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NAB STANCES □ The fall board meeting in Washington results in cautious endorsement of DBS, a plea for the FCC to expedite action on teletext, and a resolve to battle the commission on UHF. In addition, the radio task force gains momentum and there's good news for the minority fund in the form of an IRS break. PAGE 34.

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'SHOGUN' ZAPS COMPETITION □ The NBC five-partner gets the highest miniseries ratings since Roots. PAGE 59.

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NAB'S OFFER □ The association tells five proponents of AM stereo systems that it is willing to oversee and coordinate efforts to determine best method. PAGE 63.

THE LADY IS A CHAMP □ En route to the presidency of the FCBA, Linda Cinciotta demonstrated her mettle in successfully fighting attempts to deny the association its seat in the ABA. It's just one of many bright spots in the record of the only woman partner in the communications law firm of Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn. PAGE 89.
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Ups and downs

Nielsen Station Index is ready with its 1980-81 TV households estimates for NSI's 203 designated market areas (DMA's) and they result in some substantial changes in rank. Albany, N.Y., drops out of top 50, going from 49th to 51st, and Charleston-Huntington, W.Va., moves in, from 51st to 49th. Dayton, Ohio, which was 50th, rises to 48th and is replaced by Harrisburg, Pa., which was 47th.

Among other changes: On upside, Seattle goes to 14th from 17th (replacing St. Louis, which drops to 15th; Kansas City, Mo., to 25th from 28th; Birmingham-Aniston, Ala., to 36th from 39th; Salt Lake City to 44th from 48th; Raleigh, N.C., to 43d from 46th. On downside, Norfolk, Va., goes from 43d to 47th; New Orleans from 36th to 38th; San Antonio, Tex., from 44th to 46th. New estimates will be used starting with Nielsen's October measurements of 23 markets.

In the dark

All that most FCC members know about proposed move of agency's headquarters to Rosslyn, Va. (Broadcasting, Sept. 22), is what they've read in daily and trade press. FCC Chairman Charles D. Ferris and staffer in charge of finding new space, Thomas Campbell, didn't notify other commissioners they had initiated legislation to permit move outside District of Columbia or had begun negotiations for lease. Campbell says if Congress approves and lease goes through, commissioners will be asked to vote approval.

Advocacy acceptance

Big increase in number of TV stations amenable to issue advocacy commercials is evident in studies by Television Bureau of Advertising. At request of American Association of Advertising Agencies, TVB surveyed stations on willingness to accept five specific issue spots and on attitudes toward issue advertising generally. Results, to be given to Association of National Advertisers' annual meeting Tuesday (page 38), were still being tabulated late last week, but with over 400 stations heard from, those willing to consider issue advertising reportedly were up more than 50% from five years ago, when TVB did survey for U.S. Steel and found 53% takers.

Second measure of station attitudes comes from another source. Committee for Energy Awareness ran pro-nuclear-power campaign last May and achieved acceptance rates of 65% for TV and 85% for radio—and was able to buy time somewhere in each market selected. These figures come from report by Kirkland & Ellis, law firm for CEA, which is considering another campaign and asked for opinion on fairness doctrine implications. One conclusion: Coverage generated by Three Mile Island incident was so extensive that most stations probably have devoted less time to CEA's side than to antinuclear side.

Money and power

Cable News Network knows what it's worth in concrete terms, but it isn't telling. Senior Turner Broadcasting official says major newspaper chain two weeks ago offered "a substantial amount...all that we put into it and more" for the 24-hour news service, but he wouldn't identify chain or price.

Meanwhile, Ted Turner has shown interest in acquiring low-power television stations proposed by FCC. Turner could use stations to disseminate his CNN in cableless big cities and in communities where cable operator has been slow to sign up for CNN. Turner isn't only one. Southern Satellite Systems, which happens to be CNN's carrier, is also interested in building low-power stations as another outlet for its menu of programming.

Clean sweep

Both Senate and House Communications Subcommittees may have new chief counsel when next session of Congress convenes even if Democrats continue in control of Congress. In wake of departure of Harry M. (Chip) Shooshan III as chief of staff of House subcommittee under Lionel Van Deerlin (D-Calif.), reports are current that Mary Jo Manning, Senate subcommittee counsel since 1977, is pondering private law practice in Washington.

Yes and no

RKO General's hopes of winning FCC approval of plan to spin off to stockholders—and thus save—licenses of 13 stations flipped last week. FCC General Counsel's Office recommended that FCC reject plan. However, that opinion is not universal among commission staff. Earlier, Broadcast Bureau filed comments recommending RKO plan be adopted.

RKO and its parent, General Tire and Rubber Co., devised scheme after commission denied renewal of three RKO TV licenses—WNAV-TV Boston, KJPH-TV Los Angeles and WOR-TV New York—on ground that, because of General Tire's transgressions, RKO lacked character qualification to be licenced. FCC is to consider spin-off tomorrow (Sept. 30).

Dreams of glory

Crystal-ball ing is just that. But inside NBC-TV, where Shogun performance could only lead to optimism, there's talk that normally third-rated network might have shot at winning prime-time ratings for fourth quarter 1980. Prognosticators there believe it will take combination of ratings and luck. Twenty-six-hour repeat of Centennial mini-series would have to average 28 share or better (after 10 hours, average was 31). And if fate's on NBC's side, World Series will stretch to full seven games.

Trend to cable

Next major station group to enter cable television ownership will probably be Field Communications, San Francisco-based owner of five major-market UHF stations. Field this week expects to sign for acquisition of its first cable property, said to be southern California system with 15,000-plus subscribers. Field is going for more.

Flying blind

Delay in release by FCC of yearly market-by-market television financial data (usually available in August, but not expected this year until November, possibly later) is causing broadcasters problems. Many, especially at stations outside top markets, depend on data in plotting budgets for following year—usually done in September or October. Lack of 1979 figures also makes it difficult for those interested in buying stations to get financial information on various markets they may be considering. Delay has been caused by FCC conversion to new computer program.

Canadian trade-off?

What's quid pro quo for Canada's acquiescence to 9 kHz separation in AM band, wanted by FCC to open slots for new stations? There's notion in government circles that agreement could be reached if provision is made for clear channels to accommodate several additional high-power AM's in dominion—equivalent of clear channels that would be phased out in U.S. Canada's problem is coverage of sparsely settled northern areas. Next Region 2 meeting to consider allocations in this hemisphere will be in Rio de Janeiro, Nov. 8 to Dec. 18, 1981.


**Trimmed.** Financially strapped Chrysler Corp. is reducing its advertising budget from about $118 million in 1979-80 but still will invest more than $80 million to promote its new K-cars and other models. Introductory campaign on television and radio and in print media will kick off this week, and, according to Chrysler, portion allotted to television will be cut to about 60% of budget, as compared with 75% last year. Chrysler's major agency is Kenyon & Eckhardt, Detroit and New York.


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Picked for Guard duty. Washington office of Needham, Harper & Steers has been awarded $4 million recruitment advertising contract for Army and Air National Guard account. NH&S succeeds W.B. Doner of Baltimore.

Down the road. It appears as if it will be more than one year before $4.35 million suit against Jordache Enterprises by its former advertising agency and music production company will be heard in New York State Supreme Court. HGO Corp., New York agency, claims Jordache violated written agreement made in early 1978 to pay 15% commission each time original commercials were telecast. Raw Cream Music Productions, New York, which produced “Jordache Look” jingle for HGO, sued Jordache for $1.65 million, claiming Jordache violated its agreement by using jingles with products other than jeans. Jordache has denied plaintiff’s allegations.

It pays to advertise. Agency business is getting favorable investor attention, notes investment survey firm Value Line in recent report on industry. Group ranks 17 out of 92 that Value Line follows in regards to its “market performance potential” over coming year. Report cites today’s advertiser sophistication in maintaining budgets during recession, and positive contributions of agencies’ foreign operations as two reasons “agencies are just plain doing better than most companies.” Value Line singles out BBDO, Doyle Dane Beattie, Foote Cone & Belding, and JPL Walter Thompson as “best selections.”

Business prospects. Outlook for TV advertising through 1981, including look at key areas for major growth and rundown on individual station activities to assure future business, will be presented by Television Bureau of Advertising executives at four regional television conferences being held by National Association of Broadcasters in October. Robert H. Baker, marketing sales executive, will appear on first day of Oct. 1-2 conference at Fairmont hotel in Philadelphia; Arthur G. Trudell Jr., vice president, northwestern sales, on second day of Oct. 8-9 meeting at Hyatt on Union Square in San Francisco; Robert M. Fairbanks, vice president, western sales, on second day of Oct. 15-16 session at Hyatt Regency in Phoenix, and Perry B. Bascom, vice president, southwestern sales, on second day of Oct. 29-30 meeting at Omni International in Atlanta.

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Oct. 22-24 — National Association of Broadcasters television code board meeting, Hotel del Coronado, San Diego.


Oct. 24-26 — Fourth annual National Student Broadcasters Convention sponsored by WUMB, University of Massachusetts, Hotel Sonestia, Hartford, Conn.


Oct. 27-29 — Mid-America CATV Association 23d annual meeting and show. Williams Plaza hotel, Tulsa, Okla.


Oct. 28-30 — Ohio Association of Broadcasters fall convention. Hilton Inn East, Columbus.


Oct. 30 — Radio Advertising Bureau co-op retail meeting. Tarrytown Hilton, Tarrytown, N.Y.

Oct. 31-Nov. 1 — National Translator Association annual convention. Hotel Utah, Salt Lake City.

Oct. 31-Nov. 1 — Broadcasters Promotion Association board meeting. Hyatt Regency, Chicago.

November

Nov. 2-4 — Washington State Association of Broadcasters annual meeting. Thunderbird Motor Inn, Yakima.

Nov. 3 — Radio Advertising Bureau co-op retail meeting. Registry hotel, Minneapolis.

Nov. 3-4 — Cable Television Administration and Marketing Society direct sales seminar. Hotel Colon- nade, Boston.

Nov. 5 — Radio Advertising Bureau co-op retail meeting. Arlington Park Hilton, Chicago.

Nov. 7 — National Association of Broadcasters radio code board meeting, Scottsdale, Ariz.

Nov. 9-11 — Television Bureau of Advertising’s annual meeting. Hilton hotel, Las Vegas.

Nov. 9-13 — National Black Network affiliates advisory board meeting, Dorado Beach, PR.

Nov. 9-14 — Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers, 122d technical conference and equipment exhibit. Hilton hotel, New York.

Nov. 11-12 — Cable System Advertising Conference hosted by Cable News Network, Colony Square hotel, Atlanta.


Nov. 12 — Radio-Television News Directors Association region 7 management training seminar, University of Illinois, Champaign. Information: Dick Westbrook, WAND-TV Decatur, Ill.

Nov. 12-14 — American Association of Advertising Agencies central region annual meeting. Ritz-Carlton, Chicago.

Nov. 12-14 — Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers engineering management conference, Colonel-Hilton Inn, Wakefield, Mass.

Nov. 12-14 — Oregon Association of Broadcasters 40th annual convention, Marriott hotel, Portland.


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* According to the 1980 Guinness Book of World Records, the most talkative bird is a male African gray parrot named “Prudence.” Owned by Mrs. Len Logue of London, Prudence has a vocabulary of nearly 1,000 words and won the title “Best talking parrot-like bird” 12 years in a row.

When you start with a movie like James Clavell's Shōgun, there has to be something behind it.

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This year more than ever, we're building quality into everything we do. Everything from our movies to our White Paper reports, and from our exclusive World Series coverage to our continuing chronicle of Campaign '80. You'll find it in specials like "The Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson 18th Anniversary" and "Hope for President," with Bob Hope. And it's going to be there in our selection of major motion pictures, with three Academy Award winners leading the list—Marlon Brando in Mario Puzo's "The Godfather Saga," Parts I and II, Jane Fonda in "Julia," and "All the President's Men," starring Robert Redford and Dustin Hoffman.

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Rogers debated

EDITOR: The pretentious quote attributed to Ted Rogers in your article detailing the encroachment of his Canadian Cable systems into the U.S. is hilarious: "Any broadcaster who looks to the government to protect him is a bigger bureaucrat than his government and deserves to be doomed" [Broadcasting, Sept. 15].

Most Toronto subscribers buy Rogers's cable service to better receive U.S. programs from Buffalo, N.Y. Under the protection of the Canadian government, he has chosen to randomly delete commercials within these programs, thus diminishing advertising effectiveness.

Rogers exhibits no zeal for an open, television market on his side of the border. Rather, he publicly favors CS8, a governmental device designed to protect Canadian broadcasters. Canadian advertisers are denied tax deductions for the cost of buying time within U.S. station programs carried by his cable systems.

While he blithely competes for cable systems in the United States, Rogers relies on Canadian law to protect him from counterinsults by his American counterparts. -Richard C. Shepard, general sales manager, WKBW-TV Buffalo, N.Y.

Underground movement

EDITOR: While communications lawyers and others who find themselves appearing before the FCC may have valid reasons for contesting the agency's move to Rosslyn, Va., I find one of your editorial points a bit out of line [Broadcasting, Sept. 22].

It may be true that these people will find "few hotels within affordable taxi range." However, Rosslyn is easily reached by Washington's Metro subway system both faster and easier than by cab and is thus within easy range of a great number of hotels. It is also cheaper.

It's about time someone gave a little credit to the Metro for making it easier to get around this city, particularly after all the lip service paid to energy conservation and the benefits of mass transit.

And what do you have against Ulan Bator, anyway? -Robert McIntyre, graphics specialist, the Aluminum Association, Washington.

Silverman's role

EDITOR: An editorial about Fred Silverman in the Sept. 8 issue contained the following sentence: "Indeed the first television season of his tenure had been fashioned before his arrival."

Yes, but.

If you would check your publication soon after Silverman joined NBC on June 8, 1978, you would see that he revised the entire schedule for that season. -Paul L. Klein, PKO Television Ltd., New York.

Editor's note. Klein is right and should know. As NBC executive vice president, programs, he fashioned the schedule that Silverman changed. BROADCASTING should have said Silverman inherited most of the programs in the line-up he retained.

Being there at NRBA

EDITOR: I was disturbed to read about your decision not to cover the National Radio Broadcasters Association convention coming up in Los Angeles. -Carey Davis, station manager, WSDR (AM) Sterling, Ill.

Editor's note. A radio newsletter erroneously reported that BROADCASTING would not cover the NRBA convention. An advance story about the convention appeared in BROADCASTING's issue of Sept. 15. A longer advance is scheduled for the issue of Oct. 8, as repeatedly announced in "Added Attractions." The house ad that appears frequently in BROADCASTING. Comprehensive coverage of the convention itself will appear in the issue of Oct. 13.

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TV and radio do the trick in Tidewater

For the past 20 years we have represented a local independent supermarket chain called Farm Fresh Supermarkets. The chain includes 17 stores, 15 of which are in the Tidewater, Va., marketing area. The Tidewater ADI includes the cities of Norfolk, Virginia Beach and Chesapeake on the south side of Hampton Roads harbor, and Newport News and Hampton on the north side. It's important to make this distinction at the outset because there is one television ADI, but it's necessary to use two separate metropolitan newspaper companies to cover the entire population. The success of the television advertising campaign, which has been effective since August 1977, is perhaps best re-told by going back to where we were over 33 months ago.

It's important to point out at the beginning that Farm Fresh has been competing successfully with other major national food chains for the last 20 years in the Tidewater area. Prior to midsummer 1977, we were conducting the typical campaign of supermarket operators-weekly newspaper advertisements listing specific items for sale, at their price that week.

David Fairman, chairman of the board of Farm Fresh, had noted with some interest the massive television advertising of the Alpha Beta stores throughout California. No quotable results on how they were doing were available, at least not to us. But it was apparent that any supermarket chain that uses a substantial amount of television advertising and virtually no newspaper advertising for over a year and a half was probably being very successful, but just didn't want to talk about it.

The essence of the new Farm Fresh campaign was this: Use a theme that says our prices are as low as our competitors' or lower, even including the specials that are advertised every week.

A question of integrity is involved. I want to make it clear that all of our survey work up to this time had indicated that the Farm Fresh chain was lower-priced than all of those identifiable chain competitors in this market. We were not making up a campaign that did not ring true.

A review of the Alpha Beta advertising program, plus our own estimates about Tidewater media, plus the fact that it was necessary to use two metropolitan daily newspapers, helped us decide that our major medium for the new marketing program would be television. The other factor was that television would force-feed the low-price message, whether the viewer was a customer of ours or of some other supermarket. Television was to be supplemented by radio advertising. All the money for this program was to come from the current newspaper advertising. A slight increase in the advertising budget would be allowed for a limited period, perhaps the first six months. We normally expect to spend 1/2 of 1% of planned gross sales on advertising, and, for the first three months of the promotion, we estimated a budget of 3/4 of 1%.

