

May 17, 1977 20=77

KINGMAN The plans for the Kingman effort centered on the weekend of June 11/12th have continued unchanged and the principals are secure in their belief that they will maintain the previously announced schedule.

The fourth operator should be announced before long and this will complete the team that will head for Palmyra and then Kingman Reef. All bands from ten to eighty will definitely be worked, both c.w. and SSB. Operating frequencies will be announced prior to their departure from Hawaii.

In discussing the plans, the group emphasized that they will be aiming to clean up the demand for KP6-Kingman in the eastern states and in Europe. With considerable DX know-how in the group, their operating schedules will be to make the maximum number of contacts possible.

At this point the group is figuring to finance their own expenses to the maximum extent. However, when questioned, it was indicated that support would be appreciated though it definitely is not being sought. Norm Meyers, N9MM/WB9LHI has been the spokeman for the group to date.

The planning still calls for them to be in the Palmyra area on June 9/10th and to open from Kingman shortly afterwards. Close to five days of Kingman operations are planned.

GRAND CAYMANS W5UFF will be operating ZF2AN from May 28th to June 4th. This will be a c.w. only operation.

QSL for ZF2AN to W5UFF's home QTH. A year back Bruce operated as ZF1BT and still has suffienct QSLs (blank) on hand to handle all possible inquiries.

If you are thinking of heading for the Caymans sometime, it might be noted that the authorities will not take personal checks for license fees. They like something a bit more substantial. Like a bank draft.....

AUSTRALIAN ISLANDS In a recent QSO with W9QQ, VK3AH passed along some information on the possibilities of activity on some of the rarer VKs.

On Lord Howe, it is indicated that VK2BKE and VK2AKG are presently on Lord Howe. On Cocos-Keeling, VK9CW is there at this time. On Heard, there is nothing except a possibility that there may be some activity later this year, possibly in the November 1977 time.

ANDORRA C31NN and C31NM will be activated by a PAØ-group for a week or so from June 12th. Indicators are that this will be a c.w. only operation with the frequencies two or twenty-five kcs above the band edge...80 thru 10 meters.

Juan, EA8CR, operated from Andorra over the first of May, signing C31MN. Juan reports that conditions were no good but in three days he worked 861 stations in 62 countries, working 160 thru 15 meters, mostly c.w. Conditions were not good to the states and Juan reports working but 40 W/K/Ns, two W6s and one W7. On one-sixty he managed 17 east coast types and two VEs. Juan says that their location was not good for paths to the west. QSLs for C31MN go to EA8CR's home QTH.

SUNSPOT LOUIE Things are still not what one might want them to be but there seems to be a slow trend towards improvement. If you check Red Eyed you will note that the 80/40 meter reports are shrinking, 21mhz reports are starting to get common and this week we even brew in some 10 meter reports.

On the chart, #814 which first showed on May 2nd has been with us all last week and possibly went around the corner during this last weekend. No. 815 showed on May 4th but was gone on the following day. #816 showed on May 9th and it also lasted but one day. Area #817 showed on May 10th, the date of this chart,

#814 sent out a flare on May 4th around 18032. On that date it was reported with 11 spots covering 220 millionths of the sun's surface, the following day, May 5th, it had 12 spots covering 350 millionths, the largest active area in some time.

On the date of this chart it was at 31°N and 26°W and had 3 spots covering 60 millionths. No. 817 was at 20°S and 82°E.

The solar flux got into the eighties a few times in the last week as you will note from K6ECs report. The report from Zurich gives the mean for April at 13.2. If you would like to note how Cycle 21 is baffling the experts so far, take a look at the last couple of months.

(814)

10 May 77

" and accepting to a sold that of its or help a garage to so. or or help which that

3\spots

60 millionths

. resinato ena

dinang sa m awali brod no in Machanal no gita dibunan a riya manayadi

offer.

62 . 200

(817)

| Predic   | ted                           | Actual   |
|----------|-------------------------------|----------|
| January  | Company of a solution of a    | 15.7     |
| February | auto A                        | 22.6     |
| March    | 16                            | 8.0      |
| April    | 17                            | 13.2     |
| Max      | 48 mids, was and Autority and | J NESTY. |

The predictions of a couple of months back have been revised and Zurich now looks for a SSN in May of 16/June 17/ July 18/ August 19/ September 20/ and October 21. Certainly it has not been a barn-burner so far.

But Sundance, on the south bank of the Potomac, says that you will get a mixed bag for the next couple of weeks with a lot of what you could do without. Looking all the way to almost Decoration Day, Ted says that it will be:

| May 17th | Below Normal May   | 24th | High Normal |
|----------|--------------------|------|-------------|
| 18th     | Low Normal         | 25th | High Normal |
| - 19th   | High Normal        | 26th | Low Normal  |
| 20th     | High Normal        | 27th | Low Normal  |
| 21st     | Low Normal         | 28th | Low Normal  |
| 22nd     | Disturbed          | 29th | Disturbed   |
| 23rd     | Low moving to High |      |             |

Things are improving, however, you can bet on that. And up from the south comes the figures for the chartmakers and K6EC says that it went....

| Solar Flux Ap Index | Solar Flux Ap Index                          |
|---------------------|--|
| May 2nd 77 42       | May 6th 77 11                                |
| 3rd 81 20           | 77th 777 The Transfer Towns Towns and        |
| 4th 581 11          | 8th 76                                       |
| 5th 78 9            | When the algument of east upons time and the |

The word of the purpose of the state of the word of the state of the s

EJØA This special callsign will be used from the Aran Islands off the west coast of Ireland on a trip organized by the Limerick Radio Club and will be heard June 4th to 6th.

The 'EJ' prefix has not previously been used and this will be the first time it will be heard. There have been some previous announcements that the call 'EIØAB' would be used but the recent authorization of the EJ-prefix for the offshore islands brought this new one into being.

QSLs will go to EI5BX, John Casey, 10 Derravarragh Road, Caherdavin, Limerick, Eire. Or you can send them via the Irish QSL Bureau at P.O. Box 462, Dublin 9, Eire.

The group on the Aran Islands will try all bands, ten through eighty with c.w. 10kcs inside the band....maybe a bit higher. SSB will be tried on all bands and you should especially watch the 14195/14210kc area and the 3790kc slot.

The group expects to open about 1700Z on June 4th and operate to 1200Z on June 6th.

PYØ-QSLs We had no sooner run the flag up than salutes were being fired from a number of directions.

The bulletin and QSLs from PY1RO/Ø in many instances arrived in the same mail. Thus the question on this one was quickly settled.

On PYØZAE it looks like it will still be a wait. Recent inquiries to PY1ZAE, Hal, indicated that he has not received any QSLs from the printer as yet though he has picked up the incoming cards from PY1CK. The volume is considerable, something like 70 pounds of mail being on hand. At this point it would seem that some months may pass before the PYØZAE QSLs come through. The only good point is that you can stop racing to the mailbox every day.... Your PYØZAE QSL will not be there for awhile yet. Be patient....

