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PROPAGATION FORECAST: Dec. 1, High Normal; Dec. 2,3,4, Above Normal; Dec. 5,6, High Normal; Dec. 7, Above Normal; Dec. 8,9, High Normal; Dec. 10, 11, Above Normal.

WARC REPORT: Week of Nov. 19-14. "The ninth week of the Conference saw the completion of all but a few odds and ends of Committee Five (frequency allocations) work, somewhat behind schedule. Amateur radio continues in good shape, and this coming week we face the hurdle of the final Plenary meetings. The closing date of the Conference has officially been extended to Wednesday, Dec. 5." Thanks IARU WARC Team.

TL AND TN OPERATION... "This is to inform you that I, my wife Lori KALBOH, and Lucio I8MPO will be active from TL8 land in Bangui starting 0000Z on 7 December 1979; operation from TN8 will follow after approximately seven days. We will be active 24 hours a day and we will try to work as many as we can. At this time we plan to use SSB only; if CW operations will take place, we will communicate later. Transmitting frequencies will be 3795, 7095, 14195, 21295, 28595; receiving as announced. QSL for TN8 operations via I8MPO; QSL for TL8 operations via I8KDB. We are taking two TS520 + VFOs, a linear amplifier, a five-band vertical, a TH3 and dipoles. Since this is a three person effort, cooperation and support is appreciated by everyone. Sincerely, /s/ Pier L. Iovino, KALBQ (I8CZW)."

TN8AJ says he has become an active DXer and is looking for new countries; after the initial shock of QSO demands he has settled down and will try to work the pile-ups as best he can. He did not have a DM license before arriving in the Congo so he is, in fact, a novice. Two more licenses have been issued: TN8AH and TN8BF, both of whom hope to have equipment soon. According to manager DM2XLO, QSLs have not been printed for TN8AJ yet, and he will be there a year.

INDIAN OCEAN EXPEDITION BY N2KK, K5CO and N5AU has apparently been delayed, possibly until January, after a tremendous build-up in the various DX publications. They will be deleted from The DX Bulletin's Calendar until a new schedule is received.

K1MM appeared on schedule, first from Mauritius and then during the CQ CW Contest last weekend signing FR0MM from Reunion. He's working on 5R8 permission.

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are limited to four pages until we find a folding machine that works;

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REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES will be activated by Lee Wall, SM3RL, signing 8Q7AM from Dec. 16 to January 2. Operation will be mostly CW on 3505, 7005, 14025, 21025 and 28025. Any SSB will be on 14280, 21295 and 28595. QSL to SM3CXS. Erik Kroon, SM3ITL, is presently active as 8Q7AL, most often on 14280. QSL SM3CXS.

THE NATIONAL CONTEST JOURNAL "has been reorganized. A Board of Directors has been formed to manage the business and publicity activities of the NCJ, in hopes of making the magazine a more viable and timely publication. The Board members are W2GD, K5RC, N6SF and KØTO. The new editor is Randy Thompson, K5ZD. Randy has the time enthusiasm and willingness to bring together the information that the hard-core and casual testers want to read. There is an issue presently in distribution and another issue will be printed in late December with all the high-claimed scores of the fall contests. The December will be the first under the new management, and will be mailed to all subscribers and all former subscribers. A new PO Box will also be announced, along with subscription information."

JUAN FERNANDEZ JANUARY 8 AND 9 will be by the Radio Club of Concepcion (Chile) for 48 hours minimum. They will operate transceive on 3700, 7095, or 7200, 14210, 21210 and 28610, plus CW on 14080 and 28480. If they are unable to obtain a CEØ callsign they will use CE5CJA/CEØ. QSL to Box 2545, Concepcion, Chile, with SAE and (3) IRCs.

