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First issue of the New Year. Hope to see an increase in all our activities in 1965, and all the help we can get will be greatly appreciated. Held off this issue as long as we possibly could, hoping we could gather in a few more traffic reports to round out the totals for 1964, but there doesn't seem to be any more en-route, so here goes nothing.

Another reminder about the latest net, the QTC Traffic Net, established by W4LEV. Seems to be picking up a good head of steam, and rolling right along with East Coast business. Lou is doing a bang-up job with a big signal on 7215 at 1300Z and 1800Z daily. Come on in, the traffic's fine....

Movin' on....Tom is leaving KP4AZJ shortly, and will have his wild shoes filled by Chris from 4LEV. From 6YDK comes word that Rick is going to the rock in KR6-land, and Ralph is going to be out of operation in 3W8 territory. Glen, KR6MD, departing for FT CLNC and our Chief Correspondent(?) from Oki, Bob, sez only 3 more monthly reports and he'll be long gone to the land of the big PX.

4NTR, after one quick blow-up on the new linear, now has a real fine operating Heath SB-200. Both money-wise, and signal-wise, we don't think this rig can be beat. Have it tacked onto the old, old S-Line, and now seem to have enough RF floating around to let the folks on 20 know we're on the job.

RECOMMENDED READING - Chief, NavMARS letter of 25 November 1964. Enclosures thereto include the -Joint MARS Traffic Guide. Make use of same, particularly in the handling of FPO traffic. Also contains the latest list of countries having third-party agreements with the U.S. The MARS folks expend a lot of time and effort on preparing these bulletins, etc, so it would be well worth your time to read up on the information contained therein, and make use of same. Nuff sed....

TRAFFIC, TRAFFIC, TRAFFIC - These are the finals for 1964, from April through December, Pretty good total for all stations reporting, but we can outdo ourselves in '65											
STATION Late Octobe	QTC er	PP	TOTAL		STATION		QTC	PP	TOTAL		
W6ZJB October	<u>22</u> 13467	<u>123</u> 4034	<u>145</u> 17501								
Late: November											
KG4AM	590	523	1113								
W6ZJB	129	355	484								
November	8076	3720	11796								
DECEMBER											
W6IAB	8776	997	9773		KG4AM		85	5 683	768		
W6YDK	4617	99	4716		KP4AZJ	ŗ	303	3 206	509		
W4LEV	2707	654	3361		KR6MH		244	1 218	462		
KR6GF	1179	359	1538		KR6MD		220	236	456		
KR6MB	982	545	1527		K4MCL		390) (390		
KR6DI	596	575	1171		W4NTR		302	2 63	365		
W6ZJB	405	389	794		KR6CP		111	<u>1</u> <u>C</u>	111		
					TOTAL DECEM	BER	2091	7 5024	25941		

1964: 113859 27937 146920

And the musical fanfare fades slowly into the background and that about takes care of 1964. There may be a few straggler reports on the way in now, but I figger that almost 147,000 for the year is a real fine showing. Let's just surpass that in '65. Rots of Ruck.....

All the best from all of us to all of you for the New Year. We're the voice heard 'round the world, so keep it clean.....

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