

SUNSPOT LOUIE Though there was overcast skies often at the W8ZOK observation post, it was possible at times to check the sun....but no significant sunspot activity was noted. It is now two weeks since the last significant activity was noted and WWV has been tossing out some N5s and U4 reports.

If you are curious about where the action might be, Red Eyed points to the 40/80 country where most of the DX action is right now. Four or five years back it was hard to find any DXer who would acknowledge those bands.

W4UMF says that he wishes that he could have had some good news but the CQ article in the January issue is the way he sees things are going to be. Possibly it will stifle some of the hopeful rumors....then on the other hand, it may generate a few new ones.

That active region which affected conditions in the period January 12-25th probably died just after it turned the corner of the sun. This area was at 10°S on the sun and thus associated with the old cycle. There is a prediction that this type of activity....one or two isolated active regions popping up from time to time.....may be pretty much the general rule for the next year.

On the smoothed sunspot numbers, there still is some variance between what WWV and Boulder anticipates and what Zurich is looking for. Zurich says it will be SSNs of: February 9; March 8, April 6 and May 5. Boulder still is looking for: February 12; March 12; April 11 and May 11.

After thinking it over for a bit, there really is little reason to question either figure as both seem to be the dismal days. We checked with the leader of the Palos Verdes Sundancers to find out what they might have been up to. Number One was all toothy smiles....'Ol 88 Keys" they were calling him. "With everyone yelling for rain in California, all the troupe hired out as rainmakers....bongo beaters and all. They even put some waterproof skins on the drums and headed up the ridges. And you see what happened in Southern California, didn't you? Lots of rain and more to come. More to come". We thought this over for a bit and then asked: "How about Northern California? Did you help there?" and the Number one smiled. "Heck, they got snow in San Francisco for the first time since 1887! How about that? Pick your time and place and you can't hardly miss". We thought this over for a bit and then asked the question. "How come you are so good at rain-making but all your jumps and jiggles have not produced any sunspots? What's the big story there?". Son of a Gun, he hardly blinked an eye. "Like I say, pick your spots and you can't hardly lose. A couple of more years of R&D work and we will show you the up-curve on the cycle. Everything will be up. Everything!!".

Somehow we still could hear some small voices of caution that the sundancing and the rainmakers are yet to be proven a true art form. So we checked with the banks of the Potomac and Ted says that in a purely relative manner, you can look for----

February 10th	High Normal
11th	High Normal
12th	High Normal
13th	High Normal
14th	Low Normal
15th	High Normal
16th	Low Normal

February 17th	Low Normal
18th	Below Normal
19th	Below Normal
20th	Below Normal
21st	Low Normal
22nd	Low Normal
23rd	Low Normal

And K6EC says that WWV appears to be back in business at 14 and 18 minutes after the hour with a navigation notice 16 minutes after. But for the flux and stuff--

	Solar Flux	A Index
Jan 27th	70	4
28th	69	4
29th	677	7
30th	69	7

	Solar Flux	A Index
January 31st	71	21
February 1st	71	16
2nd	71	16
3rd	71	-

Alas!!!
Nothing
Significant

1400Z
3 Feb 76
W8ZOK

FERNANDO de NORONHA

PY7PO Jose Alexandre F.

PY7BXC Jemesson Faria

SINT MAARTEN

He will be looking for Alaska, West Virginia and Wyoming to complete a WAS from PJ8. A call from those states would be appreciated should they hear PJ8KI. QS go to home QTH at 161 Lothrop Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich 48236.

ZS6BNF/7P8AH

Just a short note to let you know some details about the recent 7P8AG and 7P8AH activity.

Erik, SMØAGD, happened to be here in Pretoria on business and we were discussing the possibility of making a DXpedition to some of the more exclusive countries in this area. We decided that Lesotho/7P8 was a good prospect and we investigated the possibilities of getting licenses. It appeared to be good as we had Swedish licenses so we packed our rigs, bought a Hustler antenna and went off to Lesotho.

There we got licenses in fifteen minutes, Erik getting 7P8AG and I got 7P8AH. At 1550Z on January 22nd we were on the air and we closed down at 0413Z on January 26th after 1850 QSOs.

Conditions on the higher bands were not so good but forty was excellent. As 7P8AH I had 500 QSOs on forty the first night, mainly U.S. stations. In total QSOs we had 160 on 3.5mhz; 840 on 7mhz; 630 on 14mhz and 220 on 21mhz. About one-fourth of the QSOs were SSB.

