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NEUTRAL ZONE The word last week was that nothing was doing on this and though there might be some travel into this area, the possibilities of any amateur radio operation was remote.

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The initial word on this had come via good sources. Whether the attention and interest had brought some problems or whether there are other complications is a bit hard to figure. The expectation is that this one should be eliminated somewhere along the line, Saudi Arabia and Iraq reportedly have agreeded on their common boundary line. However, there were a good many looking for this one..and are still hoping.

- KERGUELEN FB8XC has been reported by east coast stations as showing regularly in the 14025kc area...sometimes up a few, and in the 0230-0400Z period. Last week the station was in there calling 'CQ' with few responses. Also being heard on twenty c.w. is FB8XO, also active recently.
- LESOTHO 7P8BC, Jerry, says he will be checking in with the YL-SSB System on Mondays between 1800-1830Z. This would be at 14333kc. Jerry also says that on Saturdays he will be around 14280kc from 1830Z.

This one QSLs to WA9SMM.

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EAST MALAYSIA 9M8HG is listening for the states from 1230-1430Z around 3515khz, listening especially on the half hour intervals.

Horace is well out in the jungle there, has a dipole about 20' high and a TS-520 rig. He is located on a rubber plantation.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u> Some metropolitan papers in California have been running the following advertisement in their financial pages:

WANTED Limited number libertarian, achievement-oriented citizens for new country. No taxes, laisser-faire, democratic. About \$10,000 cost including residence land. Numerous trades, businesses, professions needed. No color, sex, religious bars.

A box in a post office in Hawaii was given as the place to write. There may be a chance for a eager amateur to put a new one on the air. Maybe....

<u>N-1x2s</u> These callsigns are being isued and the recent up-dating of the available two-letter calls by the ARRL shows that some areas are having a heavy run on the callsigns.

Down in Southern California Harvey Hetland, until recently the editor of the Southern California DX Bulletin, applied for a N-call. He offered his WB6SLG second call in trade. Harvey was issued N6MM effective December 24th. But up pops a new Technician with the recently issued call of WB6SLG, effective as of November 12, 1976. Old WB6SLG and new WB6SLF QSOed on two meters.

Back in New Jersey, new-Novice licensee Chester Charles was issued K2VN. With the elimination of distinctive novice prefixes, Chester got the 1x2 because he held a call back around 1914.....2VN.

SUNSPOT LOUIE There were two active areas on the date of this chart, one turning the corner at the western limb and another at about 20 S coming into sight on the eastern side. The band conditions were good on the date of this observation, the morning LP being especially good to the western reaches.

We do not have the area data on 764, that's the new one at 20°S but the one turning the corner has held up well, having in excess of 100/millionths or area all during its star.

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December was a fair month for activity, the daily 27 Dec.76 numbers on some occasions jumping into the 108. On your days the solar flux climbed into the low 80s. Certainly new what the Deserving DXers should swoon with ecstasy over but perhaps enough to keep them practing their dance routines.

Looking into the first month of the new year, WUDT sees a bit of brightness ahead, happily singing as he shovels the snow along the banks of the Potomas. "If winter comes, can Spring be far behind".... And he says it will be, as we move close to the Spring of the new cycle....

January	3rd	Low Normal	January	10th	High Normal
	4th	Below Normal		11th	High Normal
	5th	Low Normal		12th	High Normal
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	7th	Low Normal		14th	High Normal
	8th	Low Normal		15th	Low Normal
	9th	Low Normal		16th	High Normal

And in these crowded days, we have the up-date on the charts from K6EV. If you have not kept a chart before, the new year might be a time for you to keep track of things. You will see some changes in the months ahead.....

	Sol	ar Flux	A/Index			Sol	ar Flux	A/Index
ec	20th	74	4		Dec	24th	77	4
	21st	74	4			25th	78	8
	22nd	76	9	1		26th	78	6
	23rd	. 76	6					

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WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Second class entry and postage paid at San Rafael, California Published every week by the Marin County DX Group Hugh Cassidy WA6AUD

SHORTLY NOTED Somewhere in the bulletin you should find two pages of QSL information. This should cover most if not all of the activites up to sometime in November. In a couple of weeks we will be running more.

John Shean, K5DB, of the Alamo DX Amigos in San Antonio, is culling through various sources for QSL information, including the reports sent for Red Eyed Louie. The paper is pre-punched so it can be filed in a three-ring binder, the addition of future pages of QSL information should provide a source for reference when QSLing.

