

SUNSPOT LOUIE Some encouragement for themaxious
DXer showed last week and a sunspot of about \%. \%. 12,000 miles in diameter appeaxed. The spot has: ऑ.. changed little in appearance simee it firsta. We. noted on February 9 th and on the days when the. cloud cover permitted, it was possible to note itts progress across the face of the Sun. There. have been some openings, often below 14 mer., nid/.. the lower frequencies have been having. some good. openings. It might be noted that ground the nintw. of the month the reports in Red Eyed showed some good wh. WWV has been reporting $N 6 / J 5 / W 5$ reports around the timefrivis phaw Weng. The sunspot average for November was 22.1 with none atail poted. the week from November 5 th to 12 th . Late November, in the period from the 3 t\% to 30 th , had about 55 sunspots noted each day.
The Kitt Peak Observatory outside Tücson reports three indications that the new sunspot cycle is under way. The first was noting several months ago that there was some activity in the high latitudes of the Sun with polarity opposite to that of the present sunspot-cycle regions. This is usually an indicator of the start of a new cycle. A second indicator comes from recent obssrvations of the sun's reversed polar magnetic fields which precedes a new cycle. The third indicator comes from research now in progress on more quick-changing magnetic activity areas-those lasting less than a day and not associated with sunspots. Studies earlier in 1973 of 560 'ephemeral' active region show magnetic polarities corresponding to the new cycle dominate at the higher latitudes, especially in the southern regions of the sun. These smaller areas contain proportionally the same amounts of magnetic energy as does the larger reasons. The astronomers at the Kitt Peak Observatory report that the new cycle is expected to reach maximum intensity in 1980!!

SHORTLY NOTED Let's face it. Kohoutek did not come through but sooner or later those sunspots will. Along with the observation from W8ZOK, we have been getting some more information from Tom Ashley, WB4SIJ, who gave us the above fill-in on the developing sunspot cycle. It keeps the hopes alive!!
We have checked the East Coast and the watchers of the lonely night there report they heard nothing on that TT8-Chad operation. Clyde, W6KNH, has a couple thousand IRCS which he will unload at $15 ¢$ each...that plus a sase for return...and in bunches of twenty or multiple thereof. That VP2VCB heard last week is Bob, K9LIN, and QSLs to the Northern Illinois DX Assn. Box 519, Filmhurst, Ill. 60126. No new development on FO8-Clipperton but something is expected in the way of news shortly. Ten meters still opens occasionally but mostly on a north-south path. Those with ideas on DX and the progress of the DXAC should consider putting their ideas on paper and sending it onwards via Newington. Some of the DX.C. group have indicated that they are more responsive to letters than to any other approach. The Golden Gate QSL Bureau in San Francisxo notes that they hande QSLs for number of stations including FKZBCVs last trip to Norfolk. It might help to send a sase envelope to them at 71 Surrey st, San Francisco 94131 to clear any that might be on hand. W6KNH notes that he is not the one handling the certificate for the $Z K I T$ operation. If yours is still not received it might help to check with WGGQU to find out what the status might be. Spratly continues to be in the news.o.o...south Vie Narn saying that they are landing troops to protect the sacred homeland. The philippines landing troops on northern islands in the group to protect the sacred homeland. Big riots in the southerm islands in the Philippines. Riots in Martinique... Heck we even heard of one instance where a member of the DXAC prepured to defend his oriure with bare knuckIes. Son of á Gun! This is supposed to be fanthing. More cold showers should be in order. K6SE/2 confirns that the Elizabeth, Nw. QTH is the best route for the PJ8SE and PJ8/PJ6 QSLs. John calls for a concentrated Caribbean effort in the coming DX Tests during the Iow sunspot activity of the next year or so. "Put everything on the air", John says, "for that will be where the action is". He made 7400 QSOs in the ARRL Test from FST/ and from the PJs Saba and St. Fatius. One contact while he $W$ at Saba tried to make the QSO in Malayese...figur, he was in 9M6-Sabah. K7SAD w operated last ycar from Wake says he is still waiting for QSLs from the printer. Anyone getting a 9U5CR QSL??


