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Bulletin

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- THAILAND WALPUC/HS still coming through between 14280-14300kc most mornings from 1400Z onward. Many still apparently wary of any Thailand station and unaware that the FCC on March 19th issued notice that U.S. stations signing their FCC issued call with /HS suffix are okay to work. Pass the word as few working Don. Still QSL to home QTH in Four-land. Don is due to leave Thailand on April 4th...this Friday. Usually found around 14290kc.
- TIMOR CR8AI, Luiz, showing up 14249-14250kc from 14002. Good signal into the West Coast. Has been reported as late as 1630Z. QSL to Luiz at Dili, Timor. All the address needed.
- GUS Gus operated from Rodriguez up to mid-week, putting in the four day operation planned. Signals extremely strong at times. Gus and Steve Gibbs, VQ8CC, were due to return to Mauritius and then head for St. Brandons. Beyond that a possible operation from the Seychelles....nothing later on any Chagos than Steve's information sent in February. Transportation the problem...for any operation.
- SAO TOME CR5SP will be on 14170kc on April 20th at 0530Z and will announce at that time the frequencies he will be listening on. VE3IG and CR6IV will be in there assisting and Al...short for Alcibiades...will be listening for the good Ws. Al will be leaving Sao fome for six months at the end of April.
- LATVIA UQ2GA reports that he hears the states all the way to the West Coast on 21mc from around 1400Z. He will be regularly at 21300kc from 1400Z looking for Ws.
- FORMOSA BV2A reported as showing up at 14029kc from 1400Z almost daily. Last week reported on the 24th, 25th and 26th. Reported as late as 1530Z.
- UGANDA Possibility of 524KL operating from 5X5-land in near future. Weight limitation for air transportation a problem. Also, Tony Willis, 9J2NW, ex-WS5FS, will to to Uganda on the completion of a world trip and his gear has already been shipped to his new QTH there. Should be there sometime in late April--early May. The possibilities of some activity in this area does seem to be improving and patience will be its own reward.
- RM-1393. John Attaway, KAIIF, has petitioned the FCC to rescind the implementation of the additional frequencies in the twenty and forty meter band due this November when the sub-band for the Amateur Extra Class is expanded from 7025kc to 7050kc in the forty meter band and from 14025kc to 14050kc in the twenty meter band. In effect he asks that in these bands there be no further expansion of the Extra Class sub-bands in the c.w. portion. He also asks that a study be undertaken to ensure the most effective use of the bands. The full text of the petition is in the March CQ, page 66-67.

 The FCC has extended the time for filling comments to April 7, 1969. If this interests you, read the full text in CQ and if so inclined, get your comments to the FCC by the coming Monday.

- K6KA All the QSLs for Bills F98AA operation of February 16-21st have been sent to those who enclosed s.a.s.e...those without postage probably will eventually be forwarded by the bureau route. Cards for WHDFK, WB2CDF, KHRON, WB2VEG, K5AKS, WAØOML, W2VBJ, K2MEJ and KHPW cannot be located in logs and corrobative information such as adjacent QSOs needed.

 No QSLs For the VR2AP c.w. operation on March 16th have been received. There was no SSB operation. There are no logs at VR2AP and cards must come to K6KA. Bill had problems with the gear at the stations he visited and sums up his experience by saying: "The conditions of operation and maintenance in many parts of the world are difficult for a USA operator to appreciate".
- NETS The Confusion Net meets daily at 0200Z at 21400Z....gets quite a few Pacific check-ins. Last week one session had KM6-Midway and KG6ST-Saipan. There is also another net, same name but no relation, which meets at 28712kc at 2200Z which also gathers a number of DX Check-inners. The Pacific DX Net continues to cover a lot of the Pacific with their Friday 0700Z/14240kc operation. Last week the entire 5W1-amateur population was on frequency....in between bidding goodby to one of their members.
- CENTRAL DIVISION CONVENTION Joe Poston, K9GCE/PJ8MM reports that it is hoped to have a big DX program at the Central Division Convention at Indianapolis on May 24th, one week before the big race. The Indianapolis DX Association will host a hospitality hour the Friday night previous to the convention at the Stouffer Inn. Drop a line to Joe if you wish to attend.
- MONGOLIA JT14G, Dambi, coming through with a good signal around 1500-1600Z..usually from 14200 to 14210kc.
- RHODES SVOWN has advised that the operation will check into the YL-SSB net on April 4th and 5th at 2200Z.
- KIRGHIZ This rather rare Russian has been reported....UM8KAA at 14022kc at 1425Z on March 27th

