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SPRATLY If all goes well, VS6DR, Phil Wight, HS3DR, Don Riebhof, John Iunsford, XV5AC and Scott Gant, also XV5AC, will open up from Spratly this Thursday, January 188th for a three to five day stay on the garden spot in the China Sea.
Call sign as of the time the bulletin went in the mail was not certain but there is a good possibility that it will be 1S1A. If this is not used, they probably will be signing their own calls/Spratly. Some sources have indicated that the ARRL will not be too concerned with the call-signs used but rather with positive proof that they were on the island.
The group will be departing from a Viet Nam location, making one stop enroute and expect to arrive on Spratly during daylight hours on Jenuary 18 th....that is daylight hours there. Spratly is 16 hours ahead of the West Coast and a midaftemoon landing on Spratly would be around midnight here on the Coast. It might be expeditious to start watching for them. Wednesdey evening local time in W/K country. Watch but do not worry if you do not hear them the first time across the dial.
Transmitting frequencies to be used will be:
3805 kc 7070 kc 14195 kc 21250 kc 28550 kc
And while not indicated, these do appear to be SSB frequencies. The listening frequency will be announced. The effort is taking two complete Collins stations and two beams. QSL information was not available as of Saturday but will be announced and probably will be in next weeks bulletin.

Only a drastic change in the political situation in Southeast Asia would affect this trip and as of last week they were figuring that the chances of the operation going were better than $90 \%$.

A lot of planning and preparation has gone into this effort and there are experienced DXpedition operators on the trip. If the band conditions hold up and there are no other problems, there should be a high total of QSOs from this effort. The only previous effort from Spratly was Don Millers effort some six years or so back. If you are in doubt where to head your beam, try an XV5AC heading and you should be in the ballpark someplace.
CHIN A noter from JA1ZZ who was given as the QSL Manager for JAIMWI/BY advises that he has logs for the JA1MWI/BY operation covering therperiod November 19th to December 6th.
The only problem is that JA1MWI is not a current license issued by the JA-licensing authorities and the previous holder, Mr. Yamazaki, is in Tokyo and says, that he knows nothing about any /BY DXpedition. Son of a Gun!!!

SUNSPOT LOUIE Two sunspots were visible last week at the time of the observation, these being of medium size, approximately ten to twelve thousand miles in diameter. These two have been visib: le for the week previous to the observation and went around to the backside this last week-end. No new spots have appeared since these two showed and band openings have been short and with no predictable regularity.

VQGHCS-ALDABRA Harry, VQ9HCS, has been showing mot mornings on 15 mtrs from $1700 Z$ and is also being found on twenty.
The new beam there on Aldabra has been raised in easy stages and is now fifty feet up.
In an attempt to clean up some of the demand for VQ9HCS in the Western Reaches, W2CTO has arranged for a twenty meter schedule for the next two Sundays. Harry will be on or close to 14225 kc from $1400-1600 \mathrm{Z}$ on Sunday, January 21st and 28th, beaming long path and looking for the mid-continent to the West Coast.
With all the local radio stores on Aldabra short on supplies, Harry is having a problem with 6146s and is down to his last two. W2CTO scouring the area via want ads looking for a supply for Harry.
AVES The IVØAA effort by the Venezuelan Radio Club opened around $1800 Z$ on December 10 th and operated until last Friday, possibly even into the early part of Saturday. There were efforts on most of the advertised bands though band conditions at times were not the best. QSO totals should be rather large though the erratic band conditions found some still looking Friday night for the station.
QSLs for this go to Box 2285, Caracas, Venezuela. Four IRCs needed if you thirst for a fast reply via airmail. More details on the effort are expected and will be carried in a future bulletin.
SOUTH SHETLAND LUIZC did operate from Deception last week but the reports indicate that the signal was not very strong and many could not find Alberto. There is a possibility that LUIZC will be on Deception again later this month and there may be another chance to catch him then.
ST PETER \& PAUL etc Les, PY2WH, aiming for the delayed St. Peter and Paul/Fernando de Noronha/Rocas and possibly in early February. Last week Les made arrangements with WBDJZ to handle his QSLs and has $f$ warded copies of the logs from past efforts to Hoppy. If you are still looking for any operation there with a 'WH' suffix, send a card to W3DJS with sase etc.
Les apparently has most of the necessary items corraled for the coming efforts, the only thing itching is possibly some needed help with financing. However, it does all seem go at this point.
MONACO KLDJC and KLUWJ, took off this week for Monaco and expect to operate from January 18 th through the 21st from 3 A $\phi$-country. Main action is intended for 20/15/10 with 40/80 an outside possibility. Transmitting frequencies will be 14195/21295 and 28595 kc with cowo activity just inside the band edges. 1 during the operations....
QSLs go to INDXA.
REVILIAGIGEDO XE1IIJ, Scott, XE1J, Pepe, and possibly some others are looking to head for Benito Juarez island in the Revillagigedo group sometime in March and operate for some days, possibly signing either 6G4 or 6F4 as prefixes. A good possibility would be in mid-march in the 15th to 21st area.
XEIJ has been there a number of times and has always run up a large total with a good signal. The island is named after a Mexican patriot.