This is not intended to be another QSL Managers Directory. It is intended to be a fairly recent compilation of QSL information though it may take a bit of thumbing through at times to find what you need.

It is intended to be helpful and the hope is that it will be. The work in extracting the information must be credited to K5DB.

There is also included the pertinent part of the DXAC Survey which was recently mailed to some 400+ DXers selected on a random sampling basis. We have been advised that the random sampling was used to attempt to get some input from others than the top of the DXCC lists. If you return a completed questionaire to KØHUD, they will tabulate it and it will be included with the responses sent out for their own list.

The questionaire actually runs to four sheets, or seven pages. The first part was aimed at developing statistical information. The second part asks opinions on what the DXAC feel are important questions. This time you get the second part, a future issue will bring you the first part. This may seem to be a bit of a devious approach but the feeling here is that the second part is the one which will have the most impact....the first part is to get some background information. If you want to really hang things together, keep both portions until you have the whole bag and then send it in. If you are in a hurry to get the word in, you can follow your own inclination. If you might want to help tie the two parts together, put your callsign on all pages you send in. Let the DXAC know that you really care!

Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AMH, who was the Venezulean Consular officer in the Houston area a few years back is now located in Panama and hoping for an HP1-call before long. Reinaldo has been in Nicaragua until last November, there signing YN1AM. He advises that QSLs for his YN1AM operation have been sent to the bureaus.

His present address is: Box 661, Panama 1, Republic of Panama. He was hoping for HP1AK but will be active no matter what the call might be.

The group at UK9AAN....Willy, Sam and Jerry...now have a four-element Delta Loop up 30 meters and beamed at the U.S. They are looking for W/K contacts.... this Delta Loop being on 3.5mhz! They work both c.w. and SSB and usually are SSB at 3645khz transmitting and listening around 3838khz. Look for them from 0100Z most days. For c.w. operations you can look for them around 3594khz, plus or minus what is necessary. For Europe they have a 1.5 wavelength aimed at Europe for 3.5mhz work.

Sam was in Moscow in mid-December where he was aiming to pick up their 5BDXCC plaque. Sometimes they have to QRT earlier than desired because of TVI problems from their 3.5mhz operations. They get into the University's Lecture TV system. They are looking for a filter that might help them stay on the air until about 0400Z.

MORE SHORTLY NOTED JA2IYJ is looking for Rhode Island, West Virginia and North Dakota on 80meters to wrap up a WAS on that band. He has a two-element antenna up 100' and would appreciate anyone in those states listing for his KW signal.

We picked up some contest scores. There probably will be a few more showing but these may give some idea of what would be relative standings:

CQ WW Phone	JH1ECG	1,420,000	Single	-Operator	A11	band	
	JA1KS0	1,400,000	88	11	18	98	
	JA2JW	1,210,000	88	Ħ	11	95	
	PJ9CG	5,200,000	17	H	êā.	88	

PJ9CG was operated by WA1JLD at W1BIH's Curacao outpost. He had 4670 QSOs, 277 countries and 101 zones to run up that 5.2 megapoint total. He was looking for more multipliers but twenty and fifteen were not godd to Europe, eighty and ten just not there and LP did not perform has hoped.

In case you missed it before, K2BT has a gap in the VR3AH logs....July/August and September....and it might be that the logs were lost. VR3AH is often in the contests and if you still lack a QSL for a previous contact...and in the lost log period...look for activity in the ARRL DX Test in a couple of weeks.

We got a blast from a couple of QSL managers over the problems that they encounter in handling the business. Some of the irritants are:

- 1. Sending a QSL in by airmail but failing to include anything else like a sase/IRC/stamps.
- 2. Sending a QSL with stamps or IRCs but no self-addressed envelope. Such take about four times as long to handle.
- 3. Sending a QSL with multiple contacts listed. Some list a full year of contacts on a QSL for a contest contact.

What does a hard-working QSL Manager do beside grinding his teeth? A couple have indicated that they are following-----

- 1. No SAE/IRC or SASE, no card sent
- 2. Postage but no SAE QSL sent back like a postcard.
- 3. Contest QSL with more than one QSO listed are answered for only the contest QSO.

This is only the reaction from a handful of QSL Managers. But you may see something like a..."QSL Managers Protective Assn" being formed and guidelines for handling QSLs laid down. If you are helping the managers, it would seem you have little reason for concern. If you are non-conforming with the above, it may be time for a change.

Randy Schaaf up in Avon, Minn (W2GUH/ \emptyset) is looking for a handle on the door to a QSL from 3D6AJ for a 1975 QSO. Nothing has worked so far.