MORE QSLs On that TT8SM it goes to WB500E/WA5JMK, these calls being the same person, Gordon Fogg. Initially we got reports that the operator was "W5CO' and 'K5CO'. The W5 seemed to fit the handle....but that was not right. The operator is K5CO out of Mesquite, Texas. More than one called attention to the fact that W5CO has not been far from the home QTH for some time, is elderly and inactive. The QSL information was correct. On the DL7FH/OY....

DL7FH seems to have been a reissued license. The present holder is:

Frank Lichenberg, Holsteinische Str. 27, 100 Berlin 31, West Germany.

On the Chatham operators, ZL3LN/C goes to Tony Gagon, c;o Awarva Radio, Invercargill, New Zealand. ZL3NR/C goes to Brian Donaldson, c/o Radio Station, Chatham Island, New Zealand. UAØVH/JT1 can be tried to: Mike Filippov, P.O.Box 020, Vladivostok 21, USSR. G3FXB put the cards for GCLDAA into the mails recently. With that out of the way he is thinking of heading back this fall for another round in the CQ WW DX Test.

WA7HRE is handling the QSLs for ZK1BA....including everything from July 1976 to date and including the operation from Penryhn in the Manihiki group. A July Manihiki trip is still a good possibility. ZM7AT to WB6DXL. If you are combing the archives N9DX still can supply QSLs for HS3LJ (1969-1970), HS3ACP (1970) and DU1PB (1971-1972). WB5SGZ/DU2 goes to: Mike Burke, PSC 1, Box 812, APO San Francisco. Anyone with information on VP2DAN....May 1976?

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN
Published every week by the Marin County DX Group at 77 Coleman Drive, San Rafael,
California 94901

\$18.00 per year by first-class mail to the U.S./VE areas. \$14.00 per year by second-class mail (newspaper treatment) to the U.S. \$20.00 per year for airmail service to Mexico and all the far DX lands beyond the dawn's early light

### Anderson wrong on 'Hams'

If there is anything I can't stand it is someone who goes off half-cocked about something they have not gotten the facts on and pretends to have inside information.

Jack Anderson, who is far bigger than me, has seen fit to picture amateur radio operators or "Hams," as they are known, as selfishly holding radio frequencies away from CB operators, sponsoring a lobby in Washington and having more "airspace" than the rest put together.

He does not know whereof he speaks, friends. I have been a Ham for years. I also had one of the first Citizens Band radio licenses when the service was first authorized.

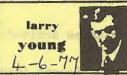
Anderson says the Hams are stifling millions of voices that jam CB. Yet he did not mention that the Citizens Band itself has just been expanded from 23 to 40 channels. He did not bother to inform his readers that the vast majority of CB'ers have the old 23 channel sets and the entire industry is worried about the volume of sales of the new 40 channel sets because the CB'ers are keeping within the old 23 channels and only a small number have gone to the expanded service.

He describes the American Radio Relay League as a "lobbying organization" representing ham operators without telling you that the ARRL does so many things for Hams, America, the world, and radio technology. He also does not mention the fact that the Citizens Band spectrum was once a Ham band known as the 11 meter band.

What he should also have pointed out is the fact that the Ham fraternity does not "own" the Ham bands. These band allocations actually belong to the military. During World War II Hams relinquished their hobby for the duration and the military took ever "the Ham spectrum. When the war anded, the hands were reopened to Hasss.

Anderson says the Hams add up to only 300,000. This is true in America only. There are Hams all over the world. Each is required to; bear technical procedure, Morse cede and radio laws. They also operate within those laws and are subject to not only FCC regulations, but regulations from within as they police their own.

But far more than that, there is a vast number of modern innovations in communications which are due to Hams having done the pioneering work. The new single sideband which



many CB'ers are looking into for more efficiency is the direct result of Hame experimentation and pioneering. In fact, Hams have also led the way with satellite communications and the vast majority of the 300,000 Hams in America are involved in those type professions which are leading the way to new techniques, processes and programs.

Anderson makes the statement that Hams "control" more frequencies than all the nation's police and fire departments combined, plus all commercial and educational FM broad-casters, plus all the TV stations of the VHF channels in Los Angeles and New York City. He does not know what he is talking about. The band width of Channel 2 on television is wider than

the currently useable ham bands combined even if you add the space belonging to CB.

Anderson also tries a low brow form of stirring up a controversy by stating that the CB service is "regulated by officials who, according to a confidential report, have traditionally been Hams."

He also points out as an addition, that the FCC communications chief is a "life member" of the ARRL and has made decisions detrimental to CB. This just reeks of muck. Raymond Spence is a man of high caliber and far above the likes of Anderson and his ilk.

The real gripe I have is that Anderson is a nationally syndicated columist. His attempts, for what reasons I cannot fathom, can only do harm. Hams as a group have worked and developed programs to help welcome. CBers to Ham radio. They have cooperated with them and want to help where they can. I know of no jealous, petty barrier between Hams and CBers. There is a difference between the two services — that is for sure. It is like night and day because of the technical requirements, for one to become a Ham as compared to being able to sign your name as the only requirement to operate a CB radio.

But even that is understood by Hams who long have seen the frustration of their wives and kin who just would not or could not muster the grit to pass Ham exams.

My main hope about the effect of the Anderson column is that it will not forment a rift between the two services as he apparently intended for it to do. There is plenty of room for both services but the solution will not come from people like Anderson who only attempt to create resentment and mis-

trust through innuendo instead of analyzing and coming up with the true answer to the needs as compatible with the service to be used.

Sure CB may need more space, but I don't think it needs space in low band frequencies where skip conditions are going to make it all but useless when the sun spot cycle is up. When that happens, there are going to be millions of CBers who will wish for the sound thinking and engineering of Hamorientated people who know how to operate at all frequencies and what to expect in each of them.

expect in each of them.

Anderson has been dealing in ignorance and that is an insult to both CBers and Hams. Now I wonder if he, (Anderson) is that way about all the things he writes? He sure killed any hope of credibility with me.

hope of credibility with me.
Everyone should realize that radio frequencies do not belong to America alone. A world conference sets the allocations. Hams are organized to fight to preserve what they have got from commercial grasping countries. Before anyone makes the kind of innuendoes that Anderson has, he should study this matter and realize that even if Hams wanted to, they could not give frequencies to CB, nor could the FCC unless it fits the world regulations. A big shot like Anderson should have known that.

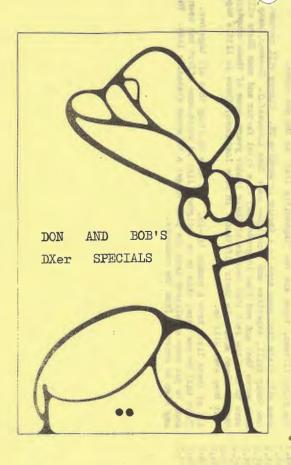
The real need is for all Americans to get together and work to keep the allocations we now have. Other interests in the world would gobble them up in a minute if guys like Anderson got their desired results. Don't be fooled. A conference on world allocations is coming up soon and it is going to be quite a battle just to keep the present spectrum in tact for all of us, not just Hams.

