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PYswl/Rolf

Here is all the latest on 160 for you with compliments W1BB

Thanks for your letters March 8 and 19th

The reports were very interesting and studied carefully and entered in SUMMARY log here.

Do not know VP2VL QTH - suggest you write VP2VI W2YH T.W. WINTERNITZ, Yardley Road, Menham N.J. - He will know or DX Magazine, Don Chesser, Burlington Ky - they will surely know. Sorry I cant help more.

**W1BB**  
STEWART S. PERRY  
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I sincerely hope that you can get someone on 160 for schedules with me next fall - or send me likely suggestions to write to.

That SX71 is a real fine receiver - VFB - Know you will like it,

VERY VERY VERY FB on you and PY1NFC -- and with 40 watts if you can build it to cover 160 we can QSO - and make HISTORY - since there has never been a PY/W QSO on 160 meters - and if and when you are ready if you will make private schedules with me , you can win the W1BB CERTIFICATE for FIRST QSOs - I will give you all the needed information on Antennas - and help you in any way possible - just let me know what you need - as long as you will make the skeds with W1BB only until a FIRST QSO. And I assure you that I have a system that will work if you are faithful and persistent!!!

HAPPY HAMMING and 73 de Stew/W1BB

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W1BB -- 160 METER DX -- BULLETIN

1961/1962 - No. 5

de W1BB/General Remarks --- This last 1961/1962 season BULLETIN has been delayed a bit for unavoidable reasons, but the enclosed FLASH supplement was sent to all the Ham Magazines on time. This will be the last Bulletin until the 1962/1963 season opens this fall - unless by chance there may be enough activity to make a summer Bulletin necessary, ----- Yes - it HAS been a GOOD season, a VERY good season on 160!! with indications of possibly better next!! We say "Season" because during winter months there is more activity and Dx worked in this latitude - the band is quieter, nights are longer, and weather makes it more conducive to staying indoors at the rig. HOWEVER, we must not forget that while it is summer here, it is "Winter" elsewhere and there could be Dx minded Hams willing to work 160. In fact, W1BB worked ZS in August, and CP in July. Most of us Northern Hemisphere people are so happy to enjoy our outdoor activities in the warm summer months, that our 160 Dx, generally speaking will be QRX until about Oct or Nov. Another advantage however, these periods of activity and rest give more ZEST to the Test when it resumes!!! SOOOOO generally speaking QSK till fall and b.c.n.u. then. ----- We cannot end this season, (or any other), without saying many many thanks and appreciation to the SWLs whose prompt and complete reports have added so much to our 160 meter tests. Outstanding, as usual, were reports from G/SWLs, Robert Iball-Norman Smith-George Allen, -- Excellent reports from SWLs - Gs/John Hall, Henry Davison, Jim Sleight - VK4 Charles Thorpe- PY/Rolf Rasp -- not to mention a number of others who sent in spot individual reports. Next year, it is hoped to make available to any W/VE Ham who are interested and write for them, copies of these reports. "Cheers" to these boys - and fellows, keep up the good work!!! -----W1BB wishes to send thanks and 73 to all the 160 meter gang with appreciation for their QSOs, reports, cooperation and all matters which have led to greater enjoyment of DX hunting and testing on

W1BB/Summary LOG of SUNDAY MORNING 160 Meter DX activities!!!!

MARCH 4th 1962, Non/Scheduled SUNDAY MORNING 160 Meter Dx --- General speaking this was a dandy morning for Dx to Europe - Stations "in" for 2 1/2 hours!!