The QSL address for F6ARC is said to be incorrect in the recent Call Books. You might check him out at: Preuay-le-Gillon, 28360 Dammarie, France.

W4UG says that he has not been successful in requisitioning blank QSLs for 3V8DQ's operations for several months now. The initial supply of 500 went long ago....W2GHK's QSL service will hopefully send some more along shortly.

Part II DXAC Survey			WCDD	XB.	
Directions: Below are 24 statements. Each statement has five post responses. Circle the response that indicates your of	opini	on			
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SA = Strongly Agree					
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1. To qualify as a country, a place should be large enough to			Loca III		
be habitable.	SD	D	N	A	SA
2. The A.R.R.L. should publish a DX handbook.	SD	D	N	A	SA
3. The DX Advisory Committee should take a more active roll in the administration of the DXCC program.	SD	D	N	A	SA
4. The DX Advisory Committee adequately represents the DX community.	SD	D	N	A	SA
5. The countries list established by the A.R.R.L. should be increased in size.	SD	D	Ņ	A	SA
6. Countries should be temporarily deleted, for Honor Roll purposes, if they have not been activated in the last 10 years.	SD	D	N.	A	SA
7. As it presently stands, the DXCC Honor Roll is very difficult to achieve.	SD	D	N	A	SA
8. The DXCC Honor Roll should be more difficult to achieve.	SD	D	N	A	SA
9. It should be possible to achieve the DXCC Honor Roll within 5 years.	SD	D	N	A	SA
10. I would rather work a new country that others have already confirmed than a brand new country.	SD	D	N	A	SA
11. There are too many countries on the DXCC country list.	SD	D	N	A	SA
12. I agree that Kingman Reef, St. Paul, and Sable Islands should be classified as separate countries.	SD	D	N	A	SA

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13.	Endorsement stickers should be available for 5 Band DXCC	SD	D	N	A	SA
14.	I am satisfied with the present DXCC program	SD	D	N	A	SA
15.	I spend the majority of my operating time listening on the bands rather than communicating with others.	SD	D	N	Ā	SA
16.	The ARRL is responsive to DXers' wants.	SD	D	N	A	SA
17.	Slow scan tv and facsimile should be encouraged in the 20 meter amateur band.	SD	D	Ň	A	SA
18.	There should be a gentleman's agreement that phone patches should be restricted to above 14.250 on 20 meters.	SD	D	N	A	SA
19.	A reef should be dry at high tide to qualify as a country.	SD	D	N	A	SA
20.	When a situation develops whereby the status of a proposed country is hazy as it relates to the country criteria, it sould be granted country status.	SD	D	N	A	SA
21.	In light of numerous suggestions for overhauling the DXCC country criteria and award, and the possible changes in amateur frequency allocations and operating privileges that may result from the forth-coming World Adminsitrative Radio Conference, a new beginning for DXCC with updated country criteria should be established January 1, 1980.	SD	D	N	A	SA
22.	DXCC should be de-emphasized by removing to various degrees it's credibility and/or tradition.	SD	D	N	A	SA
23.	In addition to DXCC, the A.R.R.L. should issue an award which consists of working all of the United Nations countries.	SD	D	N	A	SA
24.	The effect on the A.R.R.L. DXCC award program would be enhanced by starting over every 10 years.	SD	D	N	A	SA
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Please return this questionnaire as soon as possible to:

Robert W. Wood, KOHUD 1012 East Main Street Vermillion, South Dakota 57069 USA

WCDXB

We will welcome any further comments on any DX related subject you care to offer. Please enclose them with your survey. Thank you for your cooperation.

The ARRL DX Advisory Committee

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

Will no one tell me what he sings? Perhaps the plaintive numbers flow, For old, unhappy far-off things, And DX long ago.....

