SUNSPOTS BLACK OUT RADIO AROUND WORLD

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—A magnetic storm in the upper atmosphere has disrupted radio communications all over the world, the National Bureau of Standards reported today.

The radio blackout began last midnight and is expected to con-

tinue three or four days.

Bureau scientists said the disturbances are the worst in a year and are particularly severe across the North Atlantic.

They said the condition is caused by a heavy outburst of sunspots.

Short wave communication was all but obliterated yesterday by sunspots, it was reported by the four major radio networks. Scheduled pickups from various parts of the world were said to have been unintelligible for broadcast.

Only two signals, both from Paris, were said to have come through successfully by spokesmen for the Columbia and American chains. A short while later, the National Broadcasting Company was unable to raise the French capital.

The other major network is

Mutual.