W/Ve-REPORTS:-WLBW QSO'd 11 stations!! GM3IAA-G6GM,BQ-G3OIT,IGW,PJA,GWX,PU,FPO,ER  
 QJT - some up to rst589!! ---WIPPN Topped WLBW with 13!!! GM3IAA,W6VEH/VP9,A3-G3P  
 QOT,KOX,PU,ERN,FPO,IGW,OIT,MRN-G6BQ- also AM/SSB QSO with G3FPO - Cliffe on AM  
 Congrats Cliffe!!! ---VELJX:-G5JU,3CHN,IGW,FPO ---W8GDQ/Willie:-G3PU,W6KIP,"H  
 Ern guys working stuff but couldnt pull 'em through"!!! ---W2UKS/Bill- Hrd On  
 W6KIP,W6VEH/VP9,G3PU,G6BQ ---W6AIH/VE3 QSO'd G6BQ -----EAST- VE3DU/Dave - G3CH  
 PU,FPO,6BQ says "Good opening but plagued with S6 intermittent line noise and coul  
 NOT make QSO through it"-Sorry Dave!! -----G/swl/Smith:lbb/1,PPN-2GGL,FYT,IU,UWD,  
 KHT-8NSF-K8HBR/80VE2AYY-VELJX-"No exciting stuff,a W did call a VP" -Tax Norm!! --  
 Gswl/Allen::says "A very good time was had by all-best condx since I came back on  
 trail!! Spent much time on 1.9-2.0Mc hrd nothing-though pptomistic-Willie/8GDQ do  
 have the punch of old-wonder if his VERTICAL deteriorated?? -(NO!! Power limit now  
 50w instead of 200 his area) - anyway real nice to hear him around again" -Hrd, 1  
 1/589,AW/349,TX/449,PPN/559-2IU/339,FYT/559,UKS/449,GGL/349,TR/459,KHT/349,UWD/459  
 K2BWR/229,K2HLI/239-3NOQ/239,GQF/239-K5TMF/559-8GDQ/489,NSF/339,FW/358-K8HBR/8/339  
 VELJX/559,2AYY/449-W6VEH/VP9/239 - Tax Geo!!! -----G3OJI/Jim had an exceptionally  
 list lbb/1,PPN-VELJX-K8HBR/8,8NSF-VE2AYY-W2IU,FYT,8FW,K2HLI,2UWD TNK!! -----Gswl/T  
 lbb/1,PPN,2FYT,VELJX -----G3PU/Ern - "Without doubt best morning of season"!! lbb/  
 PPN,2EJS,FYT,GGL,IU,UWD-8GIY-K8HBR/8,8NSF,W6V,VELJX,VE2AYY,VE3ABG -----Gswl/David  
 WLBW/1/569-VELJX/569-WITX/449-2FYT/239-VE2AYY/469-LPPN/459-8NSF/339 - and proud of  
 his FIRST W8!!! -----G3OJT/Dick - Hrd LPPN QSOing/569-W6VEH/VP9/439 CW then change  
 to phone hrd Cliffe 3/5 and VP9 2/3 - also lbb,AW,2FYT,IU,8GDQ,LPPN,VELJX,VE2AYY  
 W6VEH/VP9. -----WEST:N11 -----NORTH:N11 -----SOUTH- ZL3RE reports,"condx  
 unusual, extreme slow SB,sigs rising to medium peak slowly, dying right down thru  
 period of 5 minutes. ZL3OK hrd W6HRG/459 -We logged W6KIP,5SOT,6HRG,6CDP. It gave  
 ZL gang real thrill hearing Stateside clg "CQ-ZL" and we really appreciate the Ws  
 looking for us. Participating were ZL3OK,ZL3BC,ZL3RE,ZL3CO and ZL3RB"- Tax ZLs!!!  
 Another participant this morning was KE2OK