I wouldn't be writing this summary if the program had not been a success for the last two-and-a-half years. I offer the following numbers in confirmation of that belief.

First, the market share for Farm Fresh has increased to approximately 15%, while many other supermarkets have been struggling to maintain the market share that they already had. Obviously, some sales are coming from new families moving into this very popular part of the country, but certainly not that great an increase.

In the first three months of the campaign, we spent $155,000 on television and radio advertising in Tidewater. That's a meaningless figure without defining what it will buy. In those first three months, our objective was to buy 300 to 500 gross rating points per week, and to reinforce that purchase with additional increases around the major paydays each month, going as high as 1,200 GRP's a week. After the first three months, sales increases in all of the stores (at that time 12) were almost 25%. Obviously, we were reaching customers outside our regular customer base, and the plan was working.

Farm Fresh is one of Tidewater's best broadcast advertisers because we have been spending in excess of a half million dollars a year in television and radio. In our market, that makes Farm Fresh one of the top 10. About 75% of our broadcast dollars are spent in television, the remainder in radio.

Because of other increasing competitive pressures at the beginning of 1980, we altered the marketing plan to include weekly newspaper color advertising, essentially at the expense of television. After three months of that, we have back-assumed somewhat and gone back to a multimedia plan, much more like the way it was before. The reason was that an independent survey company that we used had noted a 6% drop in awareness when surveying supermarket shoppers who identify different supermarkets as television advertisers.

When we started this program in August 1977, Farm Fresh's television awareness was about 43% of such people. By March of 1978, after six months of the program, it had jumped to 67%. By March of 1979, it was up to 76%. But, by March of 1980, after using a lot of television money for newspaper advertisements for the first three months in 1980, it had dropped to 70%.

Even at a 70% level, we were more than 25 points higher than the nearest competitive supermarket advertiser. But, if an awareness drop indicates a trend, we want to be sure to keep ourself out of deep water. The future for the Farm Fresh marketing program will include a combination of two media: television and newspaper advertising. This will be supplemented on major pay periods with additional radio spots. I think the percentages will probably work out something like 45-45-10.

It costs about $5,000 to run a full page four-color ad in the Norfolk papers and in the Newport News newspapers. Combined daily circulation is 324,000 and, if you ask any newspaper who gets a paper reads it, then that's how many people we are reaching. (I know you shouldn't make that kind of an assumption, but newspapers don't give you hard readership figures to deal with, and they don't tell you where they plan to put your ad. I have this continuing nightmare of a food ad showing up in sports.)

With the same $5,000 I can buy the television advertising schedule that covers virtually all dayparts except prime time, getting 35 to 40 30-second spots that will reach 2,350,000 homes and slightly under two million women aged 18-plus. Obviously, we don't feel we can be without this reach and frequency for very long, at the expense of another media campaign.

Russell J. Redmond, president of Redmond, Amundson & Rice Advertising Agency Inc., Norfolk, Va., has operated his own agency for 20 years and earlier was an advertising representative for Norfolk (Va.) Pilot & Ledger Star. Last year the agency completed building its own communications center, including facilities for graphic arts and production services. Fresh Farm Supermarkets has been a client of RAR since the agency's inception in 1980.

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DBS: Staff urging FCC to hold a loose rein

Cornell's office recommends that commission act mainly to police spectrum; general counsel agrees agency has legal power to do so; inquiry notice due out this week

Government regulators often defend their actions on the ground they do not have a clean slate on which to write. But the FCC's Office of Plans and Policy appears to believe that is not the case for the FCC in its regulation of direct broadcast satellite service, a new service waiting to emerge in this country. OPP suggests that the commission, in effect, turn the clock back 30 years and don the uniform of a spectrum traffic cop where DBS is concerned. Regulation would be left largely to public demand and market forces.

The OPP report, "Policies for Regulation of Direct Broadcast Satellites," written by OPP Chief Nina Cornell, and staffers Florence O. Seltzer and Bruce Franka, will be one of the documents the commission considers on Thursday in connection with a proposed notice of inquiry on DBS. An appendix to the report by the General Counsel's Office is said to conclude that the commission already has the legal authority to adopt the proposals advanced by OPP. And a report by the Office of Science and Technology provides a technical background for the discussion and spells out a number of technical problems to be faced.

The commission apparently intends to move into the DBS issue at a measured pace. Officials noted that it would be pointless to establish a regulatory framework for the service in advance of the 1983 conference in which western hemisphere nations will decide the basic frequency-allocation issues involved. Commission staffers, however, are considering suggesting the issuance of a notice of proposed rulemaking aimed at establishing interim rules to govern parties—like Comsat—that are interested in establishing DBS service before 1983.

But the first step toward creating DBS policy will be taken this week, when the commission issues a notice of inquiry. It simply will ask for comment on the report and invite views on what requirements should be imposed on those providing DBS service.

OPP appears to believe the fewer requirements the better. Indeed, some commission officials who have read the report seemed shocked at the departures it marks from traditional commission policy. But the report is in fact a logical extension of Cornell's view that regulation simply adds to the cost of a service. She feels the public is best and more economically served by a system in which public wants and needs shape the service it receives. But never before has Cornell had the clay in which to give her views full expression.

DBS, moreover, presents particular problems. It is expected to be an expensive venture; the report estimates up-front costs of $250 million. And profitability is no certainty: the report says DBS will face competition from a plethora of program services. Thus, OPP suggests, the government should make entry into DBS as appealing as possible.

The report suggests that DBS service be treated neither as broadcasting nor common carrier, but as a new breed, with features of both. An operator launching a satellite and providing transponder service would be a common carrier; whoever provides programing is a broadcaster. But in both cases, regulation would be minimal. The common carrier would not be subject, for instance, to rate regulation or cost justification requirements, and the broadcaster would be free of program-content regulation. OPP says such regulation is not needed in view of the variety of programing series that will be available to the viewer.

The report calls for a more efficient manner of selecting among competing applicants—either by auction or, if not permitted by law, by lot or paper pleadings. Licenses would be freely transferrable, and would run for the life of the satellite, normally estimated at seven years. Standards would be established to prevent operators from broadcasting out of band, but that would be one of the few threshold-notes.

The report says there should not be rules to insure compatibility among DBS services or to insure signal quality, or even regarding ownership of receiving equipment. Such rules, the report contends, stiff experimentation. Freedom from pro-

Debates are debatable. The League of Women Voters' presidential debate series has become mired in the conflicting strategies of the principal candidates. In an effort to keep the series going, the league on Thursday invited President Carter and Republican Ronald Reagan to a one-on-one debate during the week of Oct. 12, and to a three-way debate, including independent John Anderson, during the week of Oct. 26. Carter, who had boycotted the first debate, in Baltimore, rather than share the platform with Anderson, quickly accepted. So did Anderson, but not Reagan.

The Republican candidate is insisting on a series of round-robin debates, in which not only he but Anderson would face Carter head to head. Carter has rejected that format, and Ruth Hinerfeld, chairman of the league's voter education fund, said the league has always regarded the round-robin as the least desirable of the formats considered.

The league's strategy in acceding to Carter's repeated insistence on a one-on-one with Reagan as the price for his participation in a three-way debate with Anderson, was criticized by representatives of the other candidates. Reagan side Jim Baker said the league had "caved in" to pressure, and Mitchell Rogovin, general counsel of the Anderson campaign, said the league was "appeasing" Carter.

Although it appeared the league had reached an impasse in its effort to sponsor additional presidential debates, it was too early to write off a confrontation between Carter and Reagan. Carter has accepted three invitations from the National Press Club. CBS and the Ladies Home Journal to participate in head-to-head debates with Reagan. Baker said Reagan could accept one if they political considerations dictated that course. (The Press Club actually lacks the tax-exempt status that would enable it to sponsor a debate that broadcasters could cover live without being subjected to equal time demands. But last week, the club asked the National Press Foundation Inc., which does have tax-exempt status, to issue invitations to Carter and Reagan. And the board includes six former NPC presidents, will hold an emergency meeting on the matter tomorrow (Sept. 30).)

If the league presidential debate series is over, a proposed debate among vice presidential debates also seems doomed. The league invited Democrat Walter Mondale, Republican George Bush and independent Patrick Lucey to participate in an event scheduled for Louisville, on Oct. 2. Bush refused, saying it would be inappropriate for him to participate in a series that did not include Reagan. Mondale accepted, but only as part of the league's entire package—which has now come undone. Only Lucey accepted without qualification.
Grossman seeks 'grand alliance' to revitalize PBS programing

Compact with cultural leaders, investments by public would finance new $55-million service

Lawrence Grossman, president of the Public Broadcasting Service, last week outlined a potential new partnership for public television and the nation's performing arts and cultural institutions that could result in a dramatic increase in cultural programming.

Grossman's proposal—PBS's most ambitious to date—calls for investments by the country's more than 400 nonprofit museums, theater, dance and opera companies, and symphony orchestras, combined with the sale of stock to public TV subscribers, to generate $55 million for the new service. That total is nearly twice the amount the Carnegie staff projected that the proposed Performing Arts, Culture and Education (PACE) pay TV service would require initially, and Grossman said that the Carnegie Corp. had awarded PBS a grant to explore an alternative to the PACE pay-TV concept (BROADCASTING, June 2).

"I believe that public television now has the opportunity to inaugurate a momentous partnership between the nation's major arts institutions and the public television stations across the country, linking their vast cultural resources to our public telecommunications centers," Grossman said in an address to a PTV development conference in Phoenix. "We have mutual objectives and complementary skills and resources. If we join forces, we can produce together a new level of arts performances and quality cultural programming to reach a nationwide audience.

Under the plan, an average $10,000 investment by performing arts and cultural institutions would generate $5 million. In addition, the sale of shares, at $100 each, to 500,000 public TV subscribers and contributors would generate $50 million more to get the service under way.

But the plan goes beyond the cultural community, extending to the nation's 17,000 school districts. Grossman said that if every school district paid a public TV license fee an average of $5,000 per year in return for classroom rights to PTV's educational programs, the stations could generate over $75 million annually.

"We are entering an era, I believe, in which public television's traditional main source of revenue—the multiyear federal matching appropriation, public television station membership, state and local government support, corporate underwriting and foundation grants—will no longer be our entire financial universe," Grossman said. "Rather, they will serve as the nucleus to build upon, the vital financial core that will enable us to join forces with our arts and educational colleagues to develop an expanded telecommunications cultural, educational and information system in this country."

Grossman said it was up to PBS to lead the way in providing innovative forms of programming, because so far the new technologies were delivering "just more of what we've already been getting from commercial broadcasting." He pointed to cable as an example, noting that the much-talked about diversity in programming has arrived as nothing more than a series of pay channels featuring movies.

"Unless public broadcasting gets into there and does something about it," Grossman said, "cable will serve us no better in the future than the commercial networks did in the past, which is best described by Paul Klein, who said, 'If NBC would put on a live broadcast from the Metropolitan Opera, ABC and CBS would pay NBC to do it.'"

Grossman added that commercial broadcasters, unlike PBS, "have been making too much money to have had any great incentive to change the status quo. But even without money, he added, public television has been pioneering major breakthroughs, including the development of captioning technology, the first satellite interconnection of member stations, the introduction of simulcasting, the improvement of UHF transmission and reception, and the development of special interest programming.

"Public television did not spur the new technologies," Grossman said. "It embraced them as a new opportunity to fulfill its mission of providing quality programming to all Americans.

"Now, as these and comparable new developments are beginning to stimulate considerable changes in the television business, we in public television are the ones in the best position to take advantage of what they will bring," he added. "And to do so for the direct benefit of the American people. We can lead the way, if we dare, if we are imaginative, if we are willing to take risks and if we do not shy away from innovation."

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NAB board sets stay-loose strategy for the future

Meeting in Washington ends with cautioned calls for moving ahead in DBS and teletext, resolution decrying actions that negatively affect UHF; minority fund gets a break from IRS, will start operations with $10 million

The National Association of Broadcasters joint boards met last week to deal with problems of the new world in which broadcasters live.

On the technical front, the board members seem to have been pulled in different directions as they sought to protect broadcasters’ interests without leaving themselves completely vulnerable to charges of negativism. But on the social front, they were able to achieve an advance without any backward look.

The television board, for instance, went on record in favor of development of direct broadcast satellite technology—but also said DBS poses many “fundamental policy questions” that Congress must resolve. The television board also urged the FCC to move “expeditiously” in developing teletext standards. But it was ready for battle with the commission on the UHF issue: It noted “with profound concern the recent actions of the FCC which threaten the very life of the UHF television industry.”

The positive note sounded on the social front involved the NAB’s Minority Broadcast Investment Fund. Former board Chairman Donald Thurston, who is the principal architect of the fund, announced that the Internal Revenue Service had granted a ruling the NAB had sought that will enable those contributing to the fund to continue to claim a deduction for charitable purposes even after the funds are transferred to a Minority Enterprise Small Business Investment Company.

Thurston said the MESBIC, which will loan the funds to minorities interested in acquiring broadcast properties, will be fully operational “in 30 to 60 days.”

The fund’s name is being changed to the Broadcast Capital Fund Inc. (Broadcap) and the MESBIC will be known as Broadcast Capital Inc. It will begin operating with $10 million, half in cash and half in pledges; $15 million has been set as a target. The government will match each $1 raised with $4. The establishment of the fund and the name change will be celebrated at a party Tuesday (Sept. 30) at the State Department.

The DBS issue was one of particular concern to the board members, particularly since the commission this week is scheduled to issue a notice of inquiry looking into establishing DBS policy (see page 32). The board was in receipt of a report by Kalba Bowen Associates Inc., a Cambridge, Mass. think tank, that was at least moderately encouraging in its appraisal of the factors involved in the development of the new service. But the directors were not ready to welcome DBS into the marketplace just yet.

The board’s statement struck a positive note in stressing the importance to the U.S. of the Region 2 (western hemisphere) conference to be held in 1983 on planning use of the 12 ghz band for broadcast satellite service. Indeed, the statement said the conference affords the U.S. “an opportunity to regain its leadership in broadcast technology” (a statement Thurston later acknowledged implied that the U.S. had lost its leadership in that area in “certain respects”). And it said the U.S., at the conference, should seek the frequencies and orbital slots it needs “to assure the fullest potential technology resource availability to the American people.”

But it also said that the service “must not be authorized unless Congress first approves the terms and conditions under which it may become operational.” The statements said DBS raises a host of major policy questions and “is inconsistent with the locally based system” of broadcasting that was developed under the Communications Act of 1934.

NAB officials briefing reporters after the board meeting, denied suggestions the statement’s reference to a need for congressional action was simply a call for delay. “If Congress doesn’t study the issue, you get ambulances, and greater delay,” said John Summers, executive vice president and general manager. “Even if we don’t ask, Congress will want to take a look.”

As for teletext—one of those areas of technology in which Thurston thought the U.S. lagged—the television board said it is “a major technological advance” already in use in other countries. The commission, it added, should “initiate expeditiously a rulemaking looking toward the adoption of standards” for the delivery of teletext service. NAB officials made it clear they were not endorsing the standards proposed by CBS in its petition for a teletext rulemaking.

The television board’s resolution on UHF had adopted following an impassioned speech by Kathryn Broman, president of Springfield Television Co., denouncing the FCC for what she said was its abandonment of UHF after 20 years of encouraging its growth (see page 35). The board called this alleged abandonment “a cruel hoax on UHF broadcasters and the public they serve,” and directed the staff to contact members of Congress on the subject. Indeed, the board directed the NAB legal, government relations and public affairs departments to regard Broman’s remarks as a guide.

In other matters, the radio board moved to make sure its task force in radio allocations, created in June to determine studies available for evaluating radio allocations proposals and to recommend studies that are needed, has the necessary resources. It authorized the unit to spend money and make studies, subject to oversight by the executive committee.

The task force will meet on Friday to prepare for the first meeting, on Oct. 14, of the new joint government-industry advisory committee that was created by the commission as a result of the NAB’s request that the commission establish a committee to take a long view of the multitude of proposals for modifying radio allocations policies. The new committee is an expanded version of an existing committee that is advising the commission on matters under discussion at the Region 2 conference on AM broadcasting.

Again, NAB officials found it necessary to fend off reporters’ questions suggesting the association, in proposing the committee, was interested in delay and obstruction. “If the commission is going to affect the landscape for decades to come,” said Ken Schanzer, senior vice president for government relations, “it’s not bad to step back and look at the landscape.”