We had brought RTTY equipment but only tried it on Sunday when the transmitter broke down and no contact was made. Fortunately, we had Erik's transceiver and we could carry on with SSB and CW.

I will be on from Botswana and probably as A2CNN during at least one of the ARRI c.w. sessions, most likely the last session in March. I will be signing ZS6BNF until May when I return to Sweden. Erik and I have some ideas to do some more DXpeditions, perhaps on the way home. 7P8AH and 7P8AG QSL to SM3CXS. ZS6BNF goes to SM4ANV. 73 Anders Jonsson

73, Anders Larsson

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SHORTLY NOTED We have not gotten any further information on the itinerary of the Colvins beyond the Fiji though the advice was given some weeks back that they would be stopping at C21/Nauru before returning to California in May for the big annual Fresno International DX Meeting. Another C21 possibility may come in April in an effort whose plans are just getting to the jelled stage and advice on this should come soon.

The ARRL is proceeding on their WARC planning, recently sending correspondence to the Office of International Communications Policy at the State Department and to the FCC, the letters developing a case for two amateurs to be in the 1979 WARC delegation plus two more in the support group.

Last month Charles Higginbotham of the FCC Safety and Special Services Bureau spoke before a financial gathering in New York City and was quoted as saying that he doubted that there would be a Class E service at 220mhz. Some of the same feeling has been heard in other contacts with the FCC.

On the RFI legislation, H.R 7052, there is no new developments on this though an awareness has been developing within the committee on the measure by Congressman Vanik. This is an election year and it may seem that things will drag for a couple of months and nothing much doing. Then there will be a flurry of legislative efforts as everyone tries to clear their desks and calendars so they can be off to the conventions and to campaign for re-election. That's where the best chance will come for this RFI legislation but only if the ground-work is done now. Write you congressman and Senators.....again! Make sure they hear you in May as they will say they did in November....

W6ADK, Jack Halpin, got into the 5-Star Club of the Radio Club of America....you qualify by sending/receiving at 80wpm....with complete comprehension. W1BB last week was mailing his 160meter bulletin, this being '75/76'. If you are interested in the 160meter action, send W1BB a sase and he might part with a copy for you.

FR7ZL QSLs are coming through for his Glorioso efforts. Also 3B9DA QSLs for the Rodriguez effort. The QSLs for the Northern California CR9AK effort last December have gone into the mails, this being for those non-JA contacts. JA1SKO has been shipped the logs and cards to QSL the JAs.

The beam for CR9AJ from the NCDXF was shipped to Torres about two weeks back, VS6DR handling the final leg. Presently CR9AJ does not have a rotator but the beam should help. On Jan 30th K1TZQ worked Torres at 14040kc/2340Z. There is still hope. HD5EE heard last weekend in the ARRL Test QSLs to WA8TDY. ZS5PD/ZS3 goes to WA4HHG as does ZS6DN. VP2SV goes to K3GYD, 5N2FAX to W1WTE and A2CGD to SM3CXs. If you need JA8LEV/JD1, watch the 7001-7005khz and 3503-and 3797khz frequencies.

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

We spoke of many a vanished scene,
Of what we once had thought and said....

