Juan, P. R.; WERC-1500 100 watts; and WMVA-1420 Martinsville, Va. Deleted was WSAL Salisbury, Md.

In the June 15, 1940 issue of the High Frequencies it was noted that the FCC has cracked down on the American amateur stations. The following restrictions apply: No foreign station may be contacted from now on. Only the United States and its territorial possession may be worked. Only American citizens operating stations may be worked. The English language shall be used exclusively. The only DX left for the US ham is the Philippines, Canal Zone, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Alaska, Hawaii and Islands in the Pacific Ocean and Little America.

On the Broadcast Band, Phil Nichols, East Hartford, Conn wrote that the only verification back in a long time was from XEZ with a nice card.....Jack Schneider, Garwood, N. J. said that recent attempts at DX netted poor results, but his latest additions are WKST, WISE, WPIC, WJLS and WCAR for a total of 1023....Art Parfitt's DXing the morning of April 23 included 1YA, 2YA, 3YA, 2YC, 3GI, 3LO, KGFJ and KHBC all with fair volume.

Jack Goodrich wrote about warning our members of the dangers of the questionnaires that JZJ-Tokyo was sending their listeners. Jack mentioned that the one he received asked the location where and kind, etc. An International Reply Coupon was enclosed for return postage. The cards requesting the information were punched for filing purposes

In High Frequencies of July 15, 1940, the latest bulletin from the Australian DX Club called attention to something that none of us in America have thought about. The habit of SWL's in swapping cards and filling in station data such as 'Signal recd R9/QSA5' in place of card or letter acknowledgement caused concern for the Australian authorities. This is in view of the fact that all stations in the British and French Empires and also many other countries have been closed down for the duration of the war. When the card was sent through the mails, the authorities thought that an unlicensed transmitter was operating by the recipient of the card with the result that many SWL's receiving the cards from overseas were called on to give explanations to the authorities.

Eugene Francis, Dxing through the summer with excellent results, wrote that he had logged WILM-1420; KWFC-1310; KGHI-1310; WHUB-1370; WWSW-1500 and WHIZ-1210.

David Thomas, Proctorville, Ohio advised that KP6SJJ on Howland Island is now using 20 meter phone.

Art Parfitt stated that Summer DXing brought WSAM, WLOG, WFNC, WINN, WHKY, WJHO, WSOO, WKIP, WLBJ, KWAT, WHUB, WDAK, WGTC, WHCU, WLLOL, WORD, and HJCR.

Leroy Waite, Ballston Spa, N.Y. enrolled in the NNRC through Roger Legge and has been a short wave DXer since 1928 and at present is using a new SX24. Best catches included W7DBR/KF6 Canton Island; KALCM 14.07; LULDJU 14.04; and YS2RW. QSLs received recently were from OQ5IM, CELAA, PYLJA, PK6XX on a VK4HN card; CP3AB; YSLOL, K5AT, HH4AS, K6KRG, and LU7BK.

This is about all for this time and may we say that we are always happy to hear from you. Send in your comments. Have a pleasant summer.

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In the December 25, 1938 issue of the NNRC bulletin, reports were from John Gard, Indianapolis; Bill Bauer, Baltimore; Jack Schneider, Garwood, N. J.; Peter A. Clarius, Port Richmond, N. Y.; Roy Utter, Succasunna, N. J.; Al Koempel, Newark, NJ; and Louis Hahn, Rutherford, N. J.

The High Frequencies reports included those from T. D. Smith, Texas; Charles Leboeuf, Massachusetts; Earl Roberts; M. W. Soplop, New York; Leo Herz, Chicago; Fred Alfred, Ontario and Al Bettinger, Nebraska.

Others reporting in this issue on various items were Art Foerster; Stuart Leland at Duke University; W. R. Griffin, DX announcer at KFYR, Bismarck, N. D.; Les Briscoe, Rouyn, Quebec; Ray E. Everly, Newton, Illinois; John L. Tate, Petersburg, Va.; and Mrs. Mary Page, Tulsa, Okla.