And in a procedural matter, the radio board approved, subject to approval by the full board, redistricting of itself into 25 districts and the establishment of the seats that represents markets of various size. The changes will be implemented in 1983 and 1984.

Here’s what we’d do. Senator Paul Laxalt (R-Nev), chairman of the Reagan-Bush Committee, delivered a campaign speech in behalf of Ronald Reagan in an appearance before the National Association of Broadcasters board of directors, at lunch last Wednesday. He said there would be “drastic changes” in the government’s approach to regulation under Reagan, who, he said, believes the problems of inflation and the economy in general are caused by “excessive regulation.” Laxalt promised a change in “personnel, practice, procedure and approach,” and added, “There’s light at the end of your tunnel.” (Later, in response to questions in informal conversation with board members, he invited suggestions regarding appointments to the FCC. He said the Reagan organization is already at work determining the government positions it would have to fill if Reagan wins in November.) Laxalt’s appearance was designed to balance President Carter’s before the board in June, when it went to the White House for a briefing.

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Broman blasts the FCC for ‘abandoning’ U’s

She tells NAB TV board that commission considers it an ‘inferior’ medium and that its best hope is in Congress

A UHF broadcaster made clear last week the depth of bitterness some operators in the upper television band feel as a result of recent FCC actions they regard as an abandonment of a 20-year policy of fostering UHF growth. A “new majority at the commission is either incredibly naive or incredibly cynical and, no question, totally ignorant of the realities of the broadcasting business,” said Kathryn F. Broman, president of Springfield Television Corp. The time has come, she added, for broadcasters to take their case to the Congress.

Broman, who addressed a meeting of the National Association of Broadcasters television board, on Wednesday, was speaking against a background of recent commission decisions to drop its syndicated exclusivity rule—which was designed to protect stations against use by local cable systems of syndicated programs the stations had acquired—and to propose the addition of 139 short-spaced VHF drop-ins in the top 100 markets (Broadcasting, Sept. 22).

(The commission’s actions are particularly painful for Springfield Television. Within the year, it put a new UHF on the air in Salt Lake City, where the commission last month voted to drop in a short-spaced VHF [Broadcasting, Sept. 15] and which two weeks later, it proposed as the site of two more short-spaced V’s [Broadcasting, Sept. 22].)

Even before those actions, Broman said, witnesses to examine such matters as whether the bill would in any way affect the Justice Department’s antitrust suit against AT&T.

As approved by the Commerce Committee, the bill would have substantially deregulated the telephone industry and required AT&T to set up over an eight-year period at least one fully separate subsidiary to offer any unregulated telecommunications services. The bill would also have barred AT&T from offering mass media services, such as teletext.

In allowing AT&T to compete in areas not regulated by the FCC, the bill modified a 1956 consent decree between AT&T and the Justice Department. That was a major basis of concern expressed by Rodino and other members of the Judiciary Committee, who were unconvinced that the bill would not jeopardize the AT&T suit.

The worry among Commerce Committee members, particularly Representative Lionel Van Deerlin (D-Calif.), chairman of the Communications Subcommittee, was that referral to Judiciary would tie the bill up, blocking its passage to the House floor. O’Neill gave Rodino until Oct. 1 to study the bill, but Van Deerlin was hopeful Rodino would favorably dispose of it before then, leaving enough time for consideration by the full House before this Wednesday’s adjournment.

But that was not to happen. Rodino’s subcommittee, after a series of closed-door meetings, met last Thursday (Sept. 25) and swiftly disposed of the bill, voting to send it to full committee “adversely without prejudice.” In other words, the subcommittee didn’t like it and quickly adjourned.

After the session, Rodino said the full committee would take up the bill tomorrow (Sept. 30), and he would recommend that the subcommittee’s recommendation be followed. He said, the subcommittee lacked sufficient time to consider adequately all its options, and the bill was too important to simply pass on to the House without full consideration.

But Rodino said he was anxious to see legislation approved next Congress. “We do intend between now and the 97th Congress to try to find a precise formula the Judiciary Committee can support,” he said.
Curtain about to fall on actor's strike

Ten-week work stoppage looks to be over soon as agreement is reached on minimum wages, residuals, other benefits on top of pay TV/video share

Negotiators for striking actors and producers reached an agreement last week, bringing closer still a resolution to the labor dispute that, for 10 full weeks now, has idled virtually all theatrical and network television entertainment production. Final approval of the pact by the boards of the Screen Actors Guild and the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists is not expected until today or tomorrow; official ratification by the unions' membership could take two to three weeks more, and network officials were still maintaining that their schedules would not look relatively normal until possibly early November.

But the historic agreement, which, among other points, grants actors 4.5% of the gross revenues generated by sales of product to the pay television and home video markets, was not being hailed by either side. "That," as SAG spokesperson Kim Feller put it, "probably means it's fair." In addition to the producers' agreement to grant revenue participation (a first in the film or television businesses) the agreement includes:

- A 32.25% increase in wage minimums over the three-year course of the contract.
- A 30% increase in residual payments for most television programs and motion pictures shown on television.
- New welfare benefits, including a dental plan.
- The tentative agreement was reached at 5 a.m. Los Angeles time last Thursday. The new pact was the result of a marathon 17-hour final bargaining session, during which SAG President William Schallert said both sides seemed determined to sit through until resolution.
- The strike began July 21 and for its first eight weeks centered on the issue of pay television and the new technologies. When that impasse was finally broken (BROADCASTING, Sept. 22), both sides said they expected settlement soon.

According to sources with both the actors and the producers, there was distinct divergence of opinion among the production companies on that key issue. Led by the major studios—most notably Warner Bros., Universal and Paramount—the producers resisted, in principle, the concept that actors should participate in revenues. Independents, who were believed to be those most hurting from the shutdown of production, were said to have originally sided with the majors but moved closer to the actors' position as the talks dragged on. The three commercial networks were said to have been the least adamant on the key pay-television issue, according to some sources. (Others, however, reported that the networks took the strongest positions throughout the talks.)

The issue of minimums was one that saw the film interests and the television interests at loggerheads. Minimum wages are relatively rare in television, and the networks and major television studios were more agreeable to the idea of raising minimums. Independent filmmakers, on the other hand, were said to have resisted most strongly the raise in minimums.

On the latter Thursday was Ed Asner, the star of MTM Enterprises' and CBS-TV's "Lou Grant" and a vocal spokesman for SAG throughout the strike. Asner said he was "disappointed" in the contract and called its points "meaningless and inadequate." Those points included agreements that would raise base pay for actors, currently $225 a day or $785 a week, in two 15% installments. The first raise will become effective with the new contract and the second 18 months later (compounding to the 32.25% figure). Actors had demanded 35% raises beginning with the contract and extending throughout its three-year run. Producers wanted 31% increases with annual escalations.

Actors will also be receiving a 37% increase in their residuals for reruns of hour-long programs and 30% increases for other programs. That will increase the rate of $1,600 for reruns to $2,200.

Still to be resolved, however, is the strike by the American Federation of Musicians. Although the union has some 300,000 members, the approximately 5,000 who score network programs and films in Los Angeles are the key. They walked out five days after the actors and have held no negotiations since.

In Brief

Burt Harris, Premiere chairman, after addressing advertisers' meeting in Los Angeles Friday, said proposed pay-cable service may throw in towel if Justice Department is successful in seeking injunction against start-up of Premiere that is part of antitrust suit filed against joint venture of four motion-picture firms and Getty Oil. Harris said appeal is always possible, but if court accepts Justice's argument that service is parallel to antitrust violation and grants injunction, "our lawyers might well say there's no reason to go for it." At same meeting, ABC President Elton Rule urged advertisers to pay heed to warning sounded in Washington by company chairman, Leonard Goldenson, that government policy is becoming biased against over-air television system. Rule implored advertising community to "abandon its role as a spectator" and take position on issue because "the outcome is as important to you as it is to us." Abercrombie & Fitch official said Friday that "virtually all" commercial availabilities in controversial made-for-TV film, Playing for Time, scheduled for tomorrow (Sept. 30), have been sold at "better than expected" prices, although there were indications that CBS was getting about half what it normally fetches for Tuesday nights. Commercial time was reduced to 16 minutes from usual 21 for three-hour movie, and interior breaks were cut from 11 to four. CBS continued policy of refusing to identify advertisers, presumably to protect them from pressure groups that are protesting casting of Vanessa Redgrave as Nazi concentration-camp survivor. (Closely held Turner Broadcasting, whose capital requirements include new Cable News Network, is reported to be considering $25 million stock offering. NBC says it has axed 10-11 a.m. weekday David Letterman Show, replaced it with two-game shows. Prime time Speak Up, America is expected to be next to go. (Compromise was being worked on late last week after House approved its version of Stanford Daily bill, designed to give protection to newsmen against searches by law-enforcement officers. Senate already had voted out slightly differing bill. At its open meeting last week, FCC was in denying mood. It rejected three-year-old Public Media Center petition calling for stricter regulation of, and requirements for, public service announcements. Commission also rejected request by U.S. Catholic Conference and other religious groups that FCC add "community service programming" category to list of non-entertainment program services that broadcasters must provide. And, agency turned down National Black Media Coalition petition seeking reinstatement of rarely invoked "top-50 policy," which limited ownership of TV stations in biggest cities to four stations (three VHF's) absent compelling public interest showing. And commission put broadcast permits on notice that when it grants construction permit, "we expect construction," according to Broadcast Bureau's Richard Shiben. Specific case involved petition for reconsideration of bureau action canceling three-year-old CP for UHF in Ocala, Fla. (Hai Golden, head of Golden TV, named senior VP, Worldvision Enterprises, replacing Jerry Smith (BROADCASTING, Sept. 22), who has formed Jerry Smith Associates and will consult for Worldvision. . . . David Susskind, senior executive producer, Time-Life Films, signs with MGM as motion-picture producer. (D Fund for Conservative Majority, independent political action group supporting Republican Ronald Reagan, is using commercials broadcast in behalf of then-challenger Jimmy Carter in 1976 as basis for arguments against his re-election. Fund is employing technique similar to that of National Conservative Political Action Committee (see page 55). (D Wslamam Baltimore, charter affiliate of NBC, will switch to ABC Entertainment next December when NBC contracts with replacement in nation's 14th radio market. Hearst's FM in Baltimore, wtv, continues with NBC's The Source, and Hearst's ch. 11 TV outlet will not be affected.
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Southern cable meeting comes of age

Attendance, exhibitors on increase; programers make presence known

The Southern Cable Television Association conve ned at the Atlanta Hilton last week, and the convention finally began looking like what it is: the third largest cable show in the nation. Although it still has a long way to go before it resembles the Western Cable Show or the National Cable Television Association convention, the Southern gathering has made tremendous progress in the last few years—and for that matter, since last year.

The exhibition jumped to 7,808 square feet, about 50% more than last year, and for the first time, exhibitors were offered booths instead of table space. More important, the exhibit reflected the state of the industry. It is no longer completely dominated by hardware manufacturers. Purveyors of cable programming and various services made a strong showing. Of the 112 exhibitors (122 booths and 10 tables outside the exhibit hall), 14 were programers and 17 were service providers. Attendance was also up; midway through the convention, organizers estimated a turn-out of 1,300-1,500. Last year the figure was 800.

Among Home Box Office, Showtime, The Movie Channel, Home Theater Network and the other familiar cable program providers were a couple of names not seen before at a major cable show: the Video Sports Network and SyndiCable. VSN, of Columbus, Ga., is offering cable operators eight college football games, on a delayed basis, two nights a week, delivered by satellite.

Television Syndication Group Inc. is familiar to broadcasters as a supplier of independently produced, first-run syndicated programming. With the formation of SyndiCable, TSG is trying to cash in on the increasing demand for cable programming. It is selling its 20 series, totaling over 100 hours, to cable systems for use primarily on local origination channels.

The Cable Television Administration and Marketing Society regional seminar, which preceded the Southern show at the Hilton by a day, was a success, at least as BSU Executive Director Lucille Larkin said the regional seminars, of which there are several each year, normally draw no more than 150 people. Last Wednesday's seminar, however, attracted 240.

The CTAM advertising subcommittee met last Thursday to review the articles of incorporation of the Cable Television Advertising Bureau. Larkin said half of the $400,000 pledged as seed money for CTVB has been collected and the remainder will be collected within the next two weeks. The board of governors, made up of those who pledged money, will elect an executive committee by mail ballot “by the end of October,” Larkin said.

The controversy surrounding the use of three-meter dishes that grew out of the National Cable Television Association’s “advisory” against their use (BROADCASTING, Sept. 22) may have been quashed at the convention. Southern Satellite Systems, which is in the process of installing 100 three-meter dishes to promote the reception of its Satellite Program Network II on Westar III and which was disturbed by the NCTA advisory, has apparently succeeded in getting NCTA to soften the effect of its action. NCTA will issue another paper telling the other side of the story by describing the feasibility and benefits of the small dishes.

A talk that began to appear that RCA Americom will dedicate Satcom IV, due for launch in January 1982, to the carriage of cable programming. According to sources, the 24 powerful eight-watt transponders of the new bird will accommodate the eight customers, now served on Comstar II with two transponders, plus eight new customers selected by “auction.”

Dealing with the next decade at ANA

Advertisers meet this week in Hot Springs; sessions designed to highlight challenges of the 80's

Some 500 members and guests of the Association of National Advertisers will examine national and advertising issues of the 1980's this week as the ANA holds its 71st annual meeting at The Homestead, Hot Springs, Va.

The business sessions start this morning (Sept. 29) and run through Wednesday morning.

Leading off will be a panel from CBS News, headed by Walter Cronkite, in a review of national and world events, with special emphasis on the U.S. political scene. Panelists are CBS News correspondents Jerry Bowen, who's covering Ronald Reagan's campaign; Ray Brady, covering business and Wall Street news; Bruce Morton, assigned to overview stories for CBS News' campaign coverage, and Lesley Stahl, White House correspondent.

From news, the session will turn to the views of John Naisbitt of Yankelovich, Skelly & White, on “Decade of the 80's: The Restructuring of America"; Robert B. Stobaugh of the Harvard Graduate School of Business, on “Toward a National Energy Policy," and Edward G. Jeffferson of E.T. duPont de Nemours, on “The Art of the Possible.”

The meeting gets down to advertising business Monday afternoon, starting with a report by Leonard S. Matthews, president of the American Association of Advertising Agencies, on the AAAA's study of “Miscomprehension of Advertising.” The study found that people usually misunderstand from one-fourth to one-third of any TV broadcast, regardless of the type of program or commercial (BROADCASTING, May 19, et seq.).

Barth Cummings of Compton Advertising, chairman of the Advertising Council, and Robert P. Keim, council president, will present “New Goals for the Advertising Council.” An ANA update on such questions as management of the advertising function, the Washington outlook, advocacy and the advertising new media patterns, will follow, and ANA's annual elections will wind up the Monday afternoon session.

Five concurrent clinics will run Tuesday morning. One, on “Advertising on Issues—Does It Work," includes a presentation by Thomas B. Cookerly of WILA-TV Washington, chairman of the Televisio n Bureau of Advertising, on results of a TVB survey of stations on the acceptability of issue advertising. Other panelists are Kenneth Schwartz, Opinion Research Corp.; Stephen B. Elliott, W.R. Grace & Co., and John Quinn, Shell Oil Co. Moderator will be Michael E.G. Kirby, Xerox Corp.

Another Tuesday morning clinic will take a look at “New Media—New Measures," with Thomas T. Ryan of Gillette Co., chairman of the ANA task group on TV futures, as moderator. Panelists: David K. Braun, General Foods; Robert E. Buchanan and Marie Luisi, J. Walter Thompson USA; Roy H. Anderson, Nielsen, and Thomas F. Delaney, Arbitron.

A third clinic will examine “Organizing Advertising To Meet Changing Conditions,” and a fourth “New Strategies for Promotional Effectiveness.” The former, moderated by Robert E. Pugh of General Electric, will have as panelists Victor P. Buell, University of Massachusetts; Anthony C. Chevins, Cunningham & Walsh; F. Kent Mitchell, General Foods; Edwin Sonnecken, Marketing Science Institute, and Thomas W. Wilson Jr., McKinsey & Co. The panel on promotional strategies will be led by James A. Gordon of H.J. Heinz Co. and will include William C. Barber, Pride Barber & Pride; Michael J. Rourke, A&P, and Louis J. Haugh, Westport Marketing Group.