LOW BAND LOUIE

C6AAB 7024/1250/Feb 1e	JA5BJC 7010/2220/Jan 26e	VK2EM 7003/1245/Jan 29e
C9MJO 7090/0400/Weekends	JA8IEV/JD1 7001/0840 31e	VU2DX 7007/0035/Feb 3e
C9MJO 7002/2130/Feb 1e	JH2HK 7003/0605/Jan 30w	XE2HU 7027/2330/Jan 27e
CM2LE 7005/2245/Jan 28e	KC4AAC 7007/0410/Jan 31e	XU8BJ 7008/1425/Jan 30w
CX3AL 7003/0150/Jan 28w	KC4USG 7237/0900/Jan 31e	XJ0NEH 7024/0700/Feb 1w
CX9BT 7002/0000/Jan 27e	KJ6CW 7237/0900/Jan 31e	YB0ABV 7007/1105/Jan 26w
CP1EU/6 7027/1020/Jn 30e	KV4IJ 7215/1105/Jan 26e	YU3TKN 7004/0100/Jan 30w
DU6RH 7003/1530/Jan 28w	LU9FAZ 7002/2330/Jan 27e	YU4FRS 7003/0145/Jan 30w
EA7PE 7019/2125/Jan 27e	OK1APV 7025/2330/Jan 27e	ZD7WT 7003/0220/Jan 24w
EA7VD 7009/2325/Jan 23m	PY1CBH 7006/2300/Jan 29e	ZD9GF 7003/2310/Jan 29e
FG7AM 7004/1255/Jan 28e	PY0PO 7022/0300/Feb 2e	ZL1ALP 7028/0715/Jan 31e
FG7XJ 7013/2315/Jan 27e	PY0BXC 7020/2320/Feb 1e	ZK1DA 7030/0930/Jan 25m
FK8CJ 7006/0710/Feb 1w	WA2BIH/TU 7003/2320/ 25e	3D2KG 7002/0700/Feb 2w
FP8BR 7028/1145/Jan 27e	UK3ABB 7003/0050/Jan 31w	4S7DA 7003/0130/Jan 28w
HB9RX 7004/2325/Jan 3e	UK2BQQ 7001/2310/Jan 29e	4S7WP 7003/2045/Jan 30e
HC1XG 7001/2355/Jan 25m	UA6PAT 7003/1445/Jan 26w	8P6GO 7004/0050/Feb 3w
HI8EVA 7007/0435/Jan 21w	UA0KBH 7002/0235/Jan 21w	8P6GW 7012/1045/Jan 27w
HR2CZ 7006/0040/Feb 3w	UA0LU 7002/1425/Jan 31w	9G1GE 7005/2110/Jan 27e
I6BDS 7010/2325/Jan 27e	UB5IF 7006/1500/Jan 27w	9K2DR 7004/2200/Jan 25e
IS0AEW 7018/2140/Jan 27e	UY5EN 7002/2055/Jan 27e	9Y4FW 7014/2320/Jan 27e
IT9IAI 7002/0100/Jan 28w	VK3XO 7080/0840/Feb 2e	9Y4TR 7009/1115/Jan 28e
C31LC 3799/0040/Jan 31m	KG4GS 3798/0030/Feb 3e	VS6DO 3790/1450/Jan 27w
CT3AR 3778/0645/Feb 1e	KM6EA 3805/0820/Feb 3w	VU2GDG 3790/1430/Jan 27w
D4CBS 3801/0515/Jan 24e	KV4BV 3814/0415/Jan 29w	YN8ODM 3797/0415/Jan 30e
DJ8FC 3794/0050/Jan 31m	KZ5HP 3791/0630/Jan 31e	YB3DD 3795/1630/Jan 30w
DK5AD 3791/0635/Jan 31e	LU8AJG 3740/0355/Feb 1e	YS1MAE 3798/0830/Jan 31e
EA1FX 3794/0400/Feb 1e	LU9VAJ 3742/0525/Jan 29m	YS1JWD 3780/0655/Jan 31e
EA6DF 3523/0250/Jan 31e	JY3ZH 3805/0240/Jan 31e	ZD7WT 3505/0345/Jan 27e
EA9FC 3799/0210/Feb 1e	P29AB 3801/0320/Jan 30e	ZF1NR 3808/0855/Jan 31e
EA8LO 3802/0615/Feb 2w	PJ3AR 3810/0715/Feb 1e	ZK1CV 3807/1200/Jan 29w
EI8H 3797/0010/Feb 3e	PJ3DO 3796/0355/Jan 1e	ZK1DX 3787/0545/Feb 1e
EL7F 3795/0530/Jan 24e	PJ8HR 3806/0010/Feb 3e	ZL1BT 3807/0825/Jan 31e
FG7AN 3782/0935/Feb 1e	PZ1AN 3800/0200/Feb 3e	ZL3NR/C 3807/1345/Fb 1e
FP8BR 3504/0235/Jan 29e	TD76VS 3795/0400/Jan 28m	ZP5YW 3790/0640/Jan 29w
FP8DX 3815/0200/Jan 30e	TG8GQ 3803/0330/Jan 30w	ZS6DN 3790/0420/Jan 24e
FG7YE 3809/0225/Jan 30e	VE2AQS/TG9 3503/0215 30e	ZS6DW 3781/0400/Jan 30e
K4ERO/HC1 3802/0205 31e	TI2DO 3802/0330/Feb 1e	3D2KG 3505/0830/Feb 1w
HC1SC 3798/0425/Jan 29w	VP1PTL 3800/0205/Feb 3e	4Z4MQ 3798/0220/Jan 31e
HI8GJK 3796/0415/Jan 30e	VP2KN 3814/0500/Jan 24e	4Z4KB 3795/0220/Jan 31e
WB2SPQ/HI8 3804/0425 27e	VP2ABC 2796/0210/Feb 3e	6Y5FC 3802/0230/Jan 30e
HK3LT 3777/0445/Jan 29w	VP2DM 3796/0150/Jan 28e	6Y5GB 3802/0250/Feb 3e
HK0BKX 3795/0310/Jan 29w	VP2SV 3814/0200/Jan 28e	8P6AJ 3809/0200/Feb 3e
HP1XPC 3808/1145/Feb 2e	VP2AR 3814/0100/Feb 3e	8P6GG 3802/0705/Feb 1e
HP1CU 3803/0235/Jan 30w	VP5GT 3781/0210/Feb 3e	8R1AG 3799/0840/Feb 1e
HR2MT 3808/0155/Jan 30w	VP9HA 3809/0710/Feb 1e	8P6GN 3802/0230/Jan 28e
K3MVG/HR6 3817/0135 2m	VR4DX 3808/1240/Jan 30e	9J2BO 3795/0445/Jan 28w
IS0XBL 3507/2310/Jan 30m	VR8A 3802/0620/Feb 2w	9L1BH 3797/0740/Jan 31w
I6DGM 3799/0050/Jan 31m	VR1AA 3808/0630/Jan 28m	9M8HG 3504/1455/Jan 31w
JT00AQ 3507/1520/Feb 1w	VP2KF 3804/0010/Jan 30e	
JT00AQ 3804/1520/Jan 30w	VR7EK 3502/1300/Jan 30??	
JA8IEV/JD1 3796/0900 31e		