When wis Larry Young who does a bit for a newspaper in the Athens, Georgia area. Writing a newspaper column is an inside track on replying to Jack Anderson's column of April 4th and we thought that you might want to see how Larry puts it to Jack.

Next week you will find a reply from the Executive Editor of the Washington POST on the matter.

There is a school of thought that believes that if you ignore any unpleasant thing it might go away and no longer be a bother to you. Apparently this has been the ARRL decision in this matter as their only activity noted to date has been the offer of a certificate for anyone who gets a letter published on this matter or the prears on a talk show.

All the sectors, just about, will be headed for Toronto the first week in June to att at the ARRL National Convention. If you have a chance you might mention this matter to your director before he heads for Canada to visit with the or experience.



# INCREDIBLE!!

What Madison Electronics Does for the Deserving DXer!!

Look at these Bargains!! Right on Time For the Upswing on Cycle 21!!!

REMEMBER!! Only the Deserving DXers Can Receive these Special Prices!!!

Call on the DX HOT LINE...ask for Don. (713) 658 8021

And You Will Have to Mention that Red Eyed Louie Sent You! Positively!!!!

### MADISON ELECTRONICS SUPPLY

1508 McKINNEY HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002

HAM-2 Rotors \$125.00 Always in stock at Madison!! Belden rotor cable 14¢ foot SPECIAL ANTENNA PRICES HY-GAIN MOSLEY Beams...in stock. Plus accessories...

CDE BIG-TALK ROTOR \$79.00 CD-44 Rotor \$104.00 KLM-KR 400 plus cable \$100.00 CALL!! For Special Prices On TS-520s, TS-820s, ATLAS 350-XL, TEMPO 2020,

FT-301 Digital YAESU FT-101E. You will have to hear them to believe. One call will make you a Believer!!

RAYTHEON 572B/160TLs \$21.95 RAYTHEON 811-A \$16.00/pair On GE Receiving tubes....50% off list. MALLORY 2.5A/1000piv epoxy diodes...19¢ each

CDE .001/10kv Doorknob Caps \$1.95 each. BELDEN 8214 RG8
Foam Co-Ax...23¢ foot. AMPHENOL PL-259s..59¢ each.
UG-175s 19¢ each Double-Female connectors \$1.50 each

PHOSERONZE ANTENNA WIRE For the long-wires 22-gauge \$3.50M..shipping postpaid TREND INSULATORS We have the new TREND Insulators in stock. \$4.95 pair

All prices FOB Houston. These quotes good for thirty days. All items guaranteed. Some items subject to prior sale. Amateur Dealers....send inquiry on your letter head for price list.

Call Don, W5UW/K5AAD for a quote on amateur gear. Madison has the Special DXers HOT LINE just so you can get a quick quote. Just for you.....

MADISON ELECTRONICS SUPPLY 1508 McKinney Ave, Houston Texas (713) 658 0268

Max W5GJ Don K5AAD Mary W5MBB Dave WA5ZNY Rod K5BGB John W5AB Bob WA5UUK Don W5UW NEEDED COUNTRY SURVED This is the third extraction by W1AM and his crew in the Southern New England DX Assn. There will be at least one more resume prepared from the poll, this to appear at some future edition. All of the resumes are tied together and studying them all at the same time will give more insight to the vagaries of 'needed' lists.

Following show the overall rank of a country in its needed list, its rank last time in the poll and the percentage of respondents needing that country.