The closing session Wednesday morning will be devoted to “Creative Advertising—We've Never Needed It More.” With William K. Pederson of Eastman Kodak as moderator, panelists will include William M. Lane, J. Walter Thompson Co.; Janet L. Wolf, William Esty Co.; Penelope J. Hawkey, McCann-Erickson, and Edward A. McCabe, Scali, McCabe, Stoves.
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Law & Regulation

Ferris on the FCC: ‘The joint is really jumping’

Chairman makes traditional speech to IRTS luncheon, outlines philosophy behind changes in agency’s regulatory attitudes

FCC Chairman Charles D. Ferris used his appearance before the opening session of the International Radio and Television Society’s fall season in New York last Wednesday to defend—and explain—the actions and objectives of the Ferris Commission.

The chairman made a little news during his appearance, but not in his speech. In answer to a query from the audience, he said the question of letting networks back into cable networks—outside their O&O station markets—was one that the commission should consider.

The issue had been raised initially in a speech by ABC Inc. Chairman Leonard H. Goldenson, who had also protested that Washington has become tilted “against free television and in favor of pay television” (Broadcasting, Sept. 22). Reminded of this, Ferris said he thought what was perceived as a tilt was really “the absence of a tilt toward broadcasting.”

He also hinted that he might answer Goldenson more fully in a speech Oct. 7 before the same audience that Goldenson addressed, the National Press Club.

In response to other questions, Ferris said the FCC in deciding whether to increase the number of stations should not make a judgment on whether a market can support another station. The open-entry policy, he said, “is the great American way.” Removal of syndicated-programing exclusivity restrictions on cable, he said in answer to another question, was justified by the mandatory-licensing provisions of the 1976 Copyright Act, and he noted that the burden of proof of economic harm is now upon the broadcaster. He also declined to comment on RKO General’s proposal to spin off 13 of its stations as a result of FCC’s stripping the licenses of three others.

In his formal speech, however, the chairman, who will celebrate his third anniversary in the job next month, sought to put the commission’s actions “in context” and show that they “reflect a consistent philosophy.”

He reeled off a litany of actions taken, proposed and planned by the commission to show that “the joint is really jumping.”

He recognized that “our actions have been controversial,” and he wanted, he said, to “help you see the basic patterns in the new communications mosaic, a mosaic crafted by the combined efforts of artisans from industry, government and the public.”

He summarized his philosophies thus:

HEAD TABLE

More than three score leaders of broadcasting and related fields were on the dais to hear FCC Chairman Charles D. Ferris open the International Television and Radio Society’s 1980-81 season at New York’s Waldorf-Astoria last Wednesday. More than 700 others were at the luncheon tables, making a total turnout of close to 800. On the dais, l to r: First tier: William F. Baker, Westinghouse Broadcasting; Arthur W. Carlson, Susquehanna Broadcasting; Dwight Case, RKO Radio; James Conley, Meredith Broadcasting; James S. Coppersmith, WNEW-TV New York; Joseph P. Dougherty, Capital Cities Communications; Richard P. Harris, Westinghouse Broadcasting; Clifford M. Kirland Jr., Cox Broadcasting; Albert Klinin, Metromedia; Philip J. Lombardo, Corinthian Broadcasting; Allen H. Neuhearth, Gannett Co.; Roy H. Park, Park Broadcasting; Donald A. Pets, LIN Broadcasting; Marty Pompadour, Ziff Corp.; John B. Poor, RKO General; Leavitt J. Pope, Wex Inc.; Daniel L. Ritchie, Westinghouse Broadcasting; Martin Rubenstein, Mutual Broadcasting System; Sherril W. Taylor, Bonneville International; Thomas J. Tilson, Metromedia Television; Norman E. Waltz, McGraw-Hill Broadcasting.

Second tier: Dick Verme, NBC Radio; James E. Duffy, ABC Television Network; Robert Mutholland, NBC Television Network; Everett H. Eltlick, ABC Inc.; Irwin Segelstein, NBC Television; Vincent T. Wasielowski, National Association of Broadcasters; Gene Jankowski, CBS/Broadcast Group; Charles D. Ferris, FCC; Avram Butensky, Ed Libov Associates and president, IRTS; Fred Silverman, NBC; Robert E. Lee, FCC; Fred Pierce, ABC Inc.; Richard S. Sainian; NBC; James H. Rosenfeld, CBS Television Network; Ralph M. Baruch, Viacom International; Richard A. O’Leary, ABC-Owned Television Stations; Thomas F. Leahy, CBS Television Stations Division; Robert Walsh, NBC Television Stations Division.


Fourth tier: Mal Biville, Broadcast Rating Council; John Bannon, National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences; Roy Danish, Television Information Office; Miles Davis, Radio Advertising Bureau; Tom Dawson, CBS Radio and Broadcasters Promotion Association; M.S. Kellner, Station Representatives Association; Herman W. Land, Association of Independent Television Stations; Tom E. Paro, Association of Maximum Service Telecasters; Sol J. Paul, Television Radio Age; Lucie Salhany, Taft Broadcasting and National Association of Television Program Executives; Lawrence B. Taishoff, Broadcasting magazine; Albert Warren, Television Digest; Maurie Webster, The Webster Group.
Seven more. Democrat Charles D. Ferris, chairman of the FCC, endorsed Republican Commissioner Robert E. Lee for reappointment at the outset of his appearance before the IRTS. Noting that Lee, the commission's longest serving member (since 1953), was on the dais, Ferris called him "a unique personality" whose contributions past and present are great. "The perspective he gives is absolutely invaluable," he said. Lee wants to retire when his term next year. Ferris said, but "I hope that President Carter next summer will convince Bob Lee to stay another seven years." Some in the audience tittered at the "President Carter next summer" part, but they applauded the rest.

In another area of responsiveness, he continued, the commission, through its Office of Science and Technology and Office of Plans and Policy, has been changed from a "reactive" to a "predictive" agency. "The FCC in the 1980's will have to be able to see beyond the horizons of traditional regulatory categories," he asserted, "to discern the faint signals of distant technologies not yet in place." And he was confident, he said, that the commission is "able to meet that challenge, and meet it well."

Beyond that, the chairman continued, the FCC now reaches out to—and listens to—its various publics, through public participation workshops, its weekly newsletter, its work with minorities and consumers.

"Paradoxically," he said, "most of the commotion we have heard during this time has come about not because we are trying to expand our mandate, but rather because we are trying to contract our present regulatory sweep, and not extend it to new forms of communications.

"I have learned that when new technologies arise, unless the facts compel us to intervene, we should get out of the way. Of course, we should use our regulatory powers to insure that those who choose to compete are free to succeed, that those who take out a license in the name of the public serve that nameplate. But these efforts should be confined to the very minimum necessary to do the job."

Ferris told the IRTS audience that he knew this approach has been "resented by some—particularly those already well up the ladder of the telecommunications industry. But the FCC, by the way, has not been seen as a traffic cop, keeping those on the road from interfering with one another "while barring other traffic from the access ramps."

But he preferred to see his job as akin to that of "a college admissions officer, letting in all who meet minimum qualifications, letting all strive to achieve the most they can."

Ferris called upon the communications industry to join the FCC in looking upon "the regulatory waltz"—and the new rules it establishes—"out of step with their desires." But, he added, "the days of the Washington regulatory waltz have passed.

"They can still catch up, but only if they turn their efforts from trying to block the door to entering it themselves."

The chairman's speech was applauded politely, only once, at the end.
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Paramount Television Domestic Syndication
compiling mailing lists of persons who desire written information on the low-power and VHF drop-in proceedings. As of mid-August, the Minority Enterprises lists totaled approximately 600 while the consumer list was about half as long. At this point only a news release is available on the drop-in proceedings. The low-power information package also contains a news release along with a procedural "fact sheet" that explains how to apply for a low-power facility during the interim processing period before the commission makes a final determination on low-power television. The full texts of both proceedings will be sent to those who request them, when available. The final drafts of the texts are expected to circulate to the commissioners late this week or early next week.

Michael Couzens, the Broadcast Bureau attorney who headed the low-power television task force, said the guidelines were drawn up with an eye toward conveying to all interested parties the information that applying for a low-power television station is "not like sending in a box top." Each low-power television station applicant must "make a proper showing required of every broadcaster," Couzens said.

Couzens's concern that persons interested in the development of the responsibilities and technicalities involved is justified. The vast majority of the calls taken by the Minority Enterprises Division have been from people who know nothing about broadcasting," Cardona said. Most of the callers "don't realize it's just an NPR (notice of proposed rulemaking) and the whole concept still has to be voted on before the FCC," he added. He also said that many low-power TV inquirers "haven't even considered the fact" that they would need technical assistance from an engineer as well as legal advice in order to apply for a low-power facility.

The fact sheet for consumers explaining the interim application procedures warns that the "notices of proposed rulemaking that many applicants have as yet been developed for low-power television and that there is "no assurance that all—or any—of the proposed rules will be adopted." Thus the existing translator rules will be used to process low-power television station applications, and "any departure from those rules must be specifically stated, and supported by requests for waiver of the applicable rules and by a public interest justification therefore."

Noting that all translator applications—conventional and those seeking waivers for originating program authority—are conditioned upon a final determination by the commission as to the fate of low-power television, the fact sheet states that the "commission will reserve the right to modify, terminate, or vacate any such authorizations upon 60 days notice after the adoption of any final report and order" in the low-power television proceeding.

Clay Pendervis, chief of the Broadcast Bureau's Auxiliary Services Branch, which processes all translator and low-power television applications—said that no low-power television station applications have been received other than the 14 "Community Television Network" applications and one Bemidji, Minn. application that the commission accepted for filing on Sept. 9 when it adopted the low-power television rulemaking (BROADCASTING, Sept. 15). Pendervis expects the flow of low-power applications to start after the CTN and Bemidji applications have been on the cut-off notice, which will occur 30 days after the release of the full text of low-power applications.

Pendervis told BROADCASTING that the bureau "is prepared to reallocate resources as the situation requires" in order to avoid a backlog of low-power applications.

Approximately half of the inquiries received by Perez regarding the commission's generic VHF drop-in proceeding came from members of the press, many of whom had read the wire-service accounts of the FCC action and wanted to make sure they had their facts right. The remaining queries were mostly of the "is-thereone-in-my-town" type, said Perez. He added that several calls came from the offices of congressmen, wanting to know about possible allotments to their jurisdictions.

For applications for the four allotments adopted by the commission two weeks ago can be submitted before the release of the full text of the item, which still may be several weeks away. "Hopefully," said Mailick, the final draft of the text also will be circulated to the commissioners for approval this week or early next week.

**Washington Watch**

It pays to deregulate, Philip L. Verveer, chief of FCC Common Carrier Bureau has been selected as $20,000 Distinguished Executive Award recipient in program sponsored by Senior Executive Service. Service was created by Civil Service Act of 1978 for gradeless personnel system for top government managers. Two other FCC chiefs received awards of $10,000 each: Carlos Roberts, chief of Private Radio Bureau, and David Saylor, deputy counsel. Verveer was cited for restructuring Common Carrier Bureau and implementing deregulation activities over past year. Roberts was also cited for his deregulation efforts. Saylor was chosen for his handling of radio entertainment format and domestic satellite cases that he argued before U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington. Verveer received his award from President Carter along with 48 other Distinguished Executive award winners at Rose Garden ceremony.

**Action coming.** FCC is expected to act this week on request for declaratory ruling on equal time tied by Carter-Mondale Re-election Committee (BROADCASTING, Sept. 8). Urging quick action by commission on matter was National Association of Broadcasters, which in letter to FCC Chairman Charles Ferris, said expeditious ruling is critical. Under previous FCC ruling, broadcast appearance by presidential candidate in message paid for by entity claiming to be independent of candidate or his committee, entitles opposing candidates to equal paid time. Carter-Mondale would expand that to include equal free time, which NAB has urged FCC to reject. "Every day that passes without such a ruling may deter broadcasters concerned about complying with FCC policies from selling time to independent committees or other candidates whose ads raise the same issues," NAB said.

**Election time.** Board of directors of Corporation for Public Broadcasting elected Lillie Herndon to third term as board chairman, and Sharon Rockefeller as vice chairman, while also re-electing Robben Fleming president. Senate, meanwhile, confirmed reappointment by President Carter of Howard White to board.

**Bird battle.** FCC's rejection of complaint against manner in which RCA Americom handled requests for domestic satellite service has been appealed. Spanish International Network Inc. and Eastern Microwave Inc. have asked U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington to review commission action. Cable News Network filed similar appeal with U.S. Court of Appeals for Fifth Circuit, in New Orleans. Disputes arose after RCA's Salcom III was lost in space, and scramble for service on available transponders developed among companies that had planned to use lost bird.
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nonnetwork programing on distant signals is counted for the payment of royalties under the copyright law. The NAB arrived at its scale of payments by tracking distant, nonnetwork programing on every cable system and matching it against the fee paid by that system to the cable royalty pool. Payments to individual stations will be based on their total representation in the NAB's crossownership list. Individual receipts will run from less than a dollar for stations at the bottom of the carriage list to something under $20,000 for Ted Turner's superstation, WTBS-TV Atlanta, which is carried by cable coast to coast.

The NAB had put in claims far in excess of the total of under half a million dollars that the tribunal awarded commercial telecasters. A decision whether to appeal will be made at an Oct. 9 meeting of the NAB's ad hoc committee on cable copyright royalties.

Meanwhile, the CRT begins a new round of hearings today (Sept. 29) to comply with the law's instruction to make periodic adjustments for inflation in the fees cable systems pay to the copyright pool.

Not quite down for the count

H.R. 6228, crossownership bill with VHF and union provisions, nearly dies as House fails to pass with two-thirds majority; parts of measure could pass after adjournment

Congress last week all but closed the door on any chance of moving broadcast legislation to the President's desk this term—and then opened it again. The House, by a vote of 215 to 176—48 votes short of the required two-thirds majority—shot down H.R. 6228, which would have codified existing FCC crossownership rules while protecting multimedia licenses against challenges on ownership grounds, repealed the Lea Act, and opened the door for commercial VHF TV service in New Jersey.

The legislation, in its original form, was conceived by Representative Al Swift (D-Wash.) and was designed only to deal with the crossownership provisions. But on the way to full committee mark-up, the bill picked up amendments.

The most controversial amendment was drafted by Representative Andrew Maguire (D-N.J.), to require the FCC to insure that each state have at least one commercial VHF station. As the amendment was worded, the FCC would have had to assign a VHF frequency to a state that did not have one if a license elsewhere was revoked—and all legal appeals had been exhausted—and if the transfer were technically feasible. With the license of RKO-owned WOR-TV New York having been denied and the decision headed for an appeal, New Jersey has its eye on that ch. 9 frequency.

Although the legislation was reported from the Commerce Committee by a 17-to-4 vote, the consensus was that because of the controversial Maguire language, the bill might not receive the necessary support on the floor (Broadcasting, Sept. 22).

The legislation bypassed the normal House rules and was brought up on the suspension calendar—reserved for noncontroversial bills—with amendments prohibited and a two-thirds vote necessary for passage.

But everyone agreed that the bill was noncontroversial. Representatives James Broyhill (R-N.C.) and James Scheuer (D-N.Y.) argued on the House floor that the bill should be brought up under regular rules so it could be amended. The bill represents "a transparent and totally inappropriate intervention by Congress in the regulatory process," Scheuer said.

While the New Jersey Amendment, led by Maguire, was looking for support of the measure, Broyhill and Scheuer led the opposition. In a "Dear Colleague" letter, the two urged that the bill be defeated.

"Congressional enactment of such a provision would set an extremely bad precedent in which the Congress, rather than the appropriate federal administrative agency (the FCC) would specifically establish frequency assignments," the letter said.

Although the bill appeared dead, the House Commerce Committee managed to breathe new life into it the following day (Sept. 24). The committee split the legislation into three separate bills and approved the Swift/Maguire and the Lea Act repeal. A quorum was not present for a vote on the Maguire amendment, but in a subsequent session the committee approved it also.

The bills will now go back to the House floor, although this time separately. The crossownership provision and the repeal of the Lea Act have been scheduled for floor action tomorrow, while the Maguire bill has not yet been scheduled.

Moving against Mobil

Mobil Oil ads may soon have some extra information. Under a consent agreement with the Federal Trade Commission, Mobil has agreed to disclose that some cars using Mobil 1, which is said to reduce oil consumption up to 25%, may actually increase oil consumption.

According to the FTC, the synthetic motor oil may increase consumption in some sports cars and older or high-mileage cars. Under terms of the agreement, if Mobil cannot prove that the product results in reduced oil consumption, it must also recommend that consumers check oil levels frequently.