Those reporting interesting items on High Frequencies included M. W. Soplop, Allegany, N. Y.; Roger Legge, Binghamton, N. Y.; John May, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Fred Alfred, London, Ontario; Jack Quintrell, Seat Pleasant, Md.; Sydney G. Lashley, Bridgetown, Barbados; Al Bettinger, Omaha, Neb.; Vincent Stasen, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Tom Denn, Indianapolis, Ind.

The British Short Wave Magazine listed the call of the Oxford University Expedition in Greenland as OX70U on 14mcs. Also, the Ellsworth 1938-1939 Antarctic Expedition on the "Wyatt Earp" was heard on 14mcs. with W2MQ and VE2IC at the key using the call LDUC. This expedition was out to explore the Enderby Quadrant in Antarctica.

In the January 2, 1939 issue, reporters were Mrs. Dora Newcomb, Oxnard, Calif.; Mrs. F. W. Reitz, Ocean Grove, N. J.; Richard Daneker, Lansdale, Pa.; Stuart Walmsley, Los Angeles, Calif.; Aubrey V. Deterly, Baton Rouge, La.; and Bob Hoffman, Philadelphia, Pa.

Reporters to the High Frequencies included Charles Leboeuf, Webster, Mass; Roger Legge, Binghamton, N. Y.; John May, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; L. W. Wotring, Allentown, Pa.; Stephen Warring, Piru, Cal.; Morton D. Meehan, Elizabeth, N. J.; M. W. Soplop, Allegany, N. Y.; Frank Macolly, Philadelphia, Pa.; Clyde Hackett (W9ELX), Indianapolis, Ind.; and Earl Roberts.

Unusual stations heard on the High Frequencies included KHAZT 2.790mcs. aboard the "Santa Claus Airliner" flying over Chicago at 2125 on 12/24/38 working with WMFS 2.102mcs. Chicago, the mobile relay station for WMAQ in preparation for the Santa Claus program. Both stations R9 plus with slight noise from the plane's motor. This station was heard by Earl Roberts.....On 2.738 mcs. WNQD the Tow Boat "Mobile" 40 miles out from Mobile, Ala. enroute to New Orleans working WNUI the steamer "Delmada" at 9:06 PM in the Chesapeake Bay and on 2.726mcs. WANB Dinsmore, Fla. operated by the Board of Forestry called one of the crew cars. Both stations heard by Earl Roberts.....On 2.604mcs. WZAF on the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal in the Chesapeake Bay replied to a CQ call on this frequency by the "Mobile". This also heard by Earl Roberts.....On 2.178mcs. KJSI the Yacht "Nassau" and WNVP the Yacht "Glory" were heard working WOX at 7:15 and 7:40 PM by Charles Leboeuf.

Commencing Sunday, January 8 and going through Thursday, January 12, DX programs from stations in Mexico were arranged by Don Barnes and Bob Gorsuch. Stations participating included XEAA-750; XEBX-640; XEDA-1220; XEBP-1150; XED-1160; XEKL-1240; XECZ-1370; XETH-1210; XEI-1370; XEG-1230; XEAP;1340; XEFE-980; XEF-1450; XEBL-1220; XEXE-1340 and XEZ-630.

About all for now so will close with best wishes to everyone.

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The January 7, 1939 issue included Members' Reports and Comments from Morton D. Meehan, Elizabeth, N. J.; Fred L. Vorhees, Grove City, Pa.; Elwin H. Covey, Napa, Cal.; Mrs. Elwood Prell, Morristown, N. J.; George H. (Joe) Goodwill, Toronto, Ont.; E. O. Cutler, New York, N. Y.; Ray Edge, Buffalo, N. Y.; and Joe Lippincott, Vassalboro, Me.

Reports on the High Frequencies included those from M. W. Soplop, Allegany, N. Y.; Leo Herz, Chicago, Ill.; Alvin W. Oliver, Houston, Texas and Earl Roberts.

