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HEARD ISLAND VKOWR showed up sometime around 1100Z on March 11th transmitting around 14123kc and listening between 14240-14250kc. The unloading of the gear for the scientific party was reported delayed and it is possible that the operation may be a day or two longer than originally announced.

More confirmation has been received on last weeks report that the island is a possible site for a tracking station. The scientific team will be there for approximately six months. So far nothing has been forthcoming on any possible amateurs in the group of scientists for operation after the SOUTHWIND and W7ZFY and WB4HWP depart.

AVES ISLAND YVØAA is reported to be activated next month, April 2nd to 4th. The announced frequencies are 14105kc and listening 14190kc to 14240kc.

QSLs & DXCC The ARRL as of the first of the month were giving credit for VR1P but so far have no documentation for the PYØ--St. Peter and Paul Operation of last year.

TALPELO--RECAP To fill in some details on the recent HKØTU operation, HK3RQ and one other member of the effort were dumped into the ocean while making an attempt at landing. Both were washed against the rocks by the high seas and suffered severe cuts from the barnarle-encrusted rocks. HK3RQ was washed to sea and had to be chased with the Higgins boat. Getting him aboard was most difficult and it took the efforts of four or five men to get him out of the water. He suffered a broken bone in his left led, broken ribs and some severe cuts. The other man was hauled ashore by the ones already there and he also suffered bad cuts...waves were running about 7' high all during the operation. A beam antenna was gotten up on a plateau about 350' above sea level but this was good only for the c.w. effort. After the injuries on the landing mishap the whole effort was almost called off but Bill, HK3RQ, convinced the daptain of the Colombian Naval vessel to take him back to the mainland while leaving the rest of the operation continuing.

Rationing of the food ashore had to be ordered at this time. At one time an unidentified vessel chased the Higgins boat around the island until they came up to the Colombian Naval vessel which ordered the unmarked vessel to heave to for investigation. Small crabs were all over the island, making sleeping on the ground impossible and they crawled up anything including pants legs so that some operators had their legs lifted off the ground for long periods to avoid the critters...which chewed up some of the instruction manuals and ate the cardboard around the rations and gear, etc. Any attempt to move on the ledges usually ended up with a confrontation with a bird setting on eggs who would get in a couple of good protective pecks while it had the range. WhyPD stayed in Colombia after the conclusion to help HK3RQ clean up matters. Some QSLs have already been sent. Contributions are being received okay thru the mails but Enos advises not putting any call-sign identification on the envelopes. There was quite an expenditure and any assistance would be appreciated. All the foregoing from W6RGG who got the information direct.

This was somewhat long but it is thought that it should be informational.

- COMORO FH8CD coming through LP on March 10th around 1530%. Station operated by K20NQ, Steve. QSL to Andre if you caught this one.
- FUNNY FARM On the ZAØII, gave his handle as Zeppy. One West Coast report had him peaking on an 180° beam heading. Then ZalBY at 14011kc at 0150Z on March 11th. Big pile-up. VKØSL from 'Heard Island' showed up March 8th to cheer some lucky ones. With all the ZAs on the country should not be a rare one much longer.
- KUWAIT 9K2YL, Anna, 21305kc from 1400Z. Was getting a lot of attention March 11th.
- INDONESIA New call being worked is YBØAAC, Jack. Worked at 21274kc at 1400Z on March 11th. QSL to APO 96356....
- MONACO 3A2EE coming through LP on March 13th at 15302. Handle Jean. Also due to be heard soon is 3400U from April 3rd to 10th by DL7FT...frequencies are 3795, 7065kc, 14195kc, 14245kc, 21295kc and 28545kc...SSB. 3AØEJ is scheduled for March 24th-31st by DHIKH.
- HONGKONG VS6EF, Bill, coming through from 1500Z on 14230 ....looking for 6-land.

  If this keeps up, there may have to be a DXpedition to the Western Shores.

  Bill might possibly have been looking for some of the 220 contacts needed for the California Award.

GILBERTS VRIL reported at 28612kc at 0225Z on March 2nd.

St. Martin FR7RT, Reggie, at 14292kc at 0850Z on March 6th.

OUTER MONGOLIA JT1KAF at 14016kc, 1230Z on March 10th.

## FORTY AND EIGHTY DESK

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KW6EJ	7230	0625	12	Jack will frequently be found from 0900Z
KW6EJ	3852	0640	12	between 3850 and 3860Z. Vy Cooperative!

Our secret weapon for 40/80 is expected to be back for the next edition or possibly the one after that.

SHORTLY NOTED: K6KA expected to check in at 14332kc around 0330Z on March 22nd from VR2AP. The USCG SOUTHWIND had to leave the working party ashore and pull out to deep water due to 50mph winds last week, March 11th. The YVØ-Aves is expected to embark April 1st though transportation not firmed. KV4FZ had intended a 'No QSLing policy'until you had him worked on 5-bands but has changed his mind and is taking them at they come. GC8HT from Guernsey will be at 21283kc from 1400 on March 20th, 21043kc/1800Z 21343/1900Z March 21st and 28013kc/0730, 28643kc/0900Z on March 24th. On the 24th if 10meters not good will try 21013kc and 21343kc at same tines indicated for 10m.

## PROCEEDINGS FROM THE WATCH AND WARD SUCIETY

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HAITI HH9DL, Don, has indicated that he would check into the YL-SSB during March but no report until now.

GUS Is on his way to Mauritius. During his ZD3A operations Gus was on 14332kc every day from 23002.

PACIFIC DX NET Heard Island, VKØWR checked in last Friday. 14240kc at 0700Z.

WAC-NEW RECORD The claim of Ed DeYoung, KH6GLU, for a record WAC in 24 minutes was good...it lasted a whole week as a record. Lloyd Colvin is the claimant of a new record in six minutes from his operation from 5L2KG in September 1967.

North America 09192 WB6RVG Asia 0919 JA1IDU 0920 PY5WL South America Oceania 0923 VK2APK Europe 0924 DJ5WY Africa 0925 EA8FJ

6 minutes... WAC on 14mc c.w. Any challengers? Lloyd also reports a 19 minute WAC from W6KG in 1960.

- EGYPT SUIKH has checked into the YL-SSB at 14332kc on occasion. Name is Mohammed and QSL to CBA...or via SUIMA, FB-840, Cairo, Egypt. Mohammed is running 50 watts a.m. Not especially strong signal
- TUNISIA 3V8AC, Bob, in Tunis on rather regularly at 28690kc from 16-1800Z. QSL via WB6EXK who happens to be his son.
- WAKE ISLAND KW6EJ, Jack Chalk, will finish his tour on the island in about 90 days and will probably take another position somewhere in the Western States. Jack has capabilities of 80/10m at this time and will QSY on request.
- RHODES The DXpedition to the Dodecanese is still on for April 3rd-6th by SVØWA, SVØWI, SVØWIM, SVØWOO and will operate 10, 15 and 20 meters using the call SVØWN. Frequency on twenty will be 14250kc listening up or down 10kc as dierected. QSLs via K3EUR.

73, WA6AUD

TNX...W6RGG, W6GTE, W6MEM, K4ZCP, W6KG, K6TXR, WB6ZNM, W5LZZ, W6CNA, KH6BZF, KØVBX, W6HVN, W6NJU, K6CWS, WA6UFW, K6MHD, W6EL, KH6GQW, W6ZC, WB6UJO, W6KNH, W4OPM, W6KHS WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin QRP Foundation...the last of the big screamers...still not as good as a KW but with low power one must compensate with big lungs. \$7.00 yearly

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