CORSICA F9UC/FC on almost every day at 14204kc around 0630Z. QSL to DL9PF.

The SHORT-SHORT Forty and Eighty DESK

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SHORTLY NOTED CR8AI says that around 1000% seems to be the best time for the states.

DXIAAU in previous bulletin should be DXIAAV....located in Manila. The CQ WPX starts 0000 Saturday April 12th...sure has been a long time between DX Contests. Some reports received apparently have GMT but local date.. hard to tell whether its today, tomorrow or yesterday. The full address for the VKOWR QSLs...in case you are wondering, is Bill Rohrer, W7ZFY, Communications Officer, USCG SOUTHWIND, FPO New York 09501. K6KA reports that the east coast stations had stronger signals and were in longer than the West Coast...and few at all on 7mc. When you take a visit to F08AA at the Tri-Chlor factory, leave your shoes outside. A bit of French helps with Philippe, the station custodian. In Fiji there were times when signals from the speaker were not audible above the noise of the rains coming down. 5LØX/mm was heard at 21016 on March 26th at 1600...QSL to DJ7LQ. The terror of the Old Dominion, WLOPM, is in his mid-70s, got his Extra Class license since the new regulations came out....you are never too old.

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- MAC No new outright challengers to the claim of wokk for the shortest WAC...six minutes, or wowls longest of one hour and forty minutes. There has been one rumored challenge....five minutes and 24 seconds.....from one who apparently keeps his log in minutes and seconds. The real inside challege is the fellow who is setting up schedules to work WAC in less than one minute. The ultimate might be expected from the six-transmitter operator who will work instant WAC.
- QSLs For those still looking for QSLs from PYØSP/DX/BLR there is one report that cards were obtained from all three in a relatively short time by using Brazilian stamps obtained from W2SAW. Some cards coming through by other routes but still some outstanding.

 KLLRN would like it known that he is not handling cards for AP5HQ, that he has not for over a year, that he has no logs and Fida wishes to handle his own QSLing. In brief, QSL direct to AP5HQ
- THIS WEEK YVØAA scheduled to open from Aves Island on March 31st. Two or three days.

 3A2CU scheduled to open from Monaco on April 3rd. One week!

 SV WN scheduled to open from Rhodes on April 3rd...operate until April 6th.

 PX1FD scheduled to open from Andorra on April 6th...one week.

 9Y4LSG by ZF1RD for one week from March 31st QSL to K8LSG
- PORTUGUESE GUINEA CR3KD, Manuel, reported to have an HW-32 enroute and should arrive during first part of April. Still found on c.w. around 14025kc or slightly lower from 2000Z to 2400Z. Will listen above 14050kc
- NAURU VK9RJ still has a schedule with WA6AHF Saturdays at 0600Z....Jack on 14170kc and Rubin around 14220kc. Conditions not always good but they do make the effort.

73,

TNX. WB6CAB, KH6GQW, K6LAE, K9GCE, W6EJJ, W6KG, WB6UJO, KH6BZF, W6WWQ, W6ZC, W5LZZ, W6JHV/7, W6WAB, K6KA, W6KOE, W6CNA, W4OPM, W7EPA, K6TXR, W6PTS, WA6AHF

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