In DX Tips and News, George Jacobs reported that W8XO 700kcs., 500,000 watts was testing between 0500 and 0530.

John L. Tate, Petersburg, Va. reported TIPG and LRL logged the morning of 12/29/38; WGCM 1210 testing from 0159-0222; VSTP 1500kc. with ET at 0200; KGFV heard signing off at 0230; and KGFJ testing at 0230.

Dick Daneker, Lansdale, Pa. reported CX18 890 Montevideo, Uruguay 0230-0330 on 12/29/38 on his 6 tube Grunow and LRA on 750 until 0330.

Harold L. Hutton, Rome, N. Y. reported that CHSJ comes on the air at 0500 for about three minutes with weather forecast especially for fishermen. Also that KANS and KWTN were asking for reports and promising to verify.

The January 16, 1939 issue included reports from Father Edward Young, Niagara University, N. Y.; Art Foerster, Indianapolis, Ind.; Frank Pytlak, Wallington, N.J.; Paul Sampson, Regina, Sask; Harold Hutton, Rome, N. Y.; Bill Benz, St. Louis, Mo.; Raleigh A. Biss, Crookston, Minn.

Reports on the High Frequencies included those from Mrs. Mary Page, Tulsa, Okla.; Roger Legge, Binghamton, N. Y.; Mike Soplop, Allegany, N. Y.; Nick Hock, Newark, NJ; Frank Macolly, Philadelphia, Pa.; Birely Ross, Austin, Texas; Fred Voorhees, Grove City, Pa.; Dave Thomas, Proctorville, Ohio; and Clyde Hackett, Indianapolis, Ind.

Al Bartholomew sent in the tip that KWSC, 1220kcs., Washington State College DXes the last Sunday of each month from 0300-0600; also that KSLM 1370kcs. on the Don Lee Network sign-off daily at 0230 with spot announcements.

The February 6, 1939 Members' Reports and Comments included those received from Bernard Duffy, Staten Island, N. Y.; Harvey Avery, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Al Koempel, Newark, N. J.; Ted Y. Matson, Lakewood, N. J.; Milan Krasnecian, Irvington, N. J.; Don Hill, Broken Bow, Neb.; Anthony Tarr, Seattle, Wash.; Bill Benz, St. Louis, Mo.; Herman Rupert, New York, N. Y.; Frank Field, Johnson City, Tenn.; Lloyd J. French, West Hartford, Conn.; and Ray Edge, Buffalo, N. Y.

Reports on High Frequencies included those from Jesse F. Smith, Philadelphia, Pa.; John May, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; Roger Legge, Binghamton, N.Y.; Mike Soplop, Allegany, N. Y.; Birely Ross, Austin, Texas; Mrs. Mary Page, Tulsa, Okla.; Fred Van Voorhees, Grove City, Pa.; and Fred Satterthwaite, Toledo, Ohio.

DX Tips and News included the following: KGDE 1200kcs., Fergus Falls, Minn. will verify if a return post card is enclosed; CJOR 600kc., Vancouver, B. C. is on daily from 1000 to 0300, Sunday 1200 to 0045. The Best time to log KFI is at 0300 when they begin to sign-off with a transcription giving call, power, QRA, etc. in about eight different languages. The Star Spangled Banner is played at about 0307 followed by Aloha. The announcement is made twice, the last time being 0310. These tips came from Jake Field, San Diego, Cal. who added that he was fortunate in getting the 175 watter, CMHJ, very weak but steady through local rain.

We tried something different this issue by listing the names of all the members sending reports to the bulletin for inclusion in the various columns. This will be a regular feature in addition to listing some of the station information.

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In the DX News of February 13, 1939, Bill Bauer of Baltimore reported CMK now on 590; CMBX on 1080; CMBC on 690; ZNS on 790 s/off at 2130; CMCW on 1380 testing February 4; XEL on 1150; Rennes on 1040 and Bordeaux on 1077 both weak. Bill also mentioned that he had 19 new veries in cluding HK4ABE.

