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PROPAGATION: Mar 12, Below/Low Normal; Mar 13-15, Below Normal; Mar 16-18, Low Normal; Mar 19, High/Low Normal; Mar 20, 21, Below Normal; Mar 22, 23, Low Normal; Mar 24, High Normal; Mar 25, High/Above Normal. TNX N4XX.

Flux (81)	Flux (82)	Date	Flux (83)	Alpha (83)	K (83)
246	232	3/2	141	51	3
248	234	3/3	143	32	3
255	249	3/4	146	16	4
231	251	3/5	149	26	3
216	241	3/6	141	12	3
205	232	3/7	134	10	3
205	216	3/8	130	10	3

We may be very fortunate to have fairly good conditions when DJ6SI and DJ3NG open from Spratly around Mar 23 or 24. "Windows" to the U.S. East Coast and Central states are still likely to be brief. 15 Meters 2300-0100 will be worth a look, as will 20 Meters at the same time and also long path around 1200-1400Z. 40 Meters short path will be worth a shot around 11-1200Z and maybe long path at 2200-2300Z.

Reports on the Peter/Paul Rocks operation last week have been favorable, with many people getting contacts on five bands 80-10. They stayed four days, as planned, through Mar 8, using calls PYØSA (PY7DY), PYØZSD (DJ9ON), PYØZSE (DF9KH), PYØZSF (DF3KX), PYØZSG (DK9KX), and PYØZSH (DL8CM). QSL all to Roland Van Holderbeke, DA2ZH, PO BOX 85 01 62, 5000 Koln 80 (Dellbruck) West Germany.

Rumors that this German group would try for Bouvet on their way back from the Rocks are entirely unfounded.

DESPITE his original pessimism, San Hutson did get operating permission in East Malaysia and is signing 9M6YY through Mar 15.

It is said that the Karen State, home of 1Z5A (XZ5A) and 1Z9A (XZ9A) held an "election" for President of their region. They supposedly are writing to the IARU for recognition of the amateur radio operations which have been going on there, without permission from Rangoon, since last Spring. 1Z9A has been appearing several days each week lately, on 14225 with Bill Bennett, W7PHO, at around 1600-1700Z. Good signals to W1 and elsewhere, sometimes short path and sometimes long.

F6BBJ back in the news, now said to be planning a vacation in Africa starting just about NOW. We have heard this before but it would pay to be on the lookout, as Jackie wants to check out possibilities in Sao Tome, Equatorial Guinea, Annobon, and the Camerouns. DX News Sheet says F6FGW is now in Togo and trying for a license.

Indonesian amateurs and CB operators were put off the air Feb 26 to Mar 13, according to YBØACL (W4LCL). The government didn't want anyone stirring things up on the bands while their national legislature was in the process of appointing President Suharto to another five-year term. Jack, YBØACL, reports that his latest assignment there in Indonesia, which began July 1981, will end about April 1. During two stays he's worked 208 DXCC and WAZ.

ARRL is sticking to their guns regarding no-clde licensing...latest issue of their publication Amateuradio (aimed at public officials, FCC, etc) has a very well-written section on why most hams oppose a no-code license. They emphasize that the code test is a "price to be paid for admission" to the hobby, and it's one test you can't pass by memorizing a book.

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In response to a recent item in these pages, W6AM says he operated from BV1USB "about twenty years ago," when it was a ham station at a military base there. Don says they had an S-Line and beam, etc. Anyone seeking a QSL should try writing to Amateur Radio Station BV1USB, USA Military Base, Taipen, Taiwan.

Speaking of W6AM, the Annual Visitor's Day at the Wallace Rhombic Farm will be Sunday, June 12, 1-5 pm. The Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club is again helping with logistics.

K1MM worked the ARRL Phone DX Competition from Argentina as LU2MM, and says please send QSLs to Box 73, Framingham, MA 01701. Bill is going to do some heavy traveling the next couple of months but not much amateur radio work will be possible. He is going to China, among other places.

San Marino has released more information on their impending (April 20) change of callsign prefix to T7. MIB, for example, will become T77B. A special station, T70A, will be on Apr 20/21 and you will be able to get not only a special QSL but also a first-day cover of the San Marino World Communications Year stamp.

Guest list for the International DX Convention (Fresno/Visalia CA Apr 22-24) now includes SM0AGD, K8CW, W6KG, W6QL, W1YL, and W3AZD. Registrations/info from Steve Thomas, N6ST, 7598 Shadowhill Lane, Cupertino CA 95014.

