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TRAFFIC REPORTS, commencing with this issue, will list all known MC stations whether or not a total has been submitted. So, would really appreciate having some numbers to put in the columns, hi. Thanks.

<u>STATI ON</u>	<u>QTC</u>	<u>PP</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>STATI ON</u>	<u>QTC</u>	<u>PP</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
W6I AB	2422	630	3052	KR6MA	47	121	168
KR6GF	1334	486	1820	KG4AM	5	92	97
W6YDK	1628	151	1779	W4BHU	0	0	0
KR6MD	535	610	1145	W4HBC	0	0	0
KH6AJF	855	52	918	W4LEV	150	50	200
W4PFC	826	19	845	K4MC	0	0	0
KH6BGS	334	475	809	W4PKL	0	0	0
KR6MH	283	421	704	W5PKP	0	0	0
KR6MB	143	464	607	W4PKS	0	0	0
KR6DI	248	255	503	W4PKW	0	0	0
K6MCA	304	121	425	W4TGW	0		0
WA4FHK/KP4	107	236	343	W6FCS	80	264	344
W4NTR	270	20	290	W6ZJB	0	0	0
K4MCL	170	17	187	KR6CP	0	0	0
K4BUJ	99	79	178	OCTOBER TOTALS	<u>9851</u>	<u>4563</u>	14414

1962 TOTALS THROUGH OCTOBER:

QTC and Phone Patch:

<u>90878</u>

Here's wishing one and all a very Happy Thanksgiving. Enjoy the feast and conserve a little energy for the Christmas Season traffic which is about to make it's debut.

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Our congratulations on the fine showing made by all stations on handling the Guam welfare traffic. Addressees are most grateful.

From our 'For What It's Worth Department':

In a recent issue of ZERO Beat, we passed along a tip concerning specifically phone-patch operations. Remember our suggestion to avoid using the phrase, "running overseas phone patch traffic and would appreciate a clear frequency, please." This is polite and all that, but strictly unnecessary. A common courtesy extended by 'most' amateurs is to steer clear of a frequency if it is already in use by other stations. A complete explanation of what you're doing is not needed,

We're going to go one step further on that same line of thought. There are those on the bands who have a great dislike for phone patch traffic anyway, but they seem to be particularly irritated when they hear the term, "running overseas <u>military</u> phone patch traffic, etc." Of course, most of them have the impression that the military has unlimited frequencies and various facilities for running personal traffic outside the amateur bands, but leave us not enter into on-theair discussions on the matter.

The point I'm trying to get through is simply that we are operating as Amateur Radio Stations on frequencies allocated to those to be used by Amateurs in their hobby. Since this is the case, it would be a distinct advantage to all of us if each station would avoid <u>any</u> actions that could possibly place the Marine amateurs in a poor light. As has been pointed out many times over the years, the bands are crowded and we must operate in such a manner that everyone will have the opportunity to make the maximum use of the limited space offered on those bands. Please, don't ever assume that the military has any sort of priority on the amateur radio frequencies; and <u>do</u> make every attempt to operate with COURTESY, EFFICIENCY, AND GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP.

I have never heard any of our Marine operators use that 'military phone-patch' term, so I'm pretty sure we're clean, but help keep it that way.

I'm not trying to make a soap-box lecture, or dictate how you should operate your stations. Merely trying to pass along what I think can be used as a helpful hint to make our operations more efficient by observing the rule of Courtesy First, the Results.

Any ideas or suggestions you may have that could be used to good advantage, we'd like to ear about them. Send them along to W4NTR and maybe we can come up with some worth-while reading in ZERO BEAT.

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KH6BGS has come up with a suggestion for a "Worked All Marine" sort of wallpaper. Recommends such an award to any one submitting log extracts confirming contacts with 15 602-type USMC amateur stations, with endorsements for each additional 5 worked, Let's see now, that would be a WAM certificate - hi - Idea does sound OK from here, how about out there?

Follows some changes and additions to our list of licensed Marine amateurs:

BOYD, J M		MABS 11 MAG 11 FPO San Francisco	W4EI X
BOYD, J V		1stMarBrig Kaneohe Bay Hawaii	W4CRU
BRIMMER, JC	W4PFC	MCS Quantico Va	W9EI G
FERNBERG, M E Jr		1stMarBrig Kaneohe Bay Hawaii	<b>KH6EOF</b>
LEE, A E		Ft Meade Md (Feb63)	<b>W3EEJ</b>
MCCLAIN, JH		BasicElec MCRD San Diego Calif	W5GMV
ROGERS, B B		MABS 17 1stMAW Iwakuni	K6YQW
SAYLER, M O	W4LEV	MCB Camp Lejeune NC	K4RLW

Any corrections, additions or deletions should be sent in to W4NTR.

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Our last issue mentioned the fact that KH6BGS would be on 21245 daily looking primarily for east coast stations. We might also add that 4NTR will be on or near the same frequency from 1899 to 2000 GMT Monday through Friday for any station needing our services, particularly the west coast, Hawaii or the Caribbean area. 4NTR is also on 14330 daily from 1100 to 1200 GMT working schedules with Haiti, Ecuador and other stations in Central and South America.

Would like to hear more about the various schedules now set up by our stations for the winter months. Helps everyone to know where a particular area station might be located, if needed.

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Navy-Marine Corps MARS manuals and other pertinent objects, we hope, should be available prior to Christmas. Sure is a big job but it's coming along. Those stations now authorized operation on the other MARS frequencies may, if they desire, request by letter the transfer of their records to the Navy MARS program without further application. Would like to see a good turn-out of our Marine amateur stations.

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Had the pleasure of a quick eye-ball QSO with Jim W4MJS recently. He puts out a real FB signal with his Apache-SB-10 combo, but believe he is sort of hoping for a Marauder, come Christmas.

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4NTR had a brief contact with Bob W4BHU. That's the club station at MCAS Beaufort, SC. They indicate that they will have that call on the air whenever time permits. That means a good outlet for the traffic going to the Air station <u>and</u> Parris Island, since W4HBC is not active.

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ZERO BEAT distribution now has reached 100. If we're missing anyone, anywhere, let us know for revision of the mailing list. 4NTR would like to get on your mailing list for copies of your local base newspapers.

That does it for another month. Thanks for reading this far and look for us again next month.

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