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PROPAGATION: Sep 19, Below Normal; Sep 20, Low Normal; Sep 21, High/Low Normal; Sep 22, High/Above Normal; Sep 23, High/Low Normal; Sep 24, High Normal; Sep 25, High/Low Normal; Sep 26, 27, High Normal; Sep 28, High/Above Normal; Sep 29, High/Low Normal; Sep 30, High/Above Normal; Oct 1, High Normal; Oct 2, High/Low Normal; Oct 3, High Normal; Oct 4, 5, Above Normal. TNX N4XX.

A PIN DROPPED ...

And you could hear it on 14225 last Saturday (Sep 12), even though it seemed the whole world was listening. "W7PHO, this is K7LAY/BY Shanghai, you're five by nine."

K7LAY/BY was a demonstration station in Shanghai by Bob Hudson and other members of the Boeing radio club; they were set up mainly to work a Chinese station in Bejing, which was signing "CIE." That contact lasted ten minutes, followed by the pre-arranged schedule with W7PHO and two other stations, including a club station in Washington state and a station on a Marianas chain island. It seemed that hundreds of DXers had heard of the planned schedule over the air and awaited the call from Hudson and his loaned TR-7 from Drake.

While some informal authorization for the transmissions had been obtained, it was realized that these contacts would not be counting for anybody's DXCC; that was not the idea. The idea was to make a further breakthrough toward real Chinese amateur operations in the future. Apparently in that respect the operation was a success. The station could be heard all over the U.S.

KICC in POLAND

Rich Assarabowski, just back from Poland, reports the convention he attended near the SP9KRT club site in southern Poland was a success, with several hundred hams in attendence despite the increasingly desperate situation there. At the same time, the con-

vention of the Solidarity Union was being held at the other end of the country, on the Baltic Sea coast.

Rich made about 2,000 contacts himself as SO3CC, from the home of SP3DOI, and operated a little fm on 2 Meters (simplex only, no SP repeaters yet). Despite mostly homebrew radios and severeTVI problems, among Poland's 7,000 hams (out of some 35 million citizens) amateur radio is alive and well. Rich's slide presentation dispelled a notion common in Europe that U.S. DXers are very loud due to running "big power." After seeing some of the tall towers and multi-element arrays several of the local DXers were heard planning new towers and quad antennas. Poles are also now getting interested in using their new privileges on RTTY and SSTV.

W9DXCC CONVENTION

Convention chairman K9KM reports about 150 attendees last weekend for this long-running event, down about ten percent from previous years. Special mention was made of the presentations by Dick Ehrhorn, W4ETO, of Alpha amplifiers, and by Dana Atchley, W1CF, who spoke on antennas for 80 and 160 Meters.

The DX HOG OF THE YEAR crown was placed on the deserving head of Al De Marre, K9RF, who was also awarded a special trophy dubbed the "Repeater Usage Award." The HOG is a fun award going back to the very beginning of the W9DXCC Convention.

ARRL was represented ably by Don Search, W3AZD. While the meeting was marred by having only four representatives from Indiana (none from Indianapolis), Milwaukee looks like a growing DX hotspot, with many in attendance from that metropolitan area.

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OE2VEL and OE1ETA have been very active on their Pacific operations, first /KH8 American Samoa, last week as ZK2TA Niue. They were slated to finish up there about Sep 15 and then operate from Tonga A35 or Tokelau ZM7 until the 21st. After that the last legs of the trip will include the Kiribatis and possibly Nauru. Their activity seems to have concentrated on CW and they have been workable easily on both 40 and 80 Meters.

DJ6SI started his African work on schedule from 5V7HL Sep 12 and was expected to appear from Volta as XT2AW Sep 16-18, then from the Camerouns TJ and finally his last two days Sep 21 and 22 from Gabon. He returns to Germany Sep 24. QSL to DK9KD for all.

Vince Thompson, K5VT, back in the States, says his 3V8VT operating was 20 Meters only due to antenna limitations, but he is hinting another stop in Tunisia may not be far off, and if so he will be prepared for all bands at that time.

Rumors concerning Albania now seem to center around EASAK, who claims to have a license for ZA2HAM valid Dec 4-14 of this year. Other Spanish hams continue to be mentioned in connection with the effort.

Following their successful Juan de Nova operation, FRØFLO and FR7BP made a surprise appearance from Mayotte on their way home, signing FHØFLO; the operation seems to have run only a day or so.

A commemorative operation is planned from Hawaii's <u>Pearl Harbor</u>, to sign KH6SP Dec 4, 5, and 6.