BRIEFLY NOTED

An excellent evaluation of the TS930S appeared in a recent issue of the newsletter of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club, and has been picked up by several publications. We will reprint the article, by K2VV, if enough interest is shown from you...Ten Meters opened from Conn to Japan the last two hours of the ARRL Phone Competition Mar 6, with signals over S9 for the first time in months...J20/Z Abu Ail QSLs say "Zone 37" but are actually Zone 21 for CQ's WAZ award; just send them on in says W4KA...K4ISV needs QSL help on XV5DA (1975) and KP6AA (1975 ARRL Phone Competition)...KP4AM still has logs and some QSLs for the first Desecheo operation KP4AM/D, and says he will continue to answer requests for those QSLs until July 1, 1983...ARRL's bulletin is saying that the long-ballyhooed Trindade operation by PY1RR will start the first week of April, with CP6EL joining...K5FUV quit as editor of QRZ DX after 3.5 years; good luck, Bill!...we have heard nothing from either of the Heard Island groups, both of whom we sent telegrams to asking for information...W8IQ is SWling in Cameroun at this time; he was denied a license...solar activity in February was generally the lowest since 1978; the peak of the current sunspot cycle was higher than scientists had expected, and they think the precipitous drop the last couple of months indicates things to come.

We hope the series of photos on page 3 will 1) show you that the editor was once crazy, and 2) get you to send some photos of your own. Photos from left to right: 1) we assemble a KLM 4 - element 40 Meter on top of 100 feet of Rohn 25. 2) take a break. In the background can be seen 110 feet of Rohn 25 with 4-element 20, 4-element 10/15 interlaced, and boom for 40 Meter quad. 3) aerial complete and ready to swing into place. 4) And there it is!

We put the aerial up for a QST product review at the old WA1STN site. It worked about as well as the 2-element full-size quad, but would never have survived a New England winter. The aerial went up in May and was taken down in August! (1977). That's the editor on the tower.

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

A35XX 7009 12E 28
A4XJO 14221 14C 5
BY8AA 14049 01C 28
BY8AA 21049 01C 7
BY8AA 21049 01E 10
CE3AA/Ø 21330 02E 2
CEØERY 14207 03C 7
CT2AK 3783 08C 7
C53AL 14225 04W 4
EL2AD 14246 23E 2
FB8WI 14021 13C 3
FB8WI 14021 13E 5
FB8WI 14020 13C 7
FB8ZQ 14216 15W 3
FB8ZP 14262 03E 3
FG7AS 3501 03E 3
FG7AS 7001 02E 3
FM7WS 3799 08C 7
FRØFLO 14210 13E 2
GD30LK 3505 01E 4
HC2MM 7004 03E 3
HK2DP 3504 10E 2
HK2DP 3506 03E 3
HL1CX 14018 00C 2
H44SH 14208 14C 5
JA7FUJ 3501 11E 4
JT1AO 14030 14E 26
JT1AO 14018 03E 28
JTØAPE 14048 01C 7

J5HTL 14221 22E 2
J5HTL 21345 00C 3
J73JW 7008 04E 5
J88AY 14020 01C 7
KX6PO 21278 02W 7
OD5LX 14024 14C 3
OX3UD 14041 12C 7
OY7ML 7001 23E 8
PZ1DV 7003 03E 3
PZ5JR 28504 17C 6
ST2SA 21350 17E 1
KA2PFV/
SV9 14207 22E 1
S79WHW 14253 04E 1
TA2KS 3504 02E 4
TL8TX 21286 18C 3
TR8JD 14216 03W 1
EW2A 14029 13C 1
(UC2)
EW2A 3503 01E 4
UD6DKW 14025 05E 4
UF6FFJ 14026 04E 4
UH8HCA 7003 02E 3
UK8IBB 7006 02E 3
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UJ8AE 14046 02W 7
UM8MAQ 14026 02E 4