And we meet, with champagne and a chicken, And a little DX, at last.....

TJROPE。○CW
CT2ĀK $21051 / 1710 / J a n 10 \mathrm{~m}$ EACRER 14010/1955/Jan 4e EA50T 14005/1230/Jan 4e GI3SKH 14025/1645/Jan. 5w
GWBUH 21043/1630/Jan 3e
HA/KLE 21052/1520/Jan 8e
FASKFV 14068/1420/Jan 2e
HP9AKJ 14032/16/5/Jan 6w
JV5CI 14042/2135/Jan 6m
LZ1KAU 14037/1615/Jan 3e
LZZAA 14050/1600/Jan 3e
TISEMHERES . . CW
CO23M 14027/1225/Jan 4 e CX7BBB 14030/0100/Jan 8W FPSFU 14024/1315/Jan 7e FO8DI 21064/0000/Jan 3W HKфBKX 21051/1645/jan 6w HI7JM 14020/1235/Jan 4 e KG4FG $14045 / 0010 / \mathrm{Jan} 5 \mathrm{e}$ KGLFG 21038/1.705/Jan 3e KG6AAY 14037/0000/Jan 6e RV4AA. 14078/2220/Jan 10e $\frac{A^{2}}{A^{2} 20 C Y}-1324 / 1710 / \mathrm{Jan} 6 e$ A2CEN 21330/1330/Often
A2CAY 21355/1855/Jan 3e
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { A2CJP } & 21284 / 1935 / \mathrm{Jan} 5 \mathrm{e} \\ \text { A2CCY } & 14209 / 1605 / \mathrm{Jan} 10 \mathrm{w} / \mathrm{f}\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { A2CCY } & 14209 / 1605 / J a n ~ \\ \text { CRLBS } & 21310 / 1730 / \mathrm{Jan} \\ 4 \mathrm{~m}\end{array}$
CRLBS 14221/2125/Jan 7m TU2DF
CRGNO 21289/1950/Jan 8im. TY5ABK
CRI: ${ }^{5}$ 11272/1635/Jan 8w\# TVQHCS
CR7IZ 21293/1830/Jan 9w VQ9MC
CR7FR 21293/1605/Jan 3w WA1/VQ9
ma8HS 21303/1520/Jan 6w
EA9EJ 21324/1810/Jan 11w
ET3USE
EI2DS
FR7AL
FR7ZW
FB8XA
TU2DQ