| CR6DN | $14056 / 2130 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 m | ZD7SA | $14029 / 2015 / \mathrm{Feb} 10 \mathrm{~m}$ | 6 W 8 EX | $14030 / 2110 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 m |
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| FB8XA | $14028 / 0005 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8 m | ZERJJ | $14031 / 2035 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 7 m | 9 J 2 BL | $14018 / 2210 / \mathrm{Feb}$ |
| TU2DW | $14005 / 2040 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8 m | 3D6AE | $21075 / 1000 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 7 hs |  |  |
| TUZEB | $140.11 / 2020 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 m | 5Z4JD | $14042 / 1910 / \mathrm{Feb} 10 \mathrm{~m}$ |  |  |  |

ASIA....CW

| UA9XS UK7AAI | 14012/1320/Feb 14007/1410/Feb | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \mathrm{~m} \\ & 9 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | UK8JAA $5 B 4 A U$ | 14019/1340/Feb 14021:/1450/Feb | $\begin{aligned} & 9 \mathrm{~m} \\ & 7 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | UAøFEA | 14013/0130/Feb | 16 w |
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| EURCREE....CW |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DJ6IH | 14007/1545/Feb | 8w | HG5A | 14035/1930/Feb | 10 m | UC2TA | 14012/1540/FEb | 8w |
| DK3FD | 14015/1640/Feb | 6w | $I \varnothing \mathrm{FPH}$ | 14033/1320/Feb | 7 m | UC2IB | $14045 / 1440 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 10 m |
| DM3BB | $14032 / 1700 / \mathrm{Fe}$ b | 8w | ON4KK | $14014 / 1630 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8w | UD6BA | 14035/1355/Feb | 9 m |
| DM2DEO | 14030/1530/Feb | 4 m | ON4XM | 14008 ¢ $1610 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8w | UK2PAT | 14047/1450/Feb | 5 m |
| GC2LU | 14027/1355/Feb | 9m | OH6NU | $14045,1405 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 5 m | UK2FAH | $14023 / 1525 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8w |
| GD 4 AM | $14015 / 1805 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 m | SP7ATA | $14014 / 1620 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8 w | UK3XAS | $14035 / 1425 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 9 m |
| GI4BBV | $14070 / 1845 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 4 e | SM5KX | $14047 / 1455 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 5m | UK3ABB | $14056 / 1425 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 9 m |
| G2BY | $14015 / 1630 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 w | TF3SE | $14023 / 2150 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 m | YU10CV | 14047/1410/Feb | 5 m |

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| FGTAH | $14002 / 2125 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 m | KE2TAE | $14013 / 1725 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 9 e | XQ3 |
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| A2CCY | 14212/2110/Feb | 7 m | EL4D | 14242,2100/Feb | 10 e | ZD9GG | 21310/1620/Feb |
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| CR6FO | $28600 / 1545 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 9 e | EL2CY | 14245/2345/Feb | 11w | ZS2MI | 14200/1545/Feb 7hs |
| CR6LC | $14231 / 2000 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 e | ET3USE | 14209/1850/Feb | $6{ }^{\text {e }}$ | 2S3TW | 14298/2050/Feb 8m |
| CR6AD | 14216/2110/Feb | 8 e | VE1/SU | 14215/1330/Feb | 7 c | 3B8DG | 21279/1620/Feb 10e |
| CR6RJ | $14203 / 1935 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8 e | TR8VE | 14205/2220/Feb | 10 e | 5 U 7 AZ | 14207/2215/Feb 11m |
| CR6CC | 14221/2110/Feb | 8 e | TUZEN | $14215 / 2225 / \mathrm{F}^{\text {b }}$ | 11e | 9JこBO | 14204/1940/Feb 7 m |
| CR7AG | 14213/2005/Feb | 7 m | TU2DR | 14224/2150/Feb | 6w | X5AV | 14215/2130/Feb |
| OT3AF | 14209/1910/Feb | 9 e | XT2AE | $14277 / 1950 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 e | $9 \times 5 \mathrm{NA}$ | 14212/1920/Feb 10w |
| fit.ant | 14242/2055/Feb | 10 e | ZD3M | $21345 / 1615 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 9 m | $9 \times 5 \mathrm{SP}$ | $14302 / 1530 / \mathrm{Feb} 7 \mathrm{hs}$ |
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| WTOKT | 14219,. $2350 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8w | VU2BEZ | 14204; 355/Fe |  | 4W7 GM | 422 |
| HZ1SH | 14257/1540/Feb | 7 l | vU2KV | 14212/0145/Feb | $11 w^{1}$ | 5B4AO | 21283/4 $430 / \mathrm{Fab} 10 \mathrm{e}$ |
| SM2/S2 | 14229/1500/Feb | 7 m | VU2GDG | 14212/1535/Feb |  | 9J2JP | 21352/1635/Feb 5m |
| UK9CAT | $14237 / 1225 / \mathrm{F}^{-b}$ | 11e | VS6MC | 14225/0020/Feb |  | 9M2AT | 14209/1555/Feb 11e |