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MORE RED EYED LOUIE

AFRICA CW

EA8BK 14044/1820/Jan 29w	TU2GA 14020/1735/Jan 1e	ZS6BNF 14040/1815/Jan 1e
EL2TCL 14009/1740/Jan 28e	WA2BIH/TU 14042/2140 29w	5T5CJ 14024/1755/Jan 1e
FL8GT 14033/1750/Jan 1e	ZD7WT 14044/1800/Jan 29w	5X5NK 14027/1940/Jan 29w
FL8RD 14044/1800/Jan 29w	ZE1CA 14017/1910/Jan 29e	5Z4PP 14062/1900/Jan 20w
FR7ZW 14024/1805/Jan 1e	ZE8JW 14053/1905/Jan 27w	7Q7DW 14047/1945/Jan 31e
FR7ZL 14053/2010/Jan 25m	ZS1FD 14055/1950/Jan 30w	9X5PT 14025/2100/Jan 31e

ASIA CW

A4XGE 14026/1400/Jan 30e	JA3BG 14058/2330/Jan 30m	4S7NE 14030/1225/Jan 17kp
BV2A 14024/0030/Jan 2w	UA0CAF 14030/0030/Jan 29w	4S7WP 14003/1400/Jan 3e
BY5BF 14021/1400/Jan 24??	UD6DJT 14030/1225/Jan 27w	4Z4NMB 14017/1750/Jan 1e
CR9AJ 14040/2340/Jan 30e	UK2GKW 14047/1610/Jan 29w	VU2DX 14024/1650/Jan 31e

EUROPE CW

DF6QB 14005/1710/Jan 29w	F3AT 14032/1455/Jan 30m	OK3CEE 14055/1625/Jan 29w
DJ2GW 14065/1700/Jan 28w	FC9VN 14005/2000/Jan 1e	OZ6XR 14068/1635/Jan 30w
EA3GN 14048/1720/Jan 29w	G3GG 14066/1635/Jan 29w	PA0HUY 14055/1630/Jan 29w
EL5YQ 14064/1650/Jan 29w	OH6JW 14025/1955/Jan 30w	UK6AAJ 14031/1510/Jan 30w
F2PO 14005/1705/Jan 29w	OH9PP 14006/2005/Jan 30w	3A2FB 14009/1220/Jan 28e