ZD8TC is up to his ears in alligators on 160 Meters...Tom, whose technique is to call stations he hears on their frequency on Top Band, inds that although East Coast U.S. stations are putting big signals into Ascension, they don't seem to hear him. Yet, when he does work someone he gets a good report. Perhaps those alligators have migrated down from 50 MHz; Tom also sez some big signals are coming out of the States on 6 Meters, and he has been able to work a few of them.

Re DXCC...it has been announced that ARRL's Headquarters Awards Committee will be setting a date (apparently a future rather than retroactive one) after which credit for single-mode awards will be given only for QSLs which clearly state "2-way QSO." As it takes several months for a formal announcement to appear in QST, a guess might be January 1, 1982 for the new rule.

That Bangladesh rumored for early this month may actually happen, but the dates are October 13-18, according to JASCRE of the "JAS DX Group." They don't have a callsign yet. JH2NDK is the group leader, and will be accompanied by JASMWU and several others, who will share operating chores on 80-10 Meters and possibly 50 MHz, CW and SSB.

Terry Baxter, N6CW, and friends will operate from Tortola, British Virgin Is, again this year for the CQ Phone Contest. This will be Terry's sixth straight effort from there (he is VP2VDH).

And St. Pierre will again be the destination of W8AH Oct 10-18, in the company of K8CJQ, W8NR, and WB8ZJY. They will be on 80-10 Meters, no lists.

In Issue 107 mention was made of the ARRL Roanoke Convention later this month, and of a slide show on the 1980 PJ2CC CQ WW Phone Contest operation. That multi-multi operation was the 1980 top score but not an all-time record. That honor still belongs to the 1979 VP2KC multi-multi. Sorry.

What has happened to YI1BGD and LU3ZY on South Sandwich? Anyone know? No reports of either of these stations in some time. Many still need.

160 Meters is already getting very good in anticipation of the Winter DX season; VK and ZL stations have been coming through to the East Coast U.S. around 0600Z. At the same time, 10 Meters, at the other end of the spectrum, continues its stumbling act taward autumn propagation. For example, last weekend in the Worked All Europe 'test, 10 was excellent the first day but on Sunday only USSR stations had decent signals.

And as K5RC observed in a recent issue of the National Contest Journal, 160 is going to be very interesting this year with KWs allowed; now we will see who was playing fair in the past and who wasn't!

BANDPASS

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W1, W2, W3: mail your reports by Saturday.

All others: mail your reports by Friday.

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Convention	DXPO 81	Atlanta, Sep 19/20; I 103, 104, 107	CONTRIBUTORS
Tonga or Niue		Sep 15-21 by OE ops; I 107, 108	
Kiribati or Nauru		Sep 22-30 by OE ops; I 107, 108	WIDQH, KIRM, WØVX, KAIKD,
Belize	VP 1	Pfx change Sep 21; I 107	W4VQ, KEIF, KAILY, KA3R,
Jersey	GJ5	Sep 19-25 by German ops	W8JCC, WAITPR, W3ODJ,
			K9MM, K9KM, K6IR, WA4YZF,
Cayman Is	ZF2CZ/DQ	Thru Sep 25 by WA3s UFI, IZH	W5DV, NG4E, WD5AAM, W7YF,
Bermuda	KIEFI/VP9	Sep 24-Oct 5, 80-10 CW/SSB	WIVV, K8IP, WØYBV, N8BKB,
Convention	ARRL	Roanoke, Sep 26/27; I 107	KP4EQF, WBØOQV, VEIBNN,
Juan Fernandez	WB 1GDQ/CE	Ø End of Sep; I 105, 107	WA70BH, WA2PHA, AD8J,
Deadline	DXCC	For annual list, Sept 30	WØBW, WB8ZRL, WA1JGK,
			W8GZX, W5ODD, W2HAZ, XEINI,
San Felix	CEØX	By WB1GDQ group first of Oct	W8AH, N6CW, KH6BZF, JA8CRE,
Kiribati	T3	Again possible by OE ops; I 107, 108	KA3CHS, KF8K, KB2CV, K1CC,
Laccadives	VU7	Rumors fading for an October op'n	N4XY, K1BV, KH6BZF, N4NW,
Comvention	Houston	Oct 2-4; I 103	W3FU, Maleb Snorkle.
Convention	ARRL	Midwest, Salina, KS, Oct 3/4; I 107	
			THANK YOU!
Bangladesh	S2	By JAs, Oct 13-18; I 108	
St Pierre	FPØ	By W8AH group Oct 10-18	
Crozet	FB8WG	Rumored for Nov; I 106	

QSL ROUTES (CALL/MANAGER)