The order stipulates that the disclosure on TV and radio ads last at least eight seconds. The television disclosures can be in either audio or visual form.

The consent agreement will be placed on the public record until Nov. 21 for comment, after which the Commission will decide whether to accept it.

NAB seeks FCC stay of repeal of last big cable rules

Association is joined by Field in asking for delay until Malrite case moves through court

The National Association of Broadcasters has petitioned the FCC for a stay of the commission's order of last July repealing the cable syndicated exclusivity and distant-signal rules pending the outcome of a suit initiated by Malrite Broadcasting in the U.S. Court of Appeals in New York that challenges the FCC decisions.

If the commission fails to act on NAB's motion for stay by Oct. 2, the association will seek a stay in court. The order repealing the cable rules is scheduled to take effect Oct. 14.

Field Communications Corp., a San Francisco-based group owner of five TV's, also filed a motion for stay of the commission's cable deregulation action, accompanied by an affidavit by its president, Don B. Curran, attesting to the irreparable harm that would be caused to that station group if the repeal of the two cable regulations is put into effect.

Field Communications is licensee of KGBK-TV San Francisco; WFLD-TV Chicago; WLVI-TV Cambridge, Mass.; WKBD-TV Detroit, and WKBQ-TV Burlington, N.J., all independent UHF stations.

The NAB's stay is based on four premises: (1) Malrite will most likely win its case; (2) broadcasters will suffer irreparable harm if the commission's order goes into effect; (3) the cable industry would not be substantially harmed by a stay, and (4) a stay is in the public interest.

The NAB petition argues that the FCC's decision to repeal the two rules "was accompanied only by the arbitrary and capricious disregard for cogent arguments supporting the retention of these rules." Repeal of the rules, NAB claims, "favors the special interests of the cable industry and its subscribers over the interests of the entire viewing public."

In a 4-3 vote last July 22, the commission eliminated all limits on the number of broadcast signals a cable system may carry and removed the protection formerly granted local television stations against duplication of the syndicated programming to which they hold exhibition rights (Broadcasting, July 28).

In the affidavit submitted with the Field motion for stay, Curran said that loss of exclusivity rights for the Field stations—even on an "interim" basis pending appeal—would mean reduced value of the programming to advertisers and thus a loss of station income. If local viewers can choose to watch the same programming on a distant signal imported by a local cable system, Curran said, "the audience of the Field stations is reduced, and this, too, will have an adverse effect upon the station's income. The cumulative effect on income will reduce the stations' ability to produce programming of their own ..."
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The first—and maybe last?—of the debates draws surprising ratings figures

Reagan-Anderson confrontation holds its own against ABC's presentation of hit motion picture; Carter stance may preclude any further such meetings, however

The League of Women Voters' first presidential debate, in Baltimore, did well in the ratings in cities where audiences were measured, which pleased the league. And the candidates involved—Republican Ronald Reagan and independent John Anderson—were pleased with their respective performances. But whether all of that good feeling will result in any more presidential debates this year was in some doubt last week.

League representatives were optimistic. Lee Hanna, director of the debates for the league, who has been in contact with representatives of the candidates, said: "We believe there will be further debates and that President Carter and Governor Reagan will participate. We are trying to work out the arrangements under which that might happen."

But Senator Paul Laxalt (R-Nev.), chairman of the Reagan-Bush Committee, took a contrary view. "I don't think there will be any more debates," he said, in conversation following his luncheon remarks to the National Association of Broadcasters board of directors, on Wednesday.

He doubted whether the candidates could agree on arrangements. Reagan is known to have insisted on a round-robin series, which would require Carter to debate Anderson one-on-one. And the President would not agree to that. He is calling for a one-on-one with Reagan.

What about another Reagan-Anderson confrontation? Not a chance, according to Laxalt. "That would be plowing old ground." He also gave a reason that works against any further debates—period: "scheduling problems." Laxalt said preparations and the debate itself take four days out of the candidate's schedule.

Carter boycotted the Baltimore debate rather than give the Anderson campaign the boost Carter felt his participation would provide. But it appeared last week that the future of the debates might be as much in Reagan's hands as the President's. Reagan's advisers were reported to be divided on the question of further debates, and Reagan is said to be siding with those who feel one was enough.

In any case, a decision on the issue may be made soon. The next debate is scheduled for Louisville, Ky., with Oct. 2 a target date. Louisville was set originally as the site for a meeting of the running mates of the three candidates who were invited to the first debate. But Carter has said that one of the presidential debates should be held in the South, and he has expressed a desire to debate Reagan soon. Thus, if the President is to participate, Louisville would appear to be the place to start.

Even without the President's participation and despite the formidable competition of ABC-TV's "Midnight Express" feature film in the eastern and central time zones, the live coverage by CBS and NBC, which began at 10 p.m. and ran for 60 minutes, more than held its own against ABC in three major cities. In New York, there was a virtual dead heat—the debate achieved a combined rating on the two networks of 26.6 and a 42 share, while the movie had a 26.8 rating and a 42 share. In Chicago, the debate outscored the movie. CBS and NBC recorded a combined 29.3 rating and 44 share, while ABC was credited with a 26 rating and 39 share. In Los Angeles, where ABC was showing "Those Amazing Animals" at 7 p.m. Pacific time, the debate won easily, with a 27 rating and 42 share, while ABC achieved a 15.2 rating and 24 share.

Thus, although the 50 million to 55 million viewers that ABC's research department estimates watched the debate were fewer than the 90-plus million who watched the first debate between President Ford and candidate Jimmy Carter in 1976, the ratings may be the most significant commentary on what happened in Baltimore's convention center on Sept. 21. Political analysts and commentators rushed to the typewriter or microphone as soon as the final handshake between the two candidates to tell the world who won and who lost and what it all meant.

And a couple of days later, an ABC News-Louis Harris survey provided what may be a more authoritative view: It showed that persons likely to vote who watched all or part of the debate believed—by a margin of 36% to 30%—that Anderson had won. Seventeen percent rated the participants equal, and the remainder felt that neither had won or were not sure. As for Carter's decision not to debate, 60% felt it was a mistake, while 32% said it was correct. But the fact that the presidential debate attracted the viewership it did in spite of the President's absence and the decision of one network not to carry it live was taken by league officials, at least, as a sign that the American public was the winner.

Of course, ABC's decision not to carry the event live did not go unremarked. It had said that because of Carter's absence, it did not believe live coverage was war-
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ranted. But the general counsel of the Anderson campaign, Mitchell Rogovin, charges in a telegram to ABC News and Sports President Roone Arledge that, by its decision, ABC "continues to favor candidacy of Jimmy Carter over John Anderson and Ronald Reagan."

Not so, Arledge responded. "ABC's decision not to cover the debate live was a news judgment based on the absence of one of the two major candidates. Our decision would have been the same had Governor Reagan been absent instead of Carter," Arledge called the charge "insulting" and "beneath what we would expect from a major national campaign official."

Jeff Greenfield, in his usual spot on CBS's Sunday Morning, also had something to say about the ABC decision. "Regrettable," he called it. "By forgoing this debate," he said, "ABC has—not by intent but by consequence—rewarded the candidate who's chosen to constrict the flow of information. The result, an eroded opportunity to see and hear the candidates first hand, is an unwelcome and ominous event."

The decisions of who would participate in the debate and which networks would cover it were not the only one generating controversy. As was the case in the coverage of the debates four years ago, there was a question as to whether the network providing pool coverage—ABC, as it was in 1976—would be permitted to cut away for audience reaction shots. The candidates, as in 1976, were against cutaways. And the league, as in 1976, sided with the candidates. But this time, the networks won, sort of. "We believe the home audience should have a presentation of the candidates for the entire period of the debate without extraneous distractions," Ruth J. Hinerfeld, chairman of the league's education fund, said in a telegram to Bill Small, president of NBC News, and Bill Leonard, president of CBS News, on the day before the debate. Both had written stiffly worded telegrams complaining about the refusal to permit cutaways. But, Hinerfeld added, "We have not imposed a ban on audience shots as a precondition for television coverage of the debate."

That didn't end the matter, however. Hinerfeld had told ABC pool producer Charles Frey that house lights and television lights, except those needed to light the candidates and the panel of journalists, would be turned off after her introduction. And representatives of Reagan and Anderson—with Reagan's people working with a light meter—removed about 160 chairs near the stage in an effort to keep the audience out of the range of the lights that would be left on. (The chairs were among those assigned to the candidates for their guests.)

But the network crews weren't defeated. "There will still be enough spillover light for audience shots," predicted one network official. And he was right, as Frey demonstrated in several cutaways, two of them to show the candidates' wives, Nancy Reagan and Keke Anderson, in light that was adequate if not perfect. Surprisingly, however, in view of the position the two networks had taken on the issue, neither CBS nor NBC producers requested any cutaway shots, as they could have.

(Although it was unlikely that viewers at home found fault with the pictures provided by the ABC pool, Frey was dealing with two particularly critical and sensitive customers—CBS and NBC—and there were complaints. A visitor in the CBS trailer parked in a section of the cavernous convention center heard a string of oaths as the stage came into view on the screen. "Nice going, pool," said one of those watching. "That's the first I----up. They missed them (the candidates) coming in".)

The format, in which six journalists each asked the same questions of the two candidates who were also given additional time to respond to each other's answers, was based on a suggestion from the league. And while it would not satisfy anyone demanding a classic debate in the Lincoln-Douglas tradition—or, for that matter, anyone who thinks follow-up questions are essential—it did seem to illuminate the candidates' views and the differences between them. As a number of newspaper headlines over stories of the debate noted, the candidates differed sharply on most of the issues. And while that was not news to those who have followed the campaign closely, it may have been to many of the 50 million in the audience who have not. That kind of education is what the league says the debates are supposed to provide.

Most of those questioned in the ABC News-Harris poll, said they would like to see more debates. Just under half expressed a preference for a three-candidate debate, while 24% said they would like to
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thought Carter should take on Reagan, and then Anderson, one on one.

The answer to whether there will be future debates, however, does not rest with those who were polled.

### Mulling over the MacBride report

SDX, in advance of UNESCO meeting, discusses world press report: approves number of points and praises it for prodding Third World coverage

As delegations of UNESCO member nations prepared to meet in Belgrade last week for the start of a biennial meeting that will provide another forum for a debate over a "new world information order," a preliminary view of the issues involved was provided in Washington at a meeting of the local chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi.

Focus of the meeting was the controversial recommendations of the MacBride report, prepared by the UNESCO-sponsored commission that was created to study "the problems of communications in modern society." And a participant in the meeting—by two-way telephone from his home in Dublin—was the 77-year-old lawyer-politician, Sean MacBride, who headed the

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### Trying to create order from chaos

Commission is formed to prepare plan to end 'circus-like' atmosphere of presidential press conferences where reporters jump and shout for attention

The manner in which presidential news conferences are conducted on live television—with reporters jumping up, waving their hands and yelling, "Mr. President, Mr. President," in an effort to gain the President's eye and invitation to ask a question—has long appalled no small number of viewers. It has also appalled many of the regulars among the White House correspondents. But efforts at reform never got very far. Now, in the great American tradition, a commission
has been formed to search for a solution.

Former Virginia Governor Linwood Holton and Ray Scherer, vice president of RCA Corp. and a former White House correspondent for NBC, last week announced the formation of the commission to study and recommend changes in the presidential news conference. Holton and Scherer will serve as co-chairmen of the commission, whose work will be funded by a grant from the Markle Foundation of New York.

"Circus-like atmosphere" is the phrase that usually comes to the mind of a critic of the manner in which the White House news conferences are now conducted. And that is a criticism, Holton said in discussing the matter. "Neither the President nor the press and certainly not the American people are served by the present system," he said. "And to continue it will only cause a further erosion of public confidence in the Presidency, media and government."

Broadcasters have taken the same position. Ralph Renick, vice president and news director of WVTV (TV) Miami, said in an editorial on the subject two months ago, "There has got to be a way to conduct the meetings with the press in a dignified, courteous and thoughtful manner." He suggested that representatives of the news organizations involved confer with White House staff members in an effort to develop a plan under which "questions are asked in an orderly fashion."

The present state of affairs is not because of a lack of caring on the part of many of those involved—or even for lack of ideas to discuss. One problem seems to be lack of communication between White House news secretary Jody Powell and the White House press corps on the issue.

A year ago, after a particularly noisy news conference, Robert Pierpoint, CBS News White House correspondent and now president of the White House Correspondents Association, had some suggestions in mind as to how conduct at future news conferences could be improved, and asked the WHCA board to support an effort to arrange a meeting with Powell on the issue.

The board, despite the reluctance of some members who felt the President actually prefers the news conferences in which reporters look less than their best, authorized the effort. Pierpoint, then vice president of the association, and Ralph Harris, of Reuters, then president, were to make the approach. They did, but, Pierpoint said last week, Powell has yet to invite them in for a formal discussion.

Pierpoint was prepared to discuss at least two options. The one he prefers is based on a plan President Ford's news secretary, Ron Nessen, employed during trips out of Washington by the President in 1975. Questioners' names were drawn by lot and listed after reporters signed a request sheet. Another suggestion is simply to have the President enforce order by refusing to call on anyone who shouts. Those wishing to ask a question would raise their hands.

Pierpoint's initiative was taken in the knowledge that, because of the shouting and waving of hands, reporters at some news conferences looked, in Pierpoint's words, "like a bunch of animals." And that feeling receives confirmation in letters received by the White House. "We get a lot of letters from the public complaining about what is perceived to be obtrusive behavior of reporters," one White House news office staff member said.

The Holton-Scherer commission will include Pierpoint in its membership.

The commission's first meeting is scheduled for Oct. 4, at the University of Virginia, in Charlottesville, and its aim is to present the candidate elected President on Nov. 4 with a series of proposals to make the presidential news conference better serve the interests of the President, the news media and the public.

Other members of the commission are Douglass Cater, former special assistant to President Lyndon Johnson and now president of the Observer International; Julius Duscha, director of the Washington Journalism Center; James Rowe, former member of President Franklin Roosevelt's White House staff and now a Washington attorney; Carroll Kilpatrick, Washington Post White House correspondent during the period spanning the administrations of Roosevelt and Nixon, and Felicia Warburg Rogan, a Charlottesville civic leader. Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk and New York Times columnist James Reston have agreed to participate in the commission's deliberations.

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Ronald Reagan and President Carter, in their advertising, seem like a couple of boxers, waryly circling each other, jabbing but holding back the stuff that might really hurt the other guy. The ads being run by both camps, for the most part, idealize the candidates; but in preparation if not in readiness are ads that cut and, the creators hope, maim.

An indication of what Carter's chief imagemaker, Gerald Rafshoon, has in mind for Reagan appeared in prime time on Sept. 18. The commercial showed an empty Oval Office, as the voice-over asks: "What kind of man should occupy" the office--"a person like Ronald Reagan" who calls Social Security "a prepaid vacation" or "another kind of man ... an experienced man who knows how to be responsive to all Americans . . .?"

The showing was an inadvertent preview. Rafshoon said anti-Reagan ads are not scheduled to run until later in the campaign.

Peter Dailey, head of Campaign '80, the agency established to do the advertising for Reagan, indicated last week he knows a target of opportunity when he sees one. During the day, Sept. 21, and continuing into the week, the Reagan committee ran an ad not only calling attention to Carter's absence from the Baltimore debate but attributing his absence to an unwillingness to defend his administration's record.

"Maybe his absence is because during his administration inflation has gone as high as 18%," a woman's voice says, against a backdrop of a lectern with no one behind it. The voice-over goes on to note that eight-and-a-half million Americans are out of work, and housing starts "have hit a new low, while interest rates have hit a new high." Maybe, it adds, "he won't debate because he knows the real question is: Can we afford four more years of this? The time is now for strong leadership. Reagan for President."

That ad--whose topicality Dailey says makes it "so terrific"--will be it, at least for the time being, as far as anti-Carter ads are concerned. Dailey two weeks ago had told reporters that Campaign '80 had prepared two commercials aimed at underlining what the Reagan campaign considers the failures of the Carter administration's economic policies. As he described them, they show graphs reflecting economic conditions as a voice-over recites Carter administration promises and points out how today's situation does not match them. Dailey said they had said would begin running last week--but last week, signals had changed. "We may not run them," he said. "The campaign is fluid."

Actually, the Reagan advertising campaign is now scheduled to focus heavily on Carter's record throughout October. Senator Paul Laxalt (R-Nev.), chairman of the Reagan-Bush committee, disclosed that bit of strategy in a luncheon address to members of the National Association of Broadcasters board of directors last week. "We won't take our eyes off the record," he said. The "entire record," which Laxalt described as "dismal," will be examined "in juxtaposition" with what Carter said as a presidential candidate in 1976.