LOW BAND LOUIE

A6XP 3794/0350/Dec 17	e KG6JTH	3506/1500/Dec	25w 1	L7EAJ	3645/0000/Dec	16e
DJØND 3799/0510/Dec 20						
		3785/0550/Dec			3645/0020/Dec	
DK2MR 3798/0515/Dec 20		3506/0520/Dec		1050BE	3507/0450/Dec	16e
DM2DE0 3503/0500/Dec 24	m ONLUN	3795/0620/Dec	21e V	P2EEQ	3803/0200/Dec	21e
DU6VFC 3798/1500/Dec 26	W OZ7YY	3502/0735/Dec			3800/0600/0fte	
EA4LH 3796/0400/Dec 26	W PAØGMW				3790/1440/Dec	21.11
EI8H 3793/0800/Dec 21	w PJ9BB	3807/0225/Dec			3523/0710/Dec	
EIØCL 3797/0040/Dec 15	e SVØWIT	3501/0330/Dec	26w Y	BSACK	3785/1430/Dec	22w
EA9E0 3510/0030/Dec 27		3594/0520/Dec			3799/0425/Dec	
F3NB 3502/0520/Dec 21		3799/0655/Dec			3800/0515/Dec	
HC2SL 3524/0650/Dec 21		3503/0315/Dec			3511/0335/Dec	
HI8LC 3510/0550/Dec 19	e UAØCDA	3502/1515/Dec	24w Z	K1BA	3801/0750/Dec	21w
JW7FB 3789/2340/Dec 16		3513/0455/Dec		D8TM	3520/0110/Dec	2Lw
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C6ABA 7002/2350/Dec 20	e UK2BBB	7005/1255/Dec	18e Z	S1XR	7027/0105/Dec	17m
DJ2BW 7006/0035/Dec 24	W UK2WAF	7009/1250/Dec		S6RM	7003/0430/Dec	25e
FB8X0 7002/1640/Dec 27		7015/1305/Dec			7004/0045/Dec	
FG7XA 7009/0045/Dec 27		7085/1145/Dec		P6G0	7012/1340/Dec	22e
HB9EP 7006/2345/Dec 20		7031/0030/Dec	21w 9	J2WR	7008/0500/Dec	15e
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JW9WT 7006/0135/Dec 23		7007/1300/Dec			7004/1300/Dec	
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	W ABZIIIR	7006/0520/Dec	2211			
PYØZAE 7026/0025/Dec 21	e SP6PBB	7034/0015/Dec	21e			
AFRICA CW			•			
EA9E0 14029/2030/Dec 2	6m ZE1DE	14037/2055/D	ec 20e	ZS6AL	L 14033/2130/I)ec 26e
EL2ET 21034/1705/Dec 2	5w ZS1XR			5ZLIW		
FB8X0 14030/0350/Dec 2		21030/1905/D		7G1FT		
FR7AVE 14039/1855/Dec 2		14038/1835/D		9L1CD		
FR7AI/E 14036/1835/De 2	7w ZS60S	21033/1935/D	ec 24w	9J2NL	14056/1815/I	ec 22e
ATDIGA CCD						
AFRICA SSB						
EL2EU 21416/1600/Dec 2		/50 14217/1630	25w#	5ZLLW	14216/2050/1	00 21
EL2S 14210/2225/Dec 2		14216/2040/D		7X4MA		
FR7AE 14202/1735/Dec 2	1w ZD1DE	14204/2050/D	ec 25e	7P8BC	14203/1925/1	ec 21w
TR8JCV 14201/2120/Dec 2	6e ZE6JL	21355/1700/0	ften	9J2FL	14202/2145/1	ec 22e
TU2DF 14218/2200/Dec 2		14238/1950/D		9X5RK		
VQ9P 14210/1600/Dec 2		G 14255/2020/D	228	9X5SM	14200/2010/1	208
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ASIA	CW							
HM2JN	14034/0100/Dec	23w	5B9HT	14037/1925/Dec				
JT1BF	14016/0115/Dec	23w	9D5A	14027/1420/Ofte	en			
VU2BK	14036/1340/Dec	27e	9D5C	14025/1535/Dec	23w			
ASIA	SSB							
ALIXEW	14207/1400/Dec		JY9RA	14217/1500/Dec	21w	VU2GDG	14216/0200/Dec	
AP5HQ	14229/1320/Dec		OD5FB	14192/1500/Dec		VU2ACD	14236/1320/Dec	25m#
HL9TS	14220/2250/Dec		UK9ADY	14212/1250/Dec		4Z4PG	14233/1440/Dec	25e
HL9WI	14224/0010/Dec			14201/0045/Dec	22m	4Z4RV	14208/1625/Dec 14224/1640/Dec	250
HM1KE HZ1TA	14220/0450/Dec 14244/1350/Dec		VU2YY VU2JNA	14220/1345/Dec 14229/1315/Dec	210#	424TT 5B4DI	14211/1415/Dec	
JY5YJ	14207/1430/Dec		VU2HI	14211/1415/Dec		7Z1AB	14212/1640/Dec	
JY6ZZ	1420/1615/Dec	23m	VU2LE	14216/0155/Dec		9D5A	14204/1510/Dec	
JY6BZ	14222/1530/Dec		VU2GW	14216/0200/Dec		9V1SQ	14222/1410/Dec	
EUROPE		-		. , , ,		100		
DJ6RX	14020/1605/Dec	234	GDLAM	14026/1710/Dec	264	TIBETDI	14028/1440/Дес	234
EA1FD	14006/1940/Dec			14016/1655/Dec			14010/1345/Dec	
EALPB	14026/1550/Dec			14014/1350/Dec			14032/1450/Dec	
EISCE	14003/1545/Dec	22w	ON4UT	14015/1630/Dec			14033/1315/Dec	
FC9VN	14005/1340/Dec	22e		14009/1435/Dec			14035/1330/Dec	
GI 3GAL	14029/1700/Dec		OZ7BW	14015/1620/Dec		UR2JW	14018/1325/Dec	21e
GI 30LJ	14002/1610/Dec		PAØMTE	14005/1545/Dec			14019/1605/Dec	
GM 3APC	14002/1640/Dec	26w	UA 3WAK	14028/1305/Dec	23e	9H1CH	21050/1425/Dec	21e
EUROPE	SSB							
CT1EL	14209/1755/Dec	23w	IC8FHC	14216/1615/Dec	23m	SV1AE	14205/1520/Dec	27w
CT1/G2	UL 14220/1725	23w		14259/1550/Dec	26w#	SVØWZ	14222/1530/Dec	26w#
DJ4UV	14202/1530/Dec	26w#	LA2DR	14216/1625/Dec			14210/1320/Dec	
EA 3JE	14210/1610/Dec			14209/1605/Dec		UQ2IL	14235/0325/Dec	
FD511	14206/1540/Dec		OH8TI	14209/1555/Dec		UV 3DU	14222/1335/Dec	
GM3XMZ	14225/1530/Dec	22w	ONLINA	14220/1605/Dec	26w	YO4WU	14207/1525/Dec	24w
ELSEWH	ERES CW							
CEØAE	21026/2145/Dec			14020/2145/Dec	25e	ZLLDE	14075/1710/Dec	
CO7UPC				2 14023/2135	22w	ZF1RD	14026/2310/Dec	
FM7AV			VK 3EK	14019/1940/Dec	21e#	ZP6CE	14039/0310/Dec	
FY7YE	14017/1625/Dec		VK9RH	14020/0450/Dec	20m	ZP5A0	14022/0405/Dec	
HIOMOG	14002/2040/Dec	25e	VPZEEQ	14049/1450/Dec	23e	4K1D	14030/0035/Dec	2 3W
KX6LX	14064/1830/Dec 14033/0345/Dec	2101	VPOIN	11022/1155/Dec	20e	QY) WIT	11017/1910/Dec	20w
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	DA4 14316/1515/		VP8PC	21314/2105/Dec	19m	XP1AA	14204/1310/Dec	21e
VE8RR	14200/2020/Dec	20e	VP80I	14213/0245/Dec	20e	ZP5JT	14231/0025/Dec	22m
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limi	tation imposed	by the	one-ou	nce limit. The	Posta	al Servi	ce is hinting a	bout