MARCH 11th 1962 - Non/Scheduled SUNDAY MORNING 160 meter Dx --- Early

skt condx seemed fairly good and the band did open up fairly well. -----EAST-1L  
 hrd EP2BK briefly 119-239 0310z, later 0335z G6BQ came thru 579 QSOing WLBW. At 0500  
 few other Gs hrd,G3PU coming thru real well. W6/AIH/VP9,QSO'd a number of Ws ---  
 G3OJI/Jim-"Cdx rather poor-Pkease ask W2FYT NOT to send QSK 180like as many Gs sta  
 calling there and make mess of Dx band Hr - HCLAGI/VFB!! Hrd lbb/569,HCLAGI/559.3G  
 439,2FYT/569,1PPN/339 --- G3FPO/Hrd HR3HH ---Gswl/Smith:lbb/1,2FYT,IU,3GQF --- de  
 G3PU/Ern;lbb,PPN,2EJS,FYT,IU,3GQF --- Gswl/Anthony Quest;lbb/449-K2DGT/339-3GQF/3  
 W9PNE/Brice:: says his son had emergency appendectomy this night so vy QRL,however  
 did hr G3PU/229. Brice feeling better himself - using NAVIGATOR/50w. CQ/CW Contest  
 105x38 ---Gswl/Allen:lbb/1/349-2UKS/229-4KFC/229-K2DGT/349/3GQF/459-2EJS/239 -----  
 GM3IAA/Jim:lbb/1,PPN,3GQF all 349 - Jim is planning new antenna for next year !!!  
 WEST;;; No Western Dx hrd hr or being wkd by others -----SOUTH:;;; Real excit  
 ment when WLBW alerted Gs to fact that HCLAGI was on 1826 - thereupon G6BQ QSO'd M  
 for FIRST!!!. G/HC 160 Meter QSO ever. HCLAGI gave G6BQ 449. Congratulations!!!!!!  
 In addition HCLAGI QSO'd a vfb string K8HBR/8,3GQF,2EJS,This one the reward of man  
 hours of trying and a new antenna by Chas -2GGL,K8HUT,2UWD,1PPN. Don hrd & Cld G3  
 several times but he did not answer. Interesting that G6BQ who was alerted could  
 He and G3PU also alerted at same time could not - proves that 160 meter skip can  
 be either "in" or "Out" because of short distances separation between receiving Q  
 HCLAGI hrd HR3HH/579 and WLBW/579. -----HR3HH had fb sig QSOing WIPPN,2GGL and ma  
 other Ws -----W9PNE;HCLAGI/449,HR3HH/569 -----Other PARTICIPANTS- Ws,1TVN,2DGT  
 TR,UKS,4KFC,MUTK/I,SHUTK,GDQ,HR/8,TYSK,FW,GDQ,ATPwa,VLO,PTUT --G3ERN,LIQ,PGN,GM3I  
 OKLNR, SWL/Allen,Smith.

MARCH 18th 1962 - Non/Scheduled SUNDAY MORNING 160 Meter Dx --- GENERA

WLBW had to go to Maine on a business trip/spent one night at old Homestead 300MI  
 N. Boston in quiet QTH - took SX100 and Ranger/50w along. Too busy to spend much  
 time on air but did QSO EI9J and Hrd G3PU,ERN-G6BQ-OKLZL - what impressed most, was  
 the quietness of reception. At WLBW's home QTH Boston, the noise level reads aroun  
 250 to 300 usually, while at this quiet place in Maine it was only 140 to 160 - on  
 about HALF and DX signals sounded just GRAND!!! Imagine what a difference this  
 makes in weak signal reception - to get away from the Electronic Clouds that  
 surround big cities and communities, just like the "Smog" in California - or Smoke  
 and haze -same idea. Ph for these Island and remot QTHs for 160 meter Dx!!!!



