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PROPAGATION: May 24-26, Low Normal; May 27, Low/Below Normal; May 28, 29, Low Normal; May 30, Disturbed; May 31, Low Normal; Jun 1, Low Normal; Jun 2-4, High Normal; Jun 5, High/Low Normal; Jun 6-8, High Normal. TNX N4XX.

AN OPERATION FROM CANADA'S ST PAUL ISLAND is "99 percent sure" for July, with a team of seven American and Canadian operators. They await final Coast Guard landing permission, which is expected soon. The main thrust of the operation will be for the IARU Radiosport Competition, with operation a few days on either side of that weekend.

MORE ON RECENT BURMA ACTIVITY indicates that DF8MP/XZ might have been in the Karen State area, although Rangoon still seems more likely. XZ5KNU/9 has been described as an American missionary based in Thailand, visiting in the Karen State. His QSLing address was Box 4-25, Bangkok.

VK9ZR MELLISH REEF ended up with about 16,000 contacts. The following VK9ZR WILLIS operation lasted about three days. QSL both these to VK2BJL, and it might help to put VK9ZR/Willis and VK9ZR/Mellish to differentiate between the two.

DL1VU departs ZK2VU now and plans to open from Rarotonga, N.Cooks, as ZK1XG, about May 25. After that he will sign the same call from the South Cooks, starting Jun 3.

D68AAB was by G4LJF, probably leaving on May 25. QSL to D4DYO.

DJ6SI/5V should have ended by now and next stop Baldur planned was Niger for an undetermined time.

TWO UPCOMING CONTEST OPERATIONS BY BOB Mitchell, N5RM, include Bahamas /C6A in the CQ WPX CW the end of this month, followed by N5RM/NHØ Saipan during the IARU Radiosport activity in July. CW only.

Mike McGirr, K9AJ, said to be heading to Nepal and 9N1MM, also for the CQ CW WPX.

RON, ZL1AMO, said to be contemplating another run from Pitcairn as VR6HI in the near future. Still no word coming from him or anyone else on any Kermadec work.

Abu Ail last month by J2SAZ and friends sometimes signed J2Ø/Z and sometimes just J2ØZ. They made over 14,000 contacts in four days. QSL to F6ATQ, Joseph Cassaro, 322 rue Nationale de St Antoine, 13015 Marseille, France.

1984 CAME EARLY TO THE CHICAGO SUBURB OF BURBANK Illinois, and George Orwell would have been proud of the city fathers there, according to both the W5YI Report and the Westlink Report. Their new antenna ordinance, effective April 1 (!) suspended issuance of antenna permits for one year, required existing antennas to be registered with the city, stipulated that all installations must conform to the city's code and be inspected annually, and, finally, they said it would be unlawful to interfere by radio transmitter with any electronic device.

Area Attorney Jim O'Connell, W9WU, is hoping to file a class action civil rights lawsuit in federal court, with assistance probably coming from both other Chicago area communities and the ARRL.

RICK LEVANDOWSKI, WBØBNR, is still looking for someone to accompany him to East Kiribati June 15-24. His T32 license is pending but probably in the bag, and transportation and accommodations are secure. If you're interested write him at 1424 8th Ave S, Grand Forks ND 58201.

ZD9YL, LORNA, is a friend of Andy, ZD9BV. She's on the air now.

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A THREE DAY VISIT TO CHINA BEGAN APR 8 by ARRL officials Noel Eaton, VE3CJ, Dick Baldwin, W1RU, and also included Tom Wong, VE7BC. Baldwin and Eaton were there to assess the status of amateur radio in China for the IARU.

In charge of the visit on the Chinese end was Chinese Radio Sports Association Secretary General Cheng Ping. Also on hand were the President of CSRA, Mr. Zhou Hai Ying (a former amateur), and a number of CSRA officials. Present at one of the dinners was a Mr. Wang, associate editor of Wuxundrian, a Chinese radio experimenter magazine with a circulation of 1.6 million.

Baldwin and Eaton visited BY1PK, where Eaton was interviewed and photographed for the press. At no time was there an offer to let either of the visiting North Americans operate the station. Baldwin reports a "never ending series of questions about amateur radio in the USA, the QSL bureau, U.S. and other amateur radio regulations, the IARU...reciprocal operating, etc etc."