14041/1555/Jan 6w 14041/2100/Jan 4 e 14008/1725/Jan 8iw $14055 / 1620 / \mathrm{Jan} 5 \mathrm{~W}$ $14040 / 1645 / \mathrm{Jan} .8 \mathrm{w}$
$14021 / 0020 / \mathrm{Jan} 7 \mathrm{e}$ $\begin{array}{lll}\text { ZESJW } & 21019 / 1945 / \mathrm{Jan} & 4 e \\ \text { 3D6AF } & 14036 / 1945 / \mathrm{Jan} & 9 \mathrm{w} \\ \text { 9G1HE } & 21004 / 1725 / \mathrm{Jan} & 7 \mathrm{e} \\ \text { 9X5QC } & 14003 / 2105 / \mathrm{Jan} & 7 e \\ \text { ZS5LB } & 21032 / 1850 / \mathrm{Jan} & 3 \mathrm{e} \\ \text { ZS1RM } & 21027 / 1940 / \mathrm{Jan} & 4 \mathrm{e}\end{array}$ 9F1RF 14033/0020/Jan 7e

SHORTIY NOTED An article in the LOS Angeles TIMES recently noted that the French are apparently not intent on staying in Ifars and Issas (French Somaliland) and in anticipation Ethopia and Somali manever to be in a favorable position to take over when the last Foreign Legionaire narches down to the waiting ships in the Gulf of Aden. Meanwhile, an independerice movement gains strength inland are in evidence from time to time.
The line-up seems to have the U.S. backing Ethiopia and the USSR backing Somali. The Eritrean Liberation Front is backed by China.
George Pompidou will be visiting the areu in the coming weeks. When DeGaulle droppin in back in 1966 there was widespread rioting for independence.
The right zip code for WA1RDH/TQ9 on Chagos is 09530. Our highmspeed typing is somewhat erratic at times and we gave it out as 05930 some weeks back. The full address is ATCU \#4, FPO New York 09530. See!! We got it right that time.
On some QSL information last week: we we tripped up by some merging of a rubber stamped address with some back ground printing and recorded WA 4 WTG as 'WA LWIG"...and this is in error.
WA $4 W T G$, Kappy, is QSL Manager for FY7AE, TJIBF, VERVAR, $4 X 4 N J, 4 X 4 U F ; ~ 4 X 4 V B \ldots$ it sort of ruined our week-end when we. caught up with the error, Some new FB8-stations are said to be on. FBBXC and FBdXA. FBBXC was at 14253 kc on January 4 th while FBEXA follows the cowo crowd.
QSLs for A51PN have been coming through. They bear the retirm address of: H N Pradhan, Wireless Comminications, Dechentshi, Thimphy, Bhutan. Those still holding their VK9JW QSL with heavy anticipation may have some good words soon. John has been down-country to visit with his solicitor and it is expected that the problems will be worked out. JT1AH QSLs have come through...some going back almost two years. It is expected that the U.S. will formally establish diplomatic relations with Ulan Bator shortly.
WhaG is heading out and will be on a 4 th world cruise. Hy has a TR4 available in Japan and will be trying to donate it to a local Shanghai organization while there. The word from out Peking Desk is that several outsiders there in China working on various projects since the 'thaw 'have riade efforts to obtain operating permission but without success. The requests bein. firmly tumed down. However, do not give up hope. It seems that these matters $h$ ve been discussed at rather high levels and some are optimistic about a possible legitimate BY operation sometime in the not too distant future. However, they do believe that if it does come that it will be a Chinese operation with Chinese operators and will be well publicized in advance. This might be a clue to discount any mone DM/BY or JA/BY operations. And just when you decide they are not good, guess what may happen....??
WZOVC operated as PJ OnE $^{2}$ in Sint Maarten last May 7-14th. This is a separate country from Pvt; 3 ; 9 for DKCC purposes or Saba/ST. Eustauis PJ6. It is the same island as FS7/St. Martin. Lenny would wish a sase for any PJ\&AE QSLs.
VQ9HCS, Harry, may be interested in additional operations"in the Indian Ocean. Harry retired after 22 years in the Royal Signal Corps. After the Aldabra operation, he has a possibility for another position on an island further to the east from the Seychelles. He is interested in getting a hold of an operating linear to boost his signals but presently he says the pension from the Royal Signals does not encourage such extravag= ance. Some of the inquiries directed to VQGHCS have involved possible efforts from Farquar, Zanzibar, Agalega, St. Brandon or Rodriquez.
Speaking of the Indian Ocean, there was a rumor being passed by a $\operatorname{HR} 1$ that there is a new amateur on VK9=Cocos Keeling. This one is reported to have a new rig and the call of the operator may be VK6AW....
K4DJC and K4UWJ are hoping for additional efforts if their 3A $\varnothing$-Monaco effort proves successful. gG1HC is in the U.S. Embassy in Accra, just got his license and will have his station in his office, ., and at home. Hopes for a big signal on 15 and $20 \ldots$