limitation imposed by the one-ounce limit. The Postal Service is hinting about a three or four cent increase on 1st class mail sometime this year. If that does come, we may wipe out first-class altogether within the states and only go with second class....

QSL INFORMATION

Compiled by K5DB

ALXVK	to	GLBVH
A6XP		DK 3NK
A6XS		G3SUW
C31JX		DK9FE
C31NA		F2PC
CEØAA		CEBLE
CEØAE		WA 3HUP
СТЦАТ	German	W1YRC
D2AAI		W7VRO
D2ASW		KHUTE
DGAA		FH8CE
D6AB		F6CXT
DA1UM/	LX	ON5NT
DJØUP/	VP2S	DJØUP
DL2RL/	YV6	DL2RL
EL2R		WALHHG
EP20D		KHOD
EP2SV		WAGAHE
F5RV/F	C	FSRV
FB8BG	0	FGVU
FB8X0		F6CRT
FC2CH	1.000	WA8TDY
FG7AN		WA 3EDS
FG7AS		W7RUK
FGØEWY	1	VE 3EWY
FGØCXV	/FS7	W4PRO
FGØMM/	FS7	WA1JKJ
FO8EX		F6AUS
FP8DX		K90TB
HBØBHA		DLØKL
HBØNL	AT F	HB9NL
HC5EE		WASTDY
HL9TJ	-	KGVA
HL9WI		WASZWO
HS5AKW		W9NGA
JH1KSB	JD1	JE 3AFS
JTOOAQ		UYSLK
JW7FD		LASNM
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YI ____ This is not another possibility....but rather to note the difficulty in any radio activity within Iraq at the present time.