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EUROPE...SSB
CT2BM 14222/1930/Feb 6 m CT2AK. 21307/1705/Feb 8m DJZMC $14205 / 1420 / \mathrm{Feb} 10 \mathrm{~m}$ DL5LC: $14207 / 1515 /$ Feb 10 m DIDWW 14217/1515/Feb 9w DJ8SW 14225/1510/Feb 9w DK4QS 14185/1510/Feb 10w DI9DY $14210 / 1745 / \mathrm{Feb} 12 \mathrm{w}$ EAZIA 14205/1500/Feb 9w EA6BG $21312 / 1750 / \mathrm{Feb}$ 8e EIGS $\quad 1 \cdot 4202 / 1935 / \mathrm{Feb} 5$.

One more unfortunate, weary of breath, Rashly importunate, gone to DX.....

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| GD3HCX | $21309 / 1705 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8 e |
| GI3YM | $21305 / 1505 / \mathrm{Fe}$ | 9 m |
| GW3VEW | $14203 / 1520 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 10 w |
| GW5YB | $21362 / 1720 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 8 e |
| I2BEM | $14235 / 1645 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 10 m |
| IT9MTA | $14202 / 1445 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 12 m |
| LA1KF | $14237 / 1520 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 10 w |
| LATAH | $1420,2145 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 6 w |
| OE1HWE | $1423 \mathrm{u} / 1520 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 9 w |
| OH2BM | $14224 / 1530 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 9 w |
| OH2BO | $14217 / 1555 / \mathrm{Feb}$ | 9 w |

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UK2RAE
UK3AAO
ZB2BT

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CR3DDI 14203/2000/Feb 8e CP1DN 21415/1515/Feb 10e CP1JV $14218 / 1255 / \mathrm{Feb} 12 \mathrm{~m}$ DU1CM $14213 / 0020 / \mathrm{Feb} 12 \mathrm{~m}$
FK8BB 14209/0235/Feb 13w FMPAQ $14203 / 2140 / \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{e}}$ b $\quad 8 \mathrm{~m}$ FOODK: 14280/0235/Feb 6m FYTAQ $14201 / 2230 /$ Feb 10e FY7AN 14275/1910/Feb 6e HH2WF $21415 / 1500 / \mathrm{Feb} 10 \mathrm{e}$ HH2TW 21415/1515/Feb 10e HK бBKX 14209/1255/Feb 7e

HI3XMV HK3CTA HR1 EPA
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$\mathrm{K} 5 / \mathrm{k} \mathrm{M} 6$ :
KHE, ${ }^{\text {KBB }}$
KG4FO
KZ5CQ
LUU5 HFI
LUTFAG
LU4ERM

21300/1800/Feb 5m 28530/1640/Feb 9e 21415/1600/Feb 10 e $21415 / 1615 / \mathrm{Feb} 10 \mathrm{e}$ $14307 / 1130 / \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{e}}{ }^{b} \quad 5 \mathrm{hs}$ 21345/2230/Feb 10m 21300/2020/Feb 9m 28565/1610/Feb 9e 21415/1500/Feb 10e 21415/1505/Feb 10e 28550/1830/Feb 9e 28575/1655/Feb 9 e