ASIA...SSB
$\overline{A L F D D-1 L 247 / 1450 / J a n ~}$ EP2DO 14201/1405/Jan EP2DC 14226/1300/Jan EP2RR 14245/1515/Jan EP2SP 14224/1520/Jan EP2YI $14234 / 1525 / \mathrm{Jan}$ HSIAGQ 14217/1335/Jan

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| 6 e | OD5F'B |
| 6 e | VU2YY |
| 3w\# | VU2CP |
| 3wif | VU2KV |
| E'W | VU2UK |
| $7 \mathrm{~m} \#$ | YK1AA |

14245/1415/Jan $14204 / 1525 / \mathrm{Jan} 6 \mathrm{~m}$ 14210/1420/Jan 7e 14217/1300/Jan 6e 14211/0205/Jan 10w 14212/1330/Jan 2 e $14270 / 1430 / \mathrm{Dec} 30 \mathrm{e}$

9K2AU 9K2CA
$4 \times 4 \mathrm{CW} \quad 14213 / 1420 / \mathrm{Jan}$ 4N4JU 14212/1605/Jan 5B4KP 14215/1420/Jan 7m\#

7 e 14245/1555/Jan 8w 14259/1430/Jan be
EUROPE ...SSB
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FISEMHERES.. $\operatorname{OSSB}$
CXEDI. $14200 / 0100 / \mathrm{Jan} 10 \mathrm{w}$
DU2CP 14216/1400/Jan 6e KC6VW
FM7/WW 14240/2200/Jan 6m KGLIFG
FG7XL 21276/1955/Jan 9e KL7FSJ
HKфBKX 14207/0050/Jan 4e KX6DB
HC1MH 14296/1210/Jan
HR1KAS 14207/2305/Jan
LULDSF 14212/0010/Jan
OX5AY $\quad 14221 / 2135 / \mathrm{Jan}$
OALCJ 2134/4/1950/Jan
OA6BW 21329/1725/Jan
PZ1DX 14209/2220/Jan
PZ1CU 14332/1900/Jan
PJ9AD 14325/1225/Jan
VK9UC $21283 / 2210 / \mathrm{Jan}$
VK9FM 14202/2135/Jan
VK6MK 14208/1200/Jan $2 e$
VK5RU 14202/2200/Jan 2

## 40/80/160 Desk

9w HBGKX
5 m
4 e 3 e 1w
5 m OE1JRN 0K1KCP

CT10I 7028/0145/Dec 31e
C02DR 7008/0200/Jan 9w
см2ам 700\%/0300/Jan 10w
CE6IZ 7010/0230/Jan 9w
EA2CL 7013/0800/Dec 30e
EA9EO 7005/0110/Jan 2e
H2DK 7009/0015/Jan 7e
GC2IU 7015/0720/Dec 30e
HA7SQ 7006/0330/Jan $2 e$
Hasly 7002/0130/Jan 7e
HP1官 7023/0210/Jan $2 e$
FP1LR. 7194/0415/Jan 4w
HI3PC 7012/0125/Jan 7e
HIDAGM 7019/0510/Dec 28e
HB92E 7026/0400/Jan 4 kv HK\$1KX 7009/0230/Jan 4w JA10HV 7002/2150/Jan 2e KG4CB 7165/0335/Jan 10w KG6JAR 7012/1225/Jan 6e

14252/1610/Jan 7w $14203 / 1530 / \mathrm{Jan} 6 \mathrm{~m}$ 14213/1535/Jan 6w 14241/1620/Jan 14211/1605/Jan 14207/1335/Jan $21280 / 1630 / J a n .5$ 14206/1630/Jan 3wt.

