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Controversy over reruns has gone right to the top. President Nixon takes unions' side in letter to SAG, says government curbs may be needed. Whitehead takes same tack in speech to NATAS, but CBS-TV's Wood emphatically opposes idea.

Confident Nixon agency is holding back on scheduled spots.

Retailers give, and get, practical lessons in using broadcast.

Price commission's clarification of its broadcast-rates ruling outrages broadcasters, who are working to loosen controls.

It's a crowded, diverse agenda for FCC during next six weeks.

Nash-Cottone feud is wilder than ever; KAYE license is at stake.

What's country music? The answer used to be obvious, but it has become more complex as the style has influenced, and been influenced by, others. Today country radio—'hard' or 'modern'—is a profitable mass-appeal sound, as this special report documents.

A sampler of critical reaction to new season's first offerings turns up no runaway winners, but 'Maude' is tops so far.

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Party favor

Conversations that resulted in President Nixon's most provocative statement yet on television programing—that deprecating network reruns—began at San Clemente party. Mr. Nixon threw Aug. 27 for some 400 members of Hollywood upper crust. Next step was letter to John Gavin, president of Screen Actors Guild, on Sept. 12, followed by Sept. 14 speech by Office of Telecommunications Policy Director Tom Whitehead (see page 12). Among those who made important "input" to decision was Taft Schreiber, executive vice president of MCA Inc., one of the giant companies in programing and syndication, close personal friend of President and active in fund-raising for Nixon campaigns. Mr. Schreiber also attended San Clemente party.

Aside from obvious political motivations (California, with 45 votes, has largest single block in Electoral College), action is seen as switch in tactics in keeping networks on their toes, substituting rerun issue for broadsides against purported slanting of news by featured network journalists.

In the dark

OTP Director Whitehead, who in San Francisco speech contrasted glory and excitement of fall premieres with viewing letdown during rerun season, apparently did not speak from experience. Mr. Whitehead does own television set—principally because of pross of work and other activities. There is set in his office, on which he occasionally watches football, news (mostly on ABC-TV) and—when he works Saturdays—some children's programs. Mr. Whitehead maintains that nature of his job does not necessarily require that he watch television regularly. He says his reading of programing developments comes from TV pages of New York Times, Washington Post and word of mouth.

FTC and its future

Life has become more complicated for broadcasters who patrol Washington beat. Regulatory dichotomy over broadcast advertising through large-scale intrusion of Federal Trade Commission has provoked speculation about who will populate FTC after November elections, assuming re-election of Nixon ticket. Same, of course, holds for FCC, which has always been primary concern of broadcasters, but is now vying with FTC and its consumer/couteradvertising crusades, which had less virulent onset but now threaten economic viability of radio and TV.

Purely speculative are these possibilities after November elections, probably more wishful than facts accomplis: Exit of Chairman Miles W. Kirtpatrick, who has found his venture in federal bureaucracy no bed of roses (his successor expected to be Commissioner David S. Dennison Jr., who hasn't been all-out pro-business either, but is said to have statesmanlike qualities); retention by presidential waiver for additional one year term of veteran commissioner Everett MacIntyre, 71; former chairman Paul Rand Dixon to continue in office. Term of Mary Gardner Jones, who has been sort of female Nick Johnson since her appointment in 1964, expires this month but she isn't likely to be reappointed. Robert Plotofsky, director of Bureau of Consumer Protection who has master-minded media attacks, already has announced his intention of returning to aca-

demic life.

Truth will out

What major network was FCC Chairman Dean Burch not naming when, in speech in New York Friday (Sept. 15), he said one of Big Three told commission staffer to "get lost"? It was CBS—though company officials have since said that chairman's report does not accord with their recollection of conversation between attorney in Washington office and staffer Arthur Ginsburg of FCC. CBS attitude is that while sentiment might have been appropriate, they can't imagine lawyer saying it.

All three networks responded to commission inquiry with letters, although CBS's was probably briefest. It merely recited hours at which CBS ordered satellite circuit, noted it and ABC shared CBS-ordered circuit starting at 2:05 P.M.—then made clear CBS's view that commission had no business checking into news judgments or technical arrangements that were involved in covering events in Munich. NBC is said to have raised same question in its letter. Commission officials stress query was strictly for background and informational purposes, indicate they hope to avoid blowing up incident into major controversy.

Burch's composite week

As far as FCC Chairman Dean Burch is concerned, invitations to address broadcasters' sessions—regional or otherwise—on Tuesdays through Thursdays are henceforth taboo. Members of FCC, he says, have no free days, although Mondays and Fridays (plus weekends) are lesser than midweek. This year's scheduling of regional conferences of National Association of Broadcasters provoked chairman's mandate, in which he hopes his colleagues will join. Chairman, meanwhile, will address CBS Radio affiliates in Phoenix this Thursday (Sept. 21).

Down but not out

Senator Richard Schweiker (R-Pa.) has not given up on his amendment, stricken in House-Senate conference on military procurement bill, to allow armed forces to use TV and radio for recruitment advertising. Both Houses last week approved conference report on bill. But Senator Schweiker is hoping to attach amendment to Department of Defense appropriations bill, expected to reach Senate in next few weeks.

End in sight for Orlando

Mid-Florida Television Corp.'s effort to nail down grant of channel 9 Orlando, Fla., which was originally made in 1957, is understood to have won FCC support last week. Issuance of commission decision that upholds review board order granting Mid-Florida's application (Broadcasting, Jan. 17), is said to be awaiting written statements by one or more commissioners. Original grant was one of those in 1950's that were tainted by ex-parte scandal, although commission in 1964 held that Mid-Florida principals, Jose Brechner and his wife, were not involved in improper activity. Station currently is being run on interim basis by coalition of five competing applications.

Those tardy receivables

Slow-pay problem hasn't gone away: latest Broadcast Credit Association report on aging receivables—for June-July—showed that for all stations reporting, 17% of total agency dollars owed were 90 days or more overdue. This represents increase from 13% disclosed in BCA's first report, for May (Broadcasting, Sept. 11). BCA authorities point out, however, that number of participat-
ing stations also increased in period, hence report for August-September period could be more meaningful index to direction problem is going.

Protectionists at work

U.S. program producers-distributors involved in international sales will be watching closely proceedings scheduled to open in Sydney on Wednesday (Sept. 20) at which Australian tariff commission will hear petition of Australian producers, laboratories, talent and technical personnel aimed at curbing imported TV programs and motion pictures. Australia is key overseas market for U.S. companies (about $16 million annually in sales) and attempts to impose foreign quotas beyond current 50% and to increase tariffs and taxes will be resisted by consortium of U.S. organizations.
CPB officially picks Curtis as chairman

Former VOA head Henry Loomis is heading for presidency

Thomas B. Curtis, vice president-general counsel of Encyclopaedia Britannica and former congressman from Missouri, was unanimously named Friday (Sept. 15) to be new board chairman of Corporation for Public Broadcasting, succeeding Frank Pace Jr. At same meeting, it was learned, board received—but did not take final action on—recommendation that Henry Loomis, deputy director of United States Information Agency, be named new CPB president.

Mr. Loomis, former head of Voice of America, had emerged earlier this month as leading candidate to succeed John W. Macy Jr. ("Closed Circuit," Sept. 4), and was proposed for job by special nominating committee. However, board—for reasons not disclosed—instead placed matter in hands of its new chairman, Mr. Curtis, for final disposition.

At news conference after board meeting in Washington, Mr. Curtis did not acknowledge specifically that Mr. Loomis it's name was at top of list. He said only that one name had been recommended and that he as chairman had been instructed to conduct further "negotiation" with that man.

Mr. Curtis, newest member of board, has had inside track on chairmanship since shortly after he was nominated ("Closed Circuit," Aug. 7). He is Republican, and has been clear if not publicly acknowledged choice of administration. Outgoing Chairman Pace had let it be known that he felt closer contact between CPB chairman and administration would be advisable.

New chairman said he thought final decision on presidency would be made before board's next meeting, in October. He said, in fact, that there might be "further announcement" of some kind this week, but did not elaborate.

Shortly after Mr. Curtis's selection became known, National Association of Educational Broadcasters issued statement containing pointed reminder that it, as representative of local stations, wants voice in selection of president.

"We welcome Tom Curtis to chairmanship of the CPB board," said NAEB President William G. Harley, "and . . . anticipate that he will be an able and effective leader. We look forward to working with him in what is the CPB board's most important task—choosing a new president for the corporation."

At same meeting, board prepared report for submission to Office of Management and Budget, with funding request for fiscal 1974. No details were revealed.

Warner-Cypress merger gets some help from FCC

FCC has granted temporary waiver of CATV-TV crossownership rule to permit merger of Warner CATV Services Inc., subsidiary of Warner Communications Inc., and Cypress Communications Corp. Resulting company would be one of largest cable-television systems in United States, with 129 systems serving 370,000 subscribers.

Under terms of merger agreement, Warner CATV Services would be merged into Cypress, and WCI would then acquire all of Cypress's voting stock (Broadcasting, July 3).

Waiver, which applies to two pre-existing crossownership situations and three that would be created by merger, will extend through Aug. 10, 1973, or until 90 days after final commission action on petitions for reconsideration of the rule, whichever is sooner. Aug. 10 is deadline for breaking up existing CATV-TV crossownerships in same market. Television stations involved are KBAB-TV Bakersfield, Calif., and WANS-TV Chicago, and WJKH-TV Fort Wayne, Ind. Bakersfield and Chicago stations are owned by Harriscopes Stations, whose president, Burt Harris, is principal of Cypress Communications. Fort Wayne station is owned by Television Communications Inc., subsidiary of WCI.

Griffin joins blitz on TV sports blackouts

Senator Robert P. Griffin (R-Mich.) said late last week he has drafted legislation to lift TV blackouts of home-town professional football, baseball, hockey and basketball games.

In addressing Michigan Association of Broadcasters, senator criticized National Football League for imposing blackouts. National Hockey League has shown "some flexibility" by televising home games in some cities, he noted, and other sports have not been blacked out locally.

Senator Griffin, member of Communications Subcommittee, said his bill would not make blackouts impossible, but would remove antitrust exemption—which permits blackouts—so that "NFL will not have the complete freedom it does today to determine unilaterally when, and over what areas, blackouts will be imposed. Individual clubs would still be able to control local televising of their home games if such controls are reasonable and in the public interest," he said.

Removal of antitrust exemption, spokesman said Friday (Sept. 15) would permit Justice Department to re-examine blackouts. He added that Senator Griffin will probably introduce bill this week.

House Investigations Subcommittee has announced inquiry into blackouts (see page 51).

As the dollar goes, so goes opinion—Burch

FCC Chairman Dean Burch, in noting that commission's prime-time access rule will be up for review "within two months," said Friday (Sept. 15) that already it was evident to him that industry's acceptance or rejection of rule follows closely degree to which industry groups believe they are profiting from it.

Chairman held brief session with newsmen in New York following his speech before International Radio & Television Society (see page 53). He said FCC expects to proceed with inquiry on prime-time access rule forthwith and commission could expect to get industry pleas ranging from outright appeal to all sorts of changes and modifications of one kind or another. He said, was already clear: "Those profiting from prime-time access are for it, and those not profiting from it are not for it."

He deferred comment on rerun issue
NARB says it will keep no secrets

As first step to quell criticism of some of its procedures and policies, National Advertising Review Board late last week said it would allow for public disclosure of findings for "the guidance of advertisers and the information of the public."

New guideline was described Friday (Sept. 15) by William H. Ewen, executive director of NARB, as initial move "to a more open policy," as indicated earlier in week by Charles W. Yost, NARB chairman. Mr. Yost (see page 16) had addressed himself to current criticisms against advertising industry's self-regulatory arm and resignation from NARB of board member Leroy Collins.

Resolution setting up new guideline said that "in those investigations where an advertiser has cooperated by making changes to remove the basis for objections, or where the position of the advertiser is upheld, NAD (National Advertising Division) or NARB may make public their findings and results, with prior agreement from the advertiser."

Former procedure was to prohibit publicity on activities, except in instances in which advertisers refused to accept NARB panel decision.

FCC gets ABC's side of satellite mixup during Olympic tragedy

ABC News said there was "confusion" on Sept. 5, day of Arab terrorist attack on Israeli compound at Munich's Olympic Village, as to which network, ABC or CBS, had priority to satellite facility after 1 p.m. NYT, according to details made available Friday (Sept. 15).

ABC's version of events in coverage was contained in lengthy response to FCC inquiry of networks as to what transpired on that day in view of reported network wrangle over use of satellite (BROADCASTING, Sept. 11).

According to William Sheehan, vice president and director of TV news at ABC, who wrote letter, requests for pooling of coverage normally are handled at top news executive level, but that CBS's request for pooling that morning (about 10:30 NYT) was made at ABC's assignment desk. CBS, he said, was then informed at assignment-desk level that "ABC coverage was not available." CBS, he said, had wanted satellite time from 1-1:30 p.m. NYT. When ABC, he said, attempted to extend its time from 1:30-4 p.m., it was advised that CBS had arranged for satellite from 1:30-4, despite ABC's position that it had placed its order earlier than CBS's.

ABC, he said, at one point in early afternoon suggested to CBS that pooling be arranged and that at first, CBS declined, but later (at about 2 p.m.) said it agreed to pooling. Pool coverage, including NBC, went on from 2:30 p.m.

CBS, in brief letter it sent to commission on subject, said it placed three orders for satellite facilities—at 4:10 a.m. for use at 6:30-7:38 a.m.; at 10:30 a.m. for use at 1-1:30 p.m., and "at about noon (when Comsat advised that additional time was available) for use 1:30-3:40 p.m."

Newhouse tosses in towel on Portland, Ore., buy

Newhouse Broadcasting Corp. has given up efforts to take over complete control of KOIN-AM-FM-TV Portland, Ore., as result of Justice Department opposition.

FCC announced on Friday (Sept. 15) that transfer agreement under which Newhouse, 50% owner of stations, would have taken over remaining 50% from members of Portland voting trust had not been consummated. Sale price was $8.1 million.

Commission had approved transfer year ago, on Sept. 29, 1971. However, Justice said it would take action if parties attempted to consummate. Opposition was based on Newhouse's ownership of only two daily newspapers in Portland.

Parties had attempted to resolve differences with Justice, and had sought and obtained frill from Justice on several extensions of deadline to complete sale. However, negotiations with Justice proved fruitless, and last requested deadline extension expired on Sept. 1.

17 named to committee for political action

Almost full complement of broadcasting industry's political-action committee, National Committee for Support of Free Broadcasting, was announced last week. Named were 17 of 20 broadcasters who will constitute advisory council of trustees of NCSFB. Organization's first tier is composed of executive trustees, named last month (BROADCASTING, Aug. 21).

NCSFB was organized earlier this summer to collect and disburse funds for congressional candidates in political campaigns and to finance educational program—all outside aegis of National Association of Broadcasters.


NAB acts to stimulate ownership by minorities

Conference aimed at interesting minorities in investing in broadcast-station ownership has been approved by executive committee of National Association of Broadcasters at meeting last week in New York.

NAB group put its seal of approval on idea proposed by Elbert Sampson, NAB minorities coordinator ("Closed Circuit," Aug. 28). There were no objections, it was reported.

Mr. Sampson's tentative schedule calls for one-day meeting to be held in Washington late in November, probably after Thanksgiving. He proposes to invite about two dozen black and Spanish-speaking businessmen and professionals who are established and have access to financial backing. Among them, of course, will be some blacks and chicanos who already have ownership interests in broadcast stations.

He anticipates having group of broadcast experts address guests, including representatives of banking, broadcasting, government, law and brokers.

More on chapter seven of FTC-Listerine story

Warner-Lambert Pharmaceutical Co., Morris Plains, N.J., maker of Listerine mouthwash, denied last week Federal Trade Commission charges that it misrepresented Listerine's benefits as cure, preventative and treatment for colds and sore throats. FTC issued complaint last June, but announced its intention to order complaint last year (BROADCASTING, Nov. 8, 1971).

Firm noted that latest complaint is seventh time that FTC has litigated or investigated substantially similar claims for Listerine and have either dismissed or abandoned them. Listerine, company said, has been prescribed and recommended by physicians and medical authorities and accepted by consumers throughout world as safe, effective and reliable product for amelioration of colds, cold symptoms and sore throats. "This long record of service and satisfaction to millions of people has been achieved," Warner-Lambert said, "because Listerine Antiseptic in actual use provided the results claimed for it by respondent." Firm asked that the complaint be dismissed.

(see page 12) but in answer to question said that it was natural for FCC to "listen" when President has remarks. He declined to say, however, what, if any, effect Mr. Nixon's comments will have on commission deliberations.

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Sept. 19—ABC Radio annual multimedia presentation to agencies and advertisers. Sheraton Blackstone, Chicago.


Sept. 20—Hearing on newsmen's privilege legislation by House Judiciary Subcommittees No. 3. 10 a.m., Room 2226, Rayburn House Office Building, Washington.


Sept. 20-22—Fall conference, Oregon Association of Broadcasters. Speakers will be Wallace E. Johnson, FCC; Senator Mark O. Hatfield (R-Ore.); and State Representative Stanford Hensel. Kal-Hiwa hotel, Warm Springs.

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Sept. 22—Regional sales clinic, Radio Advertising Bureau, Carrourse Inn, Cincinnati.

Sept. 22-23—North Dakota Broadcasters Association meeting. Featured speakers are: Charles Jones, director, Radio Information Office, National Association of Broadcasters, and John M. Pettit, general counsel, FCC.


Also in September


Sept. 25—Regional sales clinic, Radio Advertising Bureau, Sheraton motor inn, Charlotte, N.C.


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1-2 - Fall convention, Radio Television News Directors Association, Nassau, Bahamas.
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'Up your fun' gets shot down as a commercial and comes back a success

Bubble Up is a lemon-lime soft drink similar to 7-Up, but it's a relatively small advertiser. Through our client, the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Los Angeles, Bubble Up advertises only in the summer and only on radio.

So every year we come up with an all-new campaign, because we can have no continuity of theme, being off the air nine months a year. Last year, the client ordered up an advertising home run. They wanted an all-out attention getter. OK. There is, in this kooky age, a new frankness. You put it in movies, magazines, even in advertising. That's what we reached for with Bubble Up. Over the years, we had wrung every change and variation possible out of the word "bubble!"

This time, we decided we could make an impact by doing something with the word "up". We used "up" as a verb, and the new theme was Up Your Fun. We set it to music, and here's how it came out:

(soft, sweet ballad style)
"Up your goodtimes,
up your bad
Buy Bubble Up and up your pad.
...cause a kiss of lemon
and a kiss of lime ups the fun every-time.

Up your favorite TV show
and up your jock on radio.
..."cause a kiss of lemon
and a kiss of lime ups the fun every-time.

Up this summer,
up next fall
Bubble Up ups them all.
Up your parties
up your fun
...Drink Bubble Up and up everyone."

The client didn't know whether to laugh or cry. It was home-run material alright, but the client thought it was too blue to ever get on the air. Coca-Cola sent us back to rewrite the lyrics. We wrote four versions. Oddly enough, they liked each one a little better. To our way of thinking, the modifications were actually getting bluer instead of milder. Here's number four:

"Up your gander
and up your goose
Drink Bubble Up and hang real loose.
...cause a kiss of lemon
and a kiss of lime, ups the fun every-time.

Up your crackers and
up your chips
Drink Bubble Up and up your dips
...cause a kiss of lemon
and a kiss of lime, ups the fun every-time.

Jack Calnan describes himself as "a Californian by nature," even though born, raised and educated in the Midwest. Coming out of Ohio State University, he joined Needham, Lour & Broby (now Needham, Harper & Steers) in Chicago in 1957, advancing to vice president and manager of the television/radio commercial department. In 1962, Mr. Calnan made the move West, joining Foote, Cone & Belding in Los Angeles, where he served as vice president and copy chief. He and Honig-Cooper & Harrington found each other in 1965. He is now vice president and creative director of the Los Angeles office of the agency.

Caller: No, I dig it, but my girl friend doesn't.
Doctor: Of course not, she wants you all for herself, right?
Caller: Well, she's really out of sight...
Doctor: That's what you hope—she'll be out of sight, and the more often the better, right?
Caller: Yeah, but there's other girls that are out of sight also.
Doctor: Yes, but you like the ones that are in sight.
Caller: Uh huh!
Doctor: You really put your heart in your work, don't you?
Caller: Uh huh!
Doctor: I can see that. You don't have a problem.
Caller: I don't have a problem?
Doctor: No, you got it made, kid. Your girl friend has got the problem. Tell her to call me, and I'll try to straighten out her head!
Caller: Far out!
Doctor: Wait, wait, don't touch that radio—listen to this. Bubble Up comes in big, huge bottles and you pay the same price that you would pay for little bottles of that other stuff. So the doc has just saved you some dough! No thanks needed!

The promotional hook was that the folks had to go to the point of sale to get the doctor's number, printed on a carton stuffer. This got us special displays, away from the shelf. Well, we just didn't know what we had.

The campaign ran 12 weeks. We recorded 180,000 phone calls...that's 2,000 a day. One lady called from her bed and talked for four hours. The best callers were brought in to a studio and their conversations worked into a dialogue with the doctor.

Did we get impact? A survey after the campaign ran showed Bubble Up had jumped from nowhere to third place in recall of advertising, behind only Coke and 7-Up. And we are told that one-third of all the Bubble Up sold in the United States last year was sold in southern California.

I invite you now, to play ad manager. Would you have run Up Your Fun, and risked all those funny cards and letters you were sure to have gotten? In return for its obvious impact? Would you have settled for a comparatively dumb idea like the love doctor And would you have guessed the doctor would turn out to be the home run we needed? Frankly, I'm just glad to have a client with guts to go along with seemingly screwy recommendations we come up with to keep them competitive today. In this, one of the oddball years in the history of our business, advertising may be working better, or worse, but it sure doesn't work like it used to.
The President takes sides against network reruns

OTP director Tom Whitehead delivers the view from the White House: Networks should act voluntarily to change the present system or the government may do it for them; creation of new networks may be necessary to achieve program diversity, he tells West Coast forum

The controversy over network reruns was initiated in June by a petition by an obscure film editor in Hollywood urging the FCC to do something about curbing them. Soon, film, craft unions, with the backing of California congressmen, and the networks were squaring off against each other on the issue. Now, President Nixon has entered the dispute—on the side of the unions—with a call for remedial action, by the government if necessary.

Clay T. Whitehead, director of the Office of Telecommunications Policy, delivered that word in a speech last week to the San Francisco Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

Mr. Whitehead disclosed that President Nixon had stated his position in a letter to John Gavin, president of the Screen Actors Guild. At about the same time, the letter itself was released by SAG in Hollywood. It constituted a strong endorsement of the union's position: “I agree with your view that the increasing number of reruns on the networks in prime time constitutes an economic threat to the talented men and women of the American film industry. I am convinced that, in cutting the amount of original programing, the television networks are failing to serve their own best interests, as well as those of the public.”

And the President made clear his determination to effect a reversal of the trend to an increasing number of reruns. He said that he had instructed Mr. Whitehead to explore the problem and that he hopes the OTP director, “working with the networks, will find a voluntary solution. Otherwise,” he added, “we will explore whatever regulatory recommendations are in order.”

The President's position in the matter became known two days after Robert D. Wood, president of the CBS Television Network, in a speech in Hollywood, gave the issue another network spin. He said the film editor's proposal was “cockeyed”—that it would serve neither the interest of the public nor the unions (see page 14).

Mr. Whitehead did not deal specifically with the proposal of Bernard A. Balment that the FCC, as a means of promoting diversity in programing and increased employment in the film industry, prohibit the networks from presenting reruns during more than 25% of prime time in any given year. But the thrust of his speech reflected the concern expressed in the President's letter. Mr. Whitehead cited a study of the Hollywood unions, “which have been hard hit” because of the use of reruns, which claims that the general nationwide average of reruns in network prime time is close to 60%. He also noted published reports that the networks are working with a 44-week schedule, which contemplates 20 or 22 weeks of reruns—without considering the summer weeks.

He said he understood that the television industry faces "a good profit year" while he has heard that the Hollywood studios "are on the ropes"—with craft unions counting as much as 50% to 75% of their members out of work at any one time, and added: "It is not clear whether there is a relationship between either of these facts and the spreading blight of reruns, but this is a matter that requires some close scrutiny.

The skilled and creative people in the film industry constitute a great national resource—one that sustains the TV industry and provides enjoyment for millions of Americans. This resource is now drastically under-used—and it is the TV viewing public that suffers.”

Mr. Whitehead made no more than an oblique reference to the networks' argument that reducing the amount of permissible reruns, as proposed by Mr. Balment, would send production costs skyrocketing, with the result that workers, along with everyone else in the industry, would suffer serious economic consequences. He did agree the rerun problem is “complicated,” and said it is "irresponsible to criticize the entertainment programs the viewer sees on his screen and blame evil-intentioned network executives for not doing better.” He said the "economic complexities" underlying the rerun issue—which involves the questions of why the program-industry is under-used and why the system produces the kind of programs it does—must be understood.

He said OTP will look into the problem and make its recommendations to the FCC, "if necessary, or urge the networks to take whatever action is deemed appropriate.”

Mr. Whitehead, in a question-and-answer session that followed his speech, and a subsequent news conference, appeared to provide more evidence that he was sensitive to the networks' arguments. Asked his reaction to Mr. Wood's assertion that restrictions on reruns would produce an "economic calamity" for the entire industry, Mr. Whitehead commented: "That's one view of the problem. If you were just to plunge in and mindlessly say there will be no more reruns, this might sound good to a lot of people, but you also might do some very serious damage to the economic development of the industry, and so what could happen is that there would not be as many new programs produced for each season.”