|    | 1             | 1975 | %    |   |      | 2 0 0         | 1975  | % *  |   |     |               | 1975   | %     |
|----|---------------|------|------|---|------|---------------|-------|------|---|-----|---------------|--------|-------|
| 1  | YI-Iraq       | 1    | 91.8 |   | 41   | Glorioso      | 11    | 38.2 |   | 81  | Sri Lanka     | 130    | 22.6  |
| 2  | 3Y-Bouvet     | 4    | 86.7 |   | 42   | San Felix     | 46    | 36.4 |   | 82  | Tokelaus      | 84     | 22.4  |
| 3  | VP8-So Sand   | 2    | 85.8 |   | 43   | Kerguelen     | 47    | 35.0 |   | 83  | FL8/Issas-Afa | rs 78  | 22.1  |
| 4  | Clipperton    | 3    | 83.2 |   | 44   | A6-United Ara |       | 34.5 |   | 84  | Upper Volta   | 103    | 21.9  |
| 5  | 8Z-Neutral Z. | . 5  | 83.2 |   | 45   | St Peter/Paul | 50    | 34.5 |   | 85  | UH8=Turkoman  | 69     | 21.2  |
| 6. | BY-China      | 6    | 80.0 |   | 46   | Maldives      | 55    | 33.1 |   | 86  | Miniami Toro  | 89     | 21.2  |
| 7  | VS9-Kamaran   | 7    | 77.6 |   | 47   | Kingman Reef  | 61    | 32.9 |   | 87  | Kure          | 109    | 21.2  |
| 8  | XZ-Burma      | 8    | 71.8 |   | 48   | Rio de Oro    | 39    | 32.2 |   | 88  | UM8-Kirghiz   | 94     | 20.3  |
| 9  | ZA-Albania    | 13   | 63.2 |   | 49   | Juan de Nova  | 31    | 31.9 |   | 89  | Laos          | 122    | 20.0  |
| 10 | VS9A So Yemer | 1 9  | 62.5 |   | 50   | YVØ-Aves      | 66    | 31.9 |   | 90  | Bahrein       | 101    | 19.8  |
| 11 | Heard         | 12   | 62.5 |   | 51   | TY-Benin      | 90    | 31.0 |   | 91  | EA9-Ceuta     | 89     | 19.6  |
| 12 | Spratly       | 17   | 60.6 |   | 52   | Campbell      | 73    | 30.8 |   | 92  | Jan Mayen     | 108    | 19.5  |
| 13 | Somalia       | 14   | 58.7 |   | 53   | Afghanistan   | 72    | 30.5 |   | 93  | 9M8-East Mala | y. 131 | 19.3  |
| 14 | Laccadives    | 16   | 57.6 |   | 54   | Amsterdam Is. | 77    | 29.1 |   | 94  | 9K2=Kuwait    | .88    | 19.1  |
| 15 | Abu Ail       | 28   | 57.6 |   | 55   | Tristan da C. | 83    | 29.1 |   | 95  | So Orkneys    | 53     | 18.4  |
| 16 | TN-Congo      | 15   | 57.1 |   | 56   | Juan Fernande | z 67  | 28.7 |   | 96  | Dodecanese    | 62     | 18.4  |
| 17 | FH-Mayotte    |      | 56.2 |   | 57   | LW-Yemen      | 96    | 28.2 |   | 97  | UI-Uzbek      | 82     | 18.4  |
| 18 | Geyser        | 22   | 55.5 |   | 58   | TA-Turkey     | 41    | 28.0 |   | 98  | Palmyra       | 119    | 18.4  |
| 19 | Crozet        | 20   | 53.8 |   | 59   | 3A-Monaco     | 58    | 28.0 |   | 99  | Chatham       | 71     | 18.2  |
| 20 | A7-Qatar      | 25   | 52.7 |   | 60   | Franz Josef   | 85    | 28.0 |   | 100 | St Paul       |        | 18.2  |
| 21 | Bangladesh    | 24   | 51.5 |   | 61   | Malagasy      | 87    | 28.0 |   | 101 | Egypt         | 60     | 17.9  |
| 22 | Bhutan        | 29   | 50.8 |   | 62   | Tromelin      | 23    | 27.3 |   | 102 | Manihiki      | 81     | 17.9  |
| 23 | Annobon       | 27   | 49.7 |   | 63   | Sao Tome      | 92    | 27.3 |   | 103 | Outer Mongoli | a 99   | 17.9  |
| 24 | TT8=Chad      | 19   | 49.9 |   | 64   | MacQuarrie Is | . 521 | 27.0 |   | 104 | Uganda        | 110    | 17.7  |
| 25 | 7J-Okino Tori | Ĺ    | 48.7 |   | 65   | BV-Formosa    | 33    | 26.8 |   | 105 | Sudan         | 93     | 17.5  |
| 26 | D6-Comoro     |      | 48.3 |   | 66   | So Georgia    | 21    | 26.3 |   | 106 | Ogasawara     | 132    | 17.0  |
| 27 | Mt Athos      | 18   | 48.0 |   | 67   | So Shetland   | 37    | 25.9 |   | 107 | Tanzania      | 133    | 17.0  |
| 28 | Cocos-Keeling | x36  | 47.3 |   | 68   | Tunisia       | 56    | 25.2 |   | 108 | VK9X-Christma | s 63   | 16.6  |
| 29 | Central Afr.  | 32   | 45.0 |   | 69   | Port Guinea   | 97    | 25.2 |   | 109 | UJ8-Tadzhik   | 98     | 16.3  |
| 30 | Cambodia      | 35   | 45.0 |   | 70   | Malpelo       | 10    | 24.9 |   | 110 | Norfolk       | 103    | 16.3  |
| 31 | 3X-Guinea     | 44   | 42.9 |   | . 71 | Willis        | 54    | 24.9 |   | 111 | Malawi        | 143    |       |
| 32 | Burundi       | 48   | 42.4 |   | 72   | Revillagigedo | 95    | 24.9 | • | 112 | VE-Sable Is   |        | 15.9  |
| 33 | VK9=Mellish   | 43   | 42.2 | - | 73   | UF6-Armenia   | 70    | 24.7 |   | 113 | Niue          | 64     | 15.6  |
| 34 | Kermadec      | 42   | 42.2 |   | 74   | Rodriguez     | 75    | 24.5 |   | 114 | Reunion       | 107    | 15.2  |
| 35 | Andamans      | 40   | 42.2 |   | 75   | 3W8-Viet Nam  | 114   | 23.5 |   | 115 | Jordan        | 117    | 15.2  |
| 36 | Equat-Guinea  | 45   | 41.5 |   | 76   | Ali-Oman      | 57    | 23.1 |   | 116 | Nepal         | 105    | 14.9  |
| 37 | Agalega       | 38   | 40.3 |   | 77   | AP-Pakistan   | 76    | 22.8 |   | 117 | Tuvalu        |        | 14.0  |
| 38 | Libya         | 26   | 39.6 |   | 78   | Syria         | 65    | 22.8 |   | 118 | 3D6-Swaziland | 137    | 14.0  |
| 39 | Marion Islan  |      | 38.7 |   | 79   | Lord Howe     | 69    | 22.6 |   | 119 | San Marion    | 124    | 14.0  |
| 10 | TZ-Mali       | 51   | 38.5 |   | 80   | Crete         | 80    | 22.6 |   | 120 | UD6-Azerbijan |        | 13.5  |
| 40 |               | -    | ,,   |   |      |               |       |      |   |     |               |        | .,,,, |

NEEDED COUNTRY SURVEY - Page 2

|     | •               | 1975 | %    |     |     |               | 1975   | %    |
|-----|-----------------|------|------|-----|-----|---------------|--------|------|
| 121 | Brunei          | 113  | 13.3 |     | 136 | 7X-Algeria    | 112    | 10.3 |
| 122 | 9M2-W Malaysia  | 138  | 13.3 |     | 137 | 5U-Niger      | 123    | 10.3 |
| 123 | Macao           | 30   | 13.1 |     | 138 | 5N-Nigeria    | 86     | 9.8  |
| 124 | Cyprus          | 106  | 13.1 |     | 139 | VR3-Fanning   | 91     | 8.6  |
| 125 | TI9-Cocos       | 120  | 13.1 |     | 140 | Tongo         | 125    | 8.4  |
| 126 | 5V-Togo         | 111  | 12.8 |     | 141 | VR4-Solomons  | 135    | 8.2  |
| 127 | Gibraltar       | 129  | 11.9 |     | 142 | Fernando de N | . 134  | 8.2  |
| 128 | FW8-Wallis      | 139  | 11.9 |     | 143 | CT3-Madeira   | 115    | 7.0  |
| 129 | Bajo Nuevo      | 34   | 11.4 |     | 144 | FK8 New Caled | . 116  | 6.8  |
| 130 | TR-Gabon        | 102  | 11.0 |     | 145 | UL7-Kazahkist | an 106 | 6.3  |
| 131 | TJ-Cameroons    | 121  | 11.0 |     | 146 | Hong Kong     | 136    | 6.3  |
| 132 | Zaire           | 144  | 10.7 |     | 147 | PYØ-Trinidade | 74     | 6.1  |
| 133 | Pitcairn        | 128  | 10.5 |     | 148 | Saipan        | 118    | 5.8  |
| 134 | P29-Papua/N.G   |      | 10.5 |     | 149 | VR1-Gilberts  | 127    | 4.4  |
| 135 | KC6-West Carol. | 100  | 10.3 |     | 150 | 7P-Lesotho    | 142    | 4.0  |
|     |                 |      |      | - 4 | 151 | Kenya         | 141    | 2.1  |
|     |                 |      |      |     |     |               |        |      |

WIAM noted that in reviewing the lists that the response this year represented a much broader group than last time. In some instances and especially in the early part of the list, the changes from 1975 are due to the mix than to any activity in those countries. The changes in the first ten will be recognized as due to the lists themselves and not any activity in those countries.

There are also some variables which show and Geyser Reef changed even though Bill Rindone operated there in 1976. The contacts were not numerous on that trip and apparently the numbers into the states was not sufficient to change the need for this one, it moving up in percentage. Where there has not been activity for some years....Viet Nam went from 114 to 75.....the countries are moving rapidly to more needed status as new DXers come in on the action.

Keeping in mind that the average DXCC score of those responding was 278, that 17.6% are on the DXCC Honor Roll, it must be pointed out that one out of every five responding needed 457.....one out of every two need that great 'New' country of Okino Torishima.

Regionality is definitely dominant in the list. However, the top thirty are more consistent than the balance of the list. This certainly can be considered as 'the needed list'. Inasmuch as there has been little recent activity in about the first fifteen, these are the 'impossible list' to the new comer.