In Members' Reports and Comments reports were received from Dick Daneker of Lansdale, Pa.; Frank W. Hoxie, So. Orrington, Maine; Bill Vornkal, Westport, Conn.; Kenneth D. Morey, Easthampton, Mass; and Fred Van Voorhees, Grove City, Pa.

Who's Who in the NNRC by Harry Varrelman did a sketch on Sergio Gonzalez, the then Cuban Director who, at that time, had nearly 200 verifications. The first one was from YV6RV and the latest from TI4NRH. He was using a 15 tube all wave Scott.

High Frequencies included reports from Jack Quintrell, Seat Pleasant, Md.; Roger Legge, Binghamton, N. Y.; Al Bettinger, Omaha, Neb. and Mike W. Soplop, Allegany, N. Y. Also a report was received from Neville Seymour, Baltimore, Md.

In the February 20, 1939 Members' Reports and Comment section, reports were received from Barney Ahman, Baltimore, Md.; Paul Sampson, Regina, Sask.; Jimmy Dunigan, New Britain, Conn.; Ralph Hughes, Ireland Island, Bermuda; Jack Schneider, Garwood, N. J.; Howard Kemp, Waterbury, Conn.; Ben Feinstein, Newark, N. J.; Nancy Saxton, Chicago, Ill.; Dave Thomas, Proctorville, Ohio; and Carl Foerstieri, New York City.

High Frequencies section stations were reported by Earl Roberts, Tom Denny of Indianapolis; R. B. Oxreider, Canal Zone; Sergio Gonzalez, Havana, Cuba; Fred Alfred, Ontario, Canada; Melvin W. Oliver; Roger Legge, Binghamton, N. Y.; Al Bartholomew, Painted Post, N. Y.; Alec Thomas, Lower Toms, New Zealand; Birely Ross, Austin, Tex.; and Mike W. Soplop, Allegany, N. Y.

In DX Notes of February 27, 1939 it was reported by Ed Beers, Diamondale, Mich. that KNEI, 1500, DXes the 2nd Saturday of each month from 0400-0445; Mrs. Mary Page, Tulsa, Okla. reported that KOCY, 1310, tests the second Tuesday 0520-0535 and also WJHL-1200 tests the second Tuesday 0445-0500; Pat Reilley, Jamestown, N. Y. reported that CJGX has changed to 1410kc., KVNU-1200 has been heard three Mondays 0300-0330 when WIL is silent; Ray Everly, Newton, Ill. reported that CMGE verified promptly and that JZK also verified.

For the many new members of the NNRC who have no knowledge of the Pioneer Days of DXing and who may be interested in obtaining some interesting facts and other interesting records, including the complete script of the memorable 10th anniversary broadcast over WFMD, Frederick, Md. in December, 1937 are invited to write to one of our old-timers, Lloyd S. Hahn, 1321 Fruitwood Court, Holiday, Florida 33589.

In the February 27, 1939 issue, in the Members's Reports and Comments, reports were from Joe Brauner, Williamsville, N.Y.; Fred L. Van Voorhees, Grove City, Pa.; Cappie Hadley, Nashville, Tenn.; Russell N. Johnson, Saskatoon, Sask.; Fred Babineau, Montreal, Que.; Elmer Klein, Baltimore, Md.; Bob Schweitzer, Baltimore, Md.; Lloyd Hahn, Baltimore, Md.; Frank Pytlak, Wallington, N. J.; Bob Hoffman, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Lee Bland, WKRC Cincinnati.

Paul Sampson, Regina, Sask reported that KGU Honolulu comes through better after WJR signs off with KHBC coming through almost as good. Paul also reported that CJGX was using 1kw on 1410 kcs., the same as KFJM Grand Forks on the same frequency.

This takes care of everything for this month. Best wishes and good DXing.