FORTY/EIGHTY DENK

| A2Ccy | $3 7 8 4 \longdiv { 0 7 1 5 7 } \mathrm { Feb } 9 \mathrm { e }$ | GM3TSL |
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| A2CJP | 3778/0420/F b 8w | HA3KMA |
| CF3VV | 3797/0150/Feb 5e | HC2YL |
| CM6HT | 3518/0525/Feb 6m | HC8GI |
| CP1 ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 3787/0910/Feb 10e | HH2WF |
| CR4BS | 3794/0100/Feb 12e | HK4CCW |
| CR4BC | 3780/0615/Feb 10w | HS4AKF |
| CT1MK | 3796/0630/Feb 13w | I2ZCG |
| CT2AE | 3794/0100/Feb 12 e | ITMOL |
| CT2AK | 3781/0415/Feb 9e | JY3ZH |
| CT3AB | 3799/2335/Feb 10e | J Y9GR |
| CX9BT | 3501/0300/Feb 8m | WA $4 / \mathrm{KG6}$ |
| DM2CUO | $3798 / 2235 / \mathrm{Feb} 8 \mathrm{e}$ | KL7JDO |
| DK5AD | 3781/0420/FEb 9e | WA4/KB6 |
| DMaCJJ | 3510/0650/Feb 6m | KP4AN |
| EA6BZ | 3799/2330/Feb 10e. | LABJQ |
| EAJUE | 3796/0700/Feb 9e | OH2BGH |
| EA8CR | 3782/2350/Feb 11e | OH2WP |
| ELTF | 3807/0630/Feb 13w | OH 1 XX |
| EIDREI | 3796/0100/Feb 9e | OJø AM |
| FGøAYO | 3885/0230/F $\mathrm{F}^{\text {b }}$ - 5 e | OK3MM |
| FG8XE | 3800/0145/Fèb 8e | OK3CIU |
| FM7 WIN | $13803 / 0155 / \mathrm{Feb} 6 \mathrm{e}$ | ON4LeJ |
| G3URB | 3783/0535/Feb 9e | ONTUN |
| GD3KHE | 3787/0900/Feb 10e | ON4NA |
| GI5UR | 3518/0255/Feb 9e | PA HRP $^{\text {J }}$ |
| GW3AX | 3797/2200/Feb 9e | PADEG |
| GW4BCD | 3795/0150/Feb 7e | PJ2CW |
| GW4CQT | 3776/0130/Feb 12e | SM6CKU |
| GI3OQR | 3790/0055/Feb 9e | SP? PBCi |

3787/0900/Feb 10e 3530/0125/Feb 10e 3801/0320/Feb 11w 3783/0530/Feb 11e 3880/0300/Feb 5e 3792/0350/Feb 9e 3790/1600/Feb 6w 3795/0520/Feb 11e $3799 / 0000 / \mathrm{Feb} 10$ e 3785/0515/Feb 7w 3785: 515/Feb 7w 3808, 440/Feb 10w 3820, 1000/Feb 10e $3805 / 1440 / \mathrm{Feb}$. 8 w $3777 / 0220 /$ Feb 11w 3784/0715/Feb 9e 3520,0555/ Feb 6 m $3520,0600 / \mathrm{Feb} \quad 6 \mathrm{~m}$ 3798/1530. Feb 9w $3798 / 1530 /$ Feb $\quad 9 \mathrm{w}$ od 3765/0640/ Feb 9 e 3505/0450/Feb 6 m 3754/0510/Feb 9e 3786/0645/Feb 9e 3799/2350/Feb 9e 3787/0440/Feb 9e $3787 / 0445 / \mathrm{Feb}$ 9e $3781 / 0415 / \mathrm{Feb} 9 \mathrm{ge}$ 3754/0620/Feb 9e 3510/0645/Feb 6m

OA3D 14303/0125/Feb P29UC $\quad 14223 / 2140 / \mathrm{Feb} \quad 7 \mathrm{~m}$ PY7BRI 28570/1730/Feb 9e TG9KR 21345/1555/Feb 4 e TI6CBA 21405/2050/Feb $14 e$ VK6MK 14210/1315/Feb 11e VP2VCB 14218/2100/Feb 8e VP2IAW $21368 / 1425 / \mathrm{Feb} 10 \mathrm{e}$ VX2AS $14195 / 1420 / \mathrm{Feb} 10 \mathrm{~m}$ YBषААK 1.4225/0025/Feb 9w YN9GL $21375 / 1705 / \mathrm{Feb} 4 \mathrm{e}$

TG8KQ 3786/0410/Feb 8m TI8PE 3799/0230/Feb 5e UB5MCD 3510/0115/Feb 5e UA2EC 3641/0105/Feb 11e UAøFGM 3620/1415/Feb 12w VP2MaR 3777/0210/FED. 8e VP2ST 3502/0250/Feb 9e VP2KH 3792/0505/Feb 10e VK7LZ . 3510/1200/Feb 5e VR1AA 3506/0610/Feb 6m VS6GM $3799 / 1425 / \mathrm{Feb} 7 \mathrm{w}$ XV5AC $3793 / 1405 /$ Feb 12 w YN8AJC $3894 / 0315 / \mathrm{Fcb} 11 e$ YB7AAU 3807/1505/Feb 9w ZB2CM 3788/0050/Feb 10e ZF1JA $3794 / 1215 / \mathrm{Feb} 7 \mathrm{~W}$ ZK1CW 3789/0815/Feb 9w 3B8AX $3799 / 1500 /$ Feb 7 w $4 \times 4 \mathrm{NJ} \quad 3787 / 0140 / \mathrm{Feb} 8 \mathrm{e}$ 6W8DI: 3784/0715/Feb 9e 6Y5MJ 3787/0905/Feb 10e 8R1AG 3778/0735/Feb 13w 9M2CX $3793 / 1420 /$ Feb 12w 9M2PV $3793 / 1420 / \mathrm{Feb} 13 \mathrm{w}$ 9L1JT 3784/0715/Feb 9e $9 \mathrm{Y4T} \quad 3804 / 0315 / \mathrm{Feb} 9 \mathrm{~m}$ YUZHCD 3795/0520/Feb 11e

GRAND CAYMAN OGASAWARA ARRL DX Test CQ WPX Test

ZF1BR next week for a couple of weeks of action JD1 ACH in March....last; week.
Phone..Second go-round March 2/3rd March 30-31st......PREPARE! !

MORE FORTY/EIGHTY STUFF

| CE2DO | 7007/0350/Feb | 9m | FMTWN | 7163/0230/Feb 12e | VK5FM | 7007/1055/Feb |
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| CM6VG | 7014/0300/Feb | 6 e | HG5 A | 7030/0130/Feb 10m | VK8ZZ | 7025/1215/Feb |
| CM2RF | 7006/0515/Feb | 11e | HK5BIR | 7013/1140/Feb 6 e | VP2TAW | 7007/1050/Feb |
| CE5JO | 7015/0535/Feb | 11e | KH6 4 C | 7012/1050/Feb 8e | vP7BA | 7030/0150/Feb |
| CO6AH | 7016/1125/Feb | 7 e | KV4CK | 7041/0155/Feb 12 e | YV5DRC | 7025/1120/Feb |
| CT2AK | 7029/0500/Feb | 9m | PZ1 1 Q | 7024/1/540/Feb 9m | 9J2XZ | 7004/0400/Feb |
| EL2DO | 7028/0045/Feb | 10m | TU2FB | 7004/E.40/Feb 8m | 9Y4DS | 7028/0410/Feb |
| EALIf | 7002/2225/Feb | 6 m | UL7JG | 7002/ $2240 / \mathrm{Feb}$ 8m | 9L1JT | 7089/0725/Feb |
| FB8XA | 7005/0200/Feb | 6 e | VK2SA | 7005/1200/Feb 5e |  |  |
| FG7AM | 7009/11:10/Feb | 8 e | VK5RG | 7020/1200/Feb 6e |  |  |
| DL1 F F F | 1827/0625/Feb | 9 e | K5JVF | 1805/0600/Feb 9e | W7JI | 1806/0555/Feb | G3UBR 1828/0545/Feb 9e PAøHIP 1829/0j40/Feb 9e