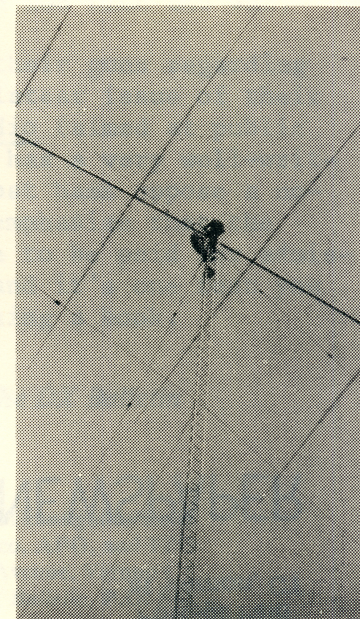
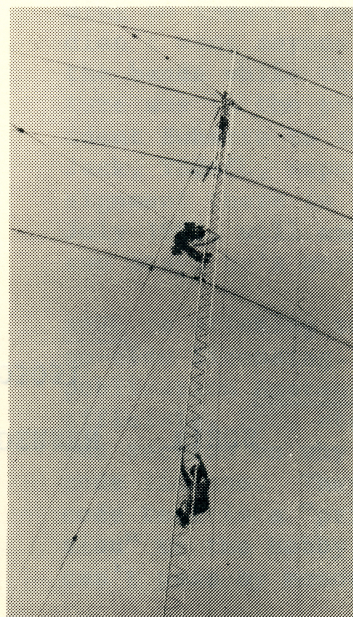
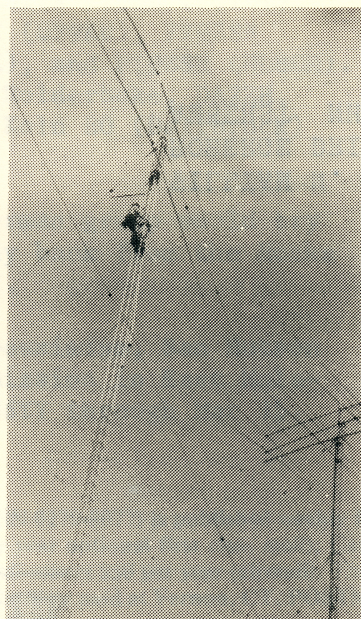
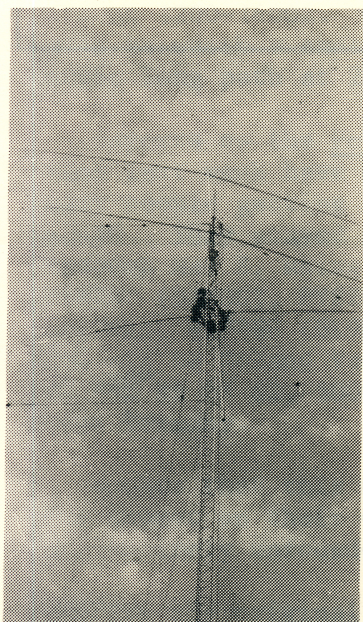
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UM8MAQ 14050 02C 8
VP8WA 21345 02E 2
VR6KB 14049 04E 1
XT2AW 21053 21W 5
YI1BGD 14212 13C 3
YI1BGD 14222 06C 9
YK1AO 14213 14C 5
ZD7BW 21276 19C 4
ZD7WT 7003 01E 5
ZD7WT 7001 23E 8
ZS3GB 21359 18E 28
ZS3YJ 7003 02E 3
ZS3YJ 7004 01E 4
Z22JS 7006 04E 3
1Z9A 14225 17W 26
1Z9A 14225 17E 9
3B8FK 7010 02E 3
3B8FG 14024 13C 8
3B8DA/
3B9 14209 03E 1
3V8PS 14209 21E 1
LA2EX/
3X1 14229 22E 2
4K1D 14027 00C 2
4K1D 3501 23E 3
4S7EA 14206 13C 2
4S7WP 3503 00E 4

4X6GP 7013 00E 5
5R8AL 21329 18E 28
5R8AL 21330 18E 9
5T5RY 14202 01W 2
5T5TO 21031 18C 3
5T5TO 21030 22W 5
5Z4DE 14223 14E 2
5Z4CL 14217 14C 5
7X4AN 3501 00E 1
8Q7AV 14207 12W 1
8Q7AZ 14202 12C 7
9J2BO 7006 03E 3
9L1YL 21280 01W 1
9M2AX 14016 01E 27
9M6YY 3502 15W 9

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CALENDAR

Uganda 5X5FS on NOW, QSL EI9G; Issue 180
 U.A.E. A6XJC QSLs now good for DXCC; I 181
 Trindade PY1EFM/PYØT on NOW; I 180, 181
 Kuwait 9K2QL by YASME on NOW
 Rodriguez 3B8DA/3B9 on NOW, 20 SSB only

Crozet FB8WI very active, 20 CW at 1300Z
 Malaysia 9M6YY by K5YY until Mar 15; I 180
 Burma 1Z9A on 14225 1600-1700Z; former XZ9A
 China BY1PK due on again soon
 Tunisia 3V8PS on NOW; I 181

Sudan G4AVW/ST3 on NOW; I 181
 W Carolines KC6SZ by JA group Mar 16-22; QSL JA6BSM
 Maldives 8Q7AH by HB9TL now to Mar 23
 Malagasy F6EXV/5R8 Mar 13-27
 Singapore 9V1 by K5YY Mar 16-18; I 181

Macao CT9T by WA4IKZ Mar 14-20; I 181
 Chad TT8 by DJ5RT, TJ1GH, Mar 20-27

SPRATLY 1S1SI, 1S3NG Mar 22-28 or so; Issue 180

St Maarten K3UOC/PJ6, PJ8, Mar 26-Mar 31
 Macao Possible by KL7IHP late Mar; I 172
 St Maarten K3UOC/PJ7 Apr 1-3
 Hong Kong KL7IHP/VS6 Mar 26-Apr 2
 Sierra Leone Field Day Apr 9/10; I 181

CONVENTION International DX, Visalia CA Apr 22-24

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