ELSEWHERE'S CW

C6ADT 14048/2100/Jan 30m	HP1AC 14030/1225/Jan 27kp	VP9GK 14017/1740/Jan 28e
CO2AP 14020/1250/Jan 31e	KC4USV 14032/0430/Jan 26m	VP9IB 14040/2115/Jan 27w
FP8JP 14018/1820/Jan 29e	PJ8AA 14029/1900/Jan 30e	ZF1TW 14037/1810/Jan 27e
FP8BR 14001/1915/Jan 31e	PY0PO 14023/2100/Jan 2e	ZF1CW 14042/2225/Jan 31m
FK8KAA 14039/0725/Jan 1e	PY0BXC 21025/1740/Jan 2w	WA0ONK/6Y5 14035/1420 31m
FY7AS 14030/2040/Jan 31e	PY0BXC 14025/1850/Jan 1e	6Y5BF 14020/1425/Jan 25m
FY7YE 14045/2125/Jan 28e	VC9UM 14033/1600/Jan 4w	8P6BU 14037/2050/Jan 28e
HC4JL 14050/2000/Jan 31e	VP2ST 14029/1310/Jan 31e	3D2KG 14057/1945/Jan 3w
HI8EVA 14033/1650/Jan 29w	VP2LAW 14010/1305/Jan 1e	
HI8RVR 14045/1740/Jan 26e	VP2MB 14034/0500/Jan 1e	

AFRICA SSB

C5AN 14209/0000/Jan 31e	TU2CJ 14202/2120/Jan 27e	5Z4RG 14333/1815/Jan 31e
C9MJO 14217/2045/Jan 27e	ZD7SS 14206/2110/Jan 27e	5Z4LW 14248/2040/Jan 30w
CN8DX 14211/2110/Jan 2m	ZD7SD 14215/2020/Jan 29w	9G1JC 14207/2140/Jan 2e
D4CBS 14212/2040/Jan 25w	ZS3TP 14202/2035/Jan 30e	9J2AB 14210/1850/Jan 30e
EA9FF 14240/1640/Jan 30e	ZS5PG 14221/1405/Jan 31m	9J2GJ 14212/1900/Jan 1e
EL2FT 14219/1735/Jan 29e	3B8DA 14207/2030/Jan 30m	9L1JM 14213/1825/Jan 2e
EL2FP 14212/2100/Jan 27e	5N2FAX 14220/2100/Jan 28e	9X5PT 14204/2130/Jan 28e
EL5C/EL2 14209/2300 2m	5Z4PG 14333/1815/Jan 31e	9X5RK 14204/1945/Jan 1e

ELSEWHERE'S SSB

CX4AW 14225/0030/Jan 28w	KJ6CF 14290/0010/Jan 2w	VP2DQ 14209/2045/Jan 28e
CE5BF 14214/2310/Jan 2m	PY1ZAD 14228/0030/Jan 28w	VP2GJI 21308/1845/Jan 30e
DU8ED 14224/2350/Jan 28m	PT2GFG 14210/0035/Jan 28w	VP2KJ 14280/1300/Jan 2m
FG0GE 14210/1335/Jan 1e	TD76GI 14216/1425/Jan 2m	VP2SM 14208/2215/Jan 2e
HC2YL 21375/1820/Jan 2e	VK6CT 14227/2305/Jan 2m	VP2AR 14280/1300/Jan 2m
HK0BKX 14201/1325/Jan 29e	VK6RU 14227/2310/Jan 2m	VP2AB 14280/1300/Jan 2m
HI8RXV 14251/1210/Jan 2m	VK6CF 14209/0000/Jan 31e#	VP5BR 14291/1350/Jan 31m
HR3AAW 14208/1340/Jan 31e	VP1PTL 14213/2300/Jan 31m	VP8ON 14206/0115/Jan 30e
KC6AQ 14207/0055/Jan 3m	VP2LL 14244/1345/Jan 30e	VP8NX 14216/0120/Jan 30e
KB6CU 14285/0300/Jan 2w	VP2DH 14225/1310/Jan 2e	YB0ABV 14225/2315/Jan 26w
KG4DS 14195/0000/Jan 1m	VP2SV 14208/2350/Jan 29e	YS1MAE 14331/2055/Jan 26e

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CALENDAR

SOUTH SANDWICH
SOUTH GEORGIA
PAPUA/NEW GUINEA
WESTERN CAROLINES
CHRISTMAS ISLAND
FIJI
ABU AIL
TUVALU
TURKS/CAICOS
UPPER VOLTA

ARRL DX TEST
CQ WW WPX TEST
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No late word on the LU2XR plans....keep listening
VP8MS there late this month
P29PNG this Friday/Saturday on all band operation
WA6AHF there most of this month
VR3AH will be active when gear arrives....long stay
3D2KG by the Colvins now on
FL8OM and friends for a week around Easter
Planning going for a two week operation in March
North Florida DX Group at VP5 for CQ Test in March
5T5CJ there next month for ARRL CW Test
XT2AA has schedule with W1AM Feb 13th--14265kc/2200Z
CW go-round February 21/22nd Phone second-go Mar 6/7
March 27/28th. Prepare!
W6EJJ and W6AOA promise that this will be the Big One!
May 14/16th at the Fresno Hilton. See your travel agent

ASIA SSB

AP2AD 14214/1420/Jan 28m#	VS6BL 14225/2315/Jan 26w	4Z4MQ 14205/1530/Jan 2m
HL9VP 14224/0005/Jan 29m	VU2DK 14222/1415/Jan 1m	9M2GA 14225/2315/Jan 26w
KA2USF 14224/2350/Jan 28m	VU2YY 14209/1350/Jan 2e	9V1SH 14224/2345/Jan 28w
UK0CBE 14226/2250/Jan 29e	4Z4KB 14237/1400/Jan 1e	9V1SG 14225/2315/Jan 26w

EUROPE SSB

CT10Y 14201/1830/Jan 29e	I2ZLG 14203/1430/Jan 2m	ON6VN 14203/1605/Jan 28w
CT2BB 14211/1615/Jan 1m	JW2CF 14232/1940/Jan 24w	OZ7BB 14204/1530/Jan 29e
EA6BG 14211/1900/Jan 30e	OE8HJK 14234/1400/Jan 1e	SV1AE 14221/1445/Jan 27e#
G4CHP 14212/1610/Jan 29w	ON4TY 14203/1610/Jan 31m	YU4ETC 14290/1405/Jan 1e
HA3KMA 14285/1405/Jan 1e	ON5VT 14207/1545/Jan 29e	
HB9ALX 14217/1425/Jan 2m	ON5DO 14203/1740/Jan 27w	

Some 160meter Stuff

G3ZYY 1827/0715/Jan 1m	HK0BKX 1825/0300/Jan 31m	W0NAR/6Y5 1830/0225/Jan 31m
G3SZA 1826/0720/Jan 1m	OE5KE 1826/0350/Jan 1m	
GD4BEG 1827/0705/Jan 1m	PY1RO 1827/0720/Jan 31m	

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches kp = puerto rico etc)
(all times in gmt # = long path ?? = Slim...8X8A of Cray Island and other spots)

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ARRL The FCC has proposed to delete the requirement for advance notice for portable operation. It has also proposed to delete the requirement that transmissions from stations operating mobile or portable be identified as such. This is Docket 20686 with comments due February 27th and reply comments on March 8th. ARRL asking for some indication whether members are in favor of this proposal.

The ARRL has been down to Washington on a number of matters. On February 3rd Dick Baldwin and Chod Harris met with John Johnston and others of the FCC staff to discuss the training and license certification program which was a matter discussed at the January Board meeting. The ARRL and the FCC appear to be in step and a formal proposal should be presented to the FCC within the month.

Dick Baldwin and Merle Glunt also met with some senior FCC members to discuss the strategy in the handling of WARC procedures in the months ahead. Some thought is being given to give some public notice to the output of the various advisory groups.

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WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. Some of the local QRPers were hanging around last week, there being snow on the ridges and chores waiting at home. And one was a WW II type who often spoke of "...me and Jimmy Doolittle". Finally one of the QRP types came up with a question for this one. "Ace", this QRPer asks, "what was all the fuss about the Concorde landing in the states? Why were the French doing all that hollering?". Jimmy's friend thought for a moment and then spoke. "The French were citing the fact that the U.S. had signed bilateral agreements with them at Chicago and Bermuda in 1946 and these agreements promised reciprocal landing rights in either country. The French were insisting on the U.S. complying with this international treaty, further saying that under the requirement of good faith imposed by International Law, the U.S. was bound to honor their requests. Rather simple, Yes?". The QRPer thought for a bit and then smiled that beady-eyed smile. "I get it", he said. "It's just like our reciprocal operating agreements. They land here, we land there. They operate here, we operate there. Right?" Old Ace smiled at this but he should have been wary. "Roger"; he said, his tight lips curled upwards in a smile of approbation. But the QRPer continued. "So that means that if the French insist on honoring international agreements, that they will issue licenses and landing rights for Chipperton and someone can operate there soon. Right?" Son of a Gun, what could one say to something like that except what Albert would often say. "All things are relative, and some more so depending on whether you are giving or getting". While you figure this one out, the WCDXB will come your way for a full year with the great puzzles of international DXing!! Prepare..

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