**EAST** - EI9J:W1BB/1<sup>o</sup>Maine -G3ERN QSO'd U05AA - Other QSOs were made. ---G3PU/Era  
 "Heard only Wp I have hrd this season W<sup>o</sup>NWX,1802kc 0610z rst229/459. Also hrd weak  
 W<sup>o</sup>on 1999 believe W<sup>o</sup>CDP. Records!!";;:LPPN, TX, 2EQS, 2IU, UKS, UWD-3BCR, GQF, <sup>o</sup>NWX - VFB  
 W2UKS/Bill::G3PU, XE2REC, HCLAGI & QSO'd W5SOT!! ----- Gswl/Davison::LPPM/459, thru  
 se re QRN ----- Gswl/Allen::K2DGT/339-<sup>o</sup>VEH/VP9/349-K2BDM/339-LPPN/449-30JF/449-  
 2IU/329-2UKS/339 -----Gswl/Smith::2DGTk, LPPN, TX-3MSK, ECR, GQF-2GGL-IU -----**(SOUTH)**-  
 VP3AD/Dad hrd LPPN/449 0432 and W3GQF/449 0450 other signals in there but <sup>o</sup>SB and  
 static made copy difficult so closed up early "Guess 160 has had it for this seas  
 Tax Dad and b.c.n.u. Next for sure!!! -----**(WEST)** -----**(NORTH)** -----**(Other PARTICIPANTS)**  
 Gs3OIT-GI6TK, VO1FB -W/VBS: K1EXK, 8HRG, SUDR, BRUK, <sup>o</sup>NWX, TUT, LQTK ---SWL/Davison, Alle  
 Smith. Activity and Participation dropping off as Spring/Summer approaches!!!

**MARCH 24/25th 1962 Non/Scheduled SUNDAY MORNING 160 Meter DX Activities**

**GENERAL** - Dx participants dropping off - QRN very high due to snow/rain static - b  
 skip generally quite good -W1BB QRT at 0555 -----**(EAST)**- W1BB got on early again f  
 schedule with EP2BK - hrd each other but no <sup>o</sup>SO. Also made contact March 22 and 24  
 0220z approx. Static very heavy. W3GQF and W2BJS tried for Bob/EP2BK also. W1BB hr  
 him 119/229 to 000. W3GQF hrd him 349 W2EQS could not copy. Skip not as good as ni  
 before when W1BB not solid QSO resulted. QRN Vy high also - at 0320 G6BQ came thru  
 with CQ QSOing W1BB, his 449/BB559-his signals at 0400 still 449 <sup>o</sup>SBing in end of  
 QRN high. W2KJT also took part DXing <sup>o</sup>SO'd G6BQ/Jack getting 349/449 and giving 46  
 W2IU QSO'd G6BQ getting 33/49 Giving 469 -----Gswl/Norm Smith:: 1BB/1<sup>o</sup>AW-2KJT, IU, F  
 K2PNT-3FBV, GQF says "One or two weak unreadable Ws including a W5 at 0617"!! Norm  
 going to slack off for the season - thanks for some wonderful reporting and assist  
 Norm OM. -----W2UKS rpts no DX hrd "Appears that springtime is here" -----**(SOUTH)**-  
**(WEST)** -**(NORTH)** -**(Other PARTICIPANTS)** -2FSQ, 4WU, 8CJN, 9ZQOk, <sup>o</sup>CDP-G3ERN-SWL/Allen & Smit

**COASTAL COMPARISON NET - (West)** ----- K7HDB/Dick writes "There is a tremendous diff  
 rence between signal levels at the Northern Vs Southern stations and I would like  
 get some sort of NET of Coastal stations going to compare reports of signal levels  
 during these DX tests in an effort to determine the Southern ends of this zone of  
 absorption or whatever it is that is creating the relatively poor Cdx at the more  
 Northernly stations. Mainly interested in stations close to shore where Loran is li  
 limiting factor in reception rather than power line noise" Those interested, write  
 Dick - sounds like VFB idea!!!