One of the JAs working in Iraq on a project, recently noted some of the problems in the JA-HAM JOURNAL. He writes:

I have been in YI for about a year and work here as a member of a National Project System. I tried to get a license to QRV but any kind of wireless communication and permission to operate is controlled very closely by the government there.

We had need for communications on the project and we were only allowed to use six transceivers on 27mhz, these limited to 0.5 watt input power to the antenna. We did ask for 5 watts.

In Iraq it not necessary to get a license or permission to listen on broadcast or medium wave frequencies. However, listening on the short-wave band or VHF bands is prohibited. It is not possible to bring either a transmitter or receiver for these bands into the country.

At this time it would seem that anyone looking for an entry permit and permission to operate from YI should forget it. I have been trying since arrive and have another year and a half to go. It does not look good....

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ARRL George Bailey, W2KH, president of the ARRL from 1940 to 1952, passed away on December 19th in Tennessee. In failing health for some time, he had been living close to his daughter there. The February QST will have an article on the long service he gave to amateur radio.

In a name-change effective January 27, 1977, the FCC has changed the Citizens Radio Service to Personal R dio Services. Class A will be called General Mobile Radio, Class C will be the Radio Control Service, Class D is the Citizens Band Service. TNX to WIMV, W2AG, W2FP, W1WY, W3CDL, W4BAA, W4BV, WB4EDD, W4HU, W4KA, K4KZP, WA4MAV, WB40XD, W400, K4SMX, W4UF, W4UMF, W4TYE, K5AAD, W5AK, WA5AUZ, ADXA, K5OVC, K5TSQ, K6EC, WB6IXC, K6JG, W6KPC, W6KYA, K6LAE, N6MM, W6MTJ, W60KK, W6PN, WA6TLA, W6TSQ, K6UFT, W6VQD, W6VD, K6VY, K7ABV, W7GRW, WA7HRE, K8CFU, K8IA, W80A, K9KEV, K9MM, K9UIY, WØBA, WBØGQP, WAØGSG, WØOUE, JA8KB, JA1KSO, KL7PI, KH6CZ.

WEST COAST IX BUILTIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local Offers came charging up the hill last week. When he hove into sight we knew that the joyous holiday season had reached it end. "Tell me something," the QRPer said, getting right down to Topic 'A', "what do you know about the 'Rule of Three'." We tried to be cautious in our answer but we were not cautious enough. "Generally", we said in our best pedantic tone, "you will find that eften events occur naturally in groups of three. You might have noted the ocean waves at Pt Reyes coming in with each one slightly larger than the preceding until the third is the biggest. Then they drop off a bit and start over. On a narrow mountain road when you meet one car you should be alert for the other two as they are often around the next turn. That's the way it has always happened. That's the 'Rule of Three'." We were a bit pleased with our bit of pedantry but not the QHPer. "That should also work out for the other things....like contests?" he said and we nodded our head. Certainly this QHPer was one who understood the mysteries of the ages. "Well then", the QRPer continued, fastening that beady-eyed gaze on us, "how come in the last two DX contests I came up with only two new countries in each one? How come I did not get the three or six that I usually get? How come they are not observing the rules?" We had to admit that maybe once in awhile things just do not go as planned but the QRPer was not buying. "I'll tell you what the problem is," he said. They are never satisfied back there. Look at how they are changing things around with the DXCC Desk, back east there. I knew when they shoved Old Bob out that things would never again be the same. Never!" We tried a few soothing phrases but the effect was hardly noticeable. "Listen to me," the QRPer said. "Old Bob always took care of me. As regular as clockwork I got my three or six new countries every contest. Now with this new fellow I think his name is Newkirk with him calling the shots things are not what they used to be. Can't you see that? Already I am losing countries." We tried to point out that maybe his thinking was a bit fallacious but he was locked in. "I'm not taking this lying down", he said. "The next time I'm in Chicago I'm going to look up Newkirk and ask why things are not the same anymore. And what has he done with my third country? That's what I'll do!" Son of a Gun!! What could we say? Only that often there is confusion in these times and \$11.00 will bring you your weekly quota by second-class mail. \$14.50 blips it in by first-class mail to US/VE area and \$17.00 flies it by airmail to Mexico and all the far DX lands.....

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