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From the March 6, 1939 issue of the NNRC bulletin the Members' Report and Comment section included reports from Mrs. Ida A. Van Nostrand, Flushing, N. Y.; Bill Applegate, Chicago, Ill.; Edward W. Beers, Dimondale, Mich.; Richard Wright, Chicago, Ill.; Fred Van Voorhees, Grove City, Pa.; Harry McPoyle, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ray Edge, Buffalo, N. Y.; Bill Bauer, Baltimore, Md.; Louis Hahn, Rutherford, N. J.; and Pat Reilley, Jamestown, N. Y.

The High Frequencies included reports from Neville Seymour, Baltimore, Md.; Roger Legge, Binghamton, N. Y.; Melvin Oliver, Houston, Texas; Al Bartholomew, Painted Post, N. Y.; and Earl Roberts, Indianapolis, Ind. (the editor)

Also it was reported that Pan American Airways would operate KTIC from Treasure Island, Calif. on 3082.5kc., 16 watts power. This is the site of the San Francisco World's Fair.

A note from Lou McVey, Sparrows Point, Md. stated that he had not DXed much since lightning went through his sets last summer. Lou fixed up his Philco so that it would play and he could still get Rennes, Poste Parisien, Lyons, Lille and others on the BCB. Our editor, Irv Potts, added a note to this saying that he believed lightning could help a lot of sets in the Club.

In the DX Tips on the BCB, CJOR-600 was reported by Ed Hill, Toronto and Dick Wright of Chicago.....Dick Wright, Chicago also reported that VAS-685 Glace Bay, N.S. had weather reports and news for fishermen from noon to 11 PM daily.....Hank Tyn-dall, Burlington, Vt. reported that CMHW Santa Clara, Cuba, 680kc. would be on for DXers in the U.S. and Canada on March 26 from 0200-0300.

From the March 13, 1939 issue, the Members' Reports and Comments section included reports from Jimmy Burton, Sherbrooke, Que.; Stan Chrzanowski, Waterbury, Conn.; Nancy Saxton, Chicago, Ill.; Paul Sampson, Regina, Sask.; Steve Johnson, Havre de Grace, Md.; Aubrey V. Deterly, Baton Rouge, La.; John L. Tate, Petersburg, Va.; Mrs. Grace L. and Frank Simpson, Montclair, N. J.; Robert Rankin, Birmingham, Ala.; Ernest Norman, Newfoundland, N. J.; and Bernie Duffy, Port Richmond, N. Y.

The High Frequencies included reports from Roger Legge, Binghamton, N. Y.; Jack Quintrell, Seat Pleasant, Md.; Fred Alfred, London, Ontario; John DeMyer, Lansing, Mich.; Martin Olthoff, Independence, Kansas; Neville Seymour, Baltimore, Md.; Birely Ross, Austin, Texas; M. W. Soplop, Allegany, N. Y.; and Tom Denny, Indianapolis.

Ed Beers, Dimondale, Mich. wrote that his log contained 786 verified stations with 25 states completely verified!

In the March 20, 1939 issue, Chairman Joseph Smith of the DX Qualifications Committee announced the issuance of Super Ace #121 to Frank Hoxie, South Orrington, Maine; Silver Ace #30 to Ernest Norman, Newfoundland, N. J. and Silver Ace #31 to Donald Hill of Broken Bow, Nebraska; To Ida A. Van Nostrand, Flushing, N. Y. Junior #154, Master #149, Past Master #134, Ace #187 and Super Ace #123; To Richard Daneker Lansdale, Pa. : Junior #153, Master #148, Past Master #133, Ace #186 and Super Ace #122; To George H. Trisdorfer, Brooklyn, N.Y. Traveler #16 and Explorer #9.

 This about does it for this issue as far as the Pioneer Days are concerned. To bring us to the present, we remind all BCB Dxers to listen in on the morning of December 25 as in past years many South American, Mexican and Canadian Stations stay on late broadcasting Christmas programs... MERRY XMAS AND A HAPPY, HEALTHFUL NEW YEAR.