In Dick Baldwin's own words, "Amateur radio in China is a long, long way from amateur radio as we know it. China is still isolated from the rest of the world, by government design, and I would judge they intend to keep it that way. They're pretty fussy about what foreign literature is permitted to be seen by the Chinese people...DXCC, international friendship, traffic handling--these are ideas of which they have no thought yet. In fact, the operators at BY1PK are apparently not too keen on the pile-ups that take place when they appear on the air."

The Chinese are interested in "fox hunting," and they are sending an observer group to the Yugoslav championships, in July. Also, the Japanese have challenged the Chinese to a 2-Meter foxhunt this fall. They believe the event may very well come off, but have little hope of being allowed to operate (transmit) from China.

Baldwin added that "Because of the difficulty in obtaining a license by an individual Chinese, it does not seem likely that foreigners will be granted permission to operate. I believe (Baldwin said) that pressure by foreign amateurs to se-

cure such permission will be counter-productive. Nevertheless, and regrettably, I believe DX-minded and 'helpful' amateurs will continue to apply such pressure, as they have for the past couple of years."

The ARRL and IARU will continue to provide information and assistance to the Chinese whenever it is requested, and to encourage the participation of China in the IARU, China being the last major country to be a possible candidate for membership in IARU.

Meanwhile, apparently, BY1PK will continue to be an anomaly.

COMMENTS ON ARGENTINA'S HAMS BEING PUT OFF the air in Issue 140 brought a response from the South American desk. The Desk speculates that the LU stations were put off the air so the military could have use (if necessary) of the ham bands and the existing stations for those bands. Argentine amateur radio is quite strong, with 25,000 hams in a population of about 28 million, and many of the high-ranking military types are hams. As a matter of fact, the now sunk General Belgrano even had a club station aboard.

However...the silencing of amateurs has taken place even though no declaration of war has been made. Were such to happen in the U.S. (as in WW II), hams would immediately give up their "strategic frequency reserve" to the military. Indeed, this is exactly why the U.S. military has been a strong supporter of amateur radio at the World Administrative Radio Conferences.

It is interesting to speculate if England would put its hams off the air if Argentina were laying claim to, for example, the Isle of Man! But, actually, we'd rather not.

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PRADHAN, A51PN, in a letter to a New York amateur, says he left the air in December, and it will be "impossible to ever get on the air again." He gave no reason why.

JT1AN will be appearing with W7PHO again soon, 21345 at 0100Z, with a new 4 element quad. CEØZAD Juan Fernandez frequents that spot, too.

BANDPASS: Call/Frequency/UTC (plus West, Central, East Coast report)/Date

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|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| AP2MQ 14228 13C 16 | AH2L 14027 11E 17 | 3A2EA 21013 18C 17 | 5B4IT 21279 20C 12 |
| A4XJO 21026 18C 7 | KH0AC 14211 11C 12 | 3B8FG 14020 12C 16 | 5H3KC 21329 19E 16 |
| BV2B 14218 12C 12 | OJ0MA 14019 02E 17 | 3B8FG 14026 12C 11 | VE7BBC/ |
| EL2CA 14285 07E 17 | OX3TQ 14250 19E 16 | 3B8DB 14024 10E 14 | 5N1 21250 21C 12 |
| FB8WG 14011 13E 15 | TL8GE 14208 02C 14 | 3B8FG 14260 14C 15 | DJ6SI/ |
| FB8WG 14196 12C 16 | T30AC 14030 05W 12 | W6YB/ | 5V 7004 01E 13 |
| FB8WG 14201 12E 16 | T32AF 14024 05W 11 | 3D6 14206 05C 15 | DJ6SI/ |
| FK8DY 14019 10E 14 | UI8ABA 14028 00E 11 | 3V8DX 21026 00E 11 | 5V 14025 22E 16 |
| FK0AD 21020 02C 16 | VK9NS 14203 13C 9 | 4K1A 14206 11E 15 | DJ6SI/ |
| FK8DR 21311 03E 17 | VQ9CW 14025 11E 17 | 4S7WP 14027 11E 14 | 5V 14026 06E 17 |
| FK0AD 21018 04W 18 | VU2AU 14208 11E 15 | 4S7WP 14030 11E 15 | 5W1DQ 14207 11E 15 |
| FR7BP 14005 12C 13 | YB0ZM 14201 13C 9 | 4S7RM 14203 11C 15 | 5Z4CS 21026 21E 12 |
| HS5AID 14210 13C 18 | YB5AES 14024 11E 15 | 4S7MX 21033 17E 16 | 6W8DS 28601 18C 10 |
| AH2L 21030 03E 17 | ZK1AF 14024 09E 14 | 4UIUN 14204 12C 8 | 7Q7LW 21292 20C 11 |

Please mail reports on Thursday or Friday, to reach Vernon by Monday
Telephone reports to 203-871-7699 Anytime. Thanks.