**INTERESTING !!! W1EAE/Bigelow** - of EMW CW traffic NET says that on 80CW with lower  
 sunspot Numbers, LONG skip, and short Ground wave are setting in to such an extent  
 on 80 that it is virtually impossible to conduct their normal NET. Will have 8 to  
 stations on and NET Control can only hear 2 or 3 - they are eyeing 160 for possibl  
 solution to their traffic NET Meetings 6.30-7.30 PM EST. Best of luck Big and boys  
**ZL STATIONS** -W6KIP/Alex de ZL3RB/Mick, says more ZL activity. Look for ZLs 0720/08  
 z around 1975-2000kc. ZL3BC/Joel, ZL3CO/Garth, ZL3OX/Jack & ZL3RE/Art - all active no  
 Also ZL1AH. This one **FOR THE RECORD!!!!** "ZL" --**FIRST** !!! ZL/W QSO ever was between  
 ZL1AH/John Eightman Dec 31st 1961 and W9CVQ - the Second between W1BB and ZL1AH AU  
 16th 1952. ZL1AG has two other FIRSTS!! ZL/G and ZL/VS6. Following closely on these  
 ZL3RB/Mick became active and due to John's absence, and his own splendid efforts a  
 quiet QTH has been the mainstay ever since. We understand ZL1AH/John will reactive  
**PROPAGATION** de Rod Newkirk W9BRD- "The North Atlantic propagation path to Europe i  
 highly susceptible to Magneto-ionospheric irregularities which do not significantly  
 affect South American & Pacific Paths according to Termann" Guess this accounts fo  
 those shut-outs while HCs & KH6s BOOM in!!! Thanks a lot Rod - Most interesting!!!

**SILENT KEY VP7NM/Chas** - 160 Meter Hams especially, are saddened by the death of Ch  
 "C.N." Albury. Many of us have his card confirming 160 <sup>o</sup>SO and are proud of it. He  
 put the BAHAMAS on the 160 DX map. His presence and activity will be greatly misse  
 IN "ZL" LAND EXCITEMENT WAXED HIGH Per ZL3TB/"Mick" and W6KIP/Alex who report that  
 during the CQ/WW/160/ow/Contest, Mick/"There were so many 160 meters signals on bo  
 ends of the band QRming each other from 0700-1200GMT - I never thought I'd live to  
 hear the 160 meter band dish out signals like it. Although I was the only one to  
 contact W6KIP, - ZL3CO, BC, OK all heard an earful. Stations were too numerous to lo  
 Stronger signals were W6KIP, WA6CIR, HCLAGI, W6HXT, W6HRG, K6SHG, W6HG, W6GBV - all audit  
 to 1200 when I fell asleep!! - 5 hours of Dx signals without a break or fade -Wow!  
 ZL3CK Hrd 6KIP, K7HB, W6HG. On Sunday Band was poorer but I hrd W<sup>o</sup>NWX, 2PIQ, W1BB/259.  
 W3GQF KAPPEY - I sure would have gladdened your heart to hear that crowd - FUN!! S



160 EXPEDITION ????? --- KAKSY/Rev. Drayton writes "Wonder if any of the gnag would be interested in a DX-pedition to one of our Barruer Islands down off the Coast, W lived there a couple of years and found conditions absolutely ideal!!! The place is EDISTO Island - 1 1/2 miles off the lower South Carolina Coast. ---Heard Low Fy Dx th e that is considered practically impossible elsewhere - European BC stations consistently - "Seads" of stuff on 160 and 80 -- Next winter possibly some of the Yankee group going South might like to stop off for a weekend - have access to an authentic ANTE-BELLUM Mansion just 20 feet from the salt water and poles already set for antenna. Only power line nearby is the small one to the house. Nearest neighbor is 2 1/2 miles away. Perfect for anyone DXing in a 50 watt way!!!" ---Anyone drooling besides WLB?? Thanks a million Drayton and We'll see!!! (Incidentally watch for some 160 meter dope in "73" Magazine in near future!!!!)