Laxalt also took the occasion to express a note of sympathy for the independent candidacy of John Anderson. Laxalt noted that both Carter and Reagan, their campaigns federally funded to the amount of $29.4 million each, will spend heavily on advertising in the final weeks of the campaign, when, he said, voters begin thinking seriously about their choices. That poses "a big problem for John," Laxalt said, since the Illinois congressman will receive no federal funds until after the election, and then only if he gets 5% of the vote. "If John is not able to come up with funding to make a forceful [advertising] effort, he's liable to go the way of all third party candidates," Laxalt said. Thus the Anderson campaign has not yet made a major advertising effort.

Looking to the Carter-Reagan contest, Laxalt sees it as very close. "It could go either way," he said.

As for the Reagan advertising effort now under way, Dailey described it as "very sound." The budget consists of 12 pieces--30-second and 60-second spots and five-minute programs. In most of the shorter pieces, Reagan simply talks straight into the camera on such issues as jobs, inflation and defense--a format Reagan aides say is effective for the candidate, even if it is a throwback to the style of the earliest commercials. Two of the longer pieces and one of the 60's recount Reagan's background, focusing on his two terms as governor of California, between 1966 and 1974, and Dailey seems particularly pleased with them.

"People are really impressed with the record," Dailey said. "I can't emphasize how impressed people outside California are. We'll show it until people here [at Reagan headquarters] are sick of it." The commercials, he said, change people's attitudes toward Reagan.

The Dailey-designed advertising effort—which like the one being managed by Rafshoon will cost between $15 million and $17 million—is aimed at converting about 12-15% of those who will vote. Dailey said polling indicates the remaining votes are divided between those who are committed to Reagan or to the President.

The pieces on Reagan's record—which use news footage of the period being
covered—credit Reagan with being “the greatest tax reformer” in California's history. They say he assumed office when the state was on the verge of bankruptcy, facing a deficit of $194 million and spending $1 million more a day than it was taking in, and left office with the state boasting a $550-million surplus. They refer to Reagan accomplishing all of that in partnership with volunteers “from all sectors” as well as to Reagan’s actions in “improving the quality of life.” And they describe Reagan as a man “whose accomplishments make him a natural choice for President of the United States.”

Only one piece—a five-minute program—attempts, through editing and
design, to stir patriotic emotions very deeply; it seems aimed at identifying Reagan with a producer’s vision of the essence of America. As “The Time is Now” theme song, written by Campaign ‘80’s creative director, John Overacre, is heard, scenes of America—of rocky seacoasts, farmland, hunting-clad small towns, and the Statue of Liberty—are intercut with pictures of Reagan delivering his acceptance speech at the Republican convention, in Detroit. “Let us make this a new beginning,” the voice-over says, “Trust that American spirit.”

As for the Carter campaign, it has been running commercials for the past several weeks in which, as Dailey put it, the President “is wrapping himself in the incumbency.” He is shown in his various roles as President—as commander in chief, in cabinet meetings, confronting with foreign heads of state, in town meetings, and in the Oval Office, presumably making momentous decisions, all alone. Two commercials showing Carter talking to workers at a construction site in nearby Maryland have been shown on the networks in the past week.

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ary last week to pull another ad, a print
one, this time. The ad, which appeared in 100 newspapers directed at black readers, chargeced that the Republicans are determined to defeat Carter because he had appointed black judges, fought against job bias and created new jobs. Rafshoon with-
drew the ad after Republicans, including Senate Minority Leader Howard Baker (Tenn.), denounced it as unfair and as going counter to the President’s statement at his news conference two weeks ago that the issue of racism should not be involved in the campaign. Three weeks ago, Rafshoon pulled a five-minute program featuring the President at a town meeting when a woman shown in the piece made

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KDWA(AM) Hastings, Minn.: Sold by Hastings Broadcasting Co. to Dakota Broadcasting Co. for $280,000 plus $20,000 noncompete agreement. Seller is owned by David L. Baudoin (67%) and John McKellip (33%). They have no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Terrence P. and John Montgomery, brothers (50% each). Terrence is vice president of St. Cloud (Minn.) University. He owns 100% of WQPM-AM-FM Princeton, Minn. John is manager of WQPM-AM-FM. He has no other broadcast interests. KDWA is 1 kw daytimer on 1190 khz.

KSVC(AM)-KUZ(AM) Richfield, Utah: Sold by James G. Clawson to Brent T. Larson for $235,000 including $20,000 for agreement not to compete. Clawson has no other broadcast interests. Larson owns KUZ(AM) Nampa, Idaho; 50% of KXK(AM) Seattle and KCKO(AM) Spokane, Wash., and 51% of KOKO(AM) North Bend, Ore. He is also applicant for new FM at Rock Springs, Wy. He has sold interests in KXK and KCKO to FCC approval (Broadcasting, July 21) and has also sold his 51% interest in KODL(AM) The Dalles, Ore. (Broadcasting, March 10). KSVC is on 980 khz with 5 kw day. KIMC is on 93.7 mhz with 27 kw and antenna 820 feet below average terrain.

WFCB(FM) Chillicothe, Ohio: Sold by Terins Enterprises to Ross County Broadcasting Co. for $200,000. Seller is owned by Burrel Adkins (65%) and Ronald Fewster (35%). They have no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Wendell A. Triplett (51%) and his wife, Donna (49%). Wendell Triplett owns WITZ(AM)-FM Bellefontaine and WSOE(AM) Point Clinton, both Ohio; WTKC(AM) Lexington, Ky., and WCOR-AM-FM Lebanon, Tenn. He also has 49% interest in applicant for new UHF at Chillicothe. Donna Triplett is secretary of husband’s broadcast group. WFCB is on 94.3 mhz with 3 kw and antenna 300 feet above average terrain.


KQIO(AM) San Francisco: Sold by Jim Gabbert to Charter Media Co. for record FM price of $12 million. Gabbert has sold all of his radio properties to finance purchase and operation of KEMO-TV San Francisco (see below). They include: KIKI(AM)-KPIG(AM) Honolulu (Broadcasting, April 14) and KQIO(AM) San Francisco (see below). Buyer is joint venture of Karl Eiler and Charter Co., Jacksonville, Fla.-based conglomerate and group owner of two AM’s and three FM’s. Charter also has purchased, subject to FCC approval, KITT(AM) San Diego (Broadcasting, July 14). KQIO is on 101.3 mhz with 125 kw and antenna 1,160 feet above average terrain.

KEMO-TV San Francisco: Sold by Leon A. Crosby to Jim Gabbert for $9.85 million. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is selling off radio interests to devote resources to developing KEMO-TV (see above). KEMO-TV is independent on ch. 20 with 2,500 kw visual, 851 kw audio and antenna 1,270 feet above average terrain.

WBOC-TV Salisbury, Md.: Sold by A.S. Abell Co. to Mid-Atlantic Communications for $8 million (including industrial park and printing company, both Salisbury-
and owner, and Richard D. Draper who is president and principal owner of WTHD(AM)-WFLP(FM) Milford, Del. WBQ-CX is primary CBS affiliate (secondary ABC and NBC) on ch. 16 with 225 kw visual, 38.1 kw aural and antenna 620 feet above average terrain.

KPM-AM-FM Portland, Ore.: Sold by Romito Corp. to Duffy Broadcasting for $3.5 million. Seller is owned by Walter P. Rossman, who has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Robert Duffy (33.33%), First Capital Corp. (38%) and several private investment groups associated with First Capital. Duffy is president of Crystol Co., New York radio representative, which he is acquiring in stages from Cox Broadcasting Corp. (BROADCASTING, March 26, 1979). First Capital Corp. is Chicago investment company, subsidiary of First Chicago Corp., which is bank holding company. One of its major holdings is First National Bank of Chicago. John Doede is general manager of First Capital. It has 25% interest in cable firm owned by NCTA chairman, Douglas Dittrick, and 25% interest in American Cable systems which has systems in Bluefield, Cameron and Glendale, all Virginia; Rockland and Peeksill, both New York, and recently acquired franchise for Arlington, Mass.

KPM-FM is on 1410 khz with 5 kw day. KPM-FM is on 97.1 mhz with 100 kw horizontal, 40 kw vertical and antenna 980 feet above average terrain.

KWWK(AM)-KFWM(FM) Waterloo, Iowa: Sold by Black Hawk Broadcasting Co. to Forward Communications Corp., Wausau, Wis., for $3,477,500. Sale is last of four spin-offs in connection with Black Hawk-American Family Corp. merger. Other three are: KLVW(AM) Cedar Rapids, Iowa (BROADCASTING, March 10), KAAA-TV Austin, Minn., and KBKAM(AM) Des Moines, Iowa (BROADCASTING, March 31). Black Hawk, which will become subsidiary of AFC if merger goes through, will retain in portfolio KWWK-AM Salem-Cedar Rapids and KTV(AM) Sioux City, both Iowa. AFC owns WYES-AM Columbus and WTCO-FM Savannah, both Georgia; KENV-AM Cape Girardeau, Mo., and WAFF-TV Huntsville, Ala. Robert Buckmaster is chairman of Black Hawk, Harry Lassman, Gerald Lassman, who is president. AFC is Columbus, Ga.-based insurance holding company. It is publicly traded but controlled by John B. Amos (chairman and chief executive officer) and family. Buyer is closely held group owner of five AM's, six FM's and six TV's. William McCormick is chairman and 3% owner, and Richard D. Dudley is president and 6% owner. KWWK is on 1330 khz with 5 kw full time. KFWM is 107.9 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 1,800 feet above average terrain.

KIQI(AM) San Francisco: Sold by San Francisco Wireless Talking Machine Co. to Rene DeLaRosa for $3 million. Seller is owned by Jim Gabbert, who is buying KEMO-TV San Francisco and selling off radio interests (see page 56). Buyer is station manager of KEMO-TV and plans to make KIQQ San Francisco's first full-time Spanish-language AM. He has no other broadcast interests. KIQQ is on 1010 kw with 10 kw day and 250 w night.

WBOC-AM-FM Salisbury, Md.: Sold by A.S. Abel Co. to Evening Post Publishing Co. for $2.35 million. Seller is also selling WBOC-TV to separate buyer (see page 56). Buyer is Charleston, S.C.-based newspaper publisher (News-Courier and Evening Post [both Charleston]; Aiken [S.C.] Standard: The Banner [Cambridge, Md.]; the Waynesboro, Va.] News-Virginian, and The Buenos Aires [Argentian Herald). It owns KDBC-TV El Paso, Tex., and KQA-A-AM Pueblo-Colorado Springs, and cable system in Aiken. It is owned principally by Peter Manigault (president) and family. WBOC(AM) is on 960 kw with 5 kw day and 1 kw night. WBOC-FM is on 104.7 mhz with 30 kw and antenna 610 feet above average terrain.

KTL(S)FM Oklahoma City: Sold by Thomas Lynch to Sunbelt Communications for $1.35 million. Lynch has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by seven individuals, four who operate Sunbelt and own voting (class B) stock and three who have invested in company and own nonvoting (class A) stock. Voting stock owners are C.T. Robinson, William Moyes and Michael Hesser (18.4% each) and Robert Magruder (10%). Nonvoting stockholders are Daniel Lassman, Gerald Wine and Murray Rosenberg (11.6% each). First four manage Sunbelt. Lassman and Wine are partners in Chicago dental clinic. Rosenberg is Chicago anesthesiologist. Sunbelt owns The Research Group, broadcast consulting, syndication and audience research service, and KQOR(AM)-KSPZ(FM) Colorado Springs; KQED(AM)-KZZZ(FM) Albuquerque, N.M., and KFYF(FM) Fresno, Calif., and have purchased, subject to FCC approval, KQPD(FM) Ogden, Utah (BROADCASTING, Aug. 4). KTL(S) is on 98.9 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 499 feet above average terrain.

KDUP(FM) Brownsville, Tex.: Sold by Media Properties Inc. to John Horn Broadcasting Co. for $850,000. Seller is owned by Paul Veale and G.E. Roney (37.5% each) and Ron Whitlock (25%). They also own KQUP-FM. Paul Veale is owned by John J. Horn, Macomb, Ill., investor with no other broadcast interests. KDUP is on 100.3 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 500 feet above average terrain.

WGBR(AM) Greenboro, N.C.: Sold by Ralph M. Lambeth to Friendly Broadcasting of Greensboro Inc. for $800,000. Lambeth has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by W.S. Hellons Sr. and family. They own Spring Lake, N.C., construction, furniture and motel businesses.
and have various real estate holdings throughout North Carolina. They also own WSHB(AM) Raeford, N.C.; WGBG is on 1400 kHz with 1 kw day and 250 w night.

- WNAE(AM) Bridgeport, Conn.: Sold by estate of Harold Thomas to Lawson Broadcasting for $750,000. Seller also owns WATR(AM) Waterbury, Conn. Buyer is owned by Harry Lawson Jr., New Rochelle, N.Y., life insurance salesman with no other broadcast interests. WNAE is on 1450 kHz with 1 kw day and 250 w night.

- WWBX(AM) Portsmouth, N.H.: Sold by Kressman Broadcasting Co. to Seacoast Broadcasting Co. for $350,000. Seller is owned by Earl H. Goldstein and wife, Lois (50% each). Goldstein is 50% owner of Boston clothing manufacturer, of which his wife is director. They have no other broadcast interests. WWBX is a 1 kw daytimer on 1380 kHz.

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Explanation. Soviet Union says its jamming of international radio broadcasts by western countries was justified on ground broadcasts violated Helsinki agreements on European security and cooperation. Official Communist party newspaper Pravda said coverage of Polish crisis by Voice of America, British Broadcasting Corp. and West Germany's Wave station "distorted facts and exploited them as a plea for anti-Communist combinations." And such action, Pravda said, violated commitment made at Helsinki five years ago not to interfere in other countries' internal affairs. Jamming first experienced by VOA, BBC and German Wave station in seven years began early in August when those international services began covering strikes in Poland. Pravda article was first Soviet acknowledgement of jamming.

More schooling. Major cable TV job-training programs announced: Teleprompter Cable TV says it had formed Teleprompter Training Institute, "the first national employment training program for the cable industry," with first class of 38 persons already underway in St. Louis and with plans for about six sessions per year and similar training centers later in other cities. William J. Brennan, president of Teleprompter Cable, and Lou Brock, former St. Louis Cardinals baseball star who is on board of Teleprompter Training, said each class would run two months; trainees would then go to cable systems for four months of on-job training. In Cincinnati, Warner Amex Cable said it would recruit job candidates in that area for 13 weeks of training as cable TV installers and technicians, including more than 15 hours of classroom work and 320 hours of on-job training.

Coming on cable. Nielsen Home Video Index will release in early October its new "National Cable/Noncable Report," providing viewing data on national basis for cable households not subscribing to pay cable and for noncable households. Based on individual week and four week averages for May 1980 period, report will contain one section based on national sample of 15,000 cable homes not subscribing to pay cable and second section based on separate 15,000 noncable homes. On daypart basis, report will show household ratings and shares and demographic ratings for 13 age/sex categories for each section.

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Week for 'Shogun' is week for NBC

Miniseries sweeps ratings with over-all 32.6/51 for total of 125 million viewers, second to 'Roots' for prime-time record

NBC-TV's $22-million miniseries, Shogun, aired Sept. 15-19, demolished the competition.

Last week, when the full national ratings picture emerged, NBC was basking in the afterglow of its best prime-time numbers ever. The full week ended Sept. 21 brought the normally beleaguered network a 26.4 rating and 43.5 share, thanks to Shogun's 32.6/51 contribution. ABC-TV and CBS-TV scored respective weekly averages of 14.9/24 and 14.4/20.

The five-part, 12-hour adaptation of James Clavell's best-selling novel about feudal Japan was an NBC record-breaker both for prime time and for a miniseries, but ABC still holds both titles for all networks. Roots, originally aired in January 1977 scored a 45.0/66 during a week that averaged a 31.5 rating.

For Shogun, produced by Paramount Television in association with NBC, the network estimated that some 125-million viewers watched all or part of the miniseries. The Roots estimate was 130 million. Solely on ratings numbers, Roots would seem to have drawn considerably more than just five million more viewers than Shogun. However, in 1980, a rating point is worth more viewers than a rating point in 1977.

Similarly, the concluding episode of Roots earned a 51.1/71, with 80-million viewers, as the most-watched television program ever. Shogun's third and strongest installment drew 75-million viewers but with a considerably lower score of 36.9/57.