Some will claim that your area is a factor in working DX. Others will recount how their skill, expertise and techniques make them successful. However, many must agree that age and time in grade (DX) is a vital factor and some DXers will have to face the fact that because of their tender years, some of these countries have not been active in their lifetime. In some instances, there is little hope that they ever will be.

All of these lists have a common tie-in. You have to study them all together. There will be one more, this to be 'weighed' list in which some effort has been made to put some equalizers into the poll to get a balanced stateside list. There may also be excerpts from the comments.

#### REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

The light of the days that have been, The dark of the days that are. And DX stale and stinking Like the butt of a dead cigar....

#### LOW BAND LOUIE CT1RP 7003/2310/May 3e HKØHKX 7025/1140/May 5m HZ1HZ 7023/0315/May 5m LZ1KCZ 7003/0345/May 1e P29JS 7020/1130/May 5m VK5BC 7091/1045/May 2e VK9RH 7037/07\p0/May 5e VKØAC 7029/1130/May \u00e4w Y02BTK 7011/0\u00e415/May 1e ZD9GG 7010/0520/May 8w C31MN 3803/0625/May 3w VK5BC 3695/1040/May 4w YB10S 3790/1315/May 6w YBØRS 3790/1330/May 6w ZL2BKD 3809/1045/May 6e 905QR 7002/0000/May 4e ZL2BT 3809/1040/May 2e AFRICA CW 7XLMD 14007/2000/May 2w 7XLAN 21046/1910/May 7e 9J2B0 21022/1945/May 2e EA8GP 14080/2010/May 5e EA9FH 14027/1910/May 5ep 0H6N0/SU 14002/2200 10w 0H9TH/SU 14012/1105 7e WA6EQL/VQ9 14006/0150 10w TU2GI 14054/1950/May le ZD8EW 21071/2300/May le 3B7DA 14012/0310/May 5e 5Z44W 21023/1800/May 4w SMØFHY/4U 21046/1910 7e AFRICA SSB TU2GA 14332/2115/May 8m ZD8RR 14218/0045/May 3e ZS3BL 21310/1815/May 8w ZS3KC 21282/1700/May 8m 575CW 21416/1535/May 8e 5U7AG 14240/1850/May 10m 5Z4QQ 14204/1950/May 2w 7X2DG 14210/1920/May 2m EA8LS 14228/0045/May 8m EA9FE 14220/0030/May 6e EL2EK 21290/1435/May 8e VE7DIY/SU 21290/1730 7e VE7DIY/SU 14220/0025. 9w A2CZV 21303/1800/May 2e C5AAB 21358/1725/May 2e CN8HD 2129L/1705/May 8e CN8MB 14202/02L0/May 6e 7X2BK 14210/1920/May 2m 7X2EM 14218/1915/May 8m 7X2EM 14222/1145/May 7e 9G1FF 14227/2135/May 11w 9G1KB 14199/2335/May 11w 21285/1835/May 8w 14202/2250/May 1w 21312/1715/May 7m 21416/1530/May 8e CT3AF TT8SM 14238/2145/May 9e TR8MC 14209/2215/May 9m TU2GI 14316/1520/May 8e 9J2GF 14208/2105/May 11w CT3BM DLCBC EL2ET ASIA ASTA CW EP2VW 140214/2020/May 10w EP2SV 14028/0510/May 5w HMZJN 14019/1215/May 7e HZ1HZ 21014/71115/May 2ep JT1AH 14018/1530/May 8w JT1AH 14030/1155/May 8e JT1AT 14006/0025/May 8e JT1AT 14006/1620/May 8w JT1KAA 14012/0200/May 9e JT1EF 14008/1600/May 8w JT2AB 14008/1900/May 8w JT2AB 14008/1900/May 8w UA90S 14008/1900/May 8w UA90S 14008/1900/May 7w UA90S 14008/1900/May 9m UA90S 14018/2315/May 7e UA9UCR 14038/0150/May 9e UA9CAC 14017/1405/May 7e UA9CAC 14017/1405/May 7e UA9CAC 14016/2340/May 7e UA9CAC 14054/1300/May 7e UB9ACT 14054/1300/May 5e UB9ACT 14054/1300/May 8e UF6FCQ 14043/0410/May 7w UF6FAG 14008/0310/May 10w UF6FAG 14008/0310/May 8e UJ8ADB 14018/0150/May 6m UJ8JCA 14040/2030/May 8e UK7PAU 14005/0130/May 1m UK8AAI 14002/2000/May 8e UK9ADY 14055/1400/May 4m UK9YAZ 14029/1450/May 7w UK9OAD 14038/2345/May 7e UL7GA 14076/0100/May 8e UL7EAJ 14040/1105/May 8e UM8AV 14040/0200/May 9w UM8AV 14,040/0200/May 9w UM8MAD 14,043/0215/May 9w UM8FZ 14,059/1745/May 8m UKØKAC 14,034/0555/May 5w UWØIX 14,026/2345/Often VS6AF 14,020/1250/May 1m VU2BK 14,046/14,35/May 7w VU2LE 14,023/0130/May 6e 4,87NE 14,030/14,45/May 10Europe 4,44,47 14,022/04,30/May 7w 9M2YP 14,036/1530/May 10w UL7FP 14019/0200/May 6m UL7TB0 14019/0155/May 6m UL7JBH 14020/0155/May 1m UG6GAF 14,002/2000/May 8e UE8AI 14,002/30145/May 1m UI80X 14,0014/0205/May 10w UJ8AE 14,017/0145/May 6m UL7PBN 14043/0215/May 9m UL7NAU 14019/0100/May 1m UL7CT 14003/0125/May 10w UL7PBI 14010/0120/May 10w ASIA 9V10I 14212/1425/May 5w 9V1NR 14203/1500/0ften 9V1SW 14250/1420/May 7w 14225/2305/May 7w 14204/2305/May 5e JY9DI 14250/2055/May 7e UL7PBE 14202/0205/May 9e BV2B OD5HM 14245/1955/May 2m UL7LA 14216/0230/May

| HL9WA    | 14282/0920/May | 8w  | UF6VAG  | 14225/1420/May | .6e  | UL7QF        | 14205/0105/May    | 9w  |
|----------|----------------|-----|---------|----------------|------|--------------|-------------------|-----|
| HM1FM    | 14223/1220/May | 5e  | UF6VAA  | 14212/1425/May | · 5w | VUZHI        | 14216/0145/May    | 9w  |
| 5A1ML/I  | IZ 14223/2005  | 8m  | UK9AAN  | 14219/0350/May | Lim  | VU2ACD       | 14213/0130/May    | 9w  |
| JA1AEA.  | 21300/0630/May | 10w | UK8BAJ  | 14257/1930/May | 8e   | VU2CK        | 14208/0120/May    | 9w  |
| JF1PKX   | 21300/0545/May | 10w | UK9ABA  | 14208/0200/May | 9e   | <b>LZLEV</b> | 21285/1845/May    | -7e |
| JY3ZH    | 14226/0425/May | 9w  | UK9 ADN | 14231/1140/May | 9e   | LYLLYD       | 14235/1840/May    | Цe  |
| JYLJW    | 14225/2135/May | 2m  | UK9ADT  | 14210/1715/May | 8w   | 5BLEC        | 14202/0435/May    | 10w |
| JY5MB    | 14226/0430/May | 9w  | UKØCBE  | 14225/2255/May | 4w   | 9K2CW        | 14226/0450/May    | 9w  |
| JY9CR    | 14220/2050/May | 7e  | UK6VAA  | 14254/1925/May | 8e   | 9K2DJ        | 14226/0500/May    | 9w  |
| JY9DI    | 14250/2055/May | 7e  | UK7LAH  | 14238/0145/May | 8m   | 9M2AE        | 14225/1510/May    | 5w  |
| שמחסדוים | Carl           |     |         |                |      |              | The second second |     |