OZ3IN 14210/1630/Jan SvøWWW 21275/1540/Jan UA3HR 14202/1625/Jan UK5IBM 14205/1330/Jan YURRD 14204/1515/Jan 3A2CX 14208/1600/Jan 9H1BX, 21307/1610/Jan 5m 9H 4 D …21298/1600/Jan 9e

| VP5RF | 21308/1800/Jan | 4 m |
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| VPEMS | 14250/0345/Jan | 4 w |
| K4/vP7 | 21340/1740/Jan | 9 e |
| YSIACE | 14263/1520/Jan | 7 e |
| Ys¢cck | 21295/2135/Jan | 9 e |
| YN3RBD | 14296/1210/Jan | ge |
| Y『¢AA | 14190/1810/Jan | 10w |
| 2K1BB | 14203/1725/Jan | 4w |
| ZK1CD | 21313/2120/Jan | 7 |
| ZP5MD | 14216/0055/Jan | 7 e |
| 5WIAU | 14212/1635/Jan | 8w |
| ${ }^{\text {BP }} 6 \mathrm{EY}$ | 14214/1225/Jan | 5 |
| 8P6Cy | 14210/2230/Jan | 6 m |
| EPGCY | 21352/2020/Jan | 5 W |
| EP6AE | 14211/2240/Jan | 6w |
| 9Y4TU | 14233/1955/Jan | 5 |
| 9Y4\% | 21340/1600/Jan | 6 m |


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| 9/TF | 7030/0130/Jan |
| MTCE | 7004/04 |
| M6Cuk | 70 |
| UA ¢ F $^{\text {P }}$ | 7020/1530/Jan |
| Uablau | 70 |
| UB5II | 7024/0125/Jan 7e |
| L2LAM | 701 |
| 5V | 7004/0435/Jan 4kv |
| UK5EA | /J |
| ULTCAW |  |
| FJJG | 7001/0400/Dee 27e |
| 2 GB |  |
| 2TA |  |
| UY 5 DV |  |
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| vK6RS |  |
| vP20w | 7218/0420/Jan 6w |

AND MORE 40/80/160 STUFF

VP2SAH 7010/1100/Jan LkV
VP2DH
TP2KH
VP2ST
VP2SU
VP2DWP
CO2FA
COZAA
CP1EU
DU2EL
DJJSW
DK4TP
EA6BH
EA6BN
EI中REI
EPRTW
EPRAN
FGAGM
G3GTN
G3RFG
GC3YIZ
GIVWU
GM3UK
GM3UA
GW3SHP
GW3AX
GW3ZQC
HA SKKK
HB9NE
HC 2NW
HK $\phi$ BKZ
HP1JC
I12V
HISNLE 3803/0620/Jan 7w
"G3YYV -. 1827/0500/Jan 7m GW3YGH 1823/0230/Jan 3kv GM3YCB 1829/0220/Jan 3kv