And in many of his responses, he seemed to be attempting to give assurances that the government does not intend to be dogmatic. "The President has not come out in an oblique statement on the giving up of reruns, and he wants us to look at the problem to see if something can be done better,” he said at one point.

The networks, in their immediate reactions to Mr. Whitehead's speech, held firm to their original positions. Mr. Wood, while welcoming "any thoughtful consideration of the question of network...
"reuns," noted that he had summarized CBS's position in his speech two days earlier. And Don Durgin, president of the NBC Television Network, said a "limitation on repeat programing would be self-defeating and will not ultimately serve the interests of the audience. Since the cost of TV program production is at an all-time high, and repeat programing is an economic necessity," he added, "a limitation would result in less elaborate production and consequently less employment."

An ABC spokesman made the same point, and added an objection based on constitutional grounds: "ABC is unalterably opposed to the concept of the government intervening in the programing process—an exercise which violates the spirit, if not the letter, of the First Amendment of the Constitution."

Mr. Whitehead did not confine his speech to the rerun issue. He said that question and the FCC's controversial prime-time access rule are part of the larger problem involved in the need for more program diversity and more program choices for viewers. And the only long-run solution to that problem, he said, may be the creation of new networks.

Mr. Whitehead took no position on the prime-time rule, which prevents top-50 market stations from taking more than three hours of network programing in prime time. However, he noted that "it seems to be costing the studios some $50 million annually" and said it is questionable whether the public benefits much from "the game shows and quiz shows that so often fill the 7:30 p.m. time slot." (The networks say one way of improving the employment situation in Hollywood is to repeal the rule). And he said it is time for the commission to examine the effect the rule has had, as FCC Chairman Dean Burch has said it would.

In discussing the need for additional networks, he defended OTP against charges it has opposed the development of public broadcasting into a fourth network in order "to stifle dissent or protect the commercial networks' profits." OTP, he said, simply believes the government should not create and subsidize a national television network.

But he said it would be appropriate for government to create the conditions that would be favorable to the development of new commercial networks or program suppliers as a means of helping to expand program diversity and viewer choice.

He offered no specific proposals. But he said the FCC's "open skies" policy under which a number of entities may provide domestic communications satellite service (the FCC terms it "multiple entry") could reduce substantially the costs of national and regional networks' interconnection. And the problem of collecting enough major-market affiliations to produce a viable network, he added, "could be eased by cable TV development."

"The new networks do not have to look like the present networks or operate in the same way," he said. They could be combinations of broadcast stations and

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The Nixon-Gavin exchange

Dear Mr. Gavin:

Following our discussion of the growing tendency of the networks to use reruns in place of original programing, I asked Tom Whitehead, the director of the Office of Telecommunications Policy, to look into this problem, and you were contacted by Mr. Whitehead's general counsel.

I can tell you now that, in general, I agree with your view that the increasing number of reruns on the networks in prime time constitutes an economic threat to the talented men and women of the American film industry. I am convinced that, in cutting the amount of original programing, the television networks are failing to serve their own best interests, as well as those of the public. No one will gain if this network practice has the long-run effect of drying up the domestic sources of new programing.

Given the potential serious effect of this practice, I have instructed Mr. Whitehead to thoroughly investigate this problem. I am hopeful that Mr. Whitehead, working with the networks, will find a voluntary solution. Otherwise we will explore whatever regulatory recommendations are in order.

Incidentally, Mr. Whitehead has advised me that he intends to address the question of reruns in a speech he will be making in San Francisco on September 14, and he will be representing my point of view. I urge you to keep in touch with him.

Once again, thank you for bringing this to my attention. You can be assured that we shall continue to work with you on this important problem.

Sincerely,

Richard Nixon

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the members of the Screen Actors Guild and the many other artists and technicians whose livelihood depends on a strong, active and viable American film industry, I wish to thank you for your prompt response to our recent conversation on the problem of excessive reruns on television network prime time.

Your endorsement and support of the goals with which we seek to better the welfare and work opportunities of the people in the entertainment field is most deeply appreciated.

I look forward to being in Washington and meeting with Mr. Ehrlichman and Dr. Whitehead in the very near future.

I too hope that the networks will cooperate with you and with us in solving this problem on a voluntary basis and in a just and equitable manner.

Respectfully,

John Gavin,

President

Screen Actors Guild

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The wood manifesto: Limiting reruns is a cockeyed idea, runs counter to economic realities and viewer needs

CBS-TV, in Hollywood talk two days before Whitehead's, says Balmuth's proposal, would result in bust, not boom

CBS-TV Network President Robert D. Wood last week bearded the rerun limitation proposal in its own den. Journeying to Hollywood, where a coalition of guilds and unions has been campaigning since early summer to restrict network reruns to a maximum of 25% of total allotted prime time during a television year, Mr. Wood counterattacked boldly and unequivocally with a dire prognosis. Limiting reruns "flies in the face of the economic facts of life," he told a luncheon meeting of the Hollywood Radio and Television Society, and is more likely to bring on a bust than a boom. Mr. Wood offered an economic hypothesis of escalating cause and effect to support his contention:

- Preventing the presentation of reruns during more than 25% of prime time in any given year would amount to limiting reruns to 13 weeks out of the 52 and force the networks to present about 12 more weeks of first-run product each year.
- This would lead to production of 750 more hours of first-run product each year.
- Granting a cost of about $100,000 per half-hour, the additional programing would require expenditures amounting to $150 million—compared to $30 million now spent for reruns.
- This $120-million difference between producing additional first-run product or continuing the current rerun patterns would have resulted in wiping out the combined profits of the three networks and throwing them for a $30-million loss in 1969 ("the most successful year in television history"). And in 1971 it would have meant a $65-million combined loss for the three networks.

"Faced with such financial disaster," the CBS-TV executive said, "network television would have no alternative but to cut costs to the very bone." He cited a list of potential disasters that would follow in the wake of such cost cutbacks, including a diminishing of television's journalistic role, a "shattering impact" on entertainment output, a dropping out of the competition for the services of top performers and creative talent, the elimination of large production numbers and large costs, the greater reliance on stock footage and the virtual disappearance of entertainment specials.

Summing up the consequences of the networks being forced to produce 12 more weeks annually of new programming, Mr. Wood cautioned that the quality of fall and winter programing would be "undercut" and that behind-the-camera personnel, as well as big-name stars, would be affected. "It would be an economic calamity for this entire industry—fewer jobs—not more, smaller paychecks—not bigger ones," he said.

Mr. Wood also said that the argument that broadcasters are shortchanging the public with reruns is "completely cockeyed." He said that this charge is based "on the fallacious assumption that just about everyone everywhere watches a program the first time it is on the air.

To the contrary, Mr. Wood claimed, "when the average program is presented for the first time, 131 million people—86% of television's total potential audience—do not see it." Reruns, he maintained, give "six out of every seven viewers . . . a chance to see programs for the very first time,"

Describing the rerun limitation proposal as "counterproductive" to the Hollywood production community's need for more jobs, he solicited support for a more productive campaign against the FCC's prime-time access rule. Saying that the rule has turned into a disaster, Mr. Wood urged that the Hollywood community "not break up into separate camps to argue about unrealistic proposals."

"Instead," he said, "we must continue to try to close ranks and work together to persuade the FCC to rescind the prime-time access rule."

On the other side of the country, CBS Washington Vice President Richard Jencks made essentially the same points in separate letters to 23 California congressmen. Mr. Jencks was responding to letters the congressmen had sent to FCC Chairman Dean Burch in support of a petition filed last May by Hollywood film editor Bernard Balmuth, who asked the commission to institute a rulemaking proceeding to curtail network reruns.

The Film and Television Coordinating Committee, a coalition of 17 Hollywood unions, supported Mr. Balmuth's proposal in a petition last month to the FCC. The pleading contained an analysis—prepared by the Screen Actors Guild—of the networks' prime-time programing last April. The SAG study showed that in that month CBS carried 227 original programs and 657 reruns; NBC, 291 and 591, and ABC, 184 and 697 (Broadcasting, Aug. 14).

In his letters to the congressmen Mr. Jencks expressed "grave doubt that the Balmuth proposal would fulfill its stated objectives" and suggested that "an effective way to increase Hollywood production and employment would be to rescind the prime-time access rule which . . . is costing an estimated 75 million dollar annual loss in Hollywood revenues" and a loss of thousands of jobs in the film industry.

"I would very much appreciate an opportunity to discuss this with you and to acquaint you with our views on this important subject," Mr. Jencks wrote.


Broadcast Advertising

Nixon's seller's laying back on network ads

A confident November Group cancels some Sept. spots and it's likely more will be going by the boards

"We're not in the business of advertising what we're going to advertise," Peter Dailey, president of the November Group, was saying. "We've been preparing the November campaign and if we end up this campaign overprepared and underspent we'll be very happy."

At this point, commercials for President Nixon are not likely to begin airing on the television networks before October. This has at least one network annoyed. Broadcasting learned last week that Mr. Dailey canceled five-minute commercials scheduled to air Sept. 1, 7, 8 and 19 on CBS-TV. The last cancellation came "late last night" (Sept. 12), and has since been bought by the McGovern organization.

The spots were scheduled to come at the end of CBS's Tuesday, Thursday and Friday night movies. A spokesman for
MUSIC GROWS BIG IN THE COUNTRY. WE'VE HELPED IT GROW EVEN BIGGER.

It is only since the founding of Broadcast Music Incorporated, that Country music has become an industry rather than simply a way for a burned-out farmer to keep the blues away.

When BMI was founded, things began to change. For the first time ever, Country writers and publishers had a way to protect the performance rights on their songs and to collect royalties on them. And after years of being dismissed as worthless, Country writers had a place where they could go and be treated with respect.

So, as Paul Hemphill writes in his book, The Nashville Sound: "It is poetic that BMI and the Country Music Association would stand shoulder to shoulder at the top of Music Row, like two Statues of Liberty, because not until BMI was formed in 1939 did it become possible for country songwriters to make a decent living."

We've come a long way since then and we've come that way together. So much together that today, over 90% of all Country songwriters are licensed through BMI.

*The Nashville Sound by Paul Hemphill © Simon and Schuster.*
the network explained that "Six months ago, based on discussions with the
Republicans, we started planning. We had to go to producers and ask them to
shorten shows. CBS has gone to an ex-

As of Sept. 13, the following commer-
cials for the Nixon campaign were still
scheduled on CBS:

- Thursday, Sept. 21—Thursday Night Movie, five minutes; Monday, Sept. 25—
  Gunsmoke, 60 seconds; Tuesday, Sept. 26—
  Love of Life, five minutes; Thursday, Sept.
  28—Love is a Many Splen-dored Thing, five minutes, The Waltons, 60 seconds, 
  Thursday Night Movie, five minutes Friday, Sept. 29—
  Sonny & Cher Comedy Hour, 60 seconds; Sunday, Oct. 
  1—Mannix, 60 seconds; Monday, Oct. 2
  Guiding Light, five minutes; Tuesday, Oct. 
  5—Tuesday Night Movie, five minutes; 
  Wednesday, Oct. 4—Cannon, five minutes; 
  Carol Burnett Show, 60 seconds; Saturday, Oct. 7—Mission: Impossible, 
  60 seconds.

That schedule notwithstanding, indica-
tions are that the remainder of the 
September spots will be canceled and 
that only the October spots will ever 

A check of the other networks revealed 
even less Republican activity. Said NBC: 
"They haven't committed themselves to 
anything. We have distinguished between 
60-second participations, which they can 
buy for any one-hour program that isn't 
news, a special or fully sponsored, and 
five-minute periods. We have provided 
them with specified dates for five-minute 
periods and we're hoping to finalize them 
shortly."

A source at ABC commented that "There has been a lot more activity in 
previous presidential campaigns than 
now." As of Sept. 13, the following 
Nixon spots were scheduled on that 
network:

- Thursday, Sept. 21—Owen Marshall, 
  Counselor-at-Law, five minutes; Tuesday, Sept. 
  26—Marcus Welby, M.D., five 
  minutes.

The Republicans have not yet made 
any commitments on ABC for October. 
One source said that "They've [Republi-
cans] asked us to provide a whole pile

of avails, but we can't work that way.
We've indicated that as they request
avails we'll do everything we can to
accommodate them."

Mr. Dailey has characterized the
November Group's broadcast plan as "ex-
tremely fluid. We're reviewing it on a
day-to-day basis." With President Nixon
reported well ahead of Senator McGov-
ern in most polls at present, the group
feels it can afford to hold off advertising 
until such time as it's really needed.

A CBS spokesman pointed out, how-
ever, that the Republicans will not be
able to "make up" any political spots 
they cancel; that equal opportunity to
buy does not translate out of equal num-
ber of spots aired. Mr. Dailey's "fluid"
strategy is a calculated risk that will pro-

ably meet its biggest test in the last three
weeks of the campaign. While Senator
McGovern's broadcast campaign is de-
signed to build steady TV awareness
over an extended period, President Nix-
on's organization appears to be using TV
in a hypodermic fashion, hoping to in-
ject the audience with swift doses of ad-
vertising as the pitch of the presidential cam-
paign rises.

Dodge charges into TV
for its new models

Sheriff Higgins will be back, but
with George Blanda, Joe Garagiola
in network and spot campaign

Dodge Division of Chrysler Corp is mak-
ing a heavy move into broadcast, start-
ing this week in network television and next
week in spot TV, to advertise the new
1973 Dodge models.

Dodge (agency is BBDO, Detroit 
and New York) will combine heavy 
weekend participation in network (mainly 
spots on ABC-TV but also news on 
ABC'S "TV Special"") with participations on various nights in
prime-time entertainment shows, prin-
cipally on CBS-TV. Sports includes foot-
ball and baseball, including the World 
Series, in schedules released through Oc-
tober. Spot TV will begin in 30 major
markets.

Dodge commercials will emphasize per-
sonalities with their "positioning" having 
market appeal in mind. For example, 
George Blanda, Oakland Raider quarter-
back, is shown in the driver's seat of 
Dodge's biggest model to indicate solid 
comfort, roominess and style; Joe Gara-
giola appears in another commercial for 
the sporty mid-sized family car (Dodge 
Charger), thus capitalizing on his day-
time-TV women's following and male 
sports appeal. Continuing with Dodge is
Sheriff Joe Higgins, who will be asso-
ciated with all of the models. A later 
commercial will feature golfer Lee Tre-
vino.

The auto advertiser, whose network 
participations in many cases represent an 
allocation to Dodge via corporate 
Chrysler buys on the networks, will use 
both one-minute and 30-second versions 
of the commercials.

Also in the Dodge broadcast mix: The

Chrysler-syndicated Lawrence Welk Show
and continuing use of network radio.
Also in radio, BBDO has prepared four 
new Dodge jingles for dealers' use in 
their markets.

A double spotlight
on drug advertising

Church group to probe possible
link with illegal activity;
Gaylord Nelson's subcommittee has 
some questions for FCC, FTC, FDA

The ethics of drug advertising will be 
a principal issue in a "hearing" to be held
by the National Council of Churches 
of Christ in Washington Nov. 14-16.

The meetings will also delve into the 
impact of the advertising of over-the-
counter and prescription drugs on drug-
taking patterns in society today; whether
the information value of drug advertising
justifies the increased costs to the con-
sumer made necessary by large advertis-
ing budgets, and whether drug promotion 
and regulation contributes to the in-
creasing use and misuse of legal drugs 
for recreational purposes.

Commenting on the industry argument
that there is no scientific evidence that 
links drug advertising with the increased 
use of illegal drugs—also held by media
spokesmen, including Vincent T. Wasi-
lewski, president of the National Asso-
ciation of Broadcasters (see page 46)—
the council notes in its memorandum on 
drug hearings: "It is equally true that no 
research exists that demonstrates that drug 
promotion practices do not contribute to 
the use and misuse of both legal and 
illegal drugs."

Plans for the November meeting call for
a panel of 10 civic-minded individuals 
to hear witnesses, interrogate them, and
finally to make recommendations to the 
National Council's board.

Members of the National Council's 
subcommittee on drug advertising, estab-
lished late last year, are Dr. Michael 
Watson, a Bamberg, S.C., physician;
Thomas E. Price, United Methodist,
chairman of the National Council's Com-
mitee on Alcohol and Drug Problems;
Reverend Frank Gunn, Lutheran Church
in America; Reverend David Hancock,
United Presbyterian, Lynville (Minn.) 
Treatment Center; Reverend David A.
Works, Episcopal, North Conway (N.H.)
Institute; John McDowell, National 
Council staff, and Reverend Lawrence 
Wayman, United Methodist, program
consultant.

Appropriated for the project is $20,-
270.80 for a staff of four, with Reverend
Price as director and Reverend Wayman 
as administrative director.

A preliminary two-day briefing for the
panel members is scheduled for next
month. Included will be orientation from
representatives of federal and industry 
organizations.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for Senator
Gaylord Nelson's (D.-Wis.) Select Small 
Business Committee Subcommittee on 
Monopoly said last week that the sub-
committee will hold a hearing in Novem-

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Is small-town America really disappearing? Not if 59,360 of us can help it.

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How it adds up
In total, we're at home in 301 small American cities and towns, where last year our payrolls added up to over $292 million and our local and in-state purchases came to about $258 million.

Community involvement, too
We get involved in our hometowns, too.
Some of us are councilmen and members of school boards.
Many of us are active in the Lions and Rotary, the Chamber of Commerce, in Junior Achievement, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Little League teams, and local charity and Savings Bond Drives.
Some of us are instructors in our local churches and temples. And volunteer firemen, too.

Small town's friend
Because our business isn't strictly business—because we're involved socially and civically, too—we think we're one of the best friends our hometowns ever had.
International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation, 320 Park Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022.
ber or December on cold remedies and other over-the-counter drugs. He said the FCC, the Food and Drug Administration and the Federal Trade Commission would be called to testify on how they are meeting their responsibilities with respect to drugs and drug advertising.

At the subcommittee's hearing on analgesics and mood drugs last year (part of an over-all inquiry that began several years ago), FCC Chairman William J. Baruchs contended that the commission has neither the facilities nor the expertise to determine the effectiveness of drugs. That is an area for the FTC and FDA, he said, and the decision to ban any class of drugs must come from Congress (Broadcasting, Sept. 27, 1971).

**NARB is in for self-examination**

Steering committee's meeting on new procedures this month is underscored by Collins' resignation from board

The National Advertising Review Board was preparing last week to take steps to curb mounting criticism of some of its procedures and policies.

One indication of dissatisfaction with certain operations of the advertising industry's self-regulatory arm was the letter of resignation by LeRoy Collins from NARB's 50-man board. NARB's chairman said he hoped to persuade Mr. Collins, a former governor of Florida and an erstwhile president of the National Association of Broadcasters, to remain on NARB's board.

NARB's chairman, Charles Yost, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, said in response to inquiries that the review board's steering committee would meet later this month to consider what new procedures will be followed and that a public statement detailing these would probably be issued.

At least, he said, the NARB could be expected to "definitely" have something to say regarding the issue of publicity. He said another issue is the pace at which complaints are handled. These, he said, are "concerns not only of Mr. Collins' and others but also of mine," Mr. Yost said.

As currently constituted, NARB's policy is to leave it to the advertiser, who is subject of a complaint, to decide whether or not it wishes to issue a public statement. Upshot of that policy, NARB sources acknowledged, has been to foreclose the possibility of "publicity" on complaints filed and of advertiser supply of substantiation and/or subsequent negotiation on changes in advertising if these are necessary.

NARB is run by a 50-man board, including 10 public members, of which Governor Collins is one, and advertiser and advertising agency member groups.

Governor Collins, said Mr. Yost, "has been urged by me to stay on and I hope he will." He took note of Governor Collins' expression of "some concerns, particularly of the difficulties in getting this operation working as rapidly and effectively as we all had hoped it would."

Whether Mr. Yost's appeal to Governor Collins will succeed could not be ascertained. Governor Collins, who is a member of the steering committee, did not respond to telephone inquiries directed to him last week by Broadcasting.

In essence, Governor Collins' letter of resignation to Ambassador Yost not only expressed dissatisfaction with the self-regulatory organization but also suggested that what was needed was an industry program that provided leadership and not just an apparatus for settling complaints. Moreover, he said, he did not think the people in advertising were ready for the type of organization.

Ambassador Yost made it clear that authorities, including himself, agreed in substance with Governor Collins' belief that the self-regulatory arm ought to perform more effectively.

In addition to citing a need for effectiveness, Governor Collins was critical of what he indicated was an absence of clearly stated standards and information policies that would give advertisers an idea as to what is expected of them, and said that he had become more involved in his practice in personal and local civic responsibilities.

Governor Collins suggested specifically that NARB, or other "agency" undertaking the self-regulatory objective, needs to have independent status, "well developed and publicized" guidelines and standards by which advertising will be judged, acceptance of these standards by the industry, a process of receiving and adjudicating complaints quickly and efficiently and its judgments open to the public.

NARB acts as the court of appeals on complaints initiated with the National Advertising Division of the Council of Better Business Bureaus. The division has also been subjected to fire from a public member of the NARB board.

Benny L. Kass, a Washington attorney who specializes in legal aid to minorities and consumer causes and an original board member of NARB, has insisted that several advertising complaints have been subject to inordinate delay.

Said Ambassador Yost: "Mr. Kass has always felt that we are not moving fast enough." He said the practice thus far has shown that the processing of complaints takes time. He said NAD has found it time consuming to first judge whether or not complaints are "really complaints" and if they are, to then request substantiation and finally to determine whether or not substantiation was "well founded." If both are needed, still additional time is consumed.

"Nevertheless, Mr. Yost acknowledged, "perhaps in some cases we have not been as rapid as we should have been."

**Retailers tell how they do their broadcast thing**

Annual NRMA session gets good tips from successful radio-TV users

The spectacular growth of retail broadcast advertising in the last five years prompted the National Retail Merchants Association to feature "How-to" radio and advertising clinics at its eighth annual retail advertising workshop and seminar in New York last week.

Tom McGoldrick, director of retail sales, Television Bureau of Advertising, pointed out that for the first half of 1972, as compared with the first half of 1971, the total average number of weekly TV commercials aired by department stores had increased from 8,891 to 10,088.

Mr. McGoldrick conducted the TV clinic with panelist John Pellegrine, of Dayton's department store, Minneapolis; Mary Joan Glynn, Bloomingdale's, New York; and Bill Bond, May Co., Cleveland. All are vice presidents, sales promotion.

The panelists prepared a TV advertising plan and budget for a hypothetical department store, Landsbury in Buckeye, Ohio. Several points about retail television advertising were brought out. Mr. Bond observed: 'TV is very impressionable. You can either look like a dynamic big store or you can look like a store with a lot of little things going on. Don't construct your broadcast program the way you would for newspapers. The papers use lots of little events and sales.'

Mrs. Glynn pointed out that the first consideration for television should be the store's image—'what we're all about to our customers and our non-customers. Image is more important than the end product.' Mr. Pellegrine suggested the store used a blend of item and image advertising, targeted at paradise areas and "exploding" them on TV.

The radio clinic was conducted by Robert H. Alter, executive vice president, Radio Advertising Bureau. Panelists were: Suzan Couch, broadcast advertising manager, Macy's, New York; Marjorie Marks, account executive, Felsway Advertising, Totowa, N.J.; Ronald Foth, vice president, Byer & Bowman Advertising, Cleveland.

Each radio panelist discussed specific retail advertising campaigns each had produced and played clips of those spots. Miss Marks handles the Shoetown account. She feels that "radio, more than any other medium, gives you an opportunity to establish an institutional identity. Radio has immediacy.

Shoetown, a chain of discount shoe stores, uses a jingle called Supershoe, "searching the world over to find great values for Shoetown." The commercials are a dramatic spoof on Superman. Midsmanneled Lionel Marshall, proprietor of over 75 Shoetown stores, can become, with the need arises, Supershoe.

One spot has Marshall desperately...
You move them with it.

On paper the script looks fine. But to give your commercial that special something, you need film. Because film alone has the capability for endowing commercials with that ineffable aura of romance, suspense, pathos, or joy. Film has a way of reaching into the viewer's heart.

And if you want to talk about economics instead of aesthetics, film is still the best way to go. It's uncomplicated and flexible, portable and practical. And when you consider the incomparable quality of film, all the refinements and broadened capabilities it gives you, you'll have to admit it's the logical choice. How do you move them? In a word, film.

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searching for an empty part of the store so he can change into costume. After starting several female customers he finds privacy behind the sizes 10 to 11.

Mr. Foth stressed that a retailer's first decision, after he has decided on radio, should be whether he wants to advertise image or items. He also felt that retailers should secure fixed times for their spots. A back-to-school campaign for the Sycamore Shops, Indianapolis, was played.

The format for each spot in the series was "major questions" on fashion phrased in the jargon of math, sociology and English. The answer directed students to "The Sycamore Shops, with everything for the layered look."

A series of spots for Ayres department store's engagement rings featured the fatherly voices of the diamond buyers advertising on why Ayres was the place to buy that first diamond.

Suzan Couch detailed Macy's extensive radio campaign for the opening of its "Fascinating Fifth Floor" housewares department. It ran from Sept. 6 to Sept. 16 on a total of 12 New York-area stations, kicking off with 150 spots in the first day and a half.