| HOLLOTT | 011      |        |      |        |                |      |        |        |           |     |        |        |          |     |
|---------|----------|--------|------|--------|----------------|------|--------|--------|-----------|-----|--------|--------|----------|-----|
| CT1QN   | 14025/23 | 15/May | 9w   | JW1SO  | 14012/1530/May | 9w   | OY1R   | 14010/ | /1645/May | 7w. | UK1APA | 14035/ | 1355/May | Lim |
| CT2BZ   | 21020/15 | 00/May | 1m   | LZ1YF  | 14025/1735/May | 7ep  | PA3AAY | 14056/ | /2200/May | Lym | UC2WBA | 14043/ | 0420/May | 7w  |
| CT2BS   | 21030/18 | 45/May | . 2e | LZ2ZZ  | 14021/0545/May | 9w   | SP8VZ  | 14053/ | 0455/May  | 6w  | UP2PCJ | 14014/ | 1940/May | 7w  |
| EA3HO   | 14025/18 | 20/May | 7ep  | LB9V   | 14033/1525/May | 9w   | TF3FM  | 14018/ | 1830/May  | 7e  | UR2AR  | 14019/ | 1620/May | 7w  |
| EA6DD   | 14008/05 | 50/May | 10w  | OH1SU  | 14021/1400/May | 6m   | TF3IRA | 14021/ | 2330/May  | 9w  | UO5AP  | 14041/ | 0435/May | 10w |
| CM5BLA  | 14013/15 | 30/May | 6m   | OH3XX  | 14025/1655/May | 7ep  | U5ØSP  | 14030/ | /1155/May | 4e  | YU3DZ  | 14007/ | 0555/May | 6w  |
| GM3LYY  | 14029/17 | 00/May | Lum  | OH9PP  | 14012/0620/May | . 4w | U6ØWLA | 14020/ | 1215/May  | .7e | YO6EX  | 14028/ | 1555/May | 7ep |
| HA5KKN  | 14025/16 | 45/May | 7ep  | OK2BWI | 14025/1700/May | 7ep  | U6ØA   | 14040/ | 1545/May  | 8w  | Y09YE  |        | 1700/May | 7ep |
| HA5KKC  | 14013/16 | 20/May | 6m   | ON6NW  | 14026/1705/May | 7ep  | U6ØBGD |        | 1605/May  | 7w  | 4U1ITU |        | 1630/May |     |
| HA5NG   | 14025/16 | 55/May | .7ep | OE1ZGA | 14025/1750/May | 7ep  | UB5LAW |        | 0445/May  | 5w  | 9H1EL  | 14021/ | 2215/May | 7w  |
| HBØBLC  | 14050/22 | 40/May | 7e   | 0Z9Z   | 14013/1550/May | 6m   | UB5MCU | 14038/ | 0515/May  | 5w  | 9H1ED  | 14022/ | 2155/May | 10w |
|         |          |        |      | -      |                |      |        | - 177  |           |     |        |        |          |     |

#### ELSEWHERES CW

CO5DM 14044/2250/May 4m HI8LC 14050/1150/May 8e OX3MD 14008/2330/May 8w W5CFI/C6A 14036/2245/ 10w HKGHKX 14016/1240/May 7e PY2FFA 21047/1820/May 4w FG7AS 21047/1815/May 4w KG4JS 14010/1840/May 7e V01AW 14025/1710/May 7e FY7YE 14057/2320/May 7w KZ5DE 14059/12:5/May 4w VP2DD 21030/1800/May 5w HC2TI 14050/0320/May 4w KZ5EM 14078/2245/May 3m YFØACT 14037/1320/May 5e