| VP | 7163/1140/Jan 7e | YOTAHD | 7028/0140/Jan |
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| VP2SRC | 7173/1145/Jan 7e | YV5DRN | 7021/0200/Jan |
| VP5RF | 7003/1220/Jan 4 e | 6WEDY | 7090/0840/Jan |
| VSADO | 7085/1530/Jan 5w | 8P6AJ | 7161/1110/Jan 4ivv |
| VU2QV | 7009/1235/Jan 6e | 9J2XZ | 7030/0410/Jan 2 e |
| YU3HIJ | 7017/0130/Jan 7e |  |  |
| KG6JBO | 3796/1445/Jan 8 W | VP1TL | 3810/0445/Jan 10w |
| KH6AQ | 3790/1105/Jan 6kv | VP2SQ | 3806/1050/Jan |
| HH6HRT | 3803/0635/Jan 7e | VP2LI | 3806/1100/Jan |
| KL 7 HIY | 3790/0710/Jan. 3w | VPTND | 3802/0425/Jan 10w |
| KPLAN | 3802/1100/Jan 6kv | VQ9R | 3799/2255/Jan |
| KP4DJX | 3803/0625/Jan 7w | VRIAA | 3799/0645/Jan |
| KP4DLW | 3812/0645/Jan 6w | FS6DO | 3795/1400/0ften |
| KZ.5BB | 3507/0450/Jan 7 e | YA1AH | 3779/0250/Dec |
| KVLAB | 3803/0030/Jan 3e | YA1DT | 3799/0300/Dec |
| KZ5NG | 3806/1050/Jan 7e | YNIES | 3803/0050/Jan |
| LU2AFH | 3713/0650/Jan 6w | YN1CW | 3513/0600/Jan |
| LU5HFI | 3508/0350/Jan 4w | zB2CO | 3785/0320/Jan |
| LX1BW | 3796/0750/Jan 7kv | ZK2BD | 3799/0735/Jan |
| MP4BIN | 3795/0300/Dec 28e | ZL3KK/C | 3795/0700/Jan 10w |
| OH1Jİ | 3502/0525/Jan 3e | 2ILLKG | 3785/0800/Jan 4w |
| OH5VT | 37.57/0640/Jan 1e | ZS3AK | 3780/0440/Dec |
| OH1TY | 3795/1410/Jan 6w | ZS1MH | 3799/0320/Jan |
| ONLIUN | 3778/0615/Jan 10w | 3A2EE | 3799/0650/Dec 286 |
| OX3EA | 3796/0800/Often | 5N2ABG | 3775/0610/Dec 10w |
| PZIAM | 3530/0500/Jan. 3w | K3/6Y5 | 3803/0010/Jan |
| SMTBIC | 3795/0540/Jan 3e | 7XøGM | 89/0635/Dec |
| SM5SB | 3799,0640/Jan Se | $9 Y_{4}$ T | $96 / 1025 / J a n$ |
| SM6CKU | $3795.1455 / \mathrm{Jan}$ Ew | 9V1RE | 95/1440/Jan |
| SM5BLA | 3790/0450/Jan 3w | 6WEDY | 86/0730/Jan |
| SP7CLB | 3508/0510/Jan 7e |  |  |
| TIIPE | 3806/1050/Jan 7e |  |  |
| TI2NA | 3790/0320/Jan 6w |  |  |
| UJGW | 3502/0130/Jan. |  |  |
| KP4DLW | 1804/0315/Jan 7m | VS6DO | 1806/1425/Jan |
| KZ5ZZ | 1309/2310/Dec 31kv |  |  |
| OE5KE | 1829/0020/Jan 6kv |  |  |

MORE NOTES: WA 5ZNY reports hearing on 160 mtrs one Saturday night G3ZEM, PJ2VD, OK1ATP, OK1FCW, FPRHH and GP6DR. Check Red Eyed this week to see where the MUF might be.... Some one of the more insensitive Slims has been signing TL3LI and TLELU on some bands and giving the call-sign of an invalid as the QSL manager.
SU1MA has a 3 element beam working and expects to be heard a bit more often. Last week was coming into the San Joaquin Delta area longpath around $14203 \mathrm{kc} / 1530 \mathrm{Z}$. 3 A 2 CX is:F9RM operating across the border on weekends...14209kc/1600Z. 9J2XZ is on a couple of times a week around $7030 \mathrm{kc} / 0345 Z$ for a half hour or so before going to work. W1YRC working out the kinks on the XVSAC QSLs...continue to QSL via Bob and-
E... he hopes to have them all straightened out, one day soon. KCLAAD call has been reassigned to Siple Station...on the delayed QSLs for KCLAAD, Bill Trabuceo who is assigned there is trying to clean up all the outstanding paper. Wonder how many will recall when Paul Siple was a Roy Scout with a Byrd Antarctic expedition. If you do....y you may be qualified for the Geritol Net... just below 3800kc around 0100Z.... KHGEDY QSLs for the Oct 72GQ WW Test will be special QSLs and the photo plates are not expected until next month. If you are looking for a contest QSI, you must practice your patience, Pogular KH6EDY QSLs all due in mils by last week in January.

SPRATHY
MONACO
ST PETER \& EAUL
CQ 160 mtr TEST
FRENCH TEST

Operation planned to open January 18 th.... 3 to 5 days. Most bands. KLLDJC/3A $\phi$ and KLUWJ/3AC from January 18 to 21st... $20 / 15 / 10$ mostly.. PYZWII aiming for early Tebruary.
January 26-28th
January 26-28th....CW -round

OSCAR VI PA $W$ WLB in VERON reports working 19 countries in 61 contacts thrugh Oscar VI and reports 30 watts output is sufficient to use the satellite. On calling CQ a large number of $\mathrm{W} / \mathrm{Ks}$ respanded to the extent that the QRM made things difficult but he did work WøRLI with 559 reports.
Most of the 19. countries worked are European but there are others and the total includes $S M, F, D L, I A, W / K, G, S P, E A, L Z, H G, O K, O H, I, U A, H B 9, U B 5, G W 3$, YU and VEs. In the states contacts have included K2RTH, W2WD, W2UK, W2TMZ, W申RII and VE3QB in Canada. DM2BIGG/4W1 is usually listening between 0615 Z and 06402 and is hearing European and African stations.

ARRL The FCC in the last week or so affirmed the rules adopted in Docket 19162, the phone band expansion item, and denied requests for reconsideration. One of the comments in the denial of reconsideration stated: "The Commission agrees with ARRL that it wes unfortunate that key members in the amateiri radio networks did not choose to upgrade their operating skills and privileges but did not agree that the solution was to compromise the upgrading system by authorizing additional privileges of some licensees at the expense of others".
The FCC also denied all petitions for re-onsideration or stay in the Repeater pocket No. 18303 and affirmed the adoption of the rules.
On the proposal of the FCC to increase license fees...Amateur fees would go from $\$ 9.00$ to $\$ 10.00$ for new, ronewed, modified or renewed and modified licenses and from $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 5.00$ for straight modifications. Special call-signs stay at $\$ 25.00$. and duplicate licenses at \$6.00. Novice, military, recreation, RACES and reciprocal authorizations will remain free of charge. Deadline for comment on the proposal, Docket 19658, is February 13th. More details will be in the February QST.
SP-DX CLUB The SPDX Bulletin for December lists the staridings of the members in the DXCC chase and it may be interesting to see what leaders in other countries might have..


CYIMA Some of the problems over the SY1MA QSLs are expected to be resolved shortly and WA1HAA expects to have them in the mails.
SVめWJJ, Vince, is now back in the states and working with Bill De Lage, WA1HAA, to get the QSL situation straightened. Originally, an offer to have the QSLs printed in Europe was accepted but the cards never were delivered and there appeared to be some efforts to usurp the action.
IWAIHAA and SV\$WJJ are planning to visit the ARRL DXCC Desk this week to get the whole matter straightened out and established the legitimacy of the QSIs for the operation. A new printing of QSLs will be ordered, these to be printed here in the states, and these will be issued by WA1HAl and no one else.
It is expected that DXCC credit will be a ilable after March ist for SY1MA and only for QSLs coming out of WA1HAA and no othe: source.

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WEST COAST DX BULIETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. Last week we ran into the QRPer who used to have the problems with the squirrel. We talked of a number of things and we asked about the grey flash. The squirreIly QRRer turned rather somber. "I haven't seen the little fellow for about a year", he said. "I think that he took off tothe woods". So we asked some questions and got the story. "One night I was holding him up and scratching under his chin and the XYL came by and stopped. 'Why the little fellow has a woor' tick on his belly' she said. 'You just hold him and I will get the tweezers and wind the tick out'. The QRPer' at this point seemed to sigh just a bit. "Well, she got the tweezers and" she turned what she thought was the tick in a counter-clockwise direction and the squirrel jumped all over the place. You see, this was a young male squirrel and it wasn't a tick". Son of a Gun, we thought this over for a bit and could appreciate why the squirrel might be disturbed. $\$ 9.00$ for a full year of insight into the revelancy of squirrel problems to DXing, $\$ 10.50$ brings it airmail.

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