Aside from the differences in ratings value at the time of presentation, direct comparisons between Shogun and Roots also prove difficult since viewing levels in January (when Roots aired) generally are higher than in September. Furthermore, to Shogun's benefit, it was broadcast during the current strike situation which prevented competitors from rolling out such big guns as Dallas in particular and capitalizing on "who shot J.R.?"

In fact, the only night of the competition NBC really feared was its first when it offered a three-hour episode. It was good news from the start, however, with Shogun bringing in a 29.5/44. ABC's That Incredible and Monday Night Football (Houston vs. Cleveland) and CBS's first-run play of the movie, "Foul Play," averaged only a 17.5/26 and 17.2/26 respectively.

Tuesday and Wednesday were even better for Shogun as the two two-hour episodes scored a 31.7/48 and a 36.9/57. Thursday's two-hour outing meant a 35.6/56 and the three-hour Friday conclusion earned a 31.5/53.

NBC's average shares for those five nights came up to the network's prior expectations and slightly better. Projections were for low-40 shares. Without the strike's impact on competitors, NBC admitted low-30's would have been likely ("Closed Circuit," Aug. 25).

Strike or not, Shogun now ranks as the second-highest miniseries in U.S. televi...
Infatuation. Chuck Barris Productions announced last week that it would be returning to program production with *The Million Dollar Talent Show*, 25 syndicated hours of talent contest. Rising through series of competitions, year's winner will receive $1 million for efforts. According to Barris, barter show will become available to local stations for fall 1981 airing. Mag-Net Inc. is syndicating.

In the marketplace. Following in *Shogun*'s footsteps, *I, Samurai* has been released by Fremantle. Series of 78 one-hour episodes was acquired from Nippon Television Network, tells story of 18th century samurai and his son. Success of NBC's samurai miniseries led Fremantle to advance release from planned introduction next year. *PM Magazine Special Edition: All In A Day's Work*, fourth of six such specials from Group W Productions, looks at "unusual ways to earn living" with host Bill Raftery. ITC Entertainment reports past 60 days have brought it all-time record gross of $15 million in foreign sales. Pacing foreign sales was *The Muppet Show* purchase for stripping on CBC network in Canada... Late 1980 availability is planned for Carter-Grant Productions' *Great Moments in Black History*, 20 one-minute shorts with celebrities profiling outstanding Black Americans... Lexington Broadcasting Services has 1981 distribution rights to World Championship Tennis, 33 weeks worth...Group One Television is offering pay-TV market half-hour series, *Leave 'Em Laughing*, with pilot now available featuring Professor Irwin Corey. Each episode will take on- and off-stage look at different comic...

CBS at your fingertips. CBS Video Enterprises has set late October for introductory release of 24 videocassettes through joint venture, MGM/CBS Home Video. Seventeen titles are from MGM library, including "Wizard of Oz," "A Space Odyssey" and "Ben Hur" and two are concerts by CBS recording artists—James Taylor and Electric Light Orchestra. Also included are film, *"Rude Boy"* by English rock group, The Clash, two Bolshoi Ballet performances and Tom & Jerry cartoons.

Hispanic production. Latino TV Broadcasting Service, New York, is producing seven half-hours of dramatic series titled *Oye Willie*, centering on life in Spanish Harlem and funded by $1.7-million grant from Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Series is scheduled to run on PBS one or two times per week in late 1981. Virtually all facets of production are being handled by Hispanics, Latino TV also conducts Center for Communications Studies in New York, intended to train Hispanics in television skills.

**Taking off.** *Malice*, daily 90-second radio series is being offered by Studio Center Corp., Norfolk, Va. Program is humorous take-off on CBS-TV's *Dallas* and premiered Sept. 15 on 238 stations in U.S., Canada, New Zealand and Virgin Islands. Program is written one week in advance of airing and comments on current events. It is offered in 13-week packages at rates ranging from $15 to $61 per week. For information: (804) 622-2111.

**Sharing.** Enterprise Radio, all-sports network planning to go on air Jan. 1, 1981, plans to share satellite distribution system of AP until its own distribution system is in place. Enterprise Radio will utilize two AP channels on Westar III and will share use of AP's downlink system.

**Shaking hands.** Otis Conner Productions, Dallas-based radio production firm, has signed Landsman/Rivers Radio Services to exclusive representation agreement. Landsman/Rivers, New York-based consulting firm, will provide services including market analysis and perception studies to Conner and its clients. Conner will market services of Landsman/Rivers. Landsman/Rivers' first project for Conner will be national study of what people like and don't like about jingles.

First fives. The top five songs in contemporary radio airplay, as reported by BROADCASTING'S Playlist: (1) *All Of Us* by Air Supply on Arista; (2) *Uptide Down By Diana Ross on Motown; (3) Another One Bitten the Dust by Queen on Elektra; (4) *Late In the Evening* by Paul Simon on Warner Bros.; (5) *Woman In Love* by Barbra Streisand on Columbia. The top five in country radio airplay: (1) *Do You Want To Go To Heaven* by T.G. Sheppard on Warner/Curb; (2) *I Believe In You* by Don Williams on MCA; (3) *Dukes Of Hazard Theme* by Waylon Jennings on RCA; (4) *Heart Of Mine* by the Oak Ridge Boys on MCA; (5) *Faded Love* by Willie Nelson and Ray Price on Columbia.
12-4-4 gets downbeat report at IBC meeting

As digital topics abound, standards progress, or lack of it, makes biggest news at international convention in England; others argue for TV audio improvement

As expected, the technical program of the eighth International Broadcasting Convention, in Brighton, England, was dominated by digital technology.

The key session was "Digital Television Coding Standards," which featured three figures in the digital standards debate: William Connolly of CBS, Howard Jones of the BBC and John Baldwin of Britain's Independent Broadcasting Authority. Jones and Baldwin are involved in the digital subcommittee of the European Broadcasting Union (EBU), while Connolly is chairman of the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers working group on digital videotape recording.

The EBU committee has been considering a digital interface standard that would give a bandwidth of 12 mhz for luminance and 4 mhz for the two color difference signals. European laboratories recently finished testing the technical characteristics of such a standard. In his report, Jones said the tests indicated the 12-4-4 standard did not produce acceptable quality in downloaded chroma-key, where the chroma-key signal would be added some time after the original taping. He noted this feature is seen as a goal for digital recorders, even though it cannot be done with current analog machines.

Jones said he is not convinced the standard was the reason for the testing faults, and the work continues. He added, however, "there was a suspicion that there was a fundamental problem with 12-4-4."

Jones said that for the present "the 12-4-4 flag still flies above the EBU."

Baldwin spoke against the 12-4-4 standard, saying the result of the testing "convinces me that, although the pictures were of good basic quality, the reservations have tended to be justified."

Baldwin's paper argued in favor of a higher digital standard, with 906 to 912 samplings in a horizontal period. This standard is loosely known as the 14-7-7, and is largely supported by American engineers.

Although the figures were disputed by industry representatives, Baldwin said the cost of a digital recorder increases very little when moving from a 12 mhz to a 14 mhz unit. Compensating for this cost increase, he said, is a sharp drop in the cost of filters.

Such a standard would require a recording bit rate of 220 megabits per second. Baldwin said that while 140 to 160 was formerly seen as the limit, improvements in packing densities meant that data rates of 300 megabits might soon be possible.

But from the manufacturer's side, Charles Ginsburg of Ampex was pessimistic about production recorders attaining such high data rates. "We are in no position to select a standard that will require in excess of 160 megabits," he said.

Baldwin concluded his remarks by saying: "The supreme goal is a worldwide compatible standard, as long as it produces satisfactory results. This goal must take precedence over all other considerations."

In his presentation, Connolly reported on the preliminary results of a survey on what engineers feel is required in a digital recorder. He said the general desire was for a machine similar in cost and performance to the current helical machines, capable of 10 generations (dubbings) without a reduction in quality, and with no higher tape consumption.

Connolly said experts involved in the SMpte committees agreed on some general technical points as well: that a helical format was superior to either linear or transverse for a digital machine and that a combination of low overhead error correction and powerful concealment would be required.

He also spoke of a hierarchy of digital standards for the different uses of digital recorders. The top standard would be something like 14-14-14, moving down to 14-7-7 and then lower for ENG recorders. For this reason, among others, CBS is known to prefer the 14-7-7 to the 12-4-4 standard because of the binary relationship between the luminance and chrominance.

Engineers involved are anxious to agree on a standard soon because of the timetable of the CCIR, which sets international technical guidelines. Failure to gain agreement in the next eight months would mean a two-year wait.

Speaking after the session, Ginsburg said he believed the manufacturers would wait on completing development of a digital recorder until some standard is agreed on, despite the advanced prototypes that have appeared at recent conventions.

He said user groups have made it clear they want "uniformity" in digital recorders.

The problems of designing suitable digital recorders was left to the recording and storage session.

In a paper written with John Baldwin, G. Drury of the IBA described a converted B-format machine that, using two tracks, records 175 megabits per second. The format is a 190 degree wrap with four heads. Ten degrees of this is taken up with the audio track, the rest for video.

Michael Felix of Ampex noted that 160 megabits now seem the bottom of the
range rather than the top in digital discussions. He said that with the trend towards narrower tracks, the system must be able to gain useful information even when 30% mistracking occurs.

Felix said during the winter Olympics, he noted the temperature and humidity changes resulted in a 24 micron change in the tape size, and such field conditions must be taken into account in recorder design. He also said a digital format must allow for cassette loading. This, he said, "is essential."

The keynote address for the conference came in the opening session on broadcast technology in the 1980's. The keynote speech was given by Boris Townsend, director of engineering information for the IBA. He spoke of what he termed the "coming crisis in television technology" in a talk that asked fundamental questions in the fields of digital, satellites, high definition television, and the role of the engineer.

He warned "we are all too preoccupied with our parochial problems—which we have to be to survive—and are in danger of not seeing the over-all picture."

He dismissed the proposed 12-4-4 digital standard, saying that it would be inadequate for studio requirements by 1985, and he said the current status of digital television is in disarray.

He also questioned whether viewers would be anxious to spend the money for satellite receiving dishes unless something highly desirable is offered. This must include, he said, a high-definition, large-screen picture.

"Only bold decisions, taken now, are going to win us the prize of worldwide compatible standards for broadcasting of a quality suitable for the commercial exploitation of satellite direct broadcasting."

Townsend also said that while engineers are wrapped up with the major challenge of digital technology, production teams are more worried about relatively mundane problems such as obtaining clear sound with booms and clearing stages of unnecessary cables and clutter.

Complaints about the "poor-relations" status of sound technology were heard at many of the technical sessions, and never more clearly than at the session on multichannel sound.

The point was driven home by Lars Alaker of Philips in Sweden, who told the packed session that television audio has changed little since the days of black and white pictures. He said the typical sound signal has the bandwidth of a telephone line and the power output of a portable radio.

Alaker's paper was on an improved sound system available on Philips' sets in Sweden, a feature which he claimed is selling well.

Another speaker, Ray Angel of the BBC, talked of the difficulties in recording high quality sound in drama productions, and of the special problems in stereo recording. He said that BBC stereo recording began with opera, but that nonmusical programs provided the biggest problems.

And he said there was no precedent for answering questions such as how to create the correct sound atmosphere for both closeup and long shots: "An obvious aim in the balancing of sound is to reinforce the visual imagery or, at least never to cause the ear to receive information in a form that will conflict with information that the listener is receiving by his eye."

In his paper, Siegfried Dinsel of IRT, of Germany, argued in favor of a German system for transmitting stereo sound in television. He said tests showed the system, known as the double sound carrier system, produced a higher quality than the FM-FM multiplex system developed in Japan and Sweden.

In the IRT system, the second sound channel is located above the normal sound channel and below the adjacent video signal. Dinsel said this system allows for full compatibility with present receivers with no added interference in the video signal.

The system can be used either for stereo sound, or for providing dialogue in more than one language, which is of special interest to European broadcasters.

The problems of providing programs in multiple languages also arose in the teletext session, in a paper presented by B. Krizanic from Yugoslav State Television.

He said that with eight major languages within the country, the dubbing of programs is a major problem. The Yugoslavs are therefore interested in using teletext for a closed subtitles system, and Krizanic outlined the features that would be needed. It would require the ability to make letters in multiple alphabets and would need low-cost home decoders.

R. G. Baker of Britain's University of Southampton talked of the problems in subtitles programs for the deaf. He said the subtitling of foreign films was not an adequate guide because viewers with hearing can pick up sound cues and changes in voice inflection. He said that new research has been done in order to establish a set of standards for teletext subtitling in the U.K. system.

Surprisingly, no papers were submitted by the French for the teletext session, even though their Antiope system is one of the main contenders for international acceptance. A French spokesman said they were saving their reports for the Montreux symposium eight months away. In addition, he said, Antiope was involved in preparing for the upcoming Vidcon convention in Cannes, France.

The absence from the technical session was matched on the exhibition floor where the French teletext manufacturers were not present.

In the "signal origination" session, Joe Flaherty of CBS presented a report on what he terms "electronic cinematography" where a videotape camera and editing suites are used to duplicate (and replace) regular film production methods.

He criticized the multicamera, live mixing system, common in the U.K., and outlined his single-camera method.

The key technical part of this system is the electronic editing unit, which uses three cassette recorders and, instead of a complex control panel, a television screen and a light pen to perform the editing. By editing together a mock-up using inexpensive cassette recorders, money is saved by requiring fewer broadcast quality one-inch machines. After the final product is prepared on the half-inch tape, the original one-inch recordings are used to edit the actual program. This means only two generations, along with the flexibility of multiple editing.

Speaking after the session, Flaherty said this system exactly duplicates the film system. It also removes the major advantage of digital recorders, that of unlimited generations. Flaherty said that even if digital recorders would be available, they would be of no use in his specially designed editing suites, because only a control tape is being put together.

Other speakers in the session talked of the possibility of using charge-coupled devices in cameras and telecine units.

D. Burt of Britain's GEC said that CCD's do not yet meet broadcast standards in television cameras, although he
said the 385-by-576 element array he outlined is "an important step in the development of solid-state image sensors."

- The IBC organizing committee did not have final figures, but preliminary statistics indicate that attendance fell slightly from IBC-78 held in London. The tentative Brighton figure put the full and part-time registration at 3,750, a drop from the 4,000-plus figure for 1978. The committee is already committed to holding the 1982 IBC in Brighton once again. The convention (which alternates years with the Montreux symposium and exhibition in Switzerland) will again be four days, Sept. 11-14.

**Trying to sort out the AM stereo mess**

NAB proposes overseeing testing of five proponents so FCC will have comparable data to help it choose the best system

In an effort to expedite the introduction of AM stereo, the National Association of Broadcasters has sent a letter to the five proponents of AM stereo systems, offering to set up a meeting between them and the FCC staff and to oversee testing to answer questions in the FCC's further notice of proposed rulemaking (BROADCASTING, Sept. 22).

"We would like to know," Lew Wetzel, NAB's senior vice president for engineering, said in the letter, "if you are interested in a meeting for all proponents with the FCC staff to clarify the means for obtaining the data requested in the [further notice], and whether you would be interested in some form of industry-coordinated testing."

The letter was sent to Robert Wirtz, Motorola Inc.; Robert Streeter, Magnavox Consumer Electronic Corp.; Leonard Kahn, Kahn Communications (Kahn/Hazeltine); Norm Parker, Motorola Inc., and Arno Meyer, Belar Electronics.

Wetzel suggested that the tests are necessary to insure that the FCC has comparable data to analyze the five system. Wetzel said preliminary discussions with the proponents have indicated that the notice "may be difficult or impossible to satisfy because the data requested can be obtained in a myriad of different ways under an infinite variety of conditions. Therefore, the commission could receive data from the individual proponents all showing excellent results under five different situations impossible to directly compare."

Wetzel said the best approach is a meeting of the proponents and the FCC which would at least make the FCC aware of testing problems and the proponents aware of the test techniques preferred by the FCC. "If such a meeting suggests common industry-specified tests and some form of supervision or validation, then NAB would be happy to assist ... in organizing and participating in such an effort."

Although Wetzel claimed that the NAB wants "AM stereo as soon as possible" and that it will do anything to achieve that end, he also reiterated NAB's opposition to the marketplace concept. "We have, however, strongly supported the choice of a single system. This position was established by the NAB executive committee and we continue to encourage the commission to choose one system."