PROPAGATION
(Thanks KH6BZF)

| DATE | FLUX (1981) | FLUX (1982) | ALPHA (1982) | K (1982) |
|------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 4/20 | 199 | 143 | 15 | 3 |
| 4/21 | 194 | 144 | 19 | 4 |
| 4/22 | 189 | 153 | 18 | 3 |
| 4/23 | 203 | 173 | 11 | 3 |
| 4/24 | 222 | 179 | 8 | 2 |
| 4/25 | 210 | 183 | 41 | 4 |
| 4/26 | 196 | 176 | 5 | 1 |
| 4/27 | 196 | 165 | 17 | 5 |
| 4/28 | 172 | 163 | 19 | 3 |
| 4/29 | 174 | 153 | 21 | 4 |
| 4/30 | 140 | 149 | 29 | 5 |
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| 5/1 | 185 | 149 | 21 | 3 |
| 5/2 | 190 | 145 | 21 | 3 |
| 5/3 | 183 | 145 | 35 | 5 |
| 5/4 | 218 | 142 | 19 | 5 |
| 5/5 | 233 | 146 | 19 | 3 |
| 5/6 | 227 | 150 | 9 | 2 |
| 5/7 | 230 | 148 | 7 | 2 |
| 5/8 | 222 | 248 | 7 | 2 |
| 5/9 | 215 | 137 | 12 | 2 |

DEADLINE for submitting QSLs to DXCC for the next Honor Roll listing is June 30.

The DX Advisory Committee is presently voting on whether or not to delete three DXCC entities: S/A Neutral Zone (8Z4), Serrana Bank, and Bajo Nuevo. These deletions are expected to breeze through the Committee and their recommendations will be acted upon by the Headquarters later this summer, but the deletions will have NO effect on the next Honor Roll tallies.

Any talk of making North Korea a separate DXCC country (from S. Korea) is just that: talk.

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8J8XPO: June 12-Aug 22, celebrating an exposition in Hokkaido Japan. QSL JARL.

IQ5ARI: June 1-8 from Capraia Is, with special WARC band authorization. QSL I5HCH.

IR0ARI: June 1-6, Sardinia.

CALENDAR

Pacific ZK, F08, 3D2 by K8VIR May/Jun
 N Cooks ZK1AF by SMØAGD NOW; I 139
 N Cooks ZK1XG by DL1VU May 25-Jun 3
 Sable VE1AWS/1 NOW; I 138
 Andorra C31WE by F6ARI Now to May 29

Leichten. DA1WA/HBØ Now to May 30; I 132
 B.V.I. VP2VII, VIJ, VIK by W5JM, W5SJ,
 W2FAU, May 26-Jun 4
 Nepal 9N1MM by K9AJ rumored May 29.30
 Contest CQ WPX CW May 29/30

Turks VP5JEX by W4DR, N4CFL, Jun 2-9
 Bahamas N5RM/C6A May 27-Jun 3
 Tokelau ZM7 by SMØAGD June, I 139
 St Pierre FPØ GZZ by K1TOL group Jun 9-15
 E Kiribati T32 by WBØBNR Jun 15-24; I 142

Contest All Asia Phone Jun 19/20
 C Kiribati T31 by SMØAGD, July, I 139
 Am Phoenix KH1 by SMØAGD, July, I 139
 Convention YLISSB Milwaukee Jul 8-11;
 KB9OC for details
 St Paul Jul 10/11; I 142
 Saipan N5RM/NHØ Jul 10/11
 Contest IARU Radiosport Jul 10/11
 Convention NW DX Vancouver BC Jul 31-Aug1;
 VE7WJ or VE7AZG for details

E Carolines By AD1S/N5DLM Aug 4-8
 W Carolines By AD1S/N5DLM Aug 8-11
 Marianas KHØ by AD1S/N5DLM Aug 11-14
 Marshalls KX6 by AD1S/N5DLM Aug 14-16
 Contest All Asia CW Aug 28/29

KA2AA operating from
 Marcus until May 27;
 at presstime did not
 know what his call
 would be. QSL info
 to be announced
 later.

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