YB7AAU 14033/1440/May 51 YS1ESH 14040/1945/May 31

#### MORE RAD EYED LOUIE

| EUROPE SSB                                    |          |                 |                                  |          |                  |                                  |           |                     | and the state of the              |          |  |
|---|----------|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------|------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|--|
| C31AH 14211/1915/May                          | 8m       | HB9BZS          | 14268/2235/May                   | 5e       | SVØWZ            | 14220/1755/May                   | 7m        |                     | 14216/1325/May                    | 5e       |  |
| CT2SH 14202/2020/May                          | 8m       | I1ENN           | 14223/2315/May                   | 7m       | U5ØSP            | 14206/1750/May.                  | 5e        |                     | 14244/1925/May                    | 8e<br>8e |  |
| DF26U 14273/2240/May                          | 5e       | JW2CF           | 14223/1335/May                   | 7m       |                  | 14268/1945/May                   | 8e<br>8w  |                     | 14223/1915/May<br>14241/1940/May  | 8e       |  |
| DM2DUK 14203/2315/May                         | 7w       | LX1FN           | 14212/2250/May                   | 5e.      |                  | 14217/0440/Мау                   | 8w        | UOSDN               | 14226/0515/May                    | 9w       |  |
| DM2BNN 14226/1250/May                         | 5e       | M1D             | 14212/1425/May                   | 8m       |                  | 14238/0435/May                   | 8w        | 3A2HB               | 14235/1930/May                    | 10e      |  |
| EA6BH 14201/1804/May                          | 7m       | OH8OS           | 14203/1725/May                   | 11w      | U6ØKLN<br>U6ØRST |                                  | 7e        | 9H1DL               | 14199/1315/May                    | 5e       |  |
| EA6BG 14248/2055/May                          | 7w       | PAØCB<br>SP9CWF | 14247/1430/May<br>14238/1430/May | 6e<br>6e | UA1CS.           | 14215/1715/May                   | 8w        | 9H1EL               | 14244/1940/May                    | 8e       |  |
| GD3KGC 14255/1155/May                         | 9e<br>5e | SVØWA           | 14220/1750/May                   | 7m       | UK2GDZ           |                                  | 8w        | 9H1FC               | 14225/2055/May                    | Це       |  |
| GW3AX 14221/1345/May                          | 96       | DWWA            | 14220/11/0/1103                  | 1 m      | Oncobe           | 1400) 1000                       |           |                     |                                   |          |  |
| ELSEWHERES SSE                                |          |                 |                                  |          |                  |                                  |           |                     |                                   |          |  |
| A35DG 14214/1900/May                          | 6m       | KS6CC           | 14237/0235/May                   | 9e       | VK6M0            | 21275/0345/May                   | 10w       | VR1X                | 14278/0500/May                    | 8m       |  |
| A35TT 14281/0415/May                          | 5e       | KZ5PB           | 14205/2250/May                   | 5e       | VK6MK            | 14202/1200/May                   | 6w        | VR4DH               | 14265/0610/May                    | 10w      |  |
| C21NI 14293/0610/May                          | 5m       | OX3CL           | 14222/1245/May                   | 6e       | VK7AK            | 21300/0315/May                   | 9w        | VRL <sub>1</sub> DX | 14212/1255/May                    | 8m       |  |
| WD4CQH/C6A 21330/1735                         | 9w       | P29VV           | 14239/1310/May                   | 6w       | VK7SG            | 21295/0220/May                   | 1m        | VR 3AK              | 14265/0600/May                    | 6w       |  |
| DU2BH 14209/1835/May                          | 5w       | P29DV           | 14238/1250/May                   | 6ш       | VK9ZM            | 14265/0600/May                   | 6w        | VS5MC               | 14225/2255/May                    | Цw<br>9w |  |
| DU9FB 14245/1215/May                          | 3m       | P29JS           | 14232/1245/May                   | 9e       | VK9RH            | 21290/0020/May                   | 10e<br>5e | XE1AE               | m 21320/2340/My<br>14215/0000/May | 5e       |  |
| WB5LBJ/DU6 14225/2255                         | Live     | P29CC           | 14265/1245/May                   | 6e       | VK9XS            | 14255.1755/May<br>14235/0405/May | 3e        | YB7AAA              | 14225/2255/May                    | 4w       |  |
| FK8CP 14265/0600/May                          | 6w       | PT2ZAB          | 21416/1545/May                   | 8e       | VKØAC<br>VP2KT   | 14235/0405/May                   | 2w        | ZK1DR               | 14279/0445/May                    | 5w       |  |
| FO8DP 14215/0335/May                          | 2m       | PZ1DR           | 14198/1315/May<br>14256/0115/May | 5e<br>5e | VP2LL            | 14210/0310/May                   | 1e        | ZK1BA               | 14260/0310/May                    | 5w       |  |
| FY7AN 21320/1810/May<br>HH2MC 14204/2300/May  | 8w<br>5e | TG9GW<br>TI2RPS | 14205/0205/May                   | 6ш       | VP2SQ            | 14189/2250/May                   | 5e        | ZM7AT               | 14281/0235/May                    | 8e       |  |
| HH2MC 14204/2300/May<br>HI8XKC 14220/1145/May | 8e       | TI2CF           | 14205/0205/May                   | 6ш       | VP8DI            | 21290/1440/Мау                   | 8e        | 3D2DM               | 14235/0400/May                    | 6e       |  |
| HR6SWA 21427/0250/May                         | 7m       | VE8YE           | 14201/1400/May                   | 7w       | VP8PC            | 21279/1655/May                   | 10w       | 3D2ER               | 14265/0600/May                    | 6w       |  |
| HR6SDA 14278/2100/May                         | 5e       | VO1CU           | 14210/0100/May                   | 6w       | VP8NY            | 21290/1630/May                   | 10w       | 8P6DG               | 21315/1645/May                    | 9w       |  |
| KX6BU 21310/2225/May                          | 9w       | VK6FL           | 21305/0110/May                   | 2w       | VP9IL            | 14257/0115/May                   | 6m        | 9Y4FS               | 14205/0320/May                    | 3e       |  |
| KX6BU 14242/2025/May                          | 8m       | VK6KW           | 21275/0330/May                   | 9w       | VR3AR            | 14207/0335/May                   | 9m        | 9YLNP               | 14224/0345/May                    | 6ę       |  |
| TEN METER RISES!!                             |          |                 |                                  |          |                  | ,                                |           |                     |                                   |          |  |
|   |          |                 | -0-11 loons be                   |          |                  |                                  |           |                     |                                   |          |  |
| C6ACU 28601/0105/May                          | 2m       | YV1NA           | 28566/2000/May                   | 1e       |                  |                                  |           |                     |                                   |          |  |
| KZ5JA 28589/2000/May                          | 1m       | ZK1DR           | 28576/0220/May                   | 2e       |                  |                                  |           |                     |                                   |          |  |
| VK3VL 28557/0200/May                          | 2e       | 8Р6НО           | 28601/2225/May                   | Цe       |                  |                                  |           |                     | A                                 |          |  |

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches ep = iran etc all times in gmt)
(# = long path ??? = Slim.....not identified in any reports this week...but h will return....)

SHORTLY NOTED The last work on F6BBJ's Abu Ail operation was that it would be there but one day....May 15th.

By the time you receive this bulletin you will know whether or not you won or lost....

Trevor, ZK1PA is planning to get up a 40meter antenna.... His long-range planning calls for working on a 5BWAS.

John Van Lear, YE7AAA and VS5MC, Maurice Caplan, recently were discussing on the W7PHO Net some areas for a DXpedition. A lot of good ideas were given....the spontaneity was amazing. Without half-trying suggestions such as China/Burma/Spratly were tossed into the air. It probably will be something elsewheres, however. They are thinking and that is a good portent.

The Pacific DX Net is generally thought of as just that....Pacific DX. However a recent session had 7Q7LW, 3D6BP and EA8LS checking in.

Last week effort was a test of endurance. We did not like the looks of the first run on the needed country; lists and dumped the whole run...2000 sheets. Then after running the front page we found we had some 'LU's thinking of a Laccadives operation. That sure would have brought some confusion so we ran that over again.. dumping 2000 more sheets. Part of the problem comes from the way we prepare the bulletin.....there is no rewrite. What you read is what we wrote the first time by. Try that some time on your typewriter. Then when we read it for errors we are snared into reading what we think should be there rather than what is actually there. It's in our mind but not on the paper. Add to that the habit of dropping a word or a part of a work and we will end up with a deathless phrase like...."....WA6SBO was joing with Don Miller.." The whole problem would be alleviated if everyone would learn to read what we intended to say rather than what we ended up with......

W6YY was happy to get home from his tour in Europe and Africa. In addition to denting the dashboard on 5Z4LWs vehicle....actually it was the sun-visor and the glove compartment that took the impact, John fell over a backpack parked in a hotel lobby in Frankfurt and broke a wrist.....found in Prague that someone had picked up his luggage by mistake and was without clothing for the rest of the trip. Egyptair watching the weight and balance on the 707 off-loaded luggage for about twenty passengers....including W6YYs. It finally caught up with him back home. Another four weeks and the cast will be off.

The May 'Scientific American' has a lengthy article titled"The Case of the Missing Sunspots" by Dr John Eddy. Look at Page 80.

ZD9GG was heard on forty c.w. last week. Anyone with QSL information on this one. W6ID who was the only W to work the recent Bouvet stop, has been hospitalized but is back home taking things easy. Things happen in bunches and this week brought several remarks about QSL Managers and the inconsistency in their performance. All the way from superb to awful. We threw all those U6Øs into Europe but will admit that we do not really know the location of the stations except for U6ØMSK which apparently is Moscow. W6YO/mm was on last week, the YANKEE TRADER heading west out of FO8-land. W6KPC last year put up an extensive 15meter antenna. Now he works fifteen extensively.....JAs at 0630Z and even in California that's about three hours after sunset.