KC6SX was "the other" operation from the Western Caroline Islands in October. In our Oct. 31 issue we reported on the KC6SZ operation, which was from Yap; KC6SX was from Palua, by JA1NRH, JR1JFO, JA1MOH and JH1MCX. They made 15,000 contacts on 3.5-50 MHz; permission for 160 not granted. QSLs:

KC6SX: Itaru Tomita, JA1NRH, 1-2-9 Zaimokuza, Kamakura 248 JAPAN

KC6SZ: Saty Nakamura, JE1JKL, 3-16-6 Shibakubo, Tanashi City, Tokyo 188 JAPAN

MORE CHINA NOTES: someone says ZL1ADI will operate "soon" from China, accompanied by ZL1AMO, at the invitation of the Chinese government, members of which supposedly monitored their ZK1 operation earlier this year.

BRIEF NOTES...F9UW/3A tries to show every Tuesday at 1500 on 14233; VK9CCT/Cocos Keeling was on again last week, 14195/split; FCØFHN was DL1PM and FCØFHK was DL1RK...look for UB5WF during the ARRL 160 Meter Contest 1850-55...K7ZGW/3C1 on 20 Meters 19 Nov. was just passing through on business; QSL to his C/B address...HB9OP had no trouble getting his 5R8TV license; the authorities of Malagasy sent a letter to ARRL headquarters saying no licenses would be issued to American citizens...160 Meters was good during the CQ CW Contest but activity down, as W1BB predicted in his excellent 160 Meter DX Bulletin...Stew (W1BB) says that an article on finding and fixing power line noises by VR3AR will appear in 73 Magazine early next year...VKØPK made 3300 contacts during his stay on Macquarie, which ended last month...S2BTF shows up regularly on the 21340 gathering to work a list which is taken at about 0045Z; only two stations per US call area make the list each evening...T3K is Gilbert Is., T3P is Canton, and T3L are Line Is., all part of the new Republic of Kiribati; any station operating from Kiribati since July 12, 1979 and signing "portable KH1" or any VR1 call was not legal...4NØMP is a special call in honor of the 125 anniversary of Michael Pupin, a Yugoslav/American professor at Columbia University (New York); Pupin invented coils which solved problems of long distance telephone transmission and which coils bear his name...

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EDITORIAL PAGE

A new DX Bulletin arrived in the mailbox today; this one out of Texas, plans to be weekly and will cost "seven dollars a quarter." We hope they know what they're getting into. Gus Browning still publishes "semi-monthly" and the Long Island DX Bulletin also prints every other week. The DX Bulletin mails every Thursday morning, without fail.

SCENARIO #1

"This is ZZ1ZZ expedition to Bourbon Island QRZ?"

"ZZ1ZZ this is K One Tango November, Over"

"Roger, K One November Tango Five and Nine"

"ZZ1ZZ the call is K One Tango November, Tango November, you're also Five Nine, Over"

"Roger, ZZ1ZZ QRZ?"

Sound familiar? Try this one for size...

SCENARIO #2

"ZZ1ZZ QRZ?"

"ZZ1ZZ this is K One Tango November, Over"

"Roger, K One Tango November, Five Nine"

"Roger, this is K One Tango November, Five Nine, Over" (accompanied by a dozen other stations still calling on your frequency)

"ZZ1ZZ QRZ?" (or even worse, he goes back to someone else)

Grit your teeth, pound the table, kick the wastecan, none will do any good. Neither was a valid QSO, and you won't know if you got in the log until a QSL either comes or it doesn't. By then, it's too late.

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CALENDAR

WARC	Conference extended to 5 Dec.
Deadline	CQ Phone Contest logs must be postmarked by 1 Dec.
Cent. African Rep.	TL operation 7-14 Dec, p. 1, this issue
Malagasy	5R8 possible by K1MM, 27 Nov. - 2 Dec.
ARRL Contest	160 Meters, 1-2 Dec.
ARRL Contest	10 Meters, 8-9 Dec.
Congo Republic	TN operation starting 14 Dec., p. 1, this issue
Monaco	3A2CX, especially CW, starting 23 Dec.
Palmyra and Kingman	Scheduled to start 4 January 1980
Juan Fernandez	8-9 January, 1980, p. 1, this issue

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