The Macy spots feature a Hollywood-style female interviewer, Mavis Niles (the voice of Lovelady Powell), who explains: "All the beautiful housewares are here!" She conducts interviews with the appliances who answer her questions with percolated gurgles and other appropriate sound effects.

Eighteen manufacturers participated in the commercials, paying from $300 to $2,000. Using this plan, Macy's quintupled its advertising money for the campaign. As a public-relations gesture, each manufacturer receives a cassette of his commercial and a recorder to play it on.

In addition, Mrs. Couch played Macy's successful "Summerville" music theme, mentioning that she is considering four other music themes to be used seasonally. A dialogue spot between an excited husband describing Macy's new basement budget store to his wife was the final highlight of the clinic.

Curtain time for ABC Radio

The value of ABC Radio's four-network concept to advertisers is dramatized in a 45-minute musical show, "We've Grown Accustomed to Your Case," which opened Sept. 12 in San Francisco and is traveling to six other cities. Approximately 5,500 advertiser and agency executives have been invited to the five presentations, featuring such Broadway professionals as Ann Hoddap, Dorothy Emmerson, Jon Peck and Chuck Carroll. The show moved to Los Angeles on Sept. 14 and will play in Chicago on Sept. 19; St. Louis, Sept. 21; Minneapolis-St. Paul, Sept. 25; Detroit, Sept. 28, and New York, Oct. 10.

Sears marathon. Sears, Roebuck swept past Procter & Gamble as network television's heaviest spender in a one-week period, Aug. 26 through Sept. 1. Reason: Sears, a major sponsor of ABC-TV's coverage of the Summer Olympics, was responsible for an estimated $2.5 million invested in network during that week, the first week of ABC's coverage. Procter & Gamble in its network investments that week spent an estimated $1.6 million. Those estimates were compiled by Broadcast Advertisers Reports (BAR), based on its monitoring in the top 75 markets and made available last week by the Television Bureau of Advertising. TVB's President Norman E. (Pete) Cash said the Sears campaign, in which 15 different products were represented under the umbrella sponsorship (coordinating agency was Foote, Cone & Belding, Chicago), was "one of the finest uses of television by a retailer in the medium" and a "modern way to build a store image." Said TVB: "The Sears approach in which different divisions of the giant department store group took part in a TV event "has never happened before in retailing."

TVB's high hopes for '72 get even higher

Cash revises earlier prediction to tack another 8% on network, 10% on spot, 20% on local

The Television Bureau of Advertising is now predicting that 1972 may become a benchmark year with advertiser investments in television reaching $4 billion.

According to TVB's president, Norman E. (Pete) Cash, television has recaptured its momentum as the fastest growing advertising medium among the major media. He said TVB is officially continuing with its revised projections of a $3.94-billion year, an increase of 11% over 1971.

TVB's projections had placed network TV at $1.725 billion, up 8%; spot TV at $1.265 billion, up 10%, and local at $950 million, a gain of 20%. These estimates represented revisions made by the bureau this summer of an initial, more conservative projection ("Closed Circuit," Aug. 14). At the time, TVB had said that its revisions, too, were on the conservative side.

Mr. Cash said that though officially TVB was projecting a level just under the $4-billion mark, any one or all three segments of the business could do even better. The acceleration in TV investments over the years was stressed by Mr.

Hartke still frowns on short political spots

Hoosier maintains longer messages needed for right focus on candidates

Senate Communications Subcommittee member Vance Hartke (D-Ind.) continues to believe that political TV spots should be banished from the air.

In remarks printed in the Congressional Record, the senator pointed out he introduced a Senate amendment to that effect last year (Broadcasting, Aug. 9, 1971):

"Although that amendment did not pass, Senator Hartke said (it was tabled by a vote of 74-to-17), "I continue to believe that such a provision is necessary to insure increased dialogue on substantive issues during election campaigns."

He charged that all 60- and 30-second ads do foster "slick slogans and repulsive musdlining."

It is also Senator Hartke's contention that no candidate can communicate his position on important issues in one minute or less. "If we require candidates to use at least five minutes of commercial time, we will encourage them to stand up to the scrutiny of the American people and be judged by their character, their ideals, and the power of their vision," he said.

However, a spokesman said last week that Senator Hartke has no plans at present to introduce legislation outlawing the use of political TV spots.
Cash. He noted that TV hit the $1-billion level in 1955, in eight years was at the $2-billion level (1963), and in only five years (1968) reached $3 billion. A $4-billion level this year would represent a $1-billion growth in just four years.

Mr. Cash said that without a doubt the economy's move upward has been a factor in TV's current rise in sales. He said, however, that more important to a continuing rise was "the recognition by all types of businessmen—national, regional, franchisors, local retailers—that television must play a vital role in the marketing plans of growth-minded companies."

**Business Briefs**

A-C consolidates. Alberto-Culver Co., Chicago, and Compton Advertising, New York, have announced that A-C products with Compton will be transferred to the advertiser's other agencies: Foote, Cone and Belding, Chicago; Edward H. Weiss, Chicago; Arthur & Wheeler, Chicago, and Rosenfield, Sirott & Lawson, New York. A-C and Compton stressed that parting was amicable and consolidation was necessary for more efficient operation.

Hamm looking. Theodore Hamm Co., St. Paul, and J. Walter Thompson Co., Chicago, will terminate their relationship, effective Dec. 15, due to "basic difference of opinion on advertising strategy." Breuer said limited number of agencies will be invited to solicit account.

JWT barter offering. Fifteen half-hour episodes of The World of Survival, nature and wildlife adventure TV series, are being syndicated to 50 major markets on barter basis by J. Walter Thompson Co., New York. Advertiser is Miles Laboratories, Elkhart, Ind., which sponsored previous episodes last year under title of Survival.

**Name switch.** Porter-Ward Advertising Inc., Winston-Salem, N.C., advertising, marketing and public-relations agency, has changed to United Advertising Agency Inc. as result of P-W's merger with United North Carolina Industries, North Wilkesboro, N.C. United Advertising clients include W. R. Bonsal Co. (Sakrete and Bonsal construction products), National Boat Works (Grady White pleasure boats) and Mid-Atlantic Taste Freez franchise group. Address remains 245 Olson Street, 27103.


**On the beach.** Katz Television, New York, promoted its appointment as national sales representative for WXII-TV Atlanta by flying its message along the shore route. Katz said it used airplane advertising to alert as many media buyers as possible to the news with "the kind of impact that would be remembered when media buyers called for avail." New York area beaches from Seaside, N.J., to Montauk Point at the tip of Long Island were covered.

**BAR reports: television-network sales as of Aug. 27**

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*Source: Broadcast Advertisers Reports network-TV dollar revenues estimates.*

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**Media**

Broadcasters to price agency: We were fouled

Clarification of July order spells out stringent conditions for rate hikes; NAB's Cobb asks for hudle with Grayson, Burch

Broadcast representatives used the term "intolerable" to describe the guidelines issued last week by the Price Commission ostensibly clarifying the details of its July order permitting TV and radio stations to raise advertising rates only under certain conditions.

That order said that broadcasters could boost advertising fees only if they historically related such raises to increases in audience under a cost-per-thousand formula through the use of rating reports. Otherwise, it said, boosts in advertising rates could only be made if it did not increase a broadcaster's profit margin (Broadcasting, July 17).

So strongly did industry spokesmen feel about the questions-and-answers document that there was an immediate call for a conference. This was made directly to FCC Chairman Dean Burch and Price Commission Chairman C. Jackson Grayson Jr. by Grover C. Cobb, executive vice president for government relations of the National Association of Broadcasters. Mr. Cobb has been working with both agencies, as well as communication lawyers in Washington, on economic-stabilization matters.

In his letters to Messrs. Burch and Grayson, Mr. Cobb said that the guidelines issued by the Price Commission last week "do not provide a satisfactory response to the needs of the broadcasting industry for fair treatment..." A conference at the earliest mutual convenience, Mr. Cobb said, would be "the essential first step toward resolution of this most serious problem."

Mr. Cobb attached an analysis of the guidelines that noted they impose "an unworkable set of guidelines upon most broadcasting stations in the country." The memorandum, prepared by Washington lawyer Donald P. Zeifang, noted also: "... it is grossly inequitable to arbitrarily impose such a ceiling upon a broadcaster that has by any realistic analysis not increased his prices at all."

The reference was to a provision in the guidelines that requires a broadcaster to use a 30-day period ending Aug. 15, 1971, as a base when he utilizes the computation method to determine his CPM rates. That base period, Mr. Zeifang stressed, means that a station that did not have adverse fall sales during the spring freeze base period will have to measure its summer rates against spring audience.

Among the points made in the questions-and-answers document (see page 23), according to observers, these seem
to be significant:

- Broadcasters cannot change their rates for this season's new programs, even if they are sure audience increases will result. However, when one of the new rating reports are issued based on surveys made in October and November.
- Broadcasters may not increase prices for spots even though they may reduce the number of commercials in a particular time period if in effect increasing the value of the remaining spots.
- Broadcasters whose investment costs go up due to improvements of facilities, through the construction of a new tower for example which results in a new or improved service to its audience, may not increase advertising prices.

At the request of the House of Representatives, the Price Commission will permit broadcasters to withdraw packages rates without the potential increase in revenues being counted against the station's profit margin as required in earlier drafts of the question-and-answer document, but was deleted in the final document.

Aside from the dismay felt by broadcasters at the complex regulations imposed on their business practices, there is greater bitterness at the fact that only last month the Cost of Living Council expected immediate benefits from all controls motion picture and TV producers (Broadcasting, Aug. 21). That order said the movie and TV film marketplace is so complicated there is no basis for establishing a ceiling—and virtually guarantees that broadcast representatives have used in trying, so far unsuccessfully, to persuade the authorities to exempt TV and radio.

From the horse's mouth on price controls

The document issued by the Price Commission in Washington last week consists of questions and answers on the economic prices controls imposed on broadcasters under the order issued on July 12. The complete list:

**General**

Q. Is a broadcasting firm considered a service organization or retailer under the Price Commission regulations?

A. No. A broadcasting firm is considered a service organization which sells a service.

Q. How can broadcasters increase their prices?

A. Proportional stabilization regulations permit service organizations to increase prices where there is cost justification or where a zero term limit pricing agreement exists between the Association and the Commission. In addition, the Price Commission may increase prices other than package rates to increase prices in accordance with cost-per-thousand (CPM) justification.

Q. What is a zero term limit pricing agreement?

A. Zero term limit pricing (ZLP) is an agreement between a broadcasting company and the Price Commission to not increase prices for individual programs within a particular broadcasting segment. Other rates remain unchanged at any time without additional Price Commission consent, provided, total annual revenues from all programs within that particular broadcasting segment do not exceed 50% of total revenues of the same segment from the preceding year.

Cost Justification

Q. What do you mean by "cost justification" when a broadcaster is attempting to increase his advertising fees?

A. If labor and overhead costs have increased since the last price increase, the broadcast station may increase costs, provided, total annual revenues from all programs within that particular broadcasting segment do not exceed 50% of total revenues of the same segment from the preceding year. The freeze base period is January 1, 1971. However, broadcast station must submit evidence to demonstrate that cost justification as increased by the new 6. C.F.R. 300.14.

Q. What is meant by "cost-per-thousand" (CPM) justification?

A. The Price Commission has given notice that a person engaged in broadcasting may use the cost-per-thousand advertising fee of radio and television stations, if that person can establish that it has been its customary practice to use cost-per-thousand in determining advertising fees up to the date of the notice, See, 37 Fed. Reg. 10659 (July 12, 1972). The CPM rate is expressed in terms of X dollars per 1,000 listeners or viewers. The freeze base period is January 1, 1971. However, broadcast station must submit evidence to demonstrate that cost justification as increased by the new 6. C.F.R. 300.14.

Q. What is meant by a broadcast station use "projected" audience surveys to adjust its advertising fees?

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Compensation to challengers: blackmail or part of the process?

Both sides are taken in comments to the FCC on vis-a-vis settlements between licensees and opponents

The FCC has put forth the idea that if both sides in license-renewal disputes took their differences out of Washington and settled them back home, the backlog in processing renewal applications would diminish. That proposal drew mixed reviews in comments submitted to the commission last week.

The proposal would permit incumbent licensees and parties contesting license renewal applications to negotiate their differences privately, and would allow stations to compensate challengers if the latter withdraws its opposition. The proceeding is the outgrowth of a U.S. Court of Appeals reversal of an FCC decision concerning KTAL-TV Texarkana, Tex. The commission had ruled that a settlement agreement between the station and a challenging group, which called on KTAL-TV to pay the group some $15,000 in reimbursement fees, would not have served the public interest because of the monetary compensation involved. The court disagreed, stating that such payments may be desirable when they result in better broadcast service.

Broadcasters filing last week found fault with this philosophy. Two principal arguments were offered against it. First, it was contended, the potential for abuse of the proposed compensation policy on the part of citizen groups outweighs the possible benefits. Second, if the commission implements the proposal it would be abdicating to outside parties its responsibility to oversee the operation of its licensees.

Overall, several interests contended that reimbursement is an essential ingredient in ensuring continued dialogue between the broadcaster and various elements in his community.

One of the parties advancing this belief was the Office of Communication of the United Church of Christ, which has provided legal assistance to numerous citizen organizations participating in the renewal process. The Office of Communications claimed that it has always encouraged the parties it aids to negotiate with the broadcasters with which they have found fault. It asserted that an "overwhelming majority" of the petitions to deny filed at the FCC are later withdrawn following private settlements among the parties.

The Office of Communications came out strongly in favor of the commission's proposal. However, it said the commission should impose no limits or rates for any compensation included in settlement agreements. The church group did, however, find "considerable merit" in requiring that all compensation "be a matter of public record.

The desirability of financial remuneration for challenging groups, the Office of Communications claimed, is explicit in cases where the challenger agrees to provide counsel to the station regarding community needs. Community consultancy processes which do not require uncompensated services often fall into disuse or are not as effective in improving broadcast service as they should be," it said. And since individuals in citizen groups who offer their services to broadcasters, such as holding down jobs, compensation would provide a needed stimulus, it indicated.

In contrast, a group of 67 stations represented by the McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner law firm felt that the commission should "consider all possible means" of precluding compensation to challengers. Since the reimbursement issue came to light in the KTAL-TV proceeding, the group said, "the problem has been created. "While some have welcomed the participation of citizen groups looking toward broadcast service more responsive to the public interest," it said, "the element of payment raises the specter that the group may be used by such groups for the purpose of generating those payments rather than for improved broadcast service."

ABC expressed similar reservations. And it went a step further in calling on the agency to put an end to all forms of financial compensation between parties that come before it—even those interests who are competing applicants for new broadcast facilities. ABC contended that such a wide-ranging prohibition is necessary in order to preserve the precedent set by the court in the KTAL-TV case. It claimed that the court, while apparently condoning reimbursement to challengers in certain cases, did not prohibit the commission "from barring financial agreements, as long as that ban covered all forms of settlements and not just those involving citizen groups.

CBS likewise felt that the FCC proposal was "ill-conceived" and called for its abandonment. Noting that most citizen groups participating in the renewal process represent ethnic and minority factions, the network claimed that if these groups were permitted to receive payments in return for consultation services they would be in a position to pressure the broadcaster into implementing programming oriented toward a specific, and sometimes narrow, segment of the audience.

And according to a brief filed by the law firm of Pierson, Ball & Dowd on behalf of five broadcast clients, payment for consultations—even on a "nonprofit" or "expense" basis—"would be an incentive enough to some persons in every community to organize groups for this purpose."

"If such a practice were sanctioned," the law firm warned, "broadcasters would often agree to make these payments to groups flinging petitions to deny, even when the merits of the petitions are doubtful.

The 'nuisance' or 'scare' value of petitions to deny, particularly in transfer cases where contracts must be honored, "are obvious.

Another view on the issue came from the Washington law firm of Welch & Morgan, which has represented several competing applicants for existing broadcast facilities.

"To protect and insure the integrity of its judgments concerning license renewals," Welch & Morgan said, "the commission should welcome and encourage the participation of public-interest groups in the license-renewal process. The law firm contended that the commission's limited resources do not allow as extensive an involvement in individual station operations as might be achieved through outside dialogue between the station and community representatives.

Welch & Morgan asserted that financial settlements between competing applicants—which have been the object of some controversy at the FCC—are a necessary aspect of the comparative review process. If such agreements were not permitted by the commission, it said, both the incumbent and the challenger would suffer; the former because, absent the potential for financial settlement and a chance to recover the costs of processing its application, the challenger would be tempted to "go for broke" in hearing when it might otherwise have withdrawn its bid, and the latter because an incumbent with superior economic resources might be in a better position to ward off its opponent in a hearing.

Another FCC voice for lightening regulatory yoke

General Counsel Pettit says burdens are particularly heavy on small-market broadcasters

Broadcasters are continuing to receive from the FCC a message that some may have trouble accepting: The commission is aware of the burdens regulation imposes on them, views their problem sympathetically, and intends to do something about it.

FCC Commissioner Richard E. Wiley, who heads a special committee concerned with what he calls "re-regulation" of broadcasting, has taken the lead in delivering that message. It was the theme of several of his recent speeches, including one he gave to the West Virginia Broadcasters Association last month (BROADCASTING, Aug. 28) and one last week to the Michigan Association of Broadcasters.

Now, FCC General Counsel John Pettit, a member of the Wiley unit, is also spreading the word. "I can assure you that [re-regulation] is a project that is going to move forward—and sooner rather than later," Mr. Pettit said last week in a speech to the Nevada Broadcasters Association in Las Vegas.

He left little doubt about where his sympathies lie. He said the small-market broadcaster has been so burdened with
rules, regulations and forms over the past 50 years that he views broadcast regulation "as a cross between a sanitary landfill and a quicksand bog—the surface is not unappealing, but there's a lot below you could well do without."

To him, the fact that in recent years more than 70% of AM stations inspected by the commission were found to be in violation of one or more of the commission's technical rules indicates a need not for stricter regulation but for simpler rules—"rules that are rational: rules that recognize the technical advances of the past 50 years and rules that free the broadcaster from an administrative burden wholly unrelated to the broadcaster's pursuit of the public interest and his role as a public trustee."

Mr. Pettit said that, as a starter, the commission "in the next month or two," is expected to act on three petitions filed by the National Association of Broadcasters. These deal with transmitter visibility rules, checks on transmitters operated by remote control and remote pick-up activities.

Like others at the commission, he feels the agency should distinguish between large-market television and small-market radio. Both, he said, "are saddled with the same form-filling requirements." Even the burden on television is too great," he said. "But when a small-market radio broadcaster—busy with selling time, spinning records, interviewing dignitaries, and reading meters—has to spend literally months preparing a license renewal application, the public interest and common sense demand a change."

As for other matters, he expressed these views on issues about which the regulation panel has received complaints from broadcasters responding to requests for comments on the project:

* The requirement that broadcasters visit a transmitter five times each week, and read the meters every 30 minutes: "Why not, as a first step," eliminate detailed meter-reading and other transmitter-related requirements for the licensees having automatic transmitters?

* The ascertainment of need survey: "This, as you know, has become a favorite target of those filing petitions to deny." Whatever validity it has for large-market television, he said, there is "a serious question" as to whether the survey requirements should be imposed on small-market radio.

* The fairness doctrine "and its illogical offshoot, counteradvertising." As for counteradvertising, he said, "I fail to see how it is in the public interest to weaken or diminish the economic base of a commercial broadcast system that for all its faults is the finest system in the world." As for the fairness doctrine, he hopes that "at the very least," it can be made simpler and more understandable.

Like many others, Wiley, he urged broadcasters to put aside fears he said they may have of communicating their views on re-regulation to the commission. "It is time for broadcasters to lay aside the distrust and wariness that have grown up over half a century of ever-burgeoning regulation," he said.

FCC draws up heavy six weeks of assignments

**KJH-TV renewal, children's TV, satellites, CATV questions, ratings head crowded agenda through October**

The FCC, which is beginning to pull itself together after a slow August, faces a work schedule of special meetings that is expected to keep commissioners and staff close to Washington at least through the month of October. Among other matters on the agenda is a major comparative-renewal case involving RKO General Inc.'s KJH-TV Los Angeles—a case now seven years old.

The schedule, which also includes the children's television panels, announced two weeks ago (Broadcasting, Sept. 11), along with a special staff briefings on the subject; the domestic communications satellite proceeding, and various cable-television items, was distributed to commissioners last week by Chairman Dean Burch.

Along with the schedule went the admonition to plan on five-day work weeks in Washington through October. The chairman noted that in the next two months the commission will be faced "with numerous, unpredictable and urgent 'political fairness' and 'equal-time' petitions."

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asked to submit a 30-minute film containing such material.

Two days—Oct. 10 and 11—have been set aside for consideration of the question of whether the commission should modify or affirm its decision in the domestic-communications satellite proceeding. AT&T and the Communications Satellite Corp. have asked for reconsideration, although Comcast has said it would withdraw its petition if its agreement with MCI-Link Communications, a jointly owned satellite system, is approved by the commission (BROADCASTING, Sept. 11).

Another two days—Oct. 17 and 19—are to be devoted to outstanding cable-television problems. These include the question of crossownership of CATV and other media (newspapers, television and radio), CATV carriage of sports events, pay cable and proposed rules for protecting radio stations against CATV-imported radio signals.

The only other scheduled event is a briefing, on the morning of Oct. 24, for the commission on ratings procedures and the uses to which ratings are put. The briefing is to be done by the American Research Bureau, A. C. Nielsen Co., the National Association of Broadcasters research staff, and an advertising agency representative. The commission's interest in the subject reportedly grew out of the questions that arose last winter in connection with ARB's list of counties with television stations that, under the new cable-television rules, are "significantly viewed" (BROADCASTING, Feb. 28).

Beyond the scheduled matters are a number of what Chairman Burch calls "front-burner" items for which no special meetings have been set.

These include the two license-renewal matters—one dealing with proposed changes in the renewal procedures, the other with a proposal for establishing criteria for determining whether a station whose license is under challenge at renewal time deserves special consideration.

The fairness-doctrine inquiry is also on the list. The commission will consider the matter after receiving an unspecified number of staff briefings.

Another item involves the question of whether land-mobile radio should be permitted to share UHF channels in cities beyond the top 10, where sharing of one or two of the lowest seven UHF channels (14-20), was authorized by the commission two years ago. The chief engineer's office is currently conducting a study of the use being made of land-mobile channels in the affected cities.

One major administrative matter listed involves the proposed reorganization of the commission—the Office of Management and Budget's controversial recommendation that calls for a strengthening of the administrative powers of the chairman's office and a merging of the field engineering and safety and special radio services bureaus.

One less weighty administrative matter to be considered involves Executive Director John Torbet's report on delegations of authority to the commission's staff—whether delegations should be revised or expanded.

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CBS Radio affiliates get together this week

Speakers at four-day convention will include FCC's Burch, Senator Goldwater and top network brass

The CBS Radio Network Affiliates Association will open its four-day convention tomorrow (Sept. 19) in Phoenix.

Expected to attend are owners and managers of the 244 stations affiliated with CBS Radio, who will hear talks by network executives, personalities, and newsmen and government officials.

Speakers will include FCC Chairman Dean Burch; Jack Williams, governor of Arizona; Senator Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.), and John Z. Delorean, vice president and general manager, CBS News Radio Division, General Motors Corp.

Arthur R. Taylor, the recently elected president of CBS Inc., will attend the convention. Speakers from CBS will include John A. Schneider, president CBS Broadcast Group; Richard W. Jencks, vice president, CBS, Washington; Richard A. Salant, president, CBS News; Sam Cook Digges, CBS Radio division president and George J. Arkedis, vice president, CBS Radio division and general manager, CBS Radio Network.

Opening the convention will be Odie S. Ramsland, executive vice president, MDAL (AM) Duluth, Minn., and convention chairman, and James Ward, executive vice president and general manager, WLC (AM) Nashville and chairman of the CBS Radio Network Affiliates Association.

Participating in the convention will be CBS News correspondents Lowell Thomas, Dan Rather, Dall J. Townsend, Charles Kuralt, Charles Osgood and George Herman; CBS Radio sports reporters Phil Rizzuto, Pat Summerall, Win Elliot and Andy Musser, and Mike Roy, star of the network's Mike Roy's Cooking Thing.

Changing Hands

Announced

The following sales of broadcast stations were reported last week, subject to FCC approval:

**KOKA (AM)** Shreveport, La.: Sold by Stuart J. Hepburn and others to James A. Reeder and others for $775,000. Mr. Reeder is a Shreveport resident and has been employed at television stations as a producer and technician. KOKA operates on 1550 kHz with 10 kw day and 500 w night.

**WICK (AM)** Bogalusa, La.: Sold by Curt Siegelin to G. S. Adams Jr. for $163,000. Mr. Adams is vice president of the Washington & Truck & Trumina and has real estate, insurance and investment interests in Franklinton, La. WICK operates full time on 1490 kHz with 1 kw day and 250 w night.

Approved

The following transfers of station ownership were approved by the FCC last week.
Nash and Cottone square off again

FCC’s Nash ejects KAYE counsel from Puyallup renewal hearing; later dismisses renewal application for failure to prosecute

The heated dispute between FCC Administrative Law Judge Ernest Nash and the attorney for KAYE (AM) Puyallup, Wash., Benedict Cottone, has again boiled over.

Judge Nash, on Friday, Sept. 8, ejected Mr. Cottone from the hearing in which the station’s license-renewal application is at stake—and on Monday dismissed the application on the ground the licensee had failed to prosecute it. Then he recessed the hearing.