The needed country survey turned up six countries which did not exist back in 1975's poll. By 1980 there may be a few more. VP2D-Dominica is scheduled for independence late 1977. St Lucia, St Kitts and Nevis in 1978. St Vincent/Antigua no later than 1980. None of these are considered to be economically viable. It might be noted that the up-coming U.S. budget contains \$10 million for assistance to Jamaica and to Guyana.

VQ9HCS now has the call 3D6BP and should be on the air soon. Chuck Jones, ex-6W8FP probably will have to wait about two more months for an 9L1-Sierra Leone license, his present location

#### CALENDAR

PALMYRA
KINGMAN
GRAND CAYMANS
ANDORRA
KERMEDEC
MOOREA

Stop by Kingman Group.....About June 9th
Almost five days of operation to start June 11th
ZF2AN for a week from May 28th....cw only
PA-group for a week from June 12th...c.w....
ZLs planning Fall action....about October
FOØPJM for a couple of weeks from June 10th....

SHORTLY NOTED ZM7AT was found by a good number on the trip to the Tokelaus.

The initial information indicated that he would only be there a few days but was still there and being worked on the 8th.

That Russian CQ-M Contest came a week or so earlier than anticipated but did produce a large number of the rarer prefixes. One reported that he worked every possible USSR country (DXCC that is) but Franz Josef.

EP2SV at a recent meeting of the Downtown Teheran DX Club noted that in eleven months on the air from Iran that he had worked over 20,000 contacts.

We started to dig out the predicted figures for the SSN in the sunspot report but found out that they have been changed a number of times in recent months. Last Fall it was very gloomy...a SSN of 5 being predicted. Then things improved and they got optimistic....the current thought is to cut back on the happy anticipation. It might be confusing but the latest out of Zurich is:

| May  | SSN | 16 | August    | SSN | 19 |
|------|-----|----|-----------|-----|----|
| June |     | 17 | September |     | 20 |
| July |     | 18 | October   |     | 21 |

Back in September 1976 the forecast out of Boulder looked to find the SSN at about 17 or 18 this June but about 70 a year from now. Hold on! If things are going to move, they will in the coming months.

If you are looking for Far East information...like DX.,..there is a KA group which meets at 0200Z every Sunday around 14285kc. Generally you will find KA6RI holding down the N/C position.....at least until mid-June. Anyone is welcomed....

ZK1BA needs Montana, Utah and Vermont to complete a WAS on ten meters. Ten may have more activity than one would suspect. One neighborhood 'CBer reported hearing Los Angeles on eleven meters recently. Could not get through the QRM, however.

## DX 10 years back

take off to resume his DX peditions.

#### 17 May 1967

Lloyd and Iris were in Gambia signing ZD3I. Three weeks in Mali did not bring operating permission.

operation in July. TL8DL was checking into the YL-SSB System. A rumored trip was ready to take off for Clipperton and Malpelo. Don Miller was ready to

Pakistan was expected to be back on the air....AP2AR having recently been given a license. UA1CK was headed for Ulan Bator where he would sign UA1CK/JT1.
WA6SBO was going with Don Miller for some DX efforts....some ten DX stops being mentioned.

ARRL The League will , making a big mailing towards the nd of the week to all licensed amateurs, to the Associate ARRL members and to about 25,000 CB types. This follows up on a mailing made in February which brought a heavy response.

Appointments to the new VUAC (VHF-UHF) Advisory Committee have been made. The committee is: Joe Reisert W1JR, Chairman; Richard T Knadle K2RIW; Anthony Sousa, W3HMU; Stuart Mitchell WAØDYJ/4; Roy Albright N5RA; Louis Anciaux, WB6NMT; Donald Roberts, W7FN; Ted Hartson, WASULG and WØLER, John Fox. Board liaison is John Griggs, W6KW and Newington Liaison is Jim Kearman, W1XZ.

The FCC has closed down the issuance of all special event call signs pending action on Docket 21135. However, if you are so inclined during the ITU week you can add '/ITU' after your callsign.

TNX to W1AM, W1DA, W1DQH, W1MV, K1PR, W1WY, W2AG, W2FP, W3IGQ, W3RX, W4BAA, NLGE, WLHU, WALJTI, WLKA, WLLVM, WLNPB, KLRTA, WBLSIJ, KLSMX, WLTYE, WLUF, WLUKA, WLWXZ, NLXX, K5JVF, W5MCU, K5OVC, W5OSJ, K5RO, W5UFF, N6BB, W6BL, W6GVL, K6EC, K6JG, N6JM, W6KPC, K6LAE, K6NA, W6PN, W6PT, WB6RSE, WA6TLA, W6TSQ, K6UFT, K6WM, K6XT, W6YY, WB6ZUC, W7BCT, WA7HRE, W7ISY, W7LR, WA7OBH, W7YBX, K8CSG, K8IA, K8IP, W8JXM, W8MAW, WB8ZRV, N9DX, W9EQP WA9FFZ, W9MR, WB9QJA, W9QQ, K9UIY, WA9WKA, WØPRY, WØSFU, WAØTAS, KA6YL, EA8CR.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPers came up the hill last week, not happy at all. It was Spring, the rhodendrons were in bloom, the sky blue and the winds warm. But he was not happy. "It's this everlasting waiting," he said. "Ever since I started DXing I've been waiting for something. It was two years of waiting for the bottom of the last cycle. Now we are getting on to a year of waiting for the new one to start. And the countries! I have waited twenty years or more to hear Iraq and China and Burma and a bunch of others come on the air. Why am I always waiting for something?" Son of a Gun! How does one explain things like this? "Doesn't anything ever come that you wait for?" we asked and the QRPer shrugged. "Sure they do," he said, "but who worries about that? It is the things that I don't have and need that I think about," he said. "If I have it, what's to worry about?" And we could not answer to that for it is trul one of the Mysteries of the Ages. There it was ... a warm day, a quiet spet on the hillside and he definitely was not missing any meals. And he was worrying. And we were quiet for a bit for eventually all things will come and it might be best to enjoy the good days we have now and the good things that come ... and for \$14.00 a year we will supply you with all the DX worries you need by second-class mail. \$18.00 will rush the world's DX concerns to you by first-class mail. \$20.00 will fly it south to Mexico and Guadalajaro in Jalisco and all the other DX lands over the edge of tomorrows dawn. And if it does not show on schedule, you can worry about what you are missing.....

West Coast DX Bulletin 77 Coleman Drive San Rafael, Calif. 94901

Masfirst class the beautiful to be to be to be a consider to be an expensed to be supplied to the supplied to

amplifier at the smaller of

A RESTAURANT TO LAND

at victor to several set more than the property and the part of your age.

THE DESIGNATION OF THE PERSON Missingly street of the Miller are now to expendence on the services and the

CARRIED TORRIGO MATTER, and the good of the personal time output and