

A Himalayan Principality called "SIKKIM" a super rare DX station and Royalty.

P.T. Namgyal King of Sikkim 1963-1975, the last and 12th King of Sikkim.

AC3PT 1923-1982 was a DX treat to the stalwart who could make the pile ups. He was a convent student at age 6, from 8 to 11 studied to ordain

Monkhood. Sikkim had independence from India in 1949. Namgayl married Hope Cook an American in 1963, she was 22 years old, bringing much attention to Sikkim.

In 1975 Sikkim joined the union of India, thus ending Namgyal's rule. He expired in 1982 of cancer in NYC at age 52 due to complications from surgery. His son from a first marriage was named the 13th Chogyal (King) but the position no longer confers any official authority. (Wikipedia)

Can you imagine the din of the pileups after this rare station? For some reason the ARRL removed AC3 from the active list in 1963, but the earlier contacts counted for credit.



King and Queen of Sikkim.