The actions came as a climax to an increasingly rancorous proceeding that began on Aug. 16, when it had left off, in December 1970—in what observers described as an atmosphere of bitter personal feelings between Judge Nash and Mr. Cottone. The station’s renewal application is in jeopardy as a result of petitions filed by a number of groups, including the Puget Sound Committee for Better Broadcasting and the United Church of Christ, asserting that the station had violated the commission’s fairness doctrine and personal-attack rules. The station is regarded as conservatively oriented.

Judge Nash in June 1971 issued an initial decision recommending denial of the station’s application. However, the commission last May sent the case back to Judge Nash as a result of KAYE’s contention that he had closed the record without giving station counsel an opportunity to rebut charges made by the petitioners.

Judge Nash’s initial decision and a petition that KAYE later filed with the commission urging his disqualification as presiding officer indicated the kind of feelings involved. The initial decision contained a number of critical comments directed at Mr. Cottone and the manner in which the KAYE case was presented.

KAYE’s petition to disqualify Judge Nash—filed after the commission sent the case back to him—alleged that Judge Nash was guilty of “prejudice and bias.”

The hearing on Sept. 8 provided more of the same. Judge Nash accused Mr. Cottone of resorting to the “cheapest shyster tricks in the book” to interfere with the cross-examination of James N. Nicholls, the station’s president and general manager, and repeatedly warned him that “further disruptive tactics” would be cause for Mr. Cottone’s ejection.

Later, after Judge Nash had ordered him out of the hearing, Mr. Cottone read this hastily prepared statement: “Your mind, sir, is a cesspool of filth, venom, venality, bias and prejudice. To call you savage would cast aspersions on innocent savages. If I believed you had a vestige of rationality, I would call you a very, very evil person.”

The hearing, in a room of the Public Safety building in Puyallup, had not been a model of decorum previously, either. One observer called it a “foul” affair.

The exclusion order resulted from Judge Nash’s order to Mr. Cottone to refrain from stating reasons for his objections to the cross-examination unless asked for them. For two hours, Mr. Cottone observed that order. But he was ejected after he ignored Judge Nash’s order to stop arguing his reasons for objecting to a question by Broadcast Bureau counsel Joseph Chachkin.

(Judge Nash not only ordered Mr. Cottone out of the hearing but out of the hearing room. And after Mr. Cottone refused to leave, Judge Nash directed a local policeman to remove him. However, the policeman did not attempt a forcible removal after Mr. Cottone asked if he were a U.S. marshal with authority to act in a federal proceeding.)

Judge Nash, who on Friday had directed Mr. Nicholls to consider over the weekend the question of proceeding with new counsel, dismissed the station’s renewal application on Monday, after Mr. Nicholls said he had been unable to obtain new counsel and that it would take months for a new attorney to familiarize himself with the record in the case. He asked to continue with Mr. Cottone.

Judge Nash said he was dismissing the application because of the applicant’s failure to prosecute, and said he would issue a written order later. He also said the station had been “virulent and unprincipled” in efforts to frustrate the proceedings. The order came as a surprise to those in the room, particularly since Mr. Chachkin had suggested that KAYE be given additional time to obtain counsel.

KAYE did not wait for Judge Nash’s written order to be issued. It filed a notice of appeal with the commission on Thursday.

Mr. Nicholls, who was acting as his own attorney on Monday, read a prepared statement in which he said he had tried and failed to obtain the legal services of Eugene F. Mullin, who like Mr. Cottone is a Washington attorney and...
Nicholas Johnson's guide to almost dropping out

FCC commissioner's latest book, a new collection of old writings, brushes past television on its way to mapping alternative life-style that stops short of disengagement

Some two and a half years ago FCC Commissioner Nicholas Johnson collected and polished articles he had written and speeches he had delivered, stitched them together with some new material, and put it all between the hard covers of a book called "How to Talk Back to Your Television Set." It contained some of his specific criticisms of television and informed citizen groups of the rights they had in seeking redress of their grievances against local broadcast service (BROADCASTING, Feb. 9, 1970).

Now he has once again dug into ideas he has expressed in speeches and lectures and articles he has written to produce a new, soft-cover book, published by Bantam Books under the title "Test Pattern for Living," and described on the cover as "A 20th-century guide to coping with life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness—without dropping out." It sells for $1.25.

And the recycling technique is appropriate to the subject. For, going beyond his immediate interest in television, except as he sees it as part of the problem rather than the solution, the commissioner is concerned with an alternative lifestyle—one that "many people believe to be more 'natural,' that seems to work better for me." That style, he says, "centers on the life force that binds all of us to each other, and the universe from which we came and to which we return."

To Commissioner Johnson, life in the corporate state can be a grim, unrewarding business. He quotes statistics showing increases in the number of patients in mental institutions and in the consumption of alcohol, in the number of unwanted illegitimate births and in the alienation of Americans from the mainstream of society. And beyond these statistics, he says, there is a majority of Americans who simply "lead dull lives which produce dull headaches."

The commissioner does not blame all of society's problems on television, but the medium comes in for a heavy dose of criticism. Indeed, he calls the "corporate control of television" perhaps the "nation's greatest tragedy," says "there is very little that is programmed any time during the broadcast day that is in dissonance with Big Business's over-all domination, and content that television has not only 'dumbed down' and made us a better race of men, it has actually made us worse than before.'"

He sees it as educating viewers "away from life and away from individuality." He says not only do the commercials and the programs "exploit popular materialism, conspicuous consumption, status consciousness, exploitation and fantasy worlds of quick shallow solutions, but even the settings and subliminal messages are commercials for the consumption style of life."

Commissioner Johnson, as the explanatory note on the cover indicates, does not feel it is necessary to "drop out." He appears content to do his trips. But the commissioner, who lives alone, describes a life style he has developed for himself that, he says, works for him, one that stresses a return to basics; he tends a simple garden, prepares simple food, does some modest mending of clothes, and transports himself about town by bicycle.

The aim, he says, is to "integrate creativity and contemplation, love, religion, exercise, food, clothing, shelter, transportation (life support activities), relation to nature, and professional productivity into a balanced life in the city that comes as close as possible to the kind of integrated whole life man lived when first on earth."

The 145-page book, in a sense, has some co-authors. As he did his papers delivered at Berkeley and at Yale, the commissioner alternated pages of his text with pages of quotes from a variety of diverse sources—from Richard Nixon to Charles Manson and the anonymous authors of a number of television commercials—that are intended to underline the points he is making.

As was true of his first book, Commissioner Johnson will receive no royalties from "Task Force for Living." Under his contract with Bantam Books, the publisher is to retain sole control of the funds and will disburse them "to and for the benefit of nonprofit foundations and other organizations and persons devoted to a public service purpose."

Commissioner Johnson is not to participate in choosing recipients. The royalties from "How to Talk Back to Your Television Set" were earmarked by the publisher, Atlantic-Little, Brown for organizations concerned with "improving the contribution of television to the quality of American life."

The Citizens Communications Center was eventually chosen as the beneficiary and has received some $3,500.

That time again. The Federal Communications Bar Association's annual fall outing will take place Oct. 10 at the Washingtonian Country Club, Gaithersburg, Md. Events include golf and tennis, as well as a buffet supper. Joining in the occasion, as they have in years past, are the National Broadcasters Club and the Association of Federal Communications Engineers.

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A "Special Report" on country music occupies pages 29-44.
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There's new life in an old radio art form: Country radio has come to town in a big way

Ric Libby sat in the production studio of KENR(AM) Houston, the station that hired him 18 months ago, playing a selection of records he had just pulled from the "play" stack. He set the needle down on a single, "Garden Party," a song about the rather cold reception the artist, Rick Nelson, received when he played country music at a rock-and-roll revival concert at Madison Square Garden. "Now is that country music?" Ric Libby asked.

Then he played a Mac Davis song called "Don't Get Hooked on Me," a pop record performed by a Nashville resident. "What's country music?" he said with a shrug.

And then he played a mountain song complete with mandolins, banjo and fiddle. The artists were a group of long-haired youngsters from California, the Blue Grass Alliance. "What's country music?" he asked again.

Ric Libby's question is not simplistic. It is at the heart of the principal dilemma that faces every country programmer today.

The barriers that once separated music into classifications of country, rhythm and blues, rock, rock and roll, etc., are coming down. Some radio programmers have tried to ignore this phenomenon, others may not realize it's happening. But those in the forefront of today's radio have seen their listeners shake loose from the straight-jackets that kept white audiences ignorant of the burgeoning eclecticism of black music, northern audiences ignorant about the modernization of country music, and rural audiences ignorant of the music with country sensibilities that white pop artists were peddling to urban audiences.

Sometime in the middle sixties, the production of country music took a sharp turn. Double fiddles, mandolins, banjos and, to some extent, even the pedal-steel guitars were out. Eddy Arnold appeared in a tuxedo. Ray Price fired his Cherokee Cowboys and stipulated that he be provided with a 26-piece orchestra for all his live dates. Pete Drake, premier pedal-steel guitar session man in Nashville, became as well known among rock fans for his side work with Bob Dylan and George Harrison as he had been among country devotees.

For the most part, the dominant country music outlets in the major markets of the U.S. have been on country formats for only the last four or five years. Station operators who found themselves in trouble during the mid-sixties looked around the country and found several major stations that had adapted country music to a more tightly formatted sound and were doing well. There were little more than a half dozen of these "modern country" stations, as they came to be called, in 1965 and 1966. Among them were KSON(AM) San Diego, KRAK(AM) Sacramento, WJJD(AM) Chicago and KAYO(AM) Seattle.

Jay Hoffer was in at the beginning of KRAK's country switch in 1962. He is still the program director of that 50 kw Sacramento country station. "We tried to apply the modern techniques of radio, meaning format radio, and superimpose that onto a country structure. Country radio before this time was a very loose arrangement. There was a lot of yak on the air from what we heard of the small country stations around the area. There was a lot of visiting, that kind of crap. And they played whatever the hell they wanted."

"Initially we had jocks who were basically from a country background. They were part of a panel who would sit down and listen to the music [and make selections]. It became apparent to me—and I really didn't know the music per se—that all these guys had their own particular prejudices. I was a neophyte to this particular sound, but at least I could be objective. I didn't know Johnny Cash from a hole in the wall. All I knew was what I heard and if I thought it was going to fit the particular direction we were going then we'd play it." After several months Mr. Hoffer disbanded the DJ music panel and began making all the selections himself.

The decision Jay Hoffer made 10 years ago was not unique, but it was illustrative of a situation that would repeat itself many times in the years to come as programmers came into country radio from top-40 and MOR backgrounds with little knowledge of Kitty Wells, Hank Williams, Ernest Tubbs and all the other stars who had headlined country music in the preceding two decades. Tom McEnty, head of country promotion for MGM Records, "[In the middle sixties] you could rattle off the names of only about two dozen people who were stars. They totally dominated the charts. That's the way it was. Suddenly, the increase in new country stations brought guys who didn't know much about country in to be program directors and music directors and they mostly came from rock. They
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had to come from someplace. And they started to play other people besides the Wanda Jacksons and the Ernest Tubbs. They didn’t know those names. And they weren’t used to the twangy country sound so it was harsh on their ears. So they started picking Lynn Andersons and Charley Prides.”

Don Nelson, general manager of what may be the best rated and most highly praised country outlet in America, WIE, Indianapolis, places the credit for the advent and success of “mod” country radio on the record producers and artists of Nashville. “It’s important that we realize that the big successful radio stations today did not make Nashville. Nashville made those radio stations. Prior to about 1966, there was a limited amount of country product with vast audience appeal. You were restricted to just plain hard country. Then, in the mid-sixties, they started coming with your Glen Campbells, who were suddenly number one on all the charts. When Nashville broadened its base, when it changed the product, that made it possible for country music radio stations to succeed.”

Billy Sherrill never really cared all that much for country music when he was a kid; what he really wanted to be was a saxophone player in an R&B band in the Deep South. Failing that, and to stay alive, he migrated to Nashville and picked up work at Sun Records, mixing masters. He became intrigued and then methodical in his search for what he thought would be the elements of a new kind of country hit. He put horns and orchestras into country songs, often staying around after hours and recording all the instruments himself. Epic Records, impressed with his tapes, hired him away from Sun Records after a couple of years. He found success at Epic with a Grammy-winning David Houston hit called “Almost Persuaded.” He was the boy wonder of the quonset hut that Owen Bradley built to be the first permanent studio in Nashville after the second World War. It—and Mr. Sherrill—now belong to Columbia Records.

It was little more than four years ago, and not long after “Almost Persuaded,” that a blonde beautician from Birmingham, Ala., walked into Billy Sherrill’s office. She had been to just about every other record company in town with her handful of self-written songs looking for her Big Break.

“I was kind of sorry for her,” Mr. Sherrill said in an interview several months ago. “She looked kind of beat. But something said: Don’t turn this chick away.”

The blonde beautician, it later turned out, had a gift. “A little tear in every word” was the way he described it. And Tammy Wynette used her gift for all it was worth—which at present is close to three million albums. It takes an entire room of her house to keep all the awards she has won, including the second gold record ever given a female country artist for Tammy Wynette’s Greatest Hits. She now is known in the business as “the first lady of country music.”

“When I came to Nashville,” Billy Sherrill remembers, “country music consisted of twin fiddles, which I always considered obnoxious, and mandolins. I never could stomach blue-grass music,
Call it Country Gold or country music. It's all the same, and it's been around for ages. So has WBAP, the station that started out in 1922 with 10 tiny watts and grew into a powerful 50,000 watt, class 1-A, clear-channel giant. WBAP and country music had been flirting with each other off and on since the station went on the air. Then, in August 1970, they took a vow never to part again. That was when the blessed events really started happening.

Within six months from the introduction of the Country Gold sound, WBAP was sold out 24 hours a day about 80 percent of the time. And previously-reluctant advertisers were crying for spots. Today, WBAP Radio has the largest listening audience of any country music station in the world.

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even though I personally like some of the guys and recorded some of it. I think [the change came] with producers coming into town with backgrounds in blues, pop and gospel music. The producers had a great hand in molding the artists. You take Ray Price. Go back and listen to him 10 years ago and then listen to him now. It's the same artist but it's a completely different record. The same musicians play with him, [but they've eliminated] a lot of foreign sounding instruments. I don't like the sound of a five-string banjo on a record; I never did.

The sensibilities of country music haven't changed, nor have the subjects of the songs or the way lyrics were used or even the people who listened to country music. But the sound has. And it's the sound of country records today that has broadened the base of its audience, sold many more records than previously and given birth to modern country radio—the latest incarnation of a music with a long, cherished history.

According to the Country Music Association, the promotional organization for the industry (both radio and records), there were 81 full-time country music stations in the U.S. in 1961. Nine years later, in 1970, there were over 650. The statistics tell their own story, but they don't tell what it took to get there.

The music we now call country was first nurtured in people whose fortitude and broad-backs are intoned by politicians and historians as "those who made America great." They were unsophisticated, conservative, religious, hard-working and close to the land. They supplied the textiles and coal that kept the "civilized" Northeast warm. They used their hands, their wits and their mules against a hard way of life. They used their women to cook and to make babies, and they used their God to make sure it was not all in vain. They brought with them from the British Isles a simple, narrative type of music. They changed the lyrics around so that the music did what it was supposed to do—take their minds off the poverty and loneliness that surrounded them. Their instruments were homemade for the most part: mandolins, dulcimers, zithers. Later immigrants brought fiddles, And the Appalachian residents learned how to play the five-string banjo, a Negro invention. They sang with a distinctive, high-pitched, nasal wail, each with his personal, untrained style.

It was radio, in the early twenties, that brought all these disparate influences together and tapped the great subterranean wealth of country talent. WSB(AM) Atlanta, one of the first big radio stations in the South, is credited with giving country music its first air exposure. Other powerhouse stations across the country jumped aboard quickly, WRP(AM) Fort Worth had a weekly "barn dance" show that blanketed two-thirds of the country. WLS(AM) Chicago, then the Prairie Farmer station (ABC now operates it as a leading rocker), ran a National Barn Dance that was the biggest weekly radio
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show in the Midwest for almost a decade. In 1925, WSM Nashville began Saturday night broadcasts of a live program they called *The Grand Ole Opry*.

The popularity of the Opry was such that an entire industry grew around it; there are few other reasons that country music business now resides in Nashville than the simple fact that WSM was operating there.

Country music would not be country music without the Opry. It is called "the Country Music Hall of Fame," and it has been known to travel hundreds of miles to come to the Opry on Saturday night (CMA estimates that the average distance traveled by an Opry-goer is 500 miles).

In the summer, it is sold out two months in advance. Opryland Park, a Disney-like mecca of country entertainment and amusement, opened in Nashville this summer in the hope of capitalizing on the tremendous tourist attraction it has become. "It is, for fans and performers alike, the end of the rainbow," one writer said.

The Opry and WWWW(AM)'s Jamboree U.S.A. in Wheeling, W. Va. (about to celebrate its 40th anniversary), are the only two programs of this type left on the air today.

The second World War only helped to spread the gospel of country music even further. At a time when most able-bodied males were in uniform and three-quarters of the military bases in the U.S. were in the South, there were few people down south country music to listen to. Every time some kid from Brooklyn or Milwaukee turned on the radio, it was country music that came out. Northerners, and upper-class Southerners who had looked down on their "noses" at country music, found they liked it.

Then came the fifties and a disastrous decade for country music. Even today, artists and record executives who are still working in Nashville shake their heads and cluck their tongues when they think about what rock and roll did to country music. Most painful of all was that it was their own boys who did it to them—Conway Twitty, Carl Perkins, Jerry Lee Lewis and, oh yes, Elvis Presley. All these young boys, who had grown up below the Mason-Dixon line playing and listening to country music, were making music that knocked country music off the air and off the charts. Radio belonged to "the kids."

In 1952, a group of country disk jockeys, attending the Opry birthday celebration in Nashville, were discussing their common plight of little pay and prestige due to the drop in popularity of country music. They decided they needed an organization to promote their music. The Country Music Disc Jockey Association was formed the next year with about 75 members.

Five years later, when the rest of the industry in Nashville realized the moderate success of CMDJA in getting a growing popular and advertiser acceptance to country disk jockey shows, CMDJA became CMA. Few trade organizations have been as active in member service; it's said that if you want to see the most extensive "free" consultation service in America, just write a letter to CMA and tell them you want to change your format to country.

Musicologists looking back on the fortieth year of country music may well settle on Roger Miller as the man who brought country back to national popularity. His string of hits in the early sixties—"Dang Me," "Chug-a-Lug" and "King of the Road"—were rural country with a touch of country rock. His music was cleanly produced and humorous, with plenty of up-beat scat singing.

Mr. Miller was the first of a string of Nashville artists who would consign the traditional country background (Roy Acuff, one of the foremost performers in country, went into music publishing) and thrust Glen Campbell and Johnny Cash—and Miller himself—into network TV.

And the people who nurtured country music in their souls in the 1960's were of a different stock than the hillbillies of Appalachia 40 years ago. As one writer said, "Over the years, of course, the strain improved. They started voting. For Wallace.

Today, the primary country music audience is made up of working people—"gear-jammers" (truck drivers), waitresses, factory workers, mechanics, secretaries. But they are middle-class now, and they have money. Though the demographics haven't changed much, the role of country music in the past, country music has feminine appeal. Most of the artists are male vocalists (the country "group "is rare) and even the female singers gear their music to women (Loretta Lynn's "One's on the Way," a big country hit about being stuck at home with the kids while her husband has fun all day or Tammy Wynette's "D-I-V-O-R-C-E.")

Country is indeed America, and her majority—silent or not. Country stations have discovered that promotions become sure-fire winners when tied into patriotic themes. KSOM(AM) San Diego gathered bar-soap from its listeners for the boys in Vietnam. Chris Lane's syndicated country programs (by Programming db) run regular features on "What's Right with America."

"The audience are very loyal, basic Americans," says Dan McKinnon, owner of KSOM. "As a result they're more responsive to this kind of promotion. They're just fundamental type people."

"Country music has an audience not ashamed to admit their love of their woman, their country, or their God," Chris Lane believes. "And they profess this musically and reactationally to things you do on the air."

And values such as these are not regional; they are continental in America. Inevitably, there has to be a growing acceptance for the music that glorifies them.

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music. And the reason these radio people are so proud to tell their stories of upper-class acceptance is because they saw so little of it in years past. The crippling prejudice—in many ways a blatant class bias—has broken now.

George Dubinnetz, general manager of WJJD(AM) Chicago: "When we first went country [in 1965] and I used to go around and make presentations to the agencies and time-buyers, I knew just by looking at these people that it was a losing battle. The buyers would tell me, 'We don't even have a classification for your format on our estimate sheets.' We had to prove ourselves. Every damn time somebody was going to buy us, he wanted almost a guarantee of success. The timebuyers used to say, 'I don't know how you can be successful. You don't have any cowboys riding down Michigan Avenue.'"

"The same kind of thing used to exist with the airlines," Mr. Dubinnetz continued. "They would say, 'We never had a man walk up to our counter wearing a steel helmet and safety shoes. Therefore, the guy who works for a living in the trades never flies.' They could identify a lawyer because he had a briefcase and a derby. They could identify a banker because he had a vest and a Chesterfield coat. But they couldn't identify any other group. So they used to give us a hell of a hard time.

"When we were one of the only major market stations in country, they could ignore us. But then other people got into this thing. And they too began to come up with big numbers. And it wasn't too long before somebody said, 'Hey, let's look into this thing. I see that there are five stations that are dominant in their respective markets.' When they saw Atlanta [wplo(AM)] coming up big against [WJSB, and they saw Detroit [wdee(AM)], and Los Angeles [klac(AM)], and Indianapolis [wire]. Then they had to sit down and say 'Maybe there's something to this.' And that's when country broke."

Dan McKinnon is the 35-year-old owner of kson(AM) San Diego, another of the stations that pioneered the modern country format. He, and his station, have been known for the last 10 years for their work in promoting country music. That promotional ability was one of the reasons he was tapped for a position on the CMA board—as well as on that of the National Association of Broadcasters. As he puts it:

"The advertisers finally woke up to the fact that people who listen to country music eat, and they drink, and they smoke and they reproduce. They do everything every other human being does. We've now had just about every prestige advertiser on the station and as a result they've realized we can really drag in the 25-to-49 age bracket."

Why are country stations so concerned with image and prestige? Says Mr. McKinnon, "...because everybody has been calling them . . . .kickers and cowboys for so long. We're not that. We're just providing a form of programming that a great bulk of people want to hear. We're trying to impress a bunch of time-buyers earning $600 a month that we're a class operation and we're just as sharp and smart and articulate as anybody else in this business."

Country radio, admittedly, was more "country" than it was "radio" at one point in the past. But the stigma of bib overalls and moonshine stills is gone. The fact that the term "uptown" is used to describe a modernized country format displays the deliberate upward mobility of the programing format. It is now a part of mats radio—a format practiced and perceived no differently than contemporary, MOR, all-news or talk.

But there are differences. For example, there is perhaps a closer relationship between the people who work in country radio and the people who make country music than in any other format. Programers and air personalities of the major country outlets in the U.S. who have been in country radio for even a short period of time have met and in some cases know personally the biggest stars of the field. The same cannot be said of contemporary or MOR jocks and programers. There are a large number of performers who started out in radio—as air people, for the most part. Tennessee Ernie Ford, Tom T. Hall, Bill Anderson, Ferlin Husky and Waylon Jennings all were disk jockeys before they started making records.

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make records for a living and wanted to stay in radio could cut a couple of records on the side and still get hits. Ralph Emory, for many years the all-night voice of WSM, cut eight singles before he gave it all up for syndication of his show (his first single, “Hello Fool,” sold 125,000 records). The reasons for this close wedding between artists and radio people are many. Many in radio echo the view of Bill Robinson, program director and morning man of WREX (AM) Indianapolis:

“It’s not that the jocks are different,” Mr. Robinson believes, “it’s the artists who are different. Most of them have come from humble beginnings, to use a well-worn phrase. But they have played the honky-tons and parks for little or no money for so long—and they almost had to beg radio stations to play their product—that when we started playing their records and country radio took off, they still remember. But mostly—I don’t know if this is because so many of them live in one town [Nashville]—there are a lot of awfully nice people in country music who haven’t gotten swept away with the ‘I’m-a-star’ thing. You can still sit down and talk to them. They’re touchable.

“A rock group that has had a top-10 record—well, they’re somebody’s neighbors too. But they’re kids and they’re scared to death. And some manager gets hold of them and says, ‘You’ve got to put up the big front. You’re superstars, now. Don’t let the people touch you.’ There’s a different aura about the big rock acts. The teen idolatry, and their need to be closeted from concert stop to next concert start. It’s the people who are different in country.”

Another factor that keeps this affinity for artist and radio, and that has allowed jocks to become artists, is the fact that through the last four decades, country music and radio have been irrevocably wedded in the eyes of the country audience. In the twenties and thirties, radio—not records—was the main vehicle for country music. Even today, the in-person performance is the one means that an artist has of making more money than by selling records. Except for a few extremely popular performers, most country musicians make their money touring.

That fact makes airplay even more important. A hit country single will sell no more than 300,000 copies—anything over that is a true “monster.” Airplay is just about the only way to break even on a record. Record companies have impressed that importance on their artists, which helps account for the added attention artists give to radio.