A22YV/JA2KLT	FR7BP/J/FRØFLO	KM6BI/W5RU	TR8GDG/W5RU	ZD8TC/N2CW
A22ZM/ZS6CU	FR7CE/DF2OU	KP2A/AF2C	TU4BA/W2TK	ZD8VO/K4VO
A6XJA/PAØLP	FWØBE/DJ9ZB	KP4A/DJ9ZB	TYA 11/W4 FRU	ZF2AV/WBØISW
A7 IAD/A7XD	HBØALO/HB9ALO	KP4AM/W7PHO	T3ØAT/G3XZF	ZF2DZ/WB3GPR
A9XDO/KA4S	HBØAQW/HB9AQW	KP4ID/KP4AM	T3ØDB/G8LGB	ZF2FF/WB3JWJ
CEØAA/CE3AA	HC8KA/HC5KA	KR6AY/KØVXU	T5TI/IØSSW	ZK 1BD/ZL 1SZ
CEØAC/CE3YY	HFØPOL/SP5EKZ	KX6LO/KX6BU	UK 1PGO/UK3SAB	ZK2TA/OE2DYL
CR9JA/JAIUT	HHØN/WD4JNS	NP4A/W3HNK	VE 1AWS/W3HNK	ZP5XJA/JA10DP
CSØCJC/CT4SU	HL9FR/WB9RGA	W1DV/WA2RKX	VE6SI/VE3PET	ZS5SP/WD4IHV
C3 1LM/EA3BDW	HM 1PW/W3GNM	W4MAT/DJØUN	VP2LGR/W5RU	3B8AE/3B8CF
C3 1NM/PAØGIN	HP 1XEK/DL 1HH	WD4CEM/W5RU	VP2MIX/WØIJN	3C1MM/EA1QF
C31TE/EA3VM	H5AK/WB2ULI	WH4AAA/W5RU	VP2MMM/AA70	3V8VT/K5VT
C3 1UM/EA3BUM	JW6MY/LA6MY	WD5FTP/WB5ZAM	VP2MMR/KL7IHP	3X1Z/W4FRU
C5ACC/W4MGN	JW7XB/LA7XB	WBØICS/WB6FBN	VP2VJ/VE3MJ	4N1R/YU1DZ
C5ACO/W2TK	JWØBS/LAØBS	OD5RZ/VE5QY	VP5FP/WB4OSN	4S7MX/SM3CXS
C5AR/G3LQP	JX5VAA/LA7JO	OE 1ETA/OE2DYL	VP8AJL/GM3ITN	4Z4AB/K3STM
DL2VK/DF9FM	JY9RV/GW3RVG	OE2VEL/OE2DYL	VQ9JJ/W5RU	5B4KU/SM5ASE
EA8RV/K5MHZ	J3AH/W2GHK	OHØAM/OH2BH	VQ9PD/W1HSP	5R8AL/JA2KLT
EL2P/WD9DUF	J6LCV/WD4NBX	OHØBA/OH2BAZ	VQ9QA/N3QA	5T5DX/W2TK
EL5G/K3RB	J87BK/W8PSD	OY8KH/W5RU	VS5MF/N200	5T5ZZ/W4FRU
FØAHY/FC/DL4FF	J87BT/W8PSD	SM2ALH/SM2DLZ	VS6CT/KB9N	5W1DG/VK9NS
FB8YH/F3KH	J87RS/N8BKF	SO3CC/K1CC	VU2DUE/W5RU	5W1DK/VK9NS
FCØGQQ/DJ6ZB	J87WW/W8WW	STØAS/DK2OC	VU2KM/N7UT	5W1DO/OE2DYL
FG7TD/W5RU	J88AG/NØAFW	SVØAA/5/DJØUN	XE2GDD/KN5H	5Z4NQ/WD9CIV
FK8CE/K2ROR	J88AQ/W2MIQ	S79MC/AK3F	YB8AEG/WA2JOC	6W8JO/W2TK
FK8CL/DJ9ZB	AH4AA/W5RU	S9VCT/K5VT	YB9AAT/W7KQH	7P8BZ/K5VT
FK8DH/DJ9ZB	AH8AA/W4FGX	TA7MM/TA1KD	YB9VA/W5GZI	8P6OR/K5MHZ
FK8DJ/DJ9ZB	KA2MZS/WB5WLH	TJ1BB/AF4B	YBØACP/K6DLV	9J2JN/KB2ZP
FMØEOM/F2VT	KA3BUJ/WB4ABK	TL8CN/W5RU	YC1GJ/W2GBX	9N1BMK/JH3LPT
FO8HH/KA3A	K5VRX/W3YY	TL8JM/W5RU	YJ8VV/ZL1VV	9Q5FL/K4AEB
FOØFB/WB6GFJ	KH3AB/KB7MO	TL8WH/W5RU	YOØWUG/YO3AC	9Q5L/K3FN
FOØNP/OH2NP	KH6LW/KH6JEB	TR8AC/W5RU	YV1DQU/WA1ROI	9U5WR/SP6FER
				9V1UZ/N2JA