MISCELLANEOUS TOP BAND NEWS ITEMS -----K7ICW/Al, had a "Ball" in Dx Contest - w 74 stns/29 sections including HCLAGI & KH6IJ for Total 4500 Points - Hrd KE2OK, W/AIH/VE3 and says "These 10th wave verticals are for the birds - altho better'n N NUTIN!!! -----W2UKS/Bill, in that ideal 160 meter QTH on an island, has 2 feet of seawater all over the place during that March Northeaster -----Steven GIBBS/GM3M of Ex ZC4AK fame!!! reports from Benghazi, Libya, hearing on Feb 11th, 4 Continent VE3B/L/SU,ZC4PB,SV/WZ and WLB/1 plus a lot of other Europeans. Conditions not too good however/ Steve is 160 meter Dxwise famous for giving two DXers their 160 meter WAC. WLB/ZC4XP, March 3 1953 and EXACTLY three years later (As he points out) - WSGDQ/ZC4AK March 3 1962 -, quite a coincidence - these dates eh???? Thanks Steve you prove that it is impossible to keep a good DX man down and we hope to hear you one of these days as 5A sumpin or other!!! -----Kn3RKD/Ron/-3/10/62 heard WLB's 1809kc CW 579 on a 3 band citizens USL transceiver converting into a BC radio on dual conversion!!! Can you figger that one out??? ----- HCLAGI/DON/(W3EIS) lists CQ/CW/CT QSOs on 2/24: W2FYT, K2BWR-3RFA, ECR, 4KFC, YHD, SQE-5DWB-6KIP, HRC-K6HXT, WA6CI 7UBI, K7ICW-8HCW-6NWK, CDP, EWH, GJI, SDN-9WJB, YTV-KH6IJ ---2/25: LBB/1, TX-K2PNF, DOT-3G/T, EIV-~~XXXXXXXX~~, 4AH-K6PJY-8GDQ, GIY-K8HBR/8-9YT-6GBV-YN1AA-VE3KE-HR3HH-XELOK, and Comments Don "Called 10 U.S. guys for each one worked - never heard so many TIN es in my life!!! -----PY/SWL/Rolf Rasp Feb 25th hrd 6KIP-K6HXT-4KFC, HYD-K2IUT-8HCW-K8RRH-9TGB-6GBV-KH6IJ-HCLAGI- also unidentified VE2 - excellent Rolf-Tnx!! ----- W/AIH/VE3 Rev Paul - Has new antenna ideas for 1962/1963 - hope summer wx very conducive to installing same!! QSO'd KH6IJ in CW/CQ/WW/160/DX Contest - also G6BQ March 4th - CONGRATULATIONS!!!. -----Sven Elving/Polar Bears Radio Club/SWEDEN Hrd following Dx this season; VE3BQL-HR3HH-OK3CB-EP2BK-W/AIH/VF9-VF8Q-VF5BP-ZC4PB OKIACU-UB5WF-HB9QA-VE1ZZ-GI6TK-EI9J-WLB-5N2GUP-HCLAGI -- VFB Sven - and your SWL Bulletin also very nice -Tnx!!! ----- G3PU/ERN CONGRATULATIONS!!!! His 160 meter Dx Score at the end of the 1961/1962 season is WAC, 57 Countries!! Greatest disappointment this year -, almost but not quite QSOing HR3HH. On Feb 18th Ern QSO VOLFB and Hrd VF5BP ----- THAT 160 Meter ISLAND Dx PARADISE we mentioned last Mo W2UKS/Bill's Town OCEAN CITY N.J. sure took a pounding in N.E. Storm in March - sa "We've really had it with terrible storm and excessive high water mark - hundreds of cars a total loss -250 homes damaged beyond repair - dozens of homes washed out to sea - dozens destroyed by fire -loss of life 5 including C-D worker, Chief of Police - I have been helping with Emergency work 75 phone and CW. My own car had \$300 water damage - what a mess!!!" ----- Bing/W6CDP reports 1961 CQ/160/CT,, 160x43 - 1962 163x45 including HCLAGI, KH6IJ, XELOK but gripes!!! "Ws too busy on 160 end NOT covering high end, comments, I am thinking of a strictly 160 meter station and location with special low noise receiver" -- Bang pleads for boys to cover TO END of 160 says "I still believe I can get signals across to Europe from We if those fellows will just listen - this view also shared by W5SOT, DWB, 6KIP Etc. I'll be on 1998 each weekend"!!! (See G3PU Report for March 18th) -----W9PNE/BRICE, heard ~~EP2BK~~ EP2BK/449 during CQ/CW Contest (SOing EI9J - thought he was a pirate so did c him - alas!!! Contest 105x38 VFB Brice. ----- K7HDB/DDCK - during CQ/CW/CT blew H.V. Transformer, of all times!!! Quite interested in IBY reporting - says scientists find "light radiation belt similar to Aurora Borealis" Over Oregon -- believes that this may account for blanketing 160 there - Could Be!!! This ioniz belt goes apparently around the Globe - write K7HDB for further info if interested PY/SWL-ROLF RASP -Still listening - no Dx lately -----G3Q/T/Dick - is to be Congratulated on several crossings this season. QSO'd WLB, UO5AA, LPPN, 2UWD-UB5WF ~~EP2BK~~-VOLFB!!!