G3UBR will QSY to 160 mtrs anytime you catch up with him. PADHIP is on most weekends with a good signal on 160. Th.at K5JVF is out of Oklahoma and often a difficult state to work on 160 mtrs . DL1FF is a regular on 160 and is on frequently. Early this month. conditions were good and Europeans were coming into the East Coast most evenings on 160 mtrs . During the CQ 160 mtr Test conditions were good though heavy QRM was a problem at times. K4IRQ had 196 QSOs in the test, a multiplier of 60 and 18 conntries worked. Gary ended up with 36640 . points. Often Europeans asking why more $\mathrm{W} / \mathrm{Ks}$ not active on the top band...OK1/FB9/DL/GM3/EI9/ and others often being heard...and workod.
QSLS ETC W1JFL has logs from A51PN from 18 Aug 72 to 28 Dec $73 . . . a l l$ QSLs except for those going via Box 88 have been cleared...the will be going soon. Mike asks that if you need a card to send him one...Pradhan would rather QSL via W1JFL. Also A51PN needs cards from Arizona, Colorado, Delaware, Minnesota, Mississipp; Montana, Nevada, Oregon, South Iakota, Utah and Wyoming. Anyone from these states wcrking A51PN please QSL. KK6WSI, on a week or so back, QSLs to Foothill College Electronics Museum; 12345 E1 Monte Roäd, Los Altos Hills, Calif. 94022. 8P6CW QSLs to Jim Maxwell, K6AQ (ex W6CUF). That KF2TAE goes to WB2FVO. CR3AH goes to W4VPD...sase w/IRCS. Enos says not to go via the Bureau and be patience. Enos also can sked you for CR3AH if needed. Last week he was still waiting for the QSLs from the printer. W6KNH has received thirty-forty ra: QSLs for 7B3A and A36A..14mc c.w. and 21mc cw. Clyde says to forget any QSLs for these. ...it was Slim from the Funny Farm for sure...



ARRL The League reminds those with cards coming through the QSL bureaus that it will take $10 \phi$ after March 2nd and you might send a $2 ¢$ stamp to be added to any you have on file. ARRL merabership showed a $0.3 \%$ increase in 1973 while VE members dropped $2.7 \%$. The Hudson Division showed a $4.6 \%$ drop: in membership while the Southeastern showed a $5.3 \%$ increase. The leaders in full membership are the Atlantic with 10078 full members; followed by the Great Lakes Division with 8570 ; the Central with 7926 ; Southwestern with 7484 and Hudson with 7370. The Dakota. Division is the smallest with 1969 full members. The ARRL has filed with the FCC its support for Docket 19990 which would provide a common emergency frequency for Alaska. There will be a new Special Techniques Manual surfacing one of these days with coverage of Amateur and Slow-scan TV, Facsimile, Radioteleprinter, Space Comunication plus information on laser, digital modulation, data transmission and the like. The ARRL is looking for comments on these ideas.
From other sources there cones the information that the FCC may consider some advisory committees of its own...possibly for the amateur sector. For long range plan....

INX to W1AM, W1JFL, W2CNQ, W2FPM, W2OVC, K30ZL, K4CFB,-W4EH, K4FRY, W4HU, K4IRQ, W4NJF, W4KA, WB4ORS, WB4SIJ, W4UF, W4VPD, W5AK, WA5EMF, K5FKA, K5FVA, W6APW, WA6CPP, WDX6GXV, WGKNH, W6MAR, W6MAV, WA6MWG, W60L, K6SE/2, W6TCQ, W6TSQ, W6TTS, K6UFT, K6WR, W8BQV, WB8EUN, W80A, W8ZOK, W9KNI, W9MIJ/4, WA9UCE/6, W9ZID, HS'4AGN , LU5HFI, K3RLY, ....... : KH6GLU。

WEST COAST DX BULLEPTN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. A couple of those local QRPers came by last week and, as usual, got into one of their endless arguments. "Look", said the first QRPer. "I heard this KPC fellow on last week and I listened on the frequency. There were a lot of guys in there working him whom I know worked KP6AL back in 1970, if not some other KP6 before that. Tell me. Why are those fellows so determined to get a signal report when there are a lot who need it for a new one and can't make it through the QRM?". All through this the other QRPer kept waving his hands. "Look", he said, "I keep explaining this to you and you're not listening. A really BIG DXer just has to work everything, everyone and all the time everytime. You have to be the first in line and show how good you are. When there's a pile-up it just slam, bam and wind up that variac. And you will never be a Big DXer until you understand this. Who cares if you never bother to send for a QSL, you have proven to those birds on the frequency that you are a Big One. Get it ${ }^{\prime \prime \prime}$. The first QRPer apparently was not getting it and appealed to us for support. Son of a Gun, what could we say? We figured that overyone knew that it is technique and not power that counts. Just call non-stop for five minutes on the frequency and you will find you command that frequency for sure. $\$ 10.50$ will bring you the weekly notes on what the techniques can do... $\$ 12.00$ flies it airmail....

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