“The [country] broadcasters have created an image that the artists and promotion men and general public have taken advantage of,” says Mike Jackson, program director of KVIO (AM) Tulsa. “We are accessible to people. You have to go through three secretaries, four bodyguards, and possibly a German police dog trying to get to the head of programing of a successful contemporary station. But as long as we’re not talking..."
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That "everybody" has grown much larger and more diverse in recent years. To say that country music is "mass" is not to say that country stations are all alike. Far from it; there are different sounds—and different kinds of broadcasters.

A "second generation" of country stations came on the scene in the middle and late sixties—major-market stations operated by some of the larger groups (Plough Broadcasting, Mid-Atlantic, Mission, Storer and Metromedia among them). Their switch was less a matter of love than desperation; the MOR's and top 40's they had in those markets had come on lean times. As often as not, other country stations were already there—many of them locked in with audiences that resented the modernization of their music and were put off by the highly produced sound of contemporary radio. Many had never considered updating their own formats.

But most importantly, the traditional stations often were handicapped by poorer facilities—low-powered, top of the dial, some daytime-only. Joseph Con- way, general manager of WDER(AM) Detroit, relates the success of the country radio newcomers to their contemporary backgrounds.

"If you go back over the development of top 40," he says, "you'll find the first guys who went rock were the low-power, high-frequency stations. It was just a matter of time before a bigger facility jumped them. When WMCA(AM) and WINS(AM) were the rockers in New York, they were tremendously successful. As soon as a powerhouse like WABC(AM) jumped on rock and put its signal out miles and miles beyond the capability of the others, they were going to knock them off. In this market, if CKLW (AM) Windsor, Ont. or WJR (AM) Detroit went country, they'd bury us."

"All these stations [that have gone with country formats recently] changed formats because they were losing their shirts," says Dan McKinnon of KXON.

"And they had a better facility than the station doing country in the market, you'll see if you analyze each one. The better facility gave them the upper hand. But it all boils down to economics. I don't care what anybody says, you don't change a successful format. And they were losing big before they went country."

This phenomenon of better-signal country outlets utilizing contemporary presentation with modern country music seemed at the heart of country radio's great gains until 1970. About two years ago, several programers backed off on country's head-long rush toward modernity and, with immediate success, they began pulling Kitty Wells and Webb Pierce out of the library and went "traditional."

WRAP(AM) Fort Worth had a signal
that could be heard in southern California, Detroit and northern Florida on good days. On an old-line MOR format—and a split frequency, one for Dallas, one for Fort Worth—WBAP was "withering on the vine."

In August 1970 management won FCC clearance to broadcast on a single frequency. Several days later, they turned the program over to Don Day, brought in as a DJ four months earlier. Mr. Day had an idea that "in a world as torn as this one, with so many things happening," an audience might very well enjoy listening to the music of a time when "things were much simpler," as he puts it.

KBOX(AM), country in Dallas, and KBUY(AM), country in Fort Worth, were both on modern "uptown" formats. "Country Gold", as Mr. Day called it, seemed to be the way to go.

With a huge hourly commitment to country oldies and a playlist emphasis on traditional-sounding new product, WBAP took off. It was the only station on Aug. 17, 1970; in two years it's become the number-one station in the Dallas-Fort Worth total survey area.

WBAP's meteoric success sparked controversy all over the country. Was this the coming thing? Had contemporary country formats modernized themselves too much? Was WBAP's success due merely to its signal?

Don Day says that he does indeed have to give much of the credit for WBAP's acceptance to its signal. As an example, a truck stop in Indio, Calif., has been advertising on the station for two years with great success, WBAP's sales manager says. Indio is about 1,200 miles from Fort Worth.

"But I think this format can work anywhere," Mr. Day says emphatically. He has helped friends in other markets try to prove it—including Mike Jackson, who wanted a similar sound on KVOO(AM) Tulsa, Okla. KVOO's switch is now a year old. It's been accompanied by a jump from seventh to first in the market (all day parts, Monday to Sunday).

At Metromedia's ailing KLAC(AM) Los Angeles, Bill Ward, previously the station's program director and now its general manager, went "hard" country in 1971 after a lackluster year on an "uptown" country format.

"We made several personnel changes and got rid of the jocks who weren't country," he says. "And then we went real hard country for about a month and then gradually tapered off. The reason for doing that was to get attention—as the California highway patrol did when it took over on the freeway system. First day out, they wrote tickets for every damn violation they could spot, just to let people know they were there. And that's what we did by coming on real strong hillbilly."

Mike Oatman, morning man and sales manager of KFDI(AM) Wichita, Kan., just scratches his head and wonders: "I don't know what all this fuss is about. We've been hard country for eight years—haven't changed a thing in eight years—and we've always been on top in this market." And according to the rating services, he's right.

At another point on the scale are stations that have wedded the music of contemporary radio and country radio to come up with their sounds. An example is KCMA(AM) Kansas City, Mo. Along with Dick Carr, who had just left WNWE(AM) New York (MOR), Lynn Higbee, KCMA's operations manager, tried to fit the format into the Kansas City market.

"We had to decide between going after the powerhouses in the market or finding a niche. The only obvious niche was all-news or talk, which did not have a history of success in Kansas City. The next question was, 'Is there something happening in the music business that hasn't yet met the eye?' There were a lot of stations doing mod country music, but we felt it was only a clean, new-model traditional country as opposed to anything really different. Then we said, 'Why can't you play Merle Haggard talking about 'The Okie from Muskogee' along with James Taylor talking about 'You've Got A Friend.' They're saying the same thing.'

That's the way KCMA has been mixing its music for the last few years: one pop record, one country record. It's enough to drive a blue-grass purist up the wall. It's also been enough to drive a large number of adults with no preconceptions about music classifications to KCMA.

"There is no one successful country
format, per se, in America today," says general manager Don Nelson at wire.

"In rock you have people doing the Drake thing. In beautiful music, you have people doing the Shulke thing. You don't have that in country. I can't say I've ever heard a station that sounds quite like ours. You just can't stereotype any of the half-dozen or so truly successful giant country stations. It's a matter of adapting to your own format."

The creeping influence of country music on the work of such pop performers as Bob Dylan, the Byrds, James Taylor, Ringo Starr and John Sebastian, and the burgeoning popularity of country rock bands—the Flying Burrito Brothers, New Riders of the Purple Sage, Poco, the Band—has been chronicled in music and consumer publications for several years now. Look magazine devoted an entire issue to it (one of its last). But generally programers of country music stations have ignored these adopted country groups. Indeed, pop music in general has been shunned on these stations. They had an audience, they felt, that wanted country music and country music only. "Pop stations are in a much more desirable position than we are," says Don Nelson, "because they can play a lot more of our product than we can of theirs."

So ran the mainstream opinion. Programers whose music had been downgraded and scorned were not about to turn around and embrace pop music just because a couple of contemporary stations were playing a Johnny Cash single or two. But the last six months have seen the "integration of the country ghetto," as one program director characterized it. Neil Diamond and Jim Croce and Rick Nelson have made the reverse cross-over to some hard country stations.

The criterion for programing these pop hits seems to be that if a song has country sensibilities—if it appeals to the same desires in a listener as does a country song—then it is likely a country listener will accept it.

"Our first reaction was not even to consider 'Song Sung Blue' for airplay," confesses Tom Allen, program director at WIL(AM) St. Louis. "But my audience demanded it."

"It's a continuing soul-searching thing," Bill Ward of KLAC says of his decision not to play pop records. "But you've got to draw the line and not become a pop station. You can play Wayne Newton or the new Mac Davis record and you're going to sound like an MOR or semi-rock radio station. And lose your country identity."

One of the most vigorous elements in the controversy has centered around a seven-man band called Commander Cody and his Lost Planet Airmen. Oddly enough, Commander Cody's music is traditional country—which pre-empted it from play on some of the more modern stations (too hard).

Mike Jackson, program director of KVDO(AM) Tulsa: "One of the first records we got from Commander Cody was 'Lost in the Ozone.' It was one of the finest arrangements I ever heard in my

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life. I even went to a store and bought it for my own library at home. It's a great country record. I would have put it on in a minute. But if we had said the words 'Commander Cody and his Lost Planet Airmen' over the air to our audience, which is conservative, we'd have been in trouble—we'd have gotten calls saying, 'You're playing that rock 'n' roll.'

'I called Paramount and said give me that record with any other name on it and I'll play it.'

Bill Bailey, program director of KIKK-AM, Pasadena, Calif. said, "We don't ban anybody from this radio station. But if there's only one slot open on the station and I have a choice between a Bill Anderson and a Commander Cody, I have no more of an obligation—on a loyalty standpoint—to Bill Anderson. He's been with us a long time."

And most country people will say the same. But the point is that audiences—in larger markets for the most part—are demanding to hear Commander Cody and Neil Diamond, and major country outlets are letting down their guard.

Bill Williams, country promotion director for Epic Records: "From the outside of country music there are bands like Commander Cody, Poco, Loggins and Messina, the Burrito Brothers and the New Riders who have to be helping us because they're getting young people interested in country music. There's a feeling they have that in some ways we have lost in our modernization of country music. They're getting us back to the days when there weren't any radio stations and everybody sat around the house and played the banjo and sang and felt the pleasure of enjoying music. And country radio will accept it eventually, I think."

Chris Lane heads up a division of Programming db, the radio syndication company owned by Chuck Blore and Ken Draper, that supplies country programming for 48 stations in the U.S. Mr. Lane programs the music and does an airshift each day.

"When a station goes on the air, it has to have that basic country-music-enjoying audience. You must have them and you have to keep your country traditionalists happy. They are the backbone. But, by the same token, if a station is to make it in a market where there is competition—and where isn't there?—then it's got to enhance its product and have it listened to by people who either don't like country music or who never listened to country music."

Joseph Conway, general manager of WJRZ-AM Detroit said, "If we had to depend upon only those citizens in Detroit who were of rural extraction, we couldn't make it. We had to broaden our appeal so that it would go beyond the fellow who came up from southern Georgia to work on the assembly line. We had to figure on taking some of our audience from the top 40 in town. We also had to take from that part of the MOR audience that found MOR too progressive."

"Broaden the appeal" has been the name of the game in country radio for at least the last five years. Depending on one's point of view, country radio has either been watered down to appeal to the "slickers" or livened up to appeal to the uninitiated.

Bill Wheatley, now the program director for three country stations owned by Mission Broadcasting, was for several years the program director of rocker WIBG(AM) Philadelphia. "The thing I learned best from top 40," he says, "is to put that the disc jockey involved in it that I brought with me to country radio."

"We are a professional radio station first and country second," Bill Robinson of WIRE says deliberately. It was nonprofessionalism that gave country its "bad name," echoes WIRE's Don Nelson. "The country broadcasters' biggest problem has been the operator who has never been successful at anything—and who probably is never going to be successful—who reads that these country stations are doing phenomenal things. So, with a mammoth amount of fanfare, he announces his switch to country and settles back and waits for the ratings to go up and the dollars to come in. And then he can't understand why it doesn't happen—like the last nine formats he switched to. And other people say, if they don't like country music in that town, and it's not true the people aren't going to listen unless they're given something worthwhile to listen to."

The failure of WJRZ-AM Hackensack, N.J., has plagued country broadcasters for the two years since its demise. New York City has been without a country station since that time, although Peter Bardach, an executive at Foote, Cone and Belding, bought an FM outlet in Franklin, N.J., WSUS, and went "countrypolitan." Although its signal doesn't get into the city, it still has the distinction of holding the title "country radio New York."

Several management people in country radio have, off the record, vowed that there will be a country station in New York sometime in the near future. Board members of the Country Music Association have been in the city trying to convince a station to go country. The why is obvious. Without a country station in town, the format remains a mystery to most of the media buyers in that city. It weakens the whole commercial posture of modern country radio.

"All of us in country radio always wish another station who is going country great success," the general manager of WJRZ(AM) Chicago, George Dubinetz, said at one point. "When they succeed, it helps all of us."

Ric Libby is animated when he talks about country music and radio. He says he had no idea that he'd be in country radio before he was hired to program KREN(AM) Houston. He knew nothing about country, his background was top 40 and MOR. Now, his enthusiasm knows no bounds. "You just have to be exposed to it first. Once you do, God, it's easy to listen to. It's easy to enjoy. You've heard the expression 'The world is going country.' But by the same token, country is going to the world."
License on the line in Vancouver, Wash.

Initial decision in KVAN case is denial of renewal to Murphy; 'lack of candor' is cited by examiner

FCC Administrative Law Judge Millard F. French has recommended that the license-renewal application of Cathryn C. Murphy for KVAN(AM) Vancouver, Wash., be denied. Judge French listed a number of alleged technical deficiencies at the station and misrepresentations by Mrs. Murphy in finding against the licensee.

Judge French noted in his initial decision, released last week, that KVAN'S latest renewal application, which was due to be filed on Nov. 4, 1968, was not submitted until Feb. 3, 1969, by which time the license had expired. Mrs. Murphy's claim that she had sent the application to the FCC by registered mail on Nov. 21, 1968, was proven false in the hearing record.

KVAN received its last three-year license renewal in 1960, before Mrs. Murphy became the licensee. It had operated on short-term authorizations until 1969 when a hearing was ordered on the case. Judge French noted that while Mrs. Murphy was licensee of KVAN, the stations had been issued 122 technical violations and was fined three times. In addition, he

Inauguration. Sallie Forman, coordinator of the government-relations office of NBC, was inaugurated as president of the Washington chapter of American Women in Radio and Television at a buffet reception last Tuesday (Sept. 12) in the Old Senate Office building. Mrs. Forman is shown with House Commerce Committee Chairman Harley O. Staggers (D-W. Va.) (I) and Senate Commerce Committee Chairman Warren G. Magnuson (D-Wash.) (r), who were honored for their contributions to the communications industry. FCC Chairman Dean Burch presented the gavel to Mrs. Forman and President and Mrs. Nixon sent congratulatory messages. Presiding over the proceedings was William (Fishbait) Miller, doorkeeper of the House (extreme right).
said, the hearing evidence had shown that KVAN had moved its transmitter site in 1969 without the FCC's approval. Judge French claimed Mrs. Murphy misrepresented herself on several occasions in an attempt to “escape the consequences” of the unauthorized change.

On another technical issue, the judge found that KVAN had been operating below its authorized power and that its modulation monitor had been inoperative. He denied Mrs. Murphy's assertion that KVAN's chief engineer was at fault for these deficiencies, claiming that the licensee "repeatedly refused" to supply the engineer with materials needed to "bring the station up to operating efficiency." "Such lack of candor and willingness to fabricate situations," Judge French concluded, "require the ultimate conclusion that [Mrs. Murphy] does not possess the requisite qualifications to be a licensee of this commission."

**Parties in Jackson sale say challenge is improper**

The FCC was asked last week to reject a petition that seeks to stop the proposed sale of WJMI(FM) Jackson, Miss. The petition, filed by the licensee of WXXI(FM) there, claims that the buyer, Tri-Cities Broadcasting Co., which already owns an AM in that city (WOKJ), does not possess the character qualifications to merit a second facility.

The opposition last week was filed by Rebel Broadcasting Co., licensee of WJMI, and Tri-Cities Broadcasting. They claimed that WXXI's attorney resorted to formally challenging the sale—in a pleading that was filed 45 days late—only after he was advised that several informal complaints WXXI officials had previously filed against WOKJ's operation "would not necessarily be brought to the attention of the [FCC] staff handling the assignment application."

They called this a "lame" excuse for a "blatant disregard of the commission's procedural requirements."

WXXI had complained that various WOKJ promotion techniques were fraudulent and misleading and should disqualify Tri-Cities from acquiring the FM station; that Tri-Cities has engaged in trafficking of broadcast licenses; that the firm has a concentration of control of broadcast media in the Southeast, and that Tri-Cities' plan to substitute a black-oriented format on WJMI for its present middle-of-the-road programming (which would augment the black-oriented programming WOKJ) would disserve the Jackson community and could drive WXXI, also a black facility, out of business. Tri-Cities admitted that some of its promotion practices had in the past been misleading (although not intentionally so, it claimed), but otherwise denied any wrongdoing on its part.

**Wasilewski wants a united front**

He calls on radio to line up with TV against ban on drug ads and FTC's counterad proposal

Vincent T. Wasilewski, president of the National Association of Broadcasters, last week fired a double-barreled appeal to radio broadcasters to back the NAB in its fight to counter moves to ban or limit drug advertising on TV.

Speaking to the primarily radio-oriented Nevada Broadcasters Association convention in Las Vegas, Mr. Wasilewski recalled that when the ban on cigarette advertising loomed many radio broadcasters failed to rally behind the industry. They felt, he said, that the problem was one for TV. And, he added, when Congress finally banned cigarette advertising on the air in 1970 (effective in 1971), NAB was blamed by many broadcasters for being unable to soften the prohibition so as to exempt radio.

That unsuccessful battle, Mr. Wasilewski emphasized, was for the whole industry because it established a principle of "flagrant discrimination" against broadcasting.

To have split the broadcast media and to have applied the law only to TV and not radio would have, he stressed, made the discrimination even more obvious. Even so, he explained, it is radio that is the medium that reaches most teenagers and it was they who were the primary target of those pressuring for a ban on...
cigarette advertising on the air.

The error of radio broadcasters in not supporting the fight against the cigarette law because they thought they were unaffected is now clear, he continued. TV has turned its citizens into broadcasters, and its commercials would be a "shabby fraud," similar to the congressional ban on cigarette advertising that applies only to broadcasting and which has resulted in more cigarettes being purchased than ever before.

There is no evidence, he said, that the sale of proprietary drugs and medicines has anything to do with the growth of drug usage.

He also called on all broadcasters to rally to prevent the adoption of any plan of counteradvertising. This was recommended by the Federal Trade Commission to the FCC in its current fairness proceeding and has caused a storm of protest from broadcasters as well as advertisers.

Mr. Wasilewski said that should counteradvertising in broadcasting become law, "advertisers would inevitably channel their advertising dollars into media that were not required to carry messages designed to destroy the value of the original advertising messages. . . . Counteradvertising would cause a drop in financial support that would destroy much, if not all, of our present broadcasting system."

Mr. Wasilewski also turned his attention to license renewals, noting that broadcasters have done a significant job of reaching their congressmen and explaining the issue to them; resulting, he added, in developing a lot of support on Capitol Hill. The key battle to retain this support will, he said, when hearings are held and "the pressure, the angry statements and the namecalling begin," what is needed now is public support, Mr. Wasilewski said, and he called on broadcasters to develop allies through religious, charitable and educational organizations. "We should be able to convince them," he said, "that they will not make out well if there is a wholesale turnover of radio and TV licenses to the types of people we have seen attempting to procure them."

FCC stands pat on its opposition to Greensboro compromise

Rival applicant of WFMY-TV told to make up its mind whether it wants to go to hearing

The FCC last week reaffirmed its refusal of earlier this year when it turned down a settlement agreement involving the licensees of Greensboro, N.C., and a group that has filed for its channel. In so doing, the commission last week made clear that competing applicants must make a substantial showing that the public interest will be served by the withdrawal of one of the applications, if such withdrawal is to be permitted.

WFMY-TV had agreed to reimburse Greensboro Co., the challenging applicant, $44,195 for expenses the firm incurred in filing for WFMY-TV's channel-two facilities. Both parties had told the commission that Greensboro's withdrawal from the proceeding would facilitate the development of public-interest broadcast service in Greensboro on WFMY-TV. They cited several cases in which the commission had approved similar agreements between competing applicants as justification for asking for relief.

The commission rejected the WFMY-TV parties' original request for settlement approval last March (BROADCASTING, March 6), stressing the public-interest principle it claimed was set in a 1963 FCC ruling denying an agreement between NBC and the Philco Corp. whereby the latter firm would withdraw its competitive challenge to what was then NBC's station on channel three in Philadelphia (now KYW-TV, licensed to Westinghouse Broadcasting Co.).

In its action last week, the commission rejected the WFMY-TV parties' contention that a decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington this year—which overruled an FCC denial of a reimbursement pact between KTAL-TV Texarkana, Tex., and a citizen group that had filed a petition to deny KTAL-TV's license renewal—necessitated the commission's agreement of the Greensboro settlement. The commission said the Texarkana case had no bearing on the immediate proceeding because the court's ruling pertained to a petition to deny an application and not to a comparative proceeding.

Ironically, it was the court's ruling in KTAL-TV that prompted the commission to propose a rule that would permit stations and groups filing petitions to deny to negotiate outside settlements including financial remuneration to the challenger (see page 24).

The commission last week advised Greensboro Television Co. that the firm is entitled to a full comparative hearing with the WFMY-TV applicant for its application for channel two. It said it would refrain from issuing a hearing order until Greensboro makes its intentions known.

VIP's. The FCC's two newest commissioners, Richard E. Wiley and Benjamin L. Hooks, will be honored at a reception Sept 27 by the National Broadcasters Club, Washington. Event will be held at the club at 1737 DeSales Street, N.W., between 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. Reservations, at $12.50 per person, are limited to club members and guests. Earlier that same day, the Federal Communications Bar Association is tendering a luncheon in honor of Commissioner Hooks at the Mayflower Hotel. In addition, Howard Jay Braun of Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gagline is chairman of the FCBA luncheon committee.
Mixed reviews for new season's first offerings

No all-around thumbs-down, but neither could the critics find anything to point to as 'this season's hit'

Last week offered television's professional second-guessers their annual opportunity to take a stand on the new season's hopes. Following is a sample of reviews:

The Rookies (ABC, Monday, 8:9 p.m.)
"Where Mod Squad is a fantasy, The Rookies is only implausible." Don Page, Los Angeles Times.

"This is the degenerative wasteland type of network programing that induced the FCC to deprive each network of one half-hour of prime time nightly." Dwight Newton, San Francisco Examiner.

"... all too familiar... It is rumored that the script was written by Unic. I am starting the rumor myself." Clarence Peterson, Chicago Tribune.

... the opening episode rang untrue. ... could have been right out of a musical comedy. Even the street scenes were right off a Hollywood set. The stars are likeable, though, so that might help convince you." Kay Gardella, New York Daily News.

"... thoroughly unbelievable... Despite noble intentions... and contemporary details... the result never gets beyond the established TV genre of sociological fantasy." John O'Connor, New York Times.

"... false notes ring throughout the program... The Rookies looks exactly like what it is—clap-trap. May the series never become The Veterans."
— Norman Mark, Chicago Daily News.

"The production is melodramatically sharp in the commercial Hollywood sense: It knows how to grab you, but it doesn't really convince you." Rick du Brow, UPI.

"... the acting by the show's regulars is excellent. The only things The Rookies may need for survival are better stories and a shift from the two powerhouses opposing them—Laugh-In and Gunsmoke." Jay Sharbudd, AP.

"... ridiculous show... one more example of television's comfortable people attempting to concoct superficial... a practice that is deciely arrogant" Johanna Steinmetz, Chicago Today.

"... cloying sweetness, platitudinous speechmaking... Iowa cornfield conception of police-ghetto relationships..." Ron Powers, Chicago Sun-Times.

"The acting was really very good... but the script was knocked out on a clache machine instead of a typewriter... the dialog at times was just plain awful." Frank Judge, Detroit News.

"... attractive young people, groovy background music, lots of action, and even so often something very serious and poignant... our hunch is that this will do just as well as Mod Squad." Rex Polier, Philadelphia Bulletin.

The Bill Cosby Show (CBS, Monday, 10:11 p.m.)
"Minus Belafonte and Poitier" (the opening-night guests) "the future of the Cosby hour would have to be a question mark." Bob Williams, New York Post.

"... didn't exactly zoom out of the gate... but there was enough promise and comedy intelligence in the premiere to lift the spirits." Bernie Harrison, Washington Star-News.

"Cosby turned in an uneven, loose-jointed hour that still had many memorable high spots... Cosby fans will unquestionably find something to smile along with in this new CBS hour." Kay Gardella, New York Daily News.

"... plastic... false notes ring throughout the program... The Rookies looks exactly like what it is—clap-trap. May the series never become The Veterans."
— Norman Mark, Chicago Daily News.

"... fast-paced variety... promising format... could yet fulfill its promise." John O'Connor, New York Times.

"... there is a scarcity of sock material. Cosby is the star, and shouldn't be playing straight man to others too often... but the sketches pull out all that talent in a bind." Rick du Brow, UPI.

"Despite its generally wan start, the Cosby show probably will get better in subsequent offerings. It doesn't lack for talent among the regulars and it has two of the most gifted men in the music business—Quincy Jones and the bassist Ray Brown—handling bandstand chores. But it could use some more help from its 14 writers." Jay Sharbudd, AP.

"Excellent talent; mediocre writing... Cosby would do better to do his thing, which is his own brand of humor, and let the guest stars do theirs, without depending on much help from the writing staff. These writers just can't deliver." Frank Judge, Detroit News.

"If CBS can resist the temptation to drown Cosby's talent in... overproduction, the show could be a surprise hit against tough competition..." Ron Powers, Chicago Sun-Times.

"... the usual variety of gags, sketches and musical numbers... the humor... has a what-have-I-got-to-lose, wacky irreverence about it, which works." Johanna Steinmetz, Chicago Today.

"... He will have to rise above the poor writing or invest in some new writers." Barbara Zuanich, Los Angeles Herald-Examiner.

"I think it would not be inappropriate to light some Roman candles. Bill Cosby's back." Cecil Smith, Los Angeles Times.

Temperatures Rising (ABC, Tuesday, 8-8:30 p.m.)
"... out of the old TV situation-comedy mold." Bob Williams, New York Post.

"... didn't break the laugh bank... has the look of a series shot 10 years ago." Kay Gardella, New York Daily News.

"... a romp... I loved it!... may be only a fantasy, but it's a very funny one." Clarence Petersen, Chicago Tribune.

"It's billed as a hospital comedy, tries to be a civilian "M*A*S*H," and is as funny as a bound copy of Gray's "Anatomy." Jay Sharbudd, AP.

"Little and the trio of nurses may turn this into a full-blown hit if (a) the material gets better, (b) Maude proves a bomb, and (c) Bonanza fails to make it on a new night and without the late Dan Blocker. I'll bet against all three..." James Dousard, Louisville Courier-Journal.

... a real surprise... a small delight, a show that is good enough for a pleasant half-hour..." Norman Mark, Chicago Daily News.

... a weak, silly little show... It is a bit embarrassing to watch fine performers like Whitmore, Little and guest-star Jack Albertson involved in such stuff." Rick du Brow, UPI.

"... predictable... I call it sick humor... the formula is as old as the hills... a throwback to the early days of dopy antics in which everybody acts like dolts." PercyShain, Boston Globe.

"Laughs were lamentably lacking... yawns instead of yocks." Harry Harris, Philadelphia Inquirer.

... the diagnosis is terminal comedy."
in las vegas, the entertainment capital of the world, the tropicana hotel and compass inc. are providing a major sales promotion for your broadcast station. full details will be on your desk soon...

Maude (CBS, Tuesday, 8:00-8:30 p.m.)
Beatrice Arthur "makes it all seem very fresh and funny." She "shapes her material expertly with militantly sarcastic tones and withering glances...a superb comedienne. If Maude does gather rating success, Beatrice Arthur deserves every bit of it." John J. O'Connor, New York Times.

"Norman Lear has certainly endowed the commercial realm of TV situation comedy with real people and honest dialogue. Maude joins the genuine genre." Bob Williams, New York Post.

"...contrived...Miss Arthur is an attractive and appealing actress but she has to tone it down a little for television...You don't believe Maude like you do Archie Bunker. Sorry, but it's so." Kay Gardella, New York Daily News.

"Maude isn't anything I'd like to curl up with on a cold winter evening." Cecil Smith, Los Angeles Times.

"Maude will grow on you. She is full of wit and depth..." Barbara Zausnich, Los Angeles Herald-Examiner.

"...beautifully-timed performance by Miss Arthur which fully deserved the hearty laughter and even applause of the live studio audience." Terence O'Flaherty, San Francisco Chronicle.

"Ify, unless the Bunkers are occasional visitors." Dwight Newton, San Francisco Examiner.

"The program is funny, and Beatrice Arthur as Maude is commanding, irascible, delightful, energetic and a thorough joy to watch. But this is hardly new ground in TV land. Instead, it is old stuff, professionally done..." Norman Mark, Chicago Daily News.

"Miss Arthur, imposing in stature and a potent comic force, makes the show a personal triumph. She gets plenty of help from the writing and directing..." Rick du Brow, UPI.

"Beatrice Arthur's bravura performance is flecked with truth and she has two fine people to dance attendance to her in Bill Macy and Adrienne Barbeau. An offshoot of All in the Family, the kid is already better than the old man! No bigotry, no social hangups here. Just good,
Julie Andrews Hour (ABC, Wednesday, 10-11 p.m.)

"A series of songs and dances and dialogue that were a joy to the eye and ear." Percy Shain, Boston Globe.

"A great trouper in the grand music-hall tradition. Her singing ability was displayed to splendid advantage, her dancing was rousing, and her showmanship dazzling." Rick Du Brow, UPI.

"She registered potently as superb singer, agile dancer, cute comedienne, stunning fashion model and all-around enchantress. The material was worthy of the star." Harry Harris, Philadelphia Inquirer.

"[Miss Andrews] tends to project an image of such wholesomeness that the edges of her performance are dulled by predictability." John O'Connor, New York Times.

"The cool taste and intellect at work in the Andrews talent just about guarantees this could be one of the best new television shows of the year." John Carmody, Washington Post.

"You dig her British style or you don't. We do. She's a delight." Bob Williams, New York Post.

"As a weekly regular on television, she should be more than welcome in your living room." Kay Gardella, New York Daily News.

"From start to finish it was a delight to the eye and ear . . . the entire show was one of those rare television birds that gives you a mental lift and a vague curiosity as to where the time went." Jay Sharbutt, AP.

"The lady is enchanting and so is her show." Cecil Smith, Los Angeles Times.

Paul Lynde Show (ABC, Wednesday, 8-8:30 p.m.)

"Some will see similarities in the half-hour with All in the Family, [but it] is chock full of laughs, punchy lines and promise." Kay Gardella, New York Daily News.

"With manic nasality, knees locked from tension and the conviction that the daily rat race is being won by the rat, the comedian obliterates the theory that father knows best." John O'Connor, New York Times.

"Lynde is at home with his stiff, smug sarcasm and his facial acrobatics . . . he could suffer the hazards of being slightly overdone." Bob Williams, New York Post.

". . . Pretty funny. But Lynde's essence is essentially a one-note role and he will have to be extraordinarily inventive to bring home some fresh elements to the characterization." Percy Shain, Boston Globe.

"Lynde, who has repeatedly demonstrated on TV his ability to generate smiles, chuckles and belly laughs, was given little to justify a raucous laugh track. . . " Harry Harris, Philadelphia Inquirer.

"Lynde plays things very broadly, but despite occasional amusing moments the show registers like a cartoon with live people." Rick Du Brow, UPI.

"The yuks come from rather low level humor . . . Lynde's grimacing, miming about and lack of subtlety. A line on the Lynde show is delivered as if a rapier had never been invented." Norman Mark, Chicago Daily News.

Another generation-gap show seems painfully old-fashioned and hardly necessary, even with Paul Lynde." Cecil Smith, Los Angeles Times.

"It requires to be crystalized." Morton Moss, Los Angeles Herald Examiner.

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Some new shows come on strong in opening week

The first-night phenomenon always gives fairly strong ratings to new shows as viewers do their shopping around the network.

Some of the new season's shows displayed premiere-week strength in the Los Angeles and New York Nielsen ratings for the first three days of the new fall season. The Rookies, The Paul Lynde Show and "Banacek" gave particularly good accounts of themselves in the early returns, topping strong returning shows in several instances.

On Monday (Sept. 11), ABC's new action series, The Rookies, in Los Angeles and New York beat out two of the most popular long-running shows on the air, NBC's Laugh-In and CBS's Gunsmoke, in the 8-9 period. By contrast, Monday's other new program, CBS's The Bill Cosby Show, finished a poor third in the 10-11 time slot, behind NBC's theatrical movie The Anderson Tapes (a strong first) and ABC's Olympics wrap-up. The movie and the Olympics also dumped Lucille Ball's and Doris Day's shows into third place between 9 and 10 and 9:30 and 10 in both New York and Los Angeles.

CBS's new situation comedy Maude came out on top in Tuesday's New York Nielsen ratings, 8-8:30, with Temperatures Rising, the new ABC comedy series, finishing a poor third, whereas in Los Angeles it was Maude that ended up a poor third, with Temperatures second to NBC's special two-hour edition of Bonanza. From 8:30-10, Bonanza wound up in a virtual tie with ABC's Movie of the Week, with CBS's Hawaii Five-O and the first half-hour of CBS's new made-for-TV movie series bringing up the rear. From 10-11, Marcus Welby M.D. on ABC checked in with the biggest numbers of the night in both cities, easily beating the remaining shows. CBS's movie and the news-public affairs show NBC Reports, which was way behind in third place.

"Banacek," the first of three new rotating series on The NBC Wednesday Mystery Movie from 8:30-10, chalked up sizable numbers in its time period, easily beating ABC's 90-minute made-for-TV movie and CBS's The Carol Burnett Show (last half-hour) and Medical Center in New York and finishing a close second to ABC's movie in Los Angeles (with CBS a poor third). In the 8-8:30 period, ABC's new comedy The Paul Lynde Show came in a strong first, with NBC's Adam-12 giving it much tighter competition in Los Angeles than in New York. At 10, the new Julie Andrews Show rolled up an impressive rating to finish first in Los Angeles but the ABC show ended up in a virtual tie with NBC's new action series Search in New York. CBS's Cannon finished third in both cities.
Representative Harley O. Staggers (D-W. Va.) said last week that his House Investigations Subcommittee will launch an inquiry into television blackouts of major sports events.

In making the announcement last Wednesday (Sept. 13), Chairman Staggers said the subcommittee "will review both home-game blackouts and those imposed in connection with closed-circuit television."

TV blackouts have been officially permitted since 1961, when Congress enacted into law an antitrust exemption for the televising of professional sports. Allowing football, basketball, baseball and hockey teams to enter into joint agreements to pool their television rights and sell them as a league package to the networks.

But the statute also states that pro football games cannot be televised within a 75-mile radius of a high-school or college game from 6 p.m. Friday through midnight Saturday during the period from the second weekend in September through the second weekend in December.

"This legislative action was taken at a time when the financial position of the major sports leagues, football in particular, was much more precarious than it is the case today," Chairman Staggers said. "Over the years the blackout has become increasingly unpopular with the public. It is time to re-examine the entire question with particular reference to the Communications Act of 1934 governing broadcasting."

Mr. Staggers said last week that the furor raised by the blackout of the 1971 Super Bowl V in Miami was one of the principal reasons for his decision to begin the investigation.

In the statement, Mr. Staggers promised that "the legitimate interests of the professional teams and of the broadcasters will be given due regard during the course of the study."

Concern over TV blackouts imposed as a result of closed-circuit television coverage of sports events stems in large part from the exclusive CCTV carriage of the Joe Frazier-Muhammad Ali heavyweight championship fight early last year (Broadcasting, March 15, 1971, et seq.). The situation enraged many who thought they should have been able to see the fight on commercial TV and elicited a number of House and Senate bills to ban nationwide TV and radio blackouts.

A spokesman said there is no plan at present for the Investigations Subcommittee to hold a hearing on blackouts. But the subject has been of continuing concern to House Communications Subcommittee Chairman Torbert H. Macdonald (D-Mass.). And last week Mr. Macdonald indicated that the time for a blackout hearing could be drawing near. He hailed Mr. Staggers' announce-ment as "vital and valuable input to our subcommittee's continuing oversight responsibility for television, CATV and closed-circuit telecasting." And he added: "If the Investigations Subcommittee's work is completed within a reasonable period of time, it will play a large part in the decision as to when our subcommittee will hold public hearings on television blackouts."

Mr. Macdonald went on to say that he has suspected that football fans in many major cities are being unreasonably deprived of the right to watch their teams play home games. When stadiums are sold out seasons in advance there must be some way to accommodate fans who are willing to pay the price." He said he understood the position of team owners, who apparently believe strongly that they are engaged in a private business. But, said Mr. Macdonald: "If they react this way, perhaps they should be treated as all other businesses and be subject to the same rules and regulations."

When the Communications Subcommittee does hold a hearing, he said, "we will welcome testimony not only from the Investigations Subcommittee but from all professional sports interests, including owners, broadcasters, pay-TV advocates and other interested parties."

Two weeks ago the Senate Antitrust Subcommittee reported out a bill providing for the merger of the American Basketball Association and the National Basketball Association. It carried an amendment that would prevent local TV blackouts of bowl games and playoffs of the four major sports when the games are sold out at the stadium. Another provision would require a blackout on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays—of professional basketball games when colleges or high school games are being played within a 75-mile radius (Broadcasting, Sept. 11)."
and open up to the public diverse choices of programing. Mr. Bleier insisted that not one of these criteria was met during the first year of the regulation and said the survey underlines the key factors that prevailed at that time.

He said independent production was not encouraged by the rule and diversity of programing was not achieved. Instead, he claimed, the rule had the effect of “returning to prime time almost every canceled game show, canceled network variety series and another presentation of existing network daytime shows.”

He said the viewing public was not served. Mr. Bleier explained that the number and length of commercials shown between 7:30 and 8 p.m. have almost doubled (from three minutes on the network to five to six minutes in access time); the “inferior” programing in these periods on network-affiliated outlets has prompted viewers to turn to off-network shows on independent stations, and the ruling has resulted in reducing total audiences on all stations by almost 10% during 7:30-8 p.m.

Mr. Bleier argued that the program quality of shows made for the prime-time access period must suffer because non-production services are costlier than for network presentations. He explained that in a 50-market sale, stations must be cleared individually; prints must be distributed to each station; publicity, promotion and advertising must be geared to individual markets.

Mr. Bleier called upon the commission to evaluate the rule as quickly as possible and to repeal it if the commission agrees it is not fulfilling its objectives.

Insiders from both sides on FCC children’s panels

Broadcasters, producer and agency representatives rub elbows with critics of youth programing

A number of individuals whose names have long been associated with one aspect or another of children’s television programing are among the 44 panelists the FCC has lined up for three days of discussion on the issue (Broadcasting, Sept. 11).

Evelyn Sarson of Action for Children’s Television, which sparked commission interest in the proceeding, is among the panelists, as is her husband, Christopher Sarson, who produces program productions at noncommercial wfmt (TV) Boston, and Lorraine F. Lee-Benner, the Happy Raine of wcssc-TV Charleston, S.C., a sharp critic of ACT proposals on children’s programing.

Others on the list, which includes representatives of broadcasting and advertising, as well as producers, include Joan Ganz Cooney, president of Children’s Television Workshop; Robert Keeshan, CBS’s Captain Kangaroo; Ruth Handler, president of Mattel Toys; and Steven Bluestone, a Washington attorney and one-time editor of the National Association of Broadcasters’ code authority, who has called for stricter government regulation of television advertising directed at children, as well as an updating of the NAB code by guidelines.

The panels and their participants follow:

Panel 1, content diversification: Rane Cardenas, Bilingual Children’s Television; Frederick Greens, Office of Child Development, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; and Television Workshop’s Fred Silverman; CBS; Harry Francis, Meredith Corp.; and ABC-7 and WGBH-5 (TV) Boston; Robert Thurston, Duquier Oaks.

Panel 2, age specificity: Eliot Daley, Family Communications; Fred Silverman; Fred Coomber Productions; Neil Morse, Children’s Committee on Television; Eugene Arca, H. F. Kocher, Triangle Broadcasting; Michael Elsier, ABC-TV; Joseph Conlon, Education and Public Affairs.

Panel 3, response to John Condy, New York State College; Martha Van Rensselaer, Cornell University; John Byck, WNYC; E. Weeks McKinley, WBDZ-TV Pedacsh. Ky.; Aroa G. O’Keefe; General Foods; and Powell: Evelyn Sarson, Action for Children’s Television.

Panel 4, children’s television and advertising practices: Peggy Chenan, Action for Children’s Television; Scott Ward, Harvard University; Roy Hubbard, WTSP-TV Washington; Jeanette Nett, Children’s Television Workshop; F. Kent Mitchell, General Foods; Robert Keeshan, CBS-TV; Lorraine F. Lee-Benner, WCSSC-TV Charleston, S.C.; Wanda Lesser; Larry Harmon; Larry Harmon Pictures; Katherine Luzitman, Yale Nursery School; Sherman K. Headley, WCCO-TV Minneapolis.

Panel 5, alternative methods of financing: Joan Ginz Cooney, Children’s Television Workshop; Fred Pierce, ABC; Vermont Bumbling Bill Melody, Annenberg School of Communications; L Photo, Fred Edwards, U.S. Health and Welfare; David Koehler, National Association of Broadcasters; Ithiel deSol-Parker, Yale University; Melody, Annenberg School of Communications; and WNET.

Panel 6, self-regulation: Donald McGinn, West- falo House Broadcasting Pool; N. Nett, Institute of Technology; Stockton Heathfield, National Association of Broadcasters; Charles Mattel Toys; Everett Parker, Office of Communications; United Church of Christ; Merminio Travels; NBC; Steve Bluestone.

On hotline to Munich. President Nixon telephoned ABC-TV sports commentator Chris Schenkel last Monday (Sept. 11) to compliment the ABC staff on its coverage of the Summer Olympics. The President, according to ABC, contacted Mr. Schenkel in Munich on the closing day of the games and said: “I wish you would tell the whole team of ABC reporters that all Americans are very appreciative of the way you covered the games…because of the tragedy…” but I think ABC has done an awfully fine job.” Later Mr. Nixon added: “I put it quite candidly. I like the way that ABC stood up for the United States.”

Independent programers form own association

Its purpose: active support of prime-time access rule

Another element has been added to the controversy over the prime-time access rule with the formation in Hollywood of the National Association of Independent Television Producers. First meeting of the organization was on Aug. 21.

Burt Rosen, president, Winters/Rosen Productions, whose vocal proponent of the rule, was named president of NAITP. Other officers include Nick Vanoff, partner in Yongestreet Productions and producer of ABC-TV’s The Julie Andrews Hour, executive vice president; Charles Griswold, executive vice president; Goodson-Todman Productions, secretary; and Seymour Berns, production executive, Four Star International Inc., treasurer.

Creation of the new organization, according to Alan D. Courtenay, president of Yongestreet Program Services Inc. and a board member of NAITP, “is to get together a group of independent producers who are in favor of retaining the prime-time access rule and who are prepared to pledge their support in their own way for a unique approach that will make this time period function the way the FCC anticipated it would.”

In addition to Mr. Courtenay, and all of the officers, other board members are Greg Garrison, Executive Producers, and Ernest D. Glucksman, a Winters/Rosen vice president. The NAITP is seeking additional members.

Program Briefs

Five big sales. Viacom Enterprises reported last week that its initial package of feature films for syndication has been bought by wbnc-TV New York, kabc-TV Los Angeles, WLS-TV Chicago, kgo-TV San Francisco and wxyz-TV Detroit.

Henry A. Gillespie, vice president, domestic syndication, said company’s feature group was assembled to appeal specifically to 18-49 women’s audience segment. He said Viacom intends to release new group of titles for domestic syndication each year. First group of 20 films includes The Man with the Golden Arm, "The Moon Is Blue," "All in a Night’s Work," "Don’t Give Up the Ship."

WB expands abroad. Warner Bros. Television (International), London, has been formed to arrange television co-productions throughout Britain, commonwealth nations and European countries for showing in U.S. and for distribution worldwide.

Announcement of move is being made (Sept. 18) by Gerald J. Leider, president, Warner Bros. Television, who said Michael Peacock has been named managing director of new London-based subsidiary. Mr. Peacock, who has been international consultant on video cassettes and cable television for past three years, earlier served as managing director of London Weekend Television Ltd. and as program chief of both BBC-1 and BBC-2 television networks.

CMA set for CBS. Sixth annual Country Music Association awards show will be presented by Country Weekly at 16 at 8 p.m. (NYT). Program will be broadcast from Grand Ole Opy House in Nashville and with Glenn Campbell as host. Kraft Foods will sponsor.

Lands the Whalers. Wkgk(Tv) Boston has acquired exclusive TV rights to newly enfranchised New England Whalers hockey team. Minimum of 25 games will be telecast this season.

Mr. Peacock

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Burch speaks his mind on newsman

There's no conspiracy by government to muzzle radio-TV journalism, he says, but adds his own caveat: Don't be afraid of honest criticism.

Broadcast journalists, FCC Chairman Dean Burch said in effect last week, need not worry about looking back and finding government gaining on them. The First Amendment and American tradition are their shield. But broadcast journalists, he said, should recognize their imperfections and welcome "honest criticism" as a means of improving the service to the public.

Chairman Burch's remarks, delivered in a speech to the International Radio & Television Society in New York on Friday, constituted a lecture to broadcast journalists; it sought to assure them that the nation and the government realize and appreciate the service they perform, but that the freedom they enjoy imposes an obligation on them to achieve—through self-monitoring and self-criticism—ever-higher standards of excellence.

As a point of departure, he related the experience of the senior commission staff member who called the three networks two weeks ago to check on press reports that live coverage of the Arab terrorist attack on the Israeli compound at the Olympic Village in Munich had to "wait on the answer to such questions as who had first claim on the satellite, and for how long" (Broadcasting, Sept. 14). One of the networks, he said, "quite literally" told the staffer "to get lost."

Such a reaction was quite uncalled for, the chairman felt. "In my view, it is the commission's business to inform itself about the manner in which broadcasters make use of limited international communications facilities in reporting events of quite literally worldwide significance. What you report is strictly your business. Unreasonable restrictions or limited monopolies on facilities are another matter."

He expressed the view that broadcast journalists might well direct at themselves some of the critical energy they aim at the commission. For as the occupiers of a "preferred status, in both our constitutional and statutory schemes," he said, "they have to keep earning that trust."

As a result, he said, "it was with astonishment" that he noted the "rather casual way" in which some broadcasters treated Jack Anderson's explanation of his broadcast of alleged improprieties in Senator Tom Eagleton's (D-Mo.) past, when Senator Eagleton was still the Democratic vice-presidential nominee. Mr. Anderson had said he would not have used the material, which turned out to be false, in his column "without documentation," but that he went on the air with it because he "wanted to score a scoop."

"This brand of irresponsibility deserved to be excoriated by the profession itself," Chairman Burch said. Yet, "broadcasters did not lead the chorus—even though Mr. Anderson was urging a lesser standard for broadcast than for print journalism."

The chairman said that he is on the broadcast journalist's side, that he believes they must be free to call the shots as they see them.

But, he said, "it would simply make the job easier if broadcasters were to react to sincere criticism from whatever source with something other than outraged innocence, or with countercharges of repression and dark designs of official censorship."

Such charges are "patent nonsense—particularly where the FCC is concerned," he said. "Absent hard extrinsic evidence of deliberate rigging or distortion, we simply do not look over your shoulders. We don't censor. We don't authenticate the news. We do not substitute our editorial judgment for yours."

The chairman said the thrust of his remarks was to urge on broadcasters "a keener and more sense of their responsibility to improve their product, and added: "I am urging that you open yourselves to honest criticism—even, on occasion, from the Vice President of the United States."

He said there is "no Dean Burch plan for the exercise of the critical function within the four walls of American broadcast journalism." Rather, he said, that job would be better performed if self-generated and self-imposed. Speaking as a private citizen, he said he could not "conceive of an external authority that would elicit more trust, or soon rid you of even the suspicion of bias, than your own deliberate and visible effort to do the job yourselves, on yourselves."

Front and center on Hill this week: News privilege

House subcommittee plans three days of hearings; testifying Wednesday will be five sponsors of such legislation.

Representative Robert W. Kastenmeier (D-Wis.) has announced that his House Judiciary Subcommittee No. 3 will begin a hearing this week on a number of bills designed to protect broadcast and print journalists against compulsory disclosure of their confidential sources and information (Broadcasting, Sept. 11).

The hearing will be held Sept. 20 and 21, with a final session Sept. 27.

Witnesses the first day will include five House members who have sponsored newsman's privilege legislation. They are Representatives Edward I. Koch (D-N.Y.), Charles W. Whalen Jr. (R-Ohio),...
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Hearing early, man said, 'needed.'

One of the legislative proposals to be considered in the hearing will be H.R. 16527, introduced by Mr. Whalen two weeks ago and similar to the approach recommended by the Joint Media Committee (a group of five news organizations that includes the Radio-Television News Directors Association).

The JMC proposal, sponsored in the Senate by Senator Walter Mondale (D-Minn.), would protect the public's right to information except for allegedly defamatory information in cases where the defense is based on that information. The privilege could be divested by the U.S. district court only upon a showing by those seeking the information that a newspaper probably has information relating to a law violation, that the information cannot be obtained elsewhere and that it is of "compelling and overriding" national interest.

In remarks on the House floor Mr. Kastenmeier said the newsman's-privileged issue "reflects a kind of conflict and confrontation between two principles that are vital to our democratic institutions"—the government's need to secure testimony and the "equally urgent proposition" that information should be available to the public and that newsman should not be cut off from their sources.

"At the hearings," Mr. Kastenmeier said, "the subcommittee will initiate its search for the best and most acceptable result. But I am apparent conflict of values highlighted by the Branzburg, Papas, and Caldwell cases."

In those cases the Supreme Court ruled that the First Amendment does not relieve a newsman of the obligation to respond to a grand jury subpoena and answer questions relating to a criminal investigation (BROADCASTING, July 3).

"The approach and the interest of the subcommittee are not limited to the precise narrow compass of pending legislation," Mr. Kastenmeier concluded, "but extend to broader related questions affecting a free press and freedom of speech."

A spokesman for Senator Sam J. Ervin's (D-N.C.) Constitutional Rights Subcommittee said last week that the senator has determined hearings will probably be necessary on newsman's privileges because there is no consensus as to the type of protection needed. The senator feels it is too late to hold hearings this session, the spokesman said, but will consider holding a hearing early in the 93d Congress.

Station newsrooms won't lack material on Nixon, McGovern

Beepers, reports, slides, interviews and just about every other related material being fed to radio-TV

The presidential committees of President Nixon and Senator George McGovern (D-S.D.) are making sure that TV and radio stations have enough visual and audio news material on the candidates for use before Nov. 7.

According to a Republican spokesman, the GOP's effort is being handled out of the Washington headquarters of the Committee for the Re-election of the President, whose audio-visual personnel shoot newsmill of interviews with and speeches by Republican congressmen and other officials. It is then sent to stations in selected states, depending on subject matter.

Recently, in response to requests from a number of TV stations, the re-election committee sent out a set of seven unmounted slides of President Nixon, Vice President Agnew, committee Chairman Clark MacGregor, Senator Robert Dole (R.-Kan.), chairman of the Republican National Committee and RNC Chairwoman Ann Armstrong.

Beepers are fed through the Republican committee's cartridge recorder to radio stations calling in. In addition, the committee contacts selected stations and regional networks across the country to feed them excerpts from interviews and speeches. These may include 30- or 40-second cuts from video material.

The McGovern committee in Washington sends slides to state campaign directors with instructions to duplicate the materials and distribute them to television stations in the state, according to a campaign official.

Radio newsmen, however, are produced with equipment on the planes of Senator McGovern and his running mate, Sargent Shriver, as the candidates travel. From the planes the audio material is transmitted to regional centers in 16 major cities, from which radio stations can take feeds.

Time sought for news about North Vietnam

In seeking reversal of earlier FCC ruling, listener insists such coverage is vital in election year

An Idaho Falls, Idaho, resident who feels that his local radio station should provide news of communist activities in Vietnam as well as information on the other side has asked the FCC to back him up.

In a brief filed at the commission last week Kenneth Cooper "insisted" that KID(AM) Idaho Falls and CBS, the network with which that station is affiliated, provide "the same kind of newswage coverage of war activities, involvements and views of those nations who are 'allies' of North Vietnam as it presents concerning the United States in its similar role as 'ally' to South Vietnam." Mr. Cooper contended that such coverage is necessary to formulate "that informal judgment which is a prerequisite to responsible exercise of any voter's franchise in this election year."

Mr. Cooper sought a reversal of an Aug. 21 ruling by FCC Complaints and Compliance Division Chief William B. Ray which dismissed an earlier complaint he filed against KID and CBS.

Out in the cold in Milwaukee

WTMJ stations and their newspaper owner still barred from mayor's news conferences

The feud in Milwaukee between Mayor Henry Maier and the Milwaukee Journal and its WTMJ-AM-FM-TV continues, while the latest protest by the Radio-Television News Directors Association apparently has been ignored.

Since May the mayor has held exclusive news conferences on four Milwaukee AM stations—WOKY, WISN, WEMP and WITI—and several weeks ago announced similar arrangements with Milwaukee TV stations WISN-TV, WITI-TV, WVTY and noncommercial WMYV.

Tom Frawley, national chairman of RTNDA's Freedom of Information Committee contended that the exclusion of the WTMJ stations from the conferences violated RTNDA's professional code of ethics. In a Sept. 8 letter to Mr. Frawley, Jack Krueger, manager of public affairs for the WTMJ stations, commented that RTNDA's charge "appears wasn't taken seriously. While I haven't talked to RTNDA Director Carl Zimmerman [who is news and public affairs director for WITI-TV] about this point," Mr. Krueger wrote, "he must have mixed emotions regarding the decision to go ahead with the conferences."

An offer two months ago by RTNDA to help resolve the dispute, which involves Mr. Maier's alleged refusal to answer questions from Journal and WTMJ reporters, was rebuffed by the mayor's office (BROADCASTING, July 24).
What’s doing in CATV in San Diego

A Cox Cable subsidiary embarks on the first true pay-cable effort while looking to wire 200,000 homes

The Trans Video Corp. cable-TV system in the San Diego area, in keeping with a previously announced agreement with Optical Systems Corp., Los Angeles (Broadcasting, Feb. 7), plans to begin pay-capital programming on an experimental basis in October and will demonstrate the system for from 60 to 90 days.

The project will be demonstrated in a high traffic area with Trans Video acting basically as a carrier for the Optical Systems programming. Optical Systems will lease Trans Video's cable facilities to transmit over a nonstandard frequency specialized programming in a scrambled mode that can be unscrambled only through the use of a decoder that is activated by a plastic card purchased by subscribers.

"The Optical Systems project is a learning process for us," said Donald O. Williams, vice president and general manager of Trans Video. "We consider it an added service for our subscribers." Mr. Williams said that he hopes that the added pay cable-TV service will have an impact on increasing Trans Video primary cable subscribers, while helping to retain current subscribers.

Trans Video, on a three-and-a-half year program to build 1,300 additional miles of cable into the San Diego system, is planning to accelerate into un-wired areas. The San Diego system, operating under the name of Mission Cable TV Inc., already claims to be the largest single system in the nation. It has had a net 10% annual growth in wired TV households since August 1966. Currently the system claims 54,000 subscribers and 68,000 TV households wired in the San Diego area, far more than double the 24,000 subscribers six years ago.

Now encompassing some 700 miles of cable, the San Diego system is contiguous through seven governmental entities: the cities of San Diego, El Cajon, Chula Vista, La Mesa, National City, Imperial Beach and the unincorporated portions of San Diego county (Time-Life Cable Communication's Southwestern Cable also operates in the city of San Diego). Plans also call for the rebuilding of the current 12-channel system in San Diego into a 27-channel computer-oriented system within the next five years.

The Trans Video San Diego system asks for a $11.25 installation charge and $5.50 monthly fee. It now sells to subscribers on the basis of offering greatly improved quality of local signals. Five San Diego signals and seven Los Angeles VHF signals are provided.

"Our average citizen doesn't distin-
structure on base should be no higher than comparable off-base fees. It gives the contractor a license to use Air Force poles and to do business on the base. It sets a 10-year franchise period and provides for conversion of existing franchise agreements to accord with new FCC rules.

The model agreement also states that a separate channel must be set aside for the base, and that the Air Force is responsible for providing origination facilities and programming for the channel.

In encouraging the use of cable on military bases, the Air Force states: "A CATV system can be a positive morale factor. Cable allows for remote bases. CATV systems offer a growing list of communications services, including new possibilities for on-base program origination, which would enhance the base's internal information capabilities.

Approving cable-industry reaction to the Air Force franchise came from Rex Bradley of Telecable Inc. (He headed a committee whose title smacks more of the Pentagon than of private business—the National Cable Television Association Air Force Base Standard Franchise Agreement Ad Hoc Committee.) The ordinance, he said, "reflects an understanding on the part of the Air Force that the cable operator is a businessman out to render service and make a profit."

One step closer

The boards of directors of Cox Cable Communications Inc., Atlanta, and of American Television & Communications Corp., Denver, approved last week the terms of a merger of Cox Cable into ATC (Broadcasting, July 24). Special shareholders meetings of both cable companies are scheduled tentatively for mid-December for final action on the consolidations. The terms call for shareholders of Cox to acquire .875 shares of ATC for each share of Cox held. Based on ATC's bid price of 43 3/4 last Thursday (Sept. 14), the transaction has an indicated value of more than $23 million.

Name of its game. Change in name of Time-Life Broadcasting to Time-Life Cable Communications Inc., New York, was announced last week by Barry Zorthian, president. The action follows Time Inc.'s recent sale of its broadcast properties to concentrate on cable television. Time-Life Cable Communications own in whole or in part 11 CATV systems serving approximately 115,000 subscribers.

Cable for long-hairs

Teleprompter Manhattan is reported in the final stages of negotiation for a package of 23 programs of musical and other cultural events from the Lincoln Center and Brooklyn Academy of Music, including some performances of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. Package is conditioned on Teleprompter's offering of about 180 hockey and basketball games scheduled for 1972-73.

Equipment & Engineering

FCC wants domsat to get going now

Comsat, AT&T turned down on pleas for stay; commission stresses need for public to get service soon

The FCC, indicating concern over the length of time it has already devoted to the domestic communication satellite issue, last week rejected petitions that it slow the effectiveness of its order establishing the framework in which a domsat system is to be established.

The Communications Satellite Corp. and AT&T had asked that the commission refrain from implementing its new policy until commission and court reviews of their objections to that policy have been exhausted (Broadcasting, July 24). The domsat order, which was adopted in June, provides for "multiple entry" into the new field but imposes restrictions on Comsat and AT&T that the commission said are designed to make the "incentive for competitive entry" meaningful (Broadcasting, June 19).

The commission, which acted on a 5-to-0 vote, noted that the proceeding has been pending for a number of years—it began in 1965—and that the public will not receive domestic satellite service until some time after a grant is made. It also said that some potential satellite customers are so eager for service—National Cable Television Association and General Electric are said to be among them—that they might consider leasing channels in the Canadian Telsat system, scheduled to become operational in November, with a view to applying for domestic earth stations and converting to a domestic system when one becomes operational.

Accordingly, the commission said, the desirability of making domestic satellite facilities available to the public at an early date outweighs the considerations urged in support of an across-the-board delay.

The commission set Oct. 16 as the new date on which its satellite order will become effective. The commission also set that date as the deadline for statements of intention by entities planning to establish domestic communications systems.

However, the commission also said that AT&T, Comsat and other applicants seeking to do their applications pending commission action on their petitions. The commission plans to consider the petitions on Oct. 10 and 11.

The Comsat petition could be mooted, at least in part, if the "understanding" Comsat reached with MCI-Lockheed Satellite Corp. another applicant, is approved by the commission. The understanding, whose details are not yet entirely firmed up, envisages a multipurpose system that would be jointly owned by Comsat and MCI-Lockheed (Broadcasting, Sept. 7).

Of the eight applicants involved in the proceeding, only one, Western Union, appears to be ready to proceed—subject only to commission authorization. And the commission last week said that granting the petitions for stay of the domsat order might stall WU's plans. The commission two months ago waived its rules to permit WU top contract immediately for the construction of a satellite, without waiting for formal authorization.

The commission noted that Comsat and AT&T need not decide on their future course of action until the issues raised in their petitions for reconsideration have been resolved. Accordingly, it said, it was not persuaded that the processing—or even the granting—of other applications would cause Comsat and AT&T the kind of injury that would warrant the freeze order they requested.

An easier way on election day

Hardware-software package from Telemation promises computerized balloting results for local television stations

The processing of election returns for local television broadcast is beginning to enter the age of the computer.

A system developed by Telemation Inc. and said to be the first of its kind was used during primaries earlier this year by KRON-TV San Francisco and WSM-TV Nashville and was put to use for statewide returns last week by WTMJ-TV Milwaukee and KUTV(TV) Salt Lake City.

According to Running vice president for Telemation, a Salt Lake City-based broadcast equipment manufacturer, it's expected that a dozen stations will be using the Telemation Electronic Display (TED) system by November.

The development of TED began in December 1971 with input from WSM-TV, KUTV, WTMJ-TV and KRON-TV. Mr. Ide said, and the system was unveiled at the National Association of Broadcasters convention last week (Broadcasting, April 17). TED is designed for use with Telemation's TCG-1425A character generator and may be used independently or in conjunction with a larger computer owned by a TV station's parent company (which often serves a commonly owned newspaper to provide up-to-the-minute election information. WTMJ-TV and KRON-TV use TED with large computer installations.

Until TED was developed, Mr. Ide explained, one of the problems was how to economically adapt a large computer for use by a TV station. He estimated it would cost $250,000 in software and hardware to interface a large computer installation with a TV station's character generator.

Cost of the TED system starts at $38,000 with the average package running about $52,000, Mr. Ide said. The package includes a minicomputer, a 100-button panel (each button representing one political contest), a pair of character generators, usually two teletypewriters and Telemation's specially designed com-
American Philips set to handle new VLP

North American Philips Corp., New York, has announced that it plans to market the new VLP (video long play) TV disk system demonstrated two weeks ago by N. V. Philips of Netherlands. A company spokesman said the system plays color programs through ordinary television sets via a "record-player attachment" using a type of record similar to an audio LP.

FCC allows more time for uniform TV tuners

July 1975 is new deadline for sets to have same selectors for U and V

Television manufacturers have an additional year to comply with an FCC requirement that all receivers be equipped with a 70-position detent tuning device.

The commission extended the deadline for compliance with the requirement from July 1974 to July 1, 1975, in order "to ease the problem of transition" for the manufacturers. The requirement, which was ordered last November, is designed to bring about comparable tuning ability in the VHF and UHF bands.

In the same action, the commission rejected a petition by Philco-Ford Corp. for reconsideration of the requirement. The firm opposed a provision stating that television sets using the detent tuner be equipped with AFC circuitry. It claimed that AFC is not necessary for black-and-white units using the 70-position tuner and questioned the general technical feasibility of the AFC provision. However, the commission said that the utilization of AFC is the only presently known method of attaining equal tuning accuracy for VHF and UHF in a 70-position detent system.

The commission also ruled that each firm applying for an FCC certification of receivers equipped with the detent tuner provide a report of tuning-accuracy measurements.

Set sales in 1972: TV, FM up; AM down

The sale of color-TV sets by manufacturers to retailers for the first eight months of the year was up 24% over the same period last year, the Electronic Industries Association reported last week.

Monochrome-TV set sales also were up for the January-August period, by 8.5%.

Home AM sales, however, continued a downward movement, by 11.4% for the period as did auto sales, down by 3.9%. But FM set sales continued their upward climb—by 18.7%.

The eight-month report for the period ending Aug. 31:

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Although RCA Corp. has expanded into areas other than communications in the past four years, a detailed article in the September issue of Fortune asserts that the heaviest portion of the company's pre-tax profit in 1971 was generated by its traditional businesses—broadcasting and the sale of TV sets.

The article, written by Allan T. Deamer, estimates that broadcasting contributed $43 million (8%), sale of TV sets, $70 million (13%) and Hertz, $23 million (4%) to profits last year. All other activities were said to be less profitable than these categories.

The title of the article, "RCA after the Bath," reflects the current status and future plans of a corporation that took a $490 million write-off on its computer operations in 1971 and abandoned that field. The article claims it was RCA President Robert W. Sarnoff's decision in 1968 to make computers RCA's first priority.

In contrast to his father, the late Brigadier General David Sarnoff, who relied on technological breakthroughs to pro-
duce earnings growth, the present RCA chief executive has leaned more heavily on the marketing approach, according to Fortune. The article portrays Robert Sarnoff as moving the market needs and selling vigorously technology that mainly is already in existence.

Knowledgeable observers have termed the article "reasonably accurate," but point to "one glaring exception." They say the responsibility for getting RCA into computers in the first place should go to John L. Burns, who came to the RCA presidency in 1957 from Booz, Allen & Hamilton, the management consultant organization. At Booz, Allen he had chaired a report recommending RCA diversify into electronic data processing. He was invited into the company by General Sarnoff to implement that proposal.

Despite RCA's set-back last year, Mr. Sarnoff has retained the support of his board of directors—with one exception, according to Fortune. The article makes clear that Martin B. Seretean, president of RCA's Coronet industries (carpets and home furnishings), is disenchanted with Mr. Sarnoff's performance. It quotes Mr. Seretean as saying, "I find it highly unusual that a management can write off $490 million and no one seems to question whether the same people ought to be running the company today." Mr. Sarnoff was no less candid in his view of Mr. Seretean, and was quoted as calling him "one of the finest rug merchants in the country. But he is a relative newcomer to this company and I don't think that what he says or thinks is of great moment."

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### Financial Briefs

Doyle Dane Bernbach, New York, reported 18.3% increase in billing and 55% increase in net income for nine months ended July 31:

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Note: Earnings per share are after extraordinary items.

Ally revises. Carl Ally Inc., New York agency, has issued new prospectus that updates billings. It reports estimated $41,693,981 in gross billings for fiscal year ended last June 30, with TV and radio accounting for 42% or $16.2 million. Ally has registered with Securities and Exchange Commission for proposed public offering—Ally's first—of 300,000 shares (Broadcasting, July 3).

Calls it off. Marvin Josephson Associates Inc., New York, reported cancellation of its proposed offering of 355,000 shares of common stock because of "market conditions."

### Stock Index

#### Broadcasting Stock Index

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Broadcast Advertising


Harry Warren Jr., account supervisor, and Hal Nitch, media director, Knox Reeves Advertising, Minneapolis, named VP's.

Hal Goldberg, VP, media and research services, named to newly created position of VP and director of marketing and research.

Charles R. Tyson Jr., group creative director, N. W. Ayer & Son, Philadelphia, elected VP.

Charles Ewell, creative director, Papert, Koenig, Lois, New York, named VP and creative supervisor, McCann-Erickson, New York. Steve Kambanis, principal in Kurtz, Kambanis, Symon, New York, joins M-E as VP and art director.

Robert G. Wright, account representative, Vanguard division, Gardner Advertising, St. Louis, elected VP.

Dick Aune, associate media director, Campbell Mithun Advertising, Minneapolis, joins wcco-crv there as national sales coordinator.

R. Bruce Cynar, station clearance representative, CBS, New York, joins group owner Park Broadcasting, Ithaca, N.Y., as national sales coordinator.

Diane L. Sass, VP, research and program services, Avco Television Radio Sales, Los Angeles, joins group owner Kaiser Broadcasting as VP, research and marketing, with headquarters in New York.

John T. Shean, with Bernard Howard Co., Chicago, appointed national sales manager, Communications Fund Inc., sr.

Martin Conn, program director, WMAL-FM Washington, joins WGBS-AM-FM there as sales manager.

Kenneth Campbell, with WPBS(FM) Philadelphia, appointed general sales manager.

Steve Pokress, account supervisor, Ayer, Jorgenson, McDonald, Los Angeles, joins Davis, Johnson, Mogul & Columbia there as VP and account supervisor. Ted Brandt, DJMC account supervisor, named VP. Mike Malone, media research analyst, appointed manager, media department. Don Welch, account executive, Ayer, Jorgenson, McDonald, joins DJMC in same capacity. Don Stein, account executive, Needham, Harper & Steers there, joins DJMC in same capacity. John Fitzgerald, with Warner Bros. there, joins DJMC as art director. Richard Nanaumi, with BBDO there, joins DJMC as art director.


James K. Forget, senior VP, Ketchum, MacLeod & Grove, New York, and manager.

Irving N. Ivers, general sales manager, KHL(AM) Hollywood, appointed station manager.

Gerald Weaver, VP, Mid-South Broadcasters Corp., Slidell, La., appointed general manager, WSUL(AM)-WWSL-FM there. Danny F. Mitchell, assistant director, public information, Mississippi State College for Women, Columbus, Miss., appointed station manager.

Gerald Wells, controller, Invictus Records, Detroit, joins WJR(AM) there as business manager.

Rani Martin, administrative assistant, KRON-TV San Francisco, appointed assistant to station manager, business affairs.

Raymond W. Fritsch, general manager, KSL-FM Salt Lake City, elected director-at-large, board of directors, National Association of FM Broadcasters.

Owen S. Simon, manager, creative services, Group W Productions, assumes additional duties as creative-services manager, Group W-owned KYW-TV Philadelphia.

Karen Vaughney, with KSJO(AM) San Jose, Calif., joins KSAN(AM) San Francisco, as community-services director.

Jeffrey R. Freund, legal assistant to FCC Commissioner Nicholas Johnson, resigns to join staff of District of Columbia public defender's office. New members of commissioner's staff are John Dystel, Yale Law School graduate and former clerk to district and later Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals judge Alfred T. Goodman, and Larry Gage, recent Columbia Law School graduate.

Cy Willing, KMAR(AM)-KFRC-FM Winnsboro elected president, Louisiana Association of Broadcasters. Other officers elected: William Patton, KATC-TV Lafayette, president-elect; Dr. Michael Early, WWL-TV, TV VP; Chris C. Kimbell Jr., KTEX(AM) Tyler, vice president, and Paul H. Goldman, KNOE-TV Monroe, treasurer.

Jerry Schwartz, with WLKY-TV St. Peters burg, Fla., appointed assistant promotion manager.

Programing

Alfred Ashley, corporate executive, Warner Bros. TV, Burbank, Calif., named VP, administration, Warner Bros. TV distribution.

Richard J. Behrendt, program manager, KRON-TV San Francisco, appointed to newly created position of operations manager. He is succeeded by Al Scollay, production manager.

Charles Sortien, production manager, WCCG-TV Minneapolis, appointed program director.

Claudia Burns Reinhold, acting program director, WMGM-AM-FM Washington, appointed program director.

John R. Gehron, program director, WCAL-FM Philadelphia, joins WCBS-FM New York in same capacity. Both are CBS-owned stations. (Corrects Aug. 21 item.)
origination and community relations, Cypress Cable TV of Kern County, Bakersfield, Calif.

William M. Baue, president, CATV division, Broad Street Communications Corp., Riverside, Conn., joins Sammons Communications, Dallas as VP, operations.

Paul E. Inghram, Southeast regional director of engineering, Teleprompter Corp., Atlanta, named to new post of director, system development, with headquarters in New York, and responsible for new franchise construction and expansion of present systems throughout U.S.

Equipment & Engineering
Morris S. Lewis, manager, receiving and picture-tube merchandising, distributor products, RCA, Harrison, N.J., appointed director, distributor sales. He succeeds Joseph J. Kearney, who retires. Mr. Lewis is succeeded by John J. McIlhenny, manager, Eastern distributor sales district, RCA electronic components, Clark, N.J. John M. Lunney, distributor salesman, RCA distributor products, New York, succeeds Mr. McIlhenny.

Gerald King-Elison, senior transmisser engineer, WCCO-TV Minneapolis, retires. He is succeeded by Stan Allison, transmisseur supervisor. Mr. Allison is succeeded by Bernie Renk, transmisseur technician.

Ivan Bukovsky, chief engineer, WDHF (FM) Chicago, joins WWAC (FM) Des Plaines, Ill., in same capacity.

Deaths
Wilma E. (Rey) Lee, 59, wife of FCC Commissioner Robert E. Lee, died Sept. 11 of stroke in Georgetown hospital, Washington. She is survived by her husband, one daughter and two sons.

William Boyd, 77, TV film and motion picture actor who portrayed western character Hopalong Cassidy, died Sept. 12 in Laguna Beach, Calif., from complications of a combination of ailments. In 1948, Mr. Boyd, who had the foresight to acquire the TV rights to more than 60 Hopalong Cassidy Films he originally made for theatrical release, sold them in television syndication. As a result he became one of television's first performing stars and business millionnaire. Mr. Boyd subsequently made a television series of Hopalong Cassidy films. He retired in 1955. Mr. Boyd is survived by his wife, Grace Bradley, former actress.

F. Patrick Shannon, 38, VP and general manager, WTN-TV Albany, N.Y., died Sept. 13, of heart attack there. Mr. Shannon was formerly VP and general manager, WJRT-TV Flint, Mich. Both stations are owned by Poole Broadcasting Co. He is survived by his wife and three children.

Hubert Long, 48, talent-agent owner and music publisher, Nashville, died Sept. 7 at Baptist hospital there. Mr. Long was chairman and past president of Country Music Association.

Thomas P. Duggan, 45, with CBS and Mutual radio network, New York, and with KMEN (AM) Denver, died of heart attack, Sept. 7 at St. Anthony hospital, Denver. Mr. Duggan, who recently formed advertising firm, Tom Duggan Ltd., is survived by his wife Nancy, three daughters and four sons.

Loring C. Merwin, 66, chairman, WJBC (AM) Bloomington and WROK-AM-FM Rockford, both Ill., died Sept. 6 in Bloomington. Mr. Merwin, who was also publisher of the Daily Pantagraph, Bloomington, is survived by his wife, Marjorie, two daughters and one son.

Maurice Buchs, 68, Russian desk editor for Voice of America, died Sept. 6 in Washington of gunshot wounds. Police say he was victim of robbery. He is survived by his wife, Gladys.

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For the Record

As compiled by Broadcasting Sept. 6 through Sept. 12, and based on filings, authorizations and other FCC actions.

Abbreviations: Alt.—alternate. ann.—announced. ant.—antenna. sur.—sural. aux.—auxiliary. CATV —community antenna television. CH.—critical hours. CP.—construction permit. D.—day. DA—directional antenna. ERP—effective radiated power. khz—kilohertz. kw—kilowatts. LS—local signal. mhz—megahertz. mod.—modification. N.—night. PAS—preservice authorization. STA—special service authorization. STA—special temporary authorization. trans.—transmitter. UHF—ultra high frequency. VHF—very high frequency. w—watts. w—watt. CAS—community antenna relay station.

New TV stations

Actions on motions

* Administrative Law Judge Lenore G. Ehrig in Jackson, Miss. (Lamar Life Broadcasting Co., et al.), TV proceeding, denied motion of Civic to reopen record; gave Civic 15 days from release date of order to submit additional engineering material proposed in letter of June 28, at which time further order will be released closing record (Docs. 18684-9). Action Sept. 6.

* Administrative Law Judge Millard F. French in Anaheim, Calif. (Orange County Broadcasting Co., et al.), TV proceeding, granted petition by Civic to reopen record; gave Civic 15 days from release date of order to submit additional engineering material proposed in letter of June 28, at which time further order will be released closing record (Docs. 18295, 18297-93, 1930). Action Sept. 6.

* Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge Jay A. Kyle in Homewood and Birmingham, both Alabama (Chapman Radio and Television Co., et al.), TV proceeding, granted petition by Chapman Television Inc. to cease and desist from solicitations for lease to submit additional engineering material (Docs. 15461, 16760-1, 16758). Action Aug. 30.

Call letter application

* Mountain State Radio & TV Corp., Fort Collins, Colo.—Seeks KFON (TV).

Existing TV stations

Application

* KOLR (TV) Springfield, Mo.—Seeks CP to change ERP to 300 kw, sur. 30 kw; change location to State Highway near Fordland, Mo.; change type antenna to RCA IT-50CH; change type antenna to RCA 150A15-B; make changes in antenna structure; and change HAAT to 710 ft. Ann. Sept. 11.

Final actions

* KFTV (TV) Santa Rosa, Calif.—Broadcast Bu-
Summary of broadcasting

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Special Temporary Authorization:
- Includes 5 educational AM's on nonreserved channels.
- Includes 15 educational stations.
- Indicates four educational stations on nonreserved channels.