**Engineers see no big problems with low-power TV; reaction varies on VHF drop-ins**

Some say technical difficulties of squeezing in VHF stations are outweighed by social benefits

Reaction to the FCC's recent moves to increase dramatically the number of television stations by permitting low-powered

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UHF and VHF stations and VHF drop-ins has, among engineers, been mixed.

Although the social motives behind the low-powered and drop-in actions may be the same (a report on public response begins on page 42), engineers see them as different animals. There seems to be a consensus among the consultants in favor of—or at least not in objection to—the low-powered stations, which are, as many point out, a new use of an old idea—translators are another example. They create a greater potential threat to established broadcasters, say some engineers, although some see them acceptable technically.

The reaction of the broadcasting industry as recorded on the seismographs of the engineering consulting firms varies. Some firms report that they've been swamped with inquiries. Others can count the calls on one hand.

Most of the expressed interest revolves around the low-powered stations, which many regard—because of the FCC's 7-0 vote in favor of the rulemaking—as a fait accompli. Consultants report inquiries from old and new customers, all eager to be in line when the FCC gets around to passing out the assignments.

The consultants have also received calls about the drop-ins, particularly the four allocations already made (Knoxville, Tenn.; Johnstown, Pa.; Charleston, W.Va., and Salt Lake City). Almost all the contacted consultants said they have talked to groups about acquiring one or more of the allocations.

Interest in the FCC drop-in rulemaking that proposes to create as many as 139 additional full-service VHF stations, however, has been minimal. Entrepreneurs are not apparently ready to spend money to investigate drop-ins until things are a bit more certain. The FCC adoption of the rulemaking by a marginal vote and the certainty that the rulemaking will be opposed by many broadcasters make its future more tenuous than that of the low-power proposals. What interest there has been has come not from people wishing to acquire drop-ins but from broadcasters, who are concerned about what impact adoption of the drop-in rules would have on their existing service and ultimately on their bottom lines.

Howard Head, of A.D. Ring & Associates, has no complaints against low-powered stations but is besieging the engineering consultant to the Association of Maximum Service Telecasters, which has come out strongly against the drop-in rulemaking, he has few kind words to say about that rulemaking.

In the assignment of translators, Head said, the FCC has been "absolutely fastidious" in insuring that they cause no interference to existing stations. Head said, "the FCC handles the low-powered stations in the same manner, they should fit harmlessly in the allocation plan. "I can't think of a single engineering argument why they shouldn't go ahead."

Head is more concerned about what effect existing stations will have on the low-powered stations. He said the stations, particularly VHF's, would be vulnerable to co-channel interference that would restrict their range. The VHF's would be more affected, Head said, because of the "saturation of the VHF band" and because the proposed rules, in most cases, restrict them to just 10 watts of power. The UHF stations, on the other hand, would operate with greater power and in a band far less crowded. "There aren't enough full service UHF's to create much of a problem," he said.

Head said that most of the numerous low-powered inquiries his firm has received center on VHF facilities, which he believes is due to the lingering feeling equating UHF with inferior service. Despite that attitude and the lower initial cost of establishing a UHF low-powered station, Head believes—and most consulting engineers agree with him—that the new stations will find their home in the UHF band. Under optimum conditions, the UHF station will, Head said, cover far greater areas than the VHF. The rules were designed, Head said, "to promote UHF over VHF."

Head's tolerance of the low-powered stations does not extend to the drop-ins. He said the FCC staff is "lying" when it says the drop-ins won't cause substantial interference to existing stations. Head called the equivalent protection theory—the basis for the drop-in proposal that says minimum mileage separation can be traded off for reduced power—"bull shit and no protection at all for existing stations." He said new stations will cause "extensive" interference to the coverage contours of the existing stations.

Head's suggestion for creating new VHF stations is reducing the minimum separations throughout the table of assignments and setting a separator of 10 percent in practical. Such a scheme has worked well in the FM band, where many stations have been added without detriment to others.

Head said he was in no position to gauge interest to drop-ins since it's common knowledge that his firm works for AMST, which is fighting the proposed rulemaking. He said, however, that the firm did turn down two jobs from groups seeking drop-ins for Johnstown and Knoxville.

Edward Lorentz, of Edward Lorentz & Associates, also has heard from clients interested in a couple of the four allocated drop-ins—Knoxville and Charleston—but says he "hasn't heard any interest expressed" in the broader VHF drop-in proceeding. He attributes the lack of interest to a lack of understanding. "Nobody knows what the FCC will come up with in the end."

The drop-in rulemaking, he said, creates a peculiar dilemma for the applicant who has just filed for or just been granted a construction permit for a UHF station. It must decide whether to go ahead and spend the money to build the station or "to hold off and take a chance on getting one of the new VHF's."

Interest has been shown for both VHF and UHF low-powered stations, but he said most realized that the VHF's "will be hard to come by because of existing crowding in the band. Lorentz said it is hard to determine the impact of the low-powered stations until the final order comes out. Until then, "we're just shooting in the dark."

Like Head, Lorentz was concerned with the quality of service a low-powered station would be able to provide while existing in the shadow of a maximum service station. "There is no doubt," he said, "that co-channel interference would be a serious thing."

And for the existing stations, adjacent channel interference could be a problem. He said a low-powered station's signal would interfere with adjacent channels whenever the low-powered signal is much greater than that of the existing stations. As for drop-ins, Lorentz said that the equivalent protection theory was valid in most cases, although he conceded that it would cause additional interference to the signal of the existing stations. But, he said, "perhaps the gain more than makes up for the loss."

He agreed that the alternative to the FCC proposed rules is to reduce mileage-separation requirements and squeeze in the stations where possi-
ble, but he said that could be “six of one and a half dozen of the other.” Ralph Dippell of Cohen & Dippell said he has received “many calls from existing customers and new people” about the low-powered stations and has even received orders from some to proceed to work up engineering reports. But he admits that work can’t go too far. “We really don’t know what the final rules are going to entail,” he said.

Dippell is confident that the low-power rules will go into effect eventually. It was a 7-0 vote, he points out, and “even a change of administration isn’t going to change the FCC enough to change that.”

Most of the new low-power stations will be UHF, he said; there just isn’t room to fit many VHF’s in. “Ninety-five percent are going to be U’s.” Out in the open spaces of the western states or Alaska, he said, VHF can be used. But in the densely populated areas, where much of the interest is developing in low-power TV, “most will have to be UHF,” Dippell said.

And he said the UHF’s may be preferable. He said a one kilowatt UHF transmitter, with a high-gain antenna on a tall building can give the operator substantial coverage.

“A superficial look” at the proposed drop-in rules caused Dippell little concern. Equivalent protection, he said, is nothing new. The only reason the FCC has resurrected the concept is to open up more channels to “placate minorities that were not dealt in,” when the original assignments were made, he said.

Equivalent protection can work technically, he insists. “Forgetting everything but the technical arguments, equivalent protection is a more efficient technical allocation that results in more over-all service. Loss is far outweighed by the introduction of the new service.”

Dippell admits that should the rules become reality, the consulting engineers will have more than enough work. “It will keep you off the street,” he said.

Robert Rich of Moffit, Rich & Larson and president of the Association of Federal Communications Consulting Engineers, said the association hasn’t had an opportunity to discuss the FCC’s action, but his firm has heard of a lot of interest in the low-powered stations, both VHF and UHF. “We think its a practical step in the right direction and expect it to be a useful service,” he said.

Rich was less sure about the feasibility of drop-ins. He said, however, that he “doesn’t see any great reason not to do what the FCC is proposing to do. I don’t see anything terribly wrong with it.”

In contrast to some of the other consultants, Elizabeth Dahlberg of Lohnes & Culver and Carl T. Jones of Carl T. Jones Associates reported little or no reaction to the FCC moves.

Dahlberg said she has had only two inquiries on low-power stations—not what she would call “overwhelming reaction.”

Jones said that he hasn’t received one inquiry although he fully expects to hear from his television clients “who will want to know what the impact of it all will be on them.” But the lack of response doesn’t surprise Jones. He’s still wondering when people are going to start applying for the AM allocations made available by the clear channel proceeding.

For the Record

As compiled by Broadcasting Sept. 15 through Sept. 19 and based on filings, authorizations and other FCC actions.

Abbreviations: AFC—Antenna For Communications. ALJ—Administrative Law Judge. alt.—alternate. ann.—announced. ant.—antenna. au.—auxiliary. CH—critical hours. CP—construction permit. D—day DA—directional antenna. Doc.—Docket. ERP—effective radiated power. HAAT—height of antenna above average terrain. khz—kilohertz. kw—kilowatts. m.meters. MEOV—maximum expected operation value. mbz—megahertz. mod.—modification. N.—night. PSA—preservice authority. RCL—remote control location. S.A—Scientific Atlanta. SH—specified hours. SL—studio location. trans.—transmitter. TPO—transmitter power output. U.—unlimited hours. vis.—visual. w.—watts. *—noncommercial.

New Stations

TV Applications

- Portland, Me.—Greater Portland Telecasting seeks ch. 51; ERP: 1279 kw vis., 127 kw aur.; HAAT: 1,032 ft.; height above ground: 846 ft. Address: 307 Cumberland Ave., Portland 04101. Estimated construction cost: $12 million; first-quarter operating cost: $200,000. Legal counsel: Fisher, Wayland, Southmayd & Cooper, Washington, consulting engineer: Edward el Lorch & Assoc., Washington, principals: Henry Posner (54%), Albert M. Holtz (30%), Thomas D. Wright (15%) and one other. Posner is 51% owner of PDA Co., Pittsburgh real estate and general investment company. He has 54% interest in applicants for new UHF’s in Dayton, Ohio; Charleston W.Va.; Wichita, Kan., and Akron, Ohio. Holtz has 27% interest in Dayton applicant and 10% in interest in Charleston. Wichita and Akron applicants. Wright is Pittsburgh real estate company owner and has less than 20% interest in same UHF applicants. Ann. Sept. 2.

■ Hattiesburg, Miss.—Central Television Inc. seeks ch. 22; ERP: 672 kw vis., 100 kw aur.; HAAT: 802 ft.; height above ground: 735 ft. Address: Box 5185, Merida, Miss. 39501. Estimated construction cost: $1.2 million; first-quarter operating cost: $120,000. Legal counsel: Haley, Bader & Potis, Washington; consulting engineer: Jimmie A. Stembidge, Tupelo, Miss.; principals: Frank K. Spain (70%) and two others. He is president and principal owner of Microwave Service Co. of Florida and Alabama Microwave Inc. He also owns 35% of WTVX(TV) Tupelo, Miss., and WTVX(TV) Fort Pierce, Fla. Ann. Sept. 2.


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Low-Power Television

Following low-power television applications have been accepted for filing. All low-power television applications tendered before final decision by FCC on its low-power television proceeding will be processed in accordance with existing translator rules.

Denver, Colo.—Community Television Network Inc. seeks CP for UHF low-power station on ch. 50 (TPO: 1 kw, HAAT: 395 ft.) with waiver to allow for program origination (BPTTL-800408L). Ann. Sept. 19.


Indianapolis, Ind.—Community Television Network seeks CP for new UHF low-power station on ch. 50 (TPO: 1 kw, HAAT: 995 ft.) with waiver to allow for program origination (BPTTL-800408L). Ann. Sept. 19.

Louisville, Ky.—St. Petersburg Community Television Inc. seeks CP for UHF low-power station on ch. 50 (TPO: 1 kw, HAAT: 384 ft.) with waiver to allow for program origination (BPTTL-800408L). Ann. Sept. 19.


Bemidji, Minn.—John W. Beler seeks CP for new UHF low-power station on ch. 50 (TPO: 1 kw, HAAT: 250 ft.) with waiver to allow for program origination (BPTTL-800429C). Ann. Sept. 19.

Kansas City, Mo.—Community Television Network Inc. seeks CP for new UHF low-power station on ch. 32 (TPO: 1 kw, HAAT: 555 ft.) with waiver to allow for program origination (BPTTL-800408L). Ann. Sept. 19.


Fort Worth, Tex.—Worth Community Television Inc. seeks CP for new low-power station on ch. 61 (TPO: 1 kw, HAAT: 420 ft.) with waiver to allow for program origination (BPTTL-800507H). Ann. Sept. 19.


San Antonio, Tex.—San Antonio Community Television Inc. seeks CP for new UHF low-power station on ch. 59 (TPO: 1 kw, HAAT: 549 ft.) with waiver to allow for program origination (BPTTL-800507G). Ann. Sept. 19.


Ownership Changes

Applications

WCAI (FM) Fort Myers, Fla. (AM: 1350 kHz, 1 kw)—Seeks transfer of control of station from Lee Broadcasting (100% before; none after) to Ercona South Inc. (none before, 100% after). Consideration: $600,000. Principals: Truman A. Morris (30.2%) and Ronald E. Pierce (25.1%) and wife, Helen (24.5%). Lee is applicant for new FM at Fort Myers, Fla. They have no other broadcast interests. Buyer: Charles H. Frank and wife, Ethel (50 each). They own Bellmore, N.Y., electronic and optical products companies. They have no other broadcast interests. Ann. Sept. 10.

WCEN-FM Mt. Pleasant, Mich. (AM: 1150 kHz, 1 kw-D, 500-wd; FM: 94.3 MHz, 16 kw)—Seeks transfer of control of license from James G. Clawson (100% before; none after) to Brent T. Larson (none before, 100% after). Consideration: $235,000 including $20,000 convenant not to compete. Principals: Clawson has no other broadcast interests. Buyer: Wendell A. Triplett (51%) and wife, Donna (49%). Wendell owns WTOO-AM-FM Bellfontaine and WHEF-FM Fort Clinton, both in Ohio; WTKC (AM) Lexington, Ky., and WOCR-AM-FM Lebon, Tenn. He also has 49% interest in applicant for new UHF at Chillicothe (BROADCASTING, Sept. 1). Ann. Sept. 10.

KSVCM (AM)-KJMC (FM) Richfield, Utah (AM: 980 kHz, 5 kw-D; FM: 93.7 MHz, 27 kw)—Seeks transfer of control of stations from James G. Clawson (100% before; none after) to Brent T. Larson (none before, 100% after). Consideration: $235,000 including $20,000 convenant not to compete. Principals: Clawson has no other broadcast interests. Buyer: Wendell A. Triplett (51%) and wife, Donna (49%). Wendell owns WTOO-AM-FM Bellfontaine and WHEF-FM Fort Clinton, both in Ohio; WTKC (AM) Lexington, Ky., and WOCR-AM-FM Lebon, Tenn. He also has 49% interest in applicant for new UHF at Chillicothe (BROADCASTING, Sept. 1). Ann. Sept. 10.

WAYM-AM-TV-WRUL (FM) Oak Hill, W.Va. (AM: 820 kHz, 10 kw-D; FM: 94.1 MHz, 35.5 kw)—Seeks transfer of control of station from James G. Clawson (100% before; none after) to Brent T. Larson (none before, 100% after). Consideration: $235,000 including $20,000 convenant not to compete. Principals: Clawson has no other broadcast interests. Buyer: Wendell A. Triplett (51%) and wife, Donna (49%). Wendell owns WTOO-AM-FM Bellfontaine and WHEF-FM Fort Clinton, both in Ohio; WTKC (AM) Lexington, Ky., and WOCR-AM-FM Lebon, Tenn. He also has 49% interest in applicant for new UHF at Chillicothe (BROADCASTING, Sept. 1). Ann. Sept. 10.

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KBWA(AM) Williams, Ariz.—Dismissed application for action.

KBLW(AM) Klamath Falls, Oreg. (AM: 1400 kHz, 2 kW) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Publisher of Times (President, James Gabbert); Buyer: Publisher of Sun (President, John M. Barden). Consideration: $375,000.

KBOB(AM) Bakersfield, Calif. (AM: 1490 kHz, 2 kW) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Kaufer & Gross (President, Al Kaufer); Buyer: Sam Gross (President, Amalgamated Communications). Consideration: $650,000.

KBOO(AM) Portland, Ore. (AM: 900 kHz, 5 kW) has no other broadcast interests.

KBOQ(AM) Bellingham, Wash. (AM: 1260 kHz, 250 W) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Publisher of The Bellingham Herald (President, Steve Kaufer); Buyer: Publisher of The Bellingham Herald (President, Steve Kaufer). Consideration: $250,000.

KBWJ(AM) Klamath Falls, Ore. (AM: 1280 kHz, 2 kW) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Publisher of Times (President, James Gabbert); Buyer: Publisher of Sun (President, John M. Barden). Consideration: $375,000.

KCBS(AM) Kansas City, Mo. (AM: 980 kHz, 10 kW) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch); Buyer: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch). Consideration: $1,800,000.

KCBY(AM) