BHUTAN Clyde, W6KNH, and Venkat, VU2KV, have not as yet been able to make the A55KV effort but the prospects are still not closed out.
With the goal of making the attempt by January 9th not being passible, Clyde has gone visiting, working down to Ceylon to visit Paddy and will possibly visit some other friends in the area around the India-Southeast Asia area. Venkat is returning to his work to preserve some of his leave.
The two are looking to the period around January 23rd for a possible A55KV effort. If all: the problens have been solved by then, Clyde will return to Calcutta to join with Venkat and on to Bhutan and A55KV.
Venkat a week ago indicated that more information was being sent in a letter but as of Friday it had not arrived. There is good possibilities that more information will develop in the coming week and this will be in time for any possible effort after January 23rd. Meanwhile, as the Hero of Mafeking would often say: "Be Prepared!".
CIIPPERTON The Republic of France has given approval for an expedition aimed at Tmedical and metereologial studies in the eastern Pacific-Clipperton Island for the Fall of 1974. The permit has been issued to the Unyersuties of Fieiourg in Germany and the University of Zurich in Switzerland.
A Swiss/German scientific tem is planni ; to make the. studies and references have been received from R。Couban, the 'Chef du Territorire Polynesie Francaise', (No. 7842/CAB), al so C Hollmann, Noumea (No. 2276/AGL).
Four members of the scientific team are licensed amateurs, there being one HB9 and three DLs in the crew.
The purpose of the trip to the eastern Pacific and Clipperton is officially for scientific studies. There are still a number of matters to be worked out which include financing and transportation. However, more information on this scientific group and their Clippertion plans will be developing in the coming months.
CHAGOS Another station is headed out that way, WB2VUO will arrive there sometime in the"week. He will sign his own call /VQ9 and plans to work 10/15/20mtrs. A station which previously has been on Chagos, WB6VGI/VQ9 has returned, to the states and any QSLs for this Chagos operation can be sent to: Larry Minnis, 1826 B Annapolis Road,
Ft. Meade, Maryland 20755 . Ft. Meade, Maryland 20755.
SPRATLY Apparently the continued erratic to poor propagation conditions have brought some more consideration of the proposed Spratly Island effort which was due in February and the latest word is that there will be no Spratly effort by the group in 1974.
Part of the hope of the effort was to make Spratly available to the East Coast. Ir recent months XUIAA in the same area 'as been on regularly but some parts of the country still have difficulty in cornering this one.
Don Riebhof has been at Phom Penh on temporary duty for some months and it is possible that this may stretch into an extended stay there. In addition to the period around $1300-1400 \mathrm{Z}$, XU1AA is sometimes found in the 14224 kc area around 0045Z.

Observations a week ago showed no significant
sunspots and up to that time in 1974, the
observations on the four days that cloud cover $\because$. allowed it showed nothing.
WWV has been broadcasting a varicty of reports. during this period...N5, N6 and N7. There hotic been some brief openings but nothing real 7 consistent.
För those trying to spot Kohoutek, it is st about. an impossibility without some strong, binocilars or such. TV Jis ped hot developy:

UPDATES W5RG, Ton Gentry, has returned home from Baylor Hospital and the doctor says he has to rest for several weeks. Not ven allowing him to listen at this time. Tom recently passed the 50 year mark as a amateur, reaching this last montho He has had the same call all the way.
KVLAA, Dick Spenceley, is home after being discharged from the hospital on Dec 28th. Dick was hospitalized on December sth and pronounced out of danger the following day on December 9th. However, after his first trip to a hospital in 68 years, he says that he has had enough of that type of visits.
Anyone looking for Dick can find him: 7195 kc from 1110 Z to 1125 Z . 14239 kc from. $1130 Z$ to $1200 Z$ beaming southwest and then beaming to the states from $1200 Z$ to 12302. At 2200 Z he goes c.w. at 14081 kc . Dick wishes to convey his thanks for those who remembered him with 'get well'cards during his stay at the hospital.
SHORTIY NOTED EA9AA showed last week but was duc to secure by Saturday. Signals to the West Coast were not especially strong but many did manage to get through. CROAK has not returned to Monaco as yet and no one has the word when Fern might show
$\therefore$ up. VSGAW who has been aiming for a CP bit of action before leaving his post in Hong Kong is anxiously waiting. Doug is due to depart trat post on February 17 th and he is hoping that CROAK returns prior to that dáte.
During the last couple of weeks we have had XUBEC, $5 U 4 G B$ and $5 Y 4 G I$ showing on c.w. One of these days we may be surprised but we are sure that all of these are Slim in his many disguises.
K2BI is handling the QSLs for KX6IA. Jm Rafferty who handlos the VP2LI QSLs notes that Bob McClements has returned to GM-land and anyone wanting VP2LI should direct their hopes to Jim, 555 West Middlefield, Apt H-103, Mt. View, Ca. 94043. JHBEPX is handling the QSLs for VK9RY and AX9RI. JH3HPX QTH in latest CBs. The Electronics Museum at Foothill Coll ge near San Jose is looking for old files of QST. Anyone who might help can dror a line to the foregoing WAGUCE/6. 3D6AX is thinking of some 3B9 action... ie is needing the loan of a suitable transceiver. There are weekly flights 40 Rodrigues and transportation wauld not be the problem. CR3AH usually has a Monday schedule with K\&IJD at 14210kc/2100z. Sam lates, KA2AI, will be returning to the San Diego area in mid-year to sign W6PYT。


15 Jan 74
REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE
Comrades, leave me here a little, while as yet 'tis early morn:
Leave me here, and when you want me, scund upon the bugle horn......

## AFRICA...CW

CR6AI 14030/1730/Jan CT2/CT3 14030/1730/Jan ZD7SA 14029/1455/Jan

## EUROPE..CW

GC2LU 14030/1555/Jan 6m
IB1C 14071/1540/Jan
IX1CF 14015/1740/Jan
SK6DG 14031/1L00/Jan
EISEWHERES...CW
FG7AH 14060/2250/Jan 1m FCTKZ 14065/1520/Jan 1m $\begin{array}{lll}\text { KF LDPN } & 14030 / 2245 / \mathrm{Jan} & 8 \mathrm{~m} \\ \text { Pri2DW/5 } & 14005 / 0040 / \mathrm{Jan} & 8 \mathrm{~m}\end{array}$

4 e
5Z4LW
be 6wdex
be 9.J2XZ

14008/2230/Jan $4 e$ 1404 / 1955/Jan 4e

## ASIA ...CW

HZ3TYQ 14028/1340/Jan
3e\# 9V1RF 14040/0055/Jan 6 m

UK6AAJ 14023/1400/Jan 6 m UK6LEZ 14020/1255/Jan 3e AFRICA...SSB

| CCY | 142 | 7 F | CRGAB | 14205/2105/Jan | 4 e |
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| CR3AH | 14210/2210/Jan | 4W | CL7T0 | 14211/2115/Jan | 4 e |
| CR4BS | 21330/1640/Jan | 5 m | CR7TI | 14204/2210/Jan | 5 m |
| CR6 TP | 14204/2135/Jan | 5m | CR7TT | 14204/2145/Jan | 5 m |
| CR6RL | 14207/2220/Jan | 4w | EL2FG | 14333/1930/Jan | 5e |
| CR6OR | 14201/2010/Jan | 2 e | EL4D | 14215/2230/Jan | , |
| CR6RZ | 14216/1935/Jan | 4 e | FLJDJ | 14240/1915/Dec |  |

## ASIA...SSB

| A4XFE | 14199/1355/Jan | 3e\# | HZ1AB | 14212/1425/Jan | 7 e |
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| EP2EJ | 14209/1400/Jan | 7 e | JY6KKK | 14210/1445/Jan | 4 m \# |
| EP2GG | 14227/1310/Jan | 4 e | KA2AI | 14230/0115/Jan | 4W |
| HL9WE | 14229/0115/Jan | 4w | MP4BJR | 14206/1410/Jan | 6 m |
| HLT9KK | 14206/2340/Jan | 1 e | MPLBIN | 14213/1455/Jan | 6 m |
| HL9UJ | 14210/0110/Jan | 5w | UI8LAG | 14212/1340/Jan | $6 e$ |
| HM1 DK | 14213/0045/Jan | 4 m | ULTLEZ | 14220/1320/Jan | $6 e$ |
| 457 AB | 14320/1245/Jan | 7 e | 9M2DQ | 14215/0000/0f |  |
| 4Z4II | 14220/1500/Jan | $4 \mathrm{~m} \#$ | 9M2DK | 14217/0030/Jan |  |

## EUROPE. . SSB

$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { CT2AK } & 14208 / 1530 / \mathrm{Jan} & 7 \mathrm{e} & \text { GW3AHN } & 14210 / 1615 / \mathrm{Jan} & 5 \mathrm{~m} \\ \text { DIT1UX } & 14205 / 1600 / \mathrm{Jan} & 6 \mathrm{w} & \text { I7CKD } & 14201 / 1540 / \mathrm{Jan} & 6 \mathrm{w} \\ \text { EA5AX } & 14210 / 1605 / \mathrm{Jan} & \text { 4WH } & \text { HV3SJ } & 14226 / 1850 / \mathrm{Jan} & 7 \mathrm{~m} \\ \text { EA6BG } & 14218 / 1405 / \mathrm{Jan} & 5 \mathrm{~m} & \text { IX1SF } & 14220 / 1610 / \mathrm{Jan} & 5 \mathrm{~m} \\ \text { GM5BCV } & 14221 / 1630 / \mathrm{Jan} & 7 \mathrm{~m} & \text { UF6CR } & 14204 / 1400 / \mathrm{Jan} & 3 \mathrm{e}\end{array}$

UF6FAZ 14206/1400/Jan 6e\# UK6AZ 14207/1320/Jan 7e YU4EBL 14203/1510/Jan 7m\# 3A2CP 14206/1505/Jan 4W 9H4D 21289/1530/Jan 2m

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CP1JV 14207/1950/Jan DU1REX 14202/2310/Jan DU5 1 BSP 14207/2350/Jan FG7XI 14238/2135/Jan FGdGE 14255/2020/Jan FMTAQ $14204 / 1635 / \mathrm{Jan}$ FYYAM 14235/2130/Jan FO8DO - $-14223 / 2135 / \mathrm{Jan}$ HCEGI $14228 / 0040 / \mathrm{Jan}$ HH2WF 21297/1920/Jan HK $\varnothing$ BKX - $14213 / 1500 / \mathrm{Jan}$ KCLUSX 14233/1230/Jan OX30T 11201/525/Jan

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$3 e$ 14216/0045/Jan 14333/2000/Jan 14204/2140/Jan 21327/1625/Jan 14204/2525/Jan 7w

| OX3NB | $14209 / 1650 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 5 w |
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| P29HC | $21209 / 2155 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 5 w |
| P29FH | $14204 / 1910 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 5 m |
| VA4RRC | $14206 / 1710 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 1 w |
| VP2ME | $14237 / 1430 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 5 e |
| VP2GRN | $21297 / 1955 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 4 e |
| VP2MSS | $14212 / 1545 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 3 m |
| VR6TC | $14196 / 1550 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 4 W |
| VX2AS | $14333 / 1840 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 6 e |
| WM4SFC | $14216 / 0125 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 4 m |
| WJ5SKY | $21374 / 2110 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 3 w |
| WP3SKY | $21323 / 1930 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | $4 e$ |
| YNIAZ | $2132 / 1815 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | $6 e$ |
| ZF1RD | $1421 / 1305 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | $4 e$ |
| ZP9AK | $14224 / 1945 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | $7 e$ |
| 3EIKC | $21355 / 1840 /$ OIten |  |


| 6Y5MJ | 14202/2345/Jan | 2 W |
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| 3D2GK | $14220 / 1910 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 5 m |
| 8P6FL | $14260 / 2015 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 4 e |
| 8RIG | $14201 / 1920 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 5 e |
| 8RIAG | $14220 / 1230 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | $3 e$ |
| 9MEJP | $14207 / 0100 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 6 m |

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK...

| A $2 C C Y$ | 7020/2155/Jan | 5 e | W9/HKф | 7033/0025/Jan | 50 |  | 7012/1330/Jan | 6 e |
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| CO2DR | 7006/0200/Jan | 7 W | HM1GP | 7029/1150/Jan | 5 e | U05PK | 7003/0440/Jan | 6 e |
| C06JH | 7030/0055/Jan | 7 m | HM2GE | 7010/1445\% Jan | 1w | TU2DD | 7006/2155/Jan | 4 e |
| CM2A F | 7008/0545/Jan | 6 m | HP1EE | 7050/1230/Jan | 3 e | VP2DA J | 7195/1030/Jan | 4 e |
| CP1EU | 7185/1000/Jan | 2 e | KV4CI | 7005/1115/Jan | 7 c | VK2WC | 7087/1050/Jan | 4 e |
| DK10U | 7006/0545/Jan | 6 m | KV4EC | 7275/1015/Jan | 5 e | VP2ST | 7040/0115/Dec | 3 le |
| EA GJQ | 7024/0550/Jan | 6 m | KL7PI | 7021/0345/Jan | 5w | VP2VAP | $7206 / 1145 / J a n$ | 5 e |
| FPSXA | 7001/0040/Jan | 2 e | LZ1BZ | 7003/0000/Jan | $4 e^{-}$ | VS 5MC | 7018/1435/Jan | 5w |
| G3FVR | 7006/1310/Jan | $6 e$ | OA 4 NCD | 7004/0025/Jan | 5 e | VX2AS | $7230 / 0150 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 6 w |
| HC1CW | 7005/2330/Jan | 4 e | OA LAFA | 7018/0540/Jan | 6 m | XUEEC | 7003/0155/Jan | 5? |
| HI3PC | 7031/0040/Jan | Le | OD5LX | $7072 \% 2140 / J a n$ | $1{ }^{1}$ | WW8BB | 7006/0155/Jan | 5 e |
| HISPLN | 7007/0540/Jan | 6 m | PJ9JT | 7027/1205/Jan | 3 e | §R1AG | 7190/1050/Jan | 4 e |
| HK ¢BKX $^{\text {d }}$ | 7026/0225/Jan | 7 e | $\begin{aligned} & \text { PZ1BQ } \\ & \text { TI2BEV } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7006 / 0100 / \mathrm{Jan} \\ & 7003 / 9050 / \mathrm{Jan} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \mathrm{~m} \\ & 7 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9L1JT } \\ & 9 \mathrm{KLVT} \end{aligned}$ | 7001/0005/Jan 7150/1050/Jan | $4 e$ $4 e$ |
| CO2AA | 3809/0410/Jan | 5 e | HSLAGN | 3806/1555/Jan | 2w | XU1AA | 3755/1545/Jan | 7 W |
| CT1MK | 3778.0500/Jan | 6 m | I $\downarrow$ LIZ | 3799/0310/Jan | 2 m | XV5AC | 3785/1450/Jan | 3w |
| CO2RE | 3792/0130/Jan | 8W | JA2IY ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 3503/1225/Jan | 7 e | Ya 4 VCA | 3791/2230/Jan | 6?? |
| CNEBD | 3783/0245/Jan | 4 e | KHGAQ | 3514/0525/Jan | 1 e | YV5EED | 3896/0725/Jan | 5 |
| CNEBF | 3776/0800/Jan | 5 e | KVLAB | 3991/0355/Jan | 5 e | YU1BCD | 3799/0310/Jan | 2 m |
| JరSW | 3790/0600/Jan | 5 w | OD5EA | 3787/0520/Jan | 5 e | YU2HA | 3799/0310/Jan | 2 m |
| DK3FW | $3787 / 0 \% / 4.0 / J a n$ | 5 e | OKえ̇MH | 3510/0510/Jan | 2 e | YU3EU | $510 / 0555 / \mathrm{Jan}$ | 6 m |
| DJ8SW | 3793/0425/Jan | 5 e | Pn $\dagger$ RU | 3796/0725/Jan | 5 e | 2F1AK | 3734/0530/Jan | 6w |
| M2EDL | 7/0555/Jan | 4 e | PJ9BB | 3808/3050/Jan | 1 e | ZF1RD | 3501/0130/Jan | 1 e |
| DUUBA | 3 | 2W | PY2FOT | 3796/1245/Jan | 5 e | Xp1KB | 3789\%\%720/Jah |  |
|  |  | 1w | SM5BLA | 3777, 735/Jan | 5 e | 6Y5BH | 3790/0345/Dec | 1 m |
| FCOB | 3/0555/Jan | 6 m | TU2DO | 3791/630/Jan | 6w | 6TSDY | 3797/0825/Jan | 5 e |
| G3KFP | 3991/0355/Jan | 5 | UC20AQ | 3512/0600/Jan | 6 m | 9L1JT | 3512/2235/Jan | 1 e |
| G6IF | 3787/0800/Jan | 5 e | UP2PAV | 2655/0530/Jan | $7 e$ | 9M2CJ | 3755/1600/Jan | 6w |
| GI30QR | 3798/0050/Jan | $6 e$ | UQ2GW | 3641/0540/Jan | $7 e$ | 9H3D | 3780/0610/Jan | 3 e |
| GWLACO | 3787/0835/Jan | 5 | UK2WIF | 3511,505/Jan | 2 e | $0 \times 370$ | 3529/0415/Jan | 7 e |
| HB9AQA | 3512/0450/Jan | $2 e$ | VP3MS | 3799/0400/Often |  | ZK2BD | 3790\%0600/Jan | 6 w |
| $\mathrm{HB} 9 \mathrm{Q}^{\text {R }}$ | 3796/0725/Jan. | 5 e | VS5MC | 3050/1500/Jan | ${ }^{3} \mathrm{~W}$ |  |  |  |
|  | 3! ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | VX1KE | 3501/0115/Jan | 1 e |  |  |  |

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W1RED signing 3P6EZ from Jan 16-31st...aII cands, all the time, W4BRE signing VP5GS in the 165 intr rest end of next week. WوABA signing ZF1BR late February zor two weeks...

MFLLISH There has been no new information on this one anc its accoptence for DXCC credit but something might develop durir. the coming weex. The ARRJ, Board of Directors will be in sess.in this week and i is very possible that a cecision will be at that time. It might be possible to ge. Some informaiion on the matter by listening to the WIAW bulletins though this may be something that will be mun by the boand to see if anyone takes a shot at it and then the decision will be made by staff in line with their authority.
It might be recalled that the VK9JW was inready postec for acceptance on November ist back in 1972 when the WIA a few days prior to that dave wrote the ARRL and asked that credit be postponed bēcause of some allegations made.
The ARRL, and others, then tried for a year to get the FIA to clarify and substantiate their position Apparently this has never beer zocsible and the WIA after raising the question, would not pursue it further nor vculd they clear the cloud of doubt they had created.
The ARRI, should they take the position of accepting IRCJW QSLs; will expose itself to possible futre criticism should later informatior ever develop that would in any way indicate that the VKIJW criticisms were based on zact: While this is not expected and the intent here is to review the ARRL position, is mast be acknowledged that in this instance the ARRI finds itself trying to handle a situation which it did not create. In trying to be equitable and eust in evaluating the VK9JW, the ARRL must or put itself in a position where its credib:lity and the integrity of the DXCC may at a later date be endangered.
From all the information that has come this way, it cioes seem that the VK9JW was a valid operation and that the whole matter was largely due to a clash of personalities both on the DXpedition and within the WIA. It is anticipated that the VKGJW will be accepted for DXCC purposes. In the exhilaration that may come with this credit, it should not be overlooked that the ARRL so some degree is sticking its neck out and that the problem certainly should have deen handled by the WIA which raised the matter in the first place.
NEW OFFICERS Down in the So Calif. DX Club, the new hands at the helm for the coming ytar will be: Prex Larry Weaver, W6JPH; Vice-orex John Alexander, K6SVL; Secretary Roger Trapp, K6SSN; Treasurer John Cashen WGKiC and Director Geo. Torricelli W6oK.
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The CHINA DESK A couple of weeks back the air was turgid with rumors about a bunch of licenses being issued to some communcations engineers engaged in installing micro-wave systems on the Peoplès Republic of China railways. It did not ring just right and we cautiously noted the story. Meanwhile we had the China Desk check the story and the early premise appears to be correct.... There are no China licenses issued to any outsiders.
Back about the time of President Nixons visit to Peking, some RCA engineers installed some satellite commuication gear. They made some inquiries about possible licenses. Nothing doing. Others who are in the country there on one matter or another...either official representatives of various governments or businessmen ....have been making hopeful inquries. Some rate their chances at less than 1 in 100 but are keeping up the hope.
Some there say that a BY operation is something that is coming... like old age. But when, that's another question. No one out at the China Desk will hazard a guess but it is not that last one reported. That is for sure.
TNX to W1AM, W1DAL, W1QV, W1RED, W1RML, K2BT, W2FPM, W2OVC, W3CDL, K3ZOL, WLBRB, W4EH, W4FPW, WLGTS, WLKA, WLNJF, WB4TPU, W4Ti ט, WLUF, K5FKD, WA6BJS, K6HTM, WA $6 M W G, ~ K 60 Z L, ~$ W6TSQ, W6TTS, K6TWI, K6UFT, WTYR, WלBBQV, WEOA, KלRWL, WEZOK, WA GUCE/ , K9WEH, W9YRA, WYZTD, WB $\neq G O B$, W $\varnothing$ JRN, WøNDX, DLZAA/W1, KA2AI,. KV4AA, VS6AW.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRe ers came by last week and cast his beady-eyed smile at us. We should have been wary. "You know", the QRPer started in, "recently we have been having all these problems in Amateur Radio. The Repeater Docket. The 220 mc Grab. The wrangling with the FCC. The Phone DXCC Certificate. You know what I mean, don't you?" We knew and we nodded sagely. "Well", the QRPer went on, "I have come up with a solution. A solution not only for these problems but for any that might arise in the future". The QRPer stopped talking and stood there with that anticipatory smile gleaming at us: "Finally we had to get him going again by saying "Well?". That QRP smile grew wider and brighter. "My Solution", he declaimed, "is the Great Panacea. The Great Panacea! And the Great Panacea will solve all these and other problems. Everything". You know, we thought this over for a bit and finally had to ask. "How will it work?". The QRP smile slid dem to a frown. "Look", the QRPer said. "I deal in concepts. Big concepts. And the Great Panacea is the dawn of the Big Concept in Amateur Radio. I figured out concept, let someone else work out the details". Son of a Gun, what could we say? Sometimes we think these great thinkers are away beyond us. Other times we wonder just where they are. While we seek the answer to the riddle