**Salem and Wern Party, both New Hampshire (Salem Broadcasting Co. et al., AM proceeding, on request of Salem Broadcasting Co., consents to by all parties, extended to September 14 time for filing responses to station's motion for further prehearing conference, Doc. 19436-6). Action Sept. 7.
- Chief Administrative Law Judge Lenore G. Ehrig in Salem and West Derby, both New Hampshire (Salem Broadcasting Co. et al., AM proceeding, on request of Salem Broadcasting Co., consents to by all parties, extended to September 14 time for filing responses to station's motion for further prehearing conference, Doc. 19436-6). Action Sept. 7.

Other actions:
- Review board in Sumiton, Ala., AM proceeding, granted request by Broadcast Bureau for extension of time through Sept. 29 to reply to exceptions by Sumiton Broadcasting Co. and Houston Millar Jr. and James B. Bujard to initial decision released May 26. Initial decision proposed denial of application by Sumiton Broadcasting Co. for new AM on 1540 kHz at Sumiton (Doc. 19204). Action Sept. 8.

Existing AM stations

Applications:
- WWSM Rainville, Ala.—Seeks CP to remove license covering new station, Aug. 9.
- WTRC Elkhart, Ind.—Seeks CP to change trans. site to 1266 East Indiana Avenue, Elkhart, and change name in station license, Aug. 12.
- WBTX Biloxi—Seeks CP to change trans. site to 0.78 mile south of Windsor Mill Road, and Rolfe Station Road, near Hattiesburg, Miss., and make changes in directional array. ANN. Sept. 7.

**WUSU Lockport, N.Y.—Seeks CP to modify MEOV's of DA pattern. ANN. Sept. 1.
- WTNW Chapel Hill, N.C.—Seeks CP to change license covering new station, Sept. 12.
- WKJL Tupelo, Miss.—Authorized program operation on 1060 kHz, 250 w-D. Action Aug. 17.
- WELC East St. Louis, Ill.—Authorized program operation on 1490 kHz, 1 kw-D. 250 w-N. Action Aug. 11.
- WJLJ Tulsa, Okla.—Seeks CP to increase tower height to 455 ft. ANN. Sept. 1.
- WKY Sacramento, Fla.—Broadcast Bureau granted license covering new station, Sept. 3.
- KOKO-AM Boise, Idaho—Broadcast Bureau granted request to operate remote control from 3719 Central Avenue, Fort Myers, Action Aug. 30.
- WBLH-TV Fort Myers, Fla.—Broadcast Bureau granted request to operate remote control from 10001 Clark Road, Sarasota, Action Aug. 30.
- WLCT-TV Gulfport, Miss.—Broadcast Bureau granted request to operate remote control from 1001 El Paso Avenue, Gulfport, Action Aug. 31.
- WSBE-AM Boston—Broadcast Bureau granted request to operate remote control from 83 Leo Birmingham, Boston, Action Aug. 31.
- KMBC-TV Kansas City, Mo.—Broadcast Bureau granted license covering all, main trans.; granted request to operate by remote control from 222 West 11th Street, Kansas City, Action Aug. 29.
- WEIS-TV Elmla, N.Y.—Broadcast Bureau granted request to operate trans. by remote control from Mark Twain hotel, 222 West 11th Street, Kansas City, Action Aug. 29.
- WCOS-AM Clarksville, Tenn.—Broadcast Bureau granted request to operate trans. by remote control from 222 Commerce Street, Kingsport, Action Aug. 30.
- WHQ-TV Memphis—Broadcast Bureau granted CP to operate trans. by remote control from 222 Commerce Street, Kingsport, Action Aug. 30.
- WWX-TB Petersburg, Va.—Broadcast Bureau granted CP to change trans. VAR. 100 and 2 kw change, Action Aug. 31.
- WWWT-TV Richmond, Va.—FCC granted Jefferson Broadcasting Co. of Virginia, license of noncommercial trans. VAR. 100 and 2 kw change, Action Aug. 31.
- WWX-TB Petersburg, Va.—FCC granted Jefferson Broadcasting Co. of Virginia, license of noncommercial WETA-TV, ch. 26, Washington, Jefferson-Gilbert said additional time was needed to prepare for trans. and engineering other studies to relate to application. Action Sept. 7.


Other actions:
- Review board in Sumiton, Ala., AM proceeding, granted request by Broadcast Bureau for extension of time through Sept. 29 to reply to exceptions by Sumiton Broadcasting Co. and Hudson Millar Jr. and James B. Bujard to initial decision released May 26. Initial decision proposed denial of application by Sumiton Broadcasting Co. for new AM on 1540 kHz at Sumiton (Doc. 18204). Action Sept. 8.

Initial decision:
- Administrative Law Judge William A. G. Sargent, in initial decision, proposed denial of application by Broadcaster for new CP covering use of 0.78 mile on the northeast of Broadcaster's facilities, Action Aug. 29.
- Administrative Law Judge Charles J. Frederick, in initial decision, proposed denial of application by Broadcaster for new CP covering use of 0.78 mile on the northeast of Broadcaster's facilities, Action Aug. 29.

Call letter application:
- KOKO-AM Boise, Idaho—Seeks KTVQ-AM (TV), initial decision, proposed denial of application by Broadcaster for new CP covering use of 0.78 mile on the northeast of Broadcaster's facilities, Action Aug. 29.
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New AM stations

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Actions on motions:

Cell letter application:
- KOKO-AM Boise, Idaho—Seeks KTVQ-AM (TV), initial decision, proposed denial of application by Broadcaster for new CP covering use of 0.78 mile on the northeast of Broadcaster's facilities, Action Aug. 29.
Call letter application

KTOM Salinas, Calif.—Seeks KBCM.

KBBQ Burbank, Calif.—Granted KROQ.

WFKR Battle Creek, Mich.—Granted WKNR.

New FM stations

Applications

1. Ohio—Tri Radio Broadcasting Inc. seeks 107.1 mhz, 3 kw, HAAT 125 ft. P.O. address Box 292, Ironton 45638. Estimated construction cost $38,121; construction in progress; license fees: $12,000; revenue $18,000. Principal: Kenneth H. and Rose A. Auble (together $36,000). Mgr. and Mrs. Auble own WIRO-AM (Ironton Ann. Aug. 15).


Actions on motions


B. Acting Director, Bureau, on request of Wiregrass Broadcast Co., licensee of WIRB-FM Enterprise, Ala., extended through Sept. 22 time to file comments; file reply comments in matter of amendment of FM table of assignment (Enterprise and Greenville, both Alabama; Bonifay, Chipley and Pensacola, all Florida) (Doc. 19565). Action Sept. 1.

C. Acting Chief, Broadcast Bureau, on request of Joliet Radio Corp. extended through Sept. 11 time to file comments and, through Sept. 21 time to file comments in matter of amendment of FM table of assignment (Shorewood and Ottawa, both Illinois) (Doc. 19561). Action Sept. 1.

D. Chief, Broadcast Bureau, granted request of Richard N. Williams, president, House of Sound Inc., Calif., to file reply comments in light of new application by Edward Royce Slottz. It is expected to be, but has not yet been rendered pending, a view of parties' expressed desire not to go forward with establishment of procedural dates until issuance of application and a grant of the requested hearing conference scheduled for Sept. 12 to date to be established by subsequent order (Doc. 19554-60). Action Sept. 1.

E. Administrative Law Judge Lenore G. Ehrig in Sacramento, Calif. (California Stereo Inc. Intercast Inc.), FM broadcasting, in light of fact that timely filed and mutually exclusive applications by Edward Royce Slottz II is expected to be, but has not yet been rendered pending, a view of parties' expressed desire not to go forward with establishment of procedural dates until issuance of application and a grant of the requested hearing conference scheduled for Sept. 12 to date to be established by subsequent order (Doc. 19554-60). Action Sept. 5.

F. Administrative Law Judge Lenore G. Ehrig in Pekin, Ill. (Broadcasting Inc. and Tazwell Broadcasting Co.), FM broadcasting, in light of pendency of joint petition for approval of agreement, for ownership, lease and grant of remainder application without hearing filed by parties, Broadcast Bureau. In the order of applicants, and fact that ultimate approval of agreement will eliminate need for hearing, order further proceeding conference scheduled to convene Oct. 29 (Doc. 19526-7). Action Sept. 5.

G. Administrative Law Judge Herbert Sharfman in Southern Pines, N.C. (William R. Gaston, Sandhill Community Broadcasters Inc.), FM broadcasting, in light of fact that joint petition for approval of agreement, for ownership, lease and grant of remainder application by number of FM broadcast hours which could be duplicated on AM (Docs. 19349-50). Action Sept. 6.

H. Administrative Law Judge Herbert Sharfman in Sandhill Community Broadcasters Inc. (William R. Gaston, Sandhill Community Broadcasters Inc.), FM broadcasting, in light of fact that joint petition for approval of agreement, for ownership, lease and grant of remainder application by number of FM broadcast hours which could be duplicated on AM (Docs. 19349-50). Action Sept. 6.

New FM stations

Existing FM stations

Starts authorized


KEWE(FM) Camarillo, Calif.—Authorized program operation on 95.9 mhz, ERP 3 kw, HAAT 130 ft. Action Aug. 17.


WMMG(FM) Brandenburg, Ky.—Authorized program operation on 92.5 mhz, ERP 3 kw, HAAT 190 ft. Action Aug. 17.

WCW(L) Stockbridge, Mass.—Authorized program operation on 91.9 mhz, ERP 1.4 kw, HAAT 6 ft. Action Aug. 22.

KCUM-FM Crookston, Minn.—Authorized program operation on 91.7 mhz, ERP 1,120 kw, TPO 10 w. Action Aug. 28.

KQDE-FM Watseka, Ill.—Authorized program operation on 99.3 mhz, ERP 3 kw, HAAT 300 ft. Action Aug. 21.

KNJN-FM Maryville, Mo.—Authorized program operation on 95.3 mhz, ERP 3 kw, HAAT 300 ft. Action Aug. 18.


Final actions

A. FCC modified earlier action granting Pacific Lutheran University Inc. increase in power and antenna height of KLPLU-FM Tahoma, Wash., to require Pacific Lutheran to meet reasonable complaints of interference by stations in Seattle, in area of "KLPLU-FM". action Sept. 7.

B. KWST(FM) Los Angeles—Broadcast Bureau granted renewal of license to install new ERP 1,175 kw; ant. height 205 ft.; remote control permitted. Action Aug. 31.

C. KCVR(FM) San Bernardino, Calif.—Broadcast Bureau granted renewal of license by change of call sign; change of trans.; change transmission line; change name of licensee from San Bernardino Valley Junior College District to San Bernardino Community College District. Action Aug. 25.

D. WATT(FM) Waterbury, Conn.—Broadcast Bureau granted license to install new antenna, 500 kw, HAAT 270 ft., remote control permitted; condition. Action Aug. 31.

E. WDJF(FM) Westport, Conn.—Broadcast Bureau granted renewal of license to install new antenna, 500 kw, HAAT 270 ft.; remote control permitted. Action Aug. 31.

F. WSUX-FM Seaford, Del.—Broadcast Bureau granted license renewal ERP 3 kw, ant. height 230 ft. Action Aug. 29.

G. WHRS(FM) Boynton Beach, Fla.—Broadcast Bureau granted renewal of license covering change in antenna, to install new antenna from Seaford, Del. (Continued to page 68)
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**Transmitter actions**

1. **Seward, Alaska, Central Alaska Broadcasting Inc.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WAFN-TV, to serve Seward and Moose Pass, Alaska, on channel 3 with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time, to increase power from 300 watts. Action Aug. 29.

2. **Washington TV, Inc.**—Broadcast Bureau granted permit for new TV translator to serve Gladiolus and Mount Vernon, Wash., on channel 13, with power of 3,000 watts. Action Aug. 29.

3. **Andorre, Alaska, Central Alaska Broadcasting Inc.**—Broadcast Bureau granted assignment of license of KIAT-TV, to serve Andorre, Alaska, on channel 3, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.


6. **WCTV, Inc.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WCTV, to serve Jacksonville, Fla., on channel 1, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

7. **KIRO-TV, Seattle, Wash.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to KIRO-TV, to serve Seattle, Wash., on channel 7, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

8. **KSWB-TV, San Diego, Calif.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to KSWB-TV, to serve San Diego, Calif., on channel 6, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

9. **WABC-TV, New York City, N.Y.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WABC-TV, to serve New York City, N.Y., on channel 7, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

10. **WGN-TV, Chicago, Ill.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WGN-TV, to serve Chicago, Ill., on channel 4, with power of 500,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

11. **WTTG-TV, Washington, D.C.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WTTG-TV, to serve Washington, D.C., on channel 5, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

12. **WKY-TV, Oklahoma City, Okla.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WKY-TV, to serve Oklahoma City, Okla., on channel 12, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

13. **WBBM-TV, Chicago, Ill.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WBBM-TV, to serve Chicago, Ill., on channel 2, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

14. **WTTV, Indianapolis, Ind.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WTTV, to serve Indianapolis, Ind., on channel 12, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

15. **WRAL-TV, Raleigh, N.C.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WRAL-TV, to serve Raleigh, N.C., on channel 5, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

16. **WHEC-TV, Rochester, N.Y.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WHEC-TV, to serve Rochester, N.Y., on channel 10, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

17. **WBZ-TV, Boston, Mass.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WBZ-TV, to serve Boston, Mass., on channel 4, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

18. **WJZ-TV, Baltimore, Md.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WJZ-TV, to serve Baltimore, Md., on channel 11, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

19. **WNSA-TV, Nashville, Tenn.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WNSA-TV, to serve Nashville, Tenn., on channel 5, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.

20. **WOR-TV, New York City, N.Y.**—Broadcast Bureau granted license of assignment of permit to WOR-TV, to serve New York City, N.Y., on channel 9, with power of 1,000 watts, and 100% of time. Action Aug. 29.
Buyers: Eugene F. Smith (60%) and Gene Edward Camp (40%).

[Bar graph and text about financial data, percentages, and other financial details are not transcribed.]

Cable

Final actions

- FCC granted Capitol Cablevision and Wolverine Cablevision Inc. to carry signals of WKAR-TV, 404, East Lansing, Mich., beginning Sept. 10. Cable television systems are to file certificates of compliance requesting carriage of WKAR-TV within 30 days after such carriage begins. Authorization resulted from Michigan State University's shift of educational broadcasting operations from shared-time of ch. 10, Onandaga, Mich., to full-time use of WKAR-TV, August 31. [Action Sept. 7.]

- FCC denied petitions by Service Electric Cable TV Inc., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., operator of cable systems in East Stroudsburg and Ashley, borough, all Pennsylvania, asking for immediate license to resume carrying distant signals on Ashley borough cable TV systems (Doc. 18923). Action Sept. 7.


- Cable TV Bureau granted following operators of cable television systems certificates of compliance: World Broadcasting, Inc., Franklin, Maine; Muncie Cable TV, Muncie, Ind.; Hays Cable TV Inc., Hays, Kan.; Toms Cable TV Co., Toms, N.H.; Valley Cable TV Co., Vandallia, Ill.; Jefferson TV Cable Co., borough of Reynolds- ville, Ohio; Big Soldier, and Borough of Big Run, all Pennsylvania; St. Albans Cablevision Inc., Village of St. Albans, Vt.; DeKalb Cablevision Corp., DeKalb county, Ill.; Decatur, Avondale Estates, Clarkston and Stone Mountain, all Georgia. Actions Sept. 6.


Action on motion

- Administrative Law Judge Lenore G. Elbrig, in Sedona and Oak Creek Canyon, both Arizonas (Se- decem, 1953), cease and desist order, upon request of Sedona-Oak Creek TV Cable Corp., Oatman, Nev., 3rd to 15th month, subject to a fee schedule, grant franchise. [See Alphonso J. Ritter, N.J., Tri-Town Video has been awarded five-year franchise.]

- West Fargo, N.D.—Shayenne Cable TV Association has applied for franchise.
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To fill the impossible job: David Foster, NCTA president

On his first day as president of the National Cable Television Association, David Foster "I had been summoned to the NCTA conference room for an informal get-acquainted meeting. He could practically have held it in an elevator. During nearly a year with no paid president, NCTA's staff had dwindled to the point of embarrassment, and Mr. Foster's first task was to put it back together. And, as he freely acknowledged at that first meeting, he had been given plenty of advice on how to do it. "Some people," he said to the staff, "have told me that my first order of business should be to fire all of you and start over." He quickly added that it was not his intention to follow that advice, but the point had been made: A lot of people in the industry wanted and expected prompt, visible change at NCTA.

By the NCTA convention less than a month later the staff was all but complete, with minimal housecleaning, hiring of experienced hands for key positions, and some judicious scrambling of titles and functions. That rapid disposition of an acute problem won points for David Foster. So did the fact that most cablemen instinctively liked him.

Now, four months after that honeymoon scene, it is possible to find vibrations of discontent within NCTA's performance. There are some reservations about the refurbished government-relations department. The most enduring split within NCTA—the big guys vs. the mom-and-pop operators—shows no sign of going away. And there have been specific outbursts, such as the time a trade press editor called Mr. Foster a variety of names—of which "stupid" was the most civilized—for addressing a Colorado Broadcasters Association meeting as part of a symposium on cable.

It may be, however, that these problems say more about the volatility of the cable industry than about Mr. Foster's performance. On balance, the industry has given him a strongly favorable rating. He is credited with revitalizing the staff situation, learning quickly and effectively what the industry is all about, maintaining close, consistent liaison with his committee chairmen, and generally with projecting a strong image as president.

He gets particularly high marks from the staff, new and old. "He's not at all heavy-handed," one said. "He leads by example." For his own part, Mr. Foster professes to have been pleasantly surprised by the situation at Washington headquarters. "I had been led to believe that those things were a total shambles," he says, "with a lot of factionalism and backbiting, and that the only thing to do was to clean house. As it turned out, that wasn't necessary—there were a lot of very good people here."

He also had another, less gratifying surprise awaiting him. "I had thought," he says, "that the knowledge of cable on Capitol Hill was much deeper than it's turned out to be. There are a few very knowledgeable people, but elsewhere there's a very superficial awareness where CATV is today and what its real problems are."

Correcting that situation is the job of NCTA's government-relations department, and the outward signs there are of aggressive change. Mr. Foster hired an experienced labor lobbyist, Charles Lipsen, to run the operation. In recent weeks NCTA has brought previously independent political-reaction and political-education committees under its own roof (a move broadcasters have avoided for fear of adverse reaction) and has begun a vigorous campaign to encourage the use of cable by political candidates. Along with the changes has come some rumbling of discontent, attributable not so much to anything the department has or hasn't done as to the chief lobbyist, Mr. Lipsen, respected by many but too supercharged for some tastes in the industry.

Beyond all the hassles—real, potential and imagined—remains the fact that the people he deals with genuinely like David Foster as a man. He comes to the job abundantly supplied with "polish," but without whatever connotations of aloofness the word may carry.

A 45-year-old native of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Mr. Foster served in the Navy during World War II and graduated from the University of Iowa before settling on the career of law. After obtaining his law degree and working for four years with a Cedar Rapids law firm, he decided that corporate law was what interested him most. That followed a series of jobs—notably 10 years with Collins Radio and three with Data Transmission Co. (Datran)—in which he got an opportunity to develop the talents of a lawyer for whom the practice of law is but one facet of a far broader career.

Now at NCTA, Mr. Foster devotes perhaps 70% of his time to government relations—in a broad sense that includes Congress, the FCC and the Office of Telecommunications Policy—exhibiting a particular fondness for his specialty, regulatory relations. "It requires a special expertise," he says. "You have to know the regulator's job almost as well as he does."

In more ways than one, Mr. Foster is presiding over a new cable industry. Especially important, cable has gone beyond its regulatory "freeze" to a period of growth in major markets—with, ironically, a corresponding decline in grandiloquent statements. "We're in a phase of realism," Mr. Foster says. "The industry used to keep its hopes buoyant talking about two-way services, data communications and the like. Now we're in a phase of getting these large cities wired, and there's a lot of hardheaded realism, a lot of talk about financing, and how these new services can actually be brought into being."

Obviously, NCTA has a central role to play in that growth, and achieving it will require more than the two years of Mr. Foster's $65,000-a-year-plus-benefits contract. Still, he obviously doesn't see it as a long-term career job. "You do act as a go-between here," he said, "and sometimes you get the feeling you'd like to be working at one end or the other." He added, however, that "it's a wonderful lot of fun," and he clearly hopes to accomplish his broad objectives without getting nailed by any of the hazards that surround what many have called an "impossible job," the presidency of NCTA.

Profile

David Herry Foster—president, National Cable Television Association; b. July 15, 1927, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa; U.S. Navy, 1945-46; BA in history, University of Iowa, 1950, and law degree 1952, both magna cum laude; in private practice with law firm of Lynch, Dallas, Smith & Harman, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 1952-56; assistant to the president, H. A. Wagner & Co., Van Nuys, Calif., 1956-58; head of contracts for General Dynamics Corp.'s Stromberg-Carlson division, San Diego, 1958-59; Collins Radio Co., Dallas, 1959-68, reaching position of vice president, secretary and member of the board, and specializing in financing and government relations; joined Data Transmission Co. (Datran) in 1969 as vice president for administration, and became executive vice president for legal and regulatory affairs; named to present post in April 1972; m. Barbara Sue Burrell of Cedar Rapids, 1950; children—Sarah, 20; Kathleen, 18; and Robert, 16.

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On standing and fighting
The news that researchers are now in full cry against air pollution as a possible cause of lung cancer will bring small comfort to the one sector of the economy that has been penalized in relation to this disease—the radio and television broadcasters denied by law from carrying the advertising of lawful tobacco products. Nor would they have cause to rejoice if some well-meaning congressman leapt from these new studies to the conclusion that politicians from industrial areas should be prohibited from proclaiming the glories of their districts on the grounds someone might think them a good place to live.

The latest suggestion is that urban environments expose people to higher death rates than can be attributed to an increase in smoking. We don’t doubt it, as we do not doubt that smoking—as the surgeon general remarks on each pack of our cigarettes—is dangerous to our health. We do doubt, and the experience of the past two years gives reason to, that the way to correct all of a society’s ills is to continue to bludgeon the medium that makes us most aware of them.

The discriminatory cigarette decision was a catastrophe. It was not only wrong legislation but bad legislation: It was inequitable to one segment of society and did the whole of society no good at all. It happened because those who spoke for the medium lacked the will to stand up for the right and its rights. It was also, unfortunately, precedential legislation. Broadcasters might find both comfort and cause to rejoice if its leaders don’t fade the next time push comes to shove.

That time is not far distant. The drums are now being beaten for a legislative or regulatory attack against the advertising of nonprescription drugs. The Federal Trade Commission’s incredible proposal for counteradvertising, although no longer pushed with fervor by the agency that conceived it, has lost none of its charm for those who would seize the electronic media for their own purposes—or for those in government who would rather go after the easy targets of radio and television than address the hard economic and social realities of our day. It’s easy to will away cigarette advertising on the air. It’s hard to find a cure for lung cancer. It’s easy to ban the advertising of legitimate drugs on the air. It’s hard to stop the traffic of illegal drugs in the streets. It’s easy, indeed, to sacrifice the commercial viability of a communications medium to the expedients of politics. The nation would be hard put to replace it.

A notion that continuity of operation hopefully would accrue to the broadcaster if license fees were construed to be franchise imposts. Just the opposite has proved the case.

What has happened in the oftentimes acrimonious conflicts over first generation cable may be child’s play when the drive starts for boxoffice television across the country. It isn’t likely, however, that the stringent FCC rules will be modified to allow uninhibited toll TV to take over the air. On cable, it is an entirely different story. Toll TV, albeit closed circuit, already has taken root in the wired precincts of in-town New York and, as a story in this issue attests, is soon to surface in Southern California.

Evolution
The new television season began with a considerable bang a week ago Sunday when NBC showcased Liza Minnelli in an hour that’s already taken on the aura of a classic. It followed almost immediately with a whimper when ABC offered a banal and lackluster tribute to the first 25 years of TV programming. One night, of course, does not a season make, but our hunch is that it’s going to be a lot like that from here on in: highs and lows, with a generous measure of not bad in between. Neither viewer nor broadcaster should be discouraged by that prospect.

It’s fashionable to say that each new season is a copy of that which went before, and that television hasn’t had a golden year in the last 20. That’s nonsense, as a growing audience attests more knowledgeably than the critics do. The fact is that television has been raising the bar of its ambitions and the level of its audience’s expectations year after year, and if one is occasionally ahead of the other that’s as it should be. The extensive schedules of specials on all the networks this season, in addition to the new series entries (each representing an effort to improve on the past), are evidence of still another extension of the medium’s reach. Forced to a guess, ours is that the grasp will not be far behind.

Sinews of conflict
For the National Association of Broadcasters and the National Cable Television Association to join on the same side of any issue may be an event as noteworthy to communicators as the Peking and Moscow summits must have been to the community of nations.

It happened in a case involving license and filing fees imposed by the FCC. NCTA took the lead in an appeal from a decision of the Fifth Circuit Court in New Orleans sustaining the FCC’s schedule of fees for cable systems (Broadcasting, Sept. 11). NAB supported the NCTA contention that the New Orleans opinion was in conflict with a subsequent decision involving authority of the Federal Power Commission by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. Whereas the NCTA appeal related to imposition of annual fees on cable systems, the NAB concern is with license fees, which are broadly comparable.

Broadcasters regard license and filing fees as an abomination and flagrantly discriminatory. Several years ago there had been

“i know that Archie Bunker is really kidding, but I wonder if the niggers do.”

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