April 1, 1962

!!! --- 160 METER FLASH de W1BB --- !!!

EP2BK story!!!!

EP2BK works VELZZ -- W2IU -- W1BB -- W0VEH/VP9 !!!!!!!!!!!!! FLASH!!! On 160!!!

Everyone was thrilled with the appearance of EP2BK/Bob at ABADAN, IRAN - the FIRST time that Country has ever been heard on 160 - QSOing quite a few Europeans

THEN!! during the CQ-160-WW-CW Contest, FEB24, a brief, not too good but definite contact was made with VELZZ/John, for the FIRST ~~EVER HEARD ON 160 METERS~~ EP/VE -- Congratulations to both Bob and John!!!! During the same morning EP2BK was also heard by W4KFC/Vic, (And others) peaking 588 and thought to be a "Phoney" because of his strength - however, EP2BK also heard W4K at 589 and SWL'd

Following this, on March 8th EP2BK arranged regular transmissions and schedule with W1BB (First at 0300, then 0220Z, to attempt a W contact and QSO - finally making definite, but "Touch and Go" contacts with W1BB on March 22, 24 and 26th - but no "Solid" 100% QSOs.

FINALLY!!! on March 27th at 0150Z, the FIRST ever Solid 100% QSO, EP/W was made between W2IU/Sam (Ex W9NH) and EP2BK, and followed by W1BB as No.2 at 0220Z their regular schedule time. Bob's signals varied greatly from "nil" to 449 & 53 peaks. W's maximums were W2IU/339-W1BB/449.

IN ADDITION -- Bob/EP2BK also contacted W0VEH/VP9 at 0245 for a not too solid nevertheless definite QSO!!! W0VEH/VP9 peaked at 569 in IRAN!!!

CONGRATULATIONS !!!! Go to Bob/EP2BK for his splendid operating, patience, and perseverance!!!! And also to "Sam"/W2IU for this FIRST!!!!

Dick

CONDOLANCES and sincere regrets go to W3GQF/who indirectly made the W2IU QSO possible, when he made this earlier than usual schedule with EP2BK, invited W2IU in on it, and then for some reason or another failed to make contact himself. Also to Charlie/W2EQS, who came in on the opening rather late, and also failed to make it to IRAN. This was all the more disappointing because of the fact that this was EP2BK's last morning on the air in IRAN before closing down and leaving the Country. Also to Shely/W3RGQ who was also heard to make a call this last AM.

BOB accomplished this VFB feat of 160 meter DX using an 813 at 100 watts - into a 15 meter Lazy H antenna 75 Feet high - with an AR88D receiver. He has also worked many Europeans, and we are anticipating a complete report from him soon giving the complete story on his 160 meter activities!!!

THE HCLAGI 160 Meter DXPLOIT!!!!!!

Another FIRST!!!! when HCLAGI and G6BQ QSO'd at 0610z March 11th for the FIRST ever HC/G QSO on 160 Meters. G6BQ was 449 in HC-land. CONGRATULATIONS to both Don/HCLAGE (W3EIS) and Jack/G6BQ VFB indeed!!!

160 sure has been "places" this season!!!!!!

EL4A --Ken and Traut Bale expect to be on for a while longer this season. W1BB has sent them crystals for 1827½ and also 1803.0 Kes Watch for them!!!!!!

EP2BK Mailing address now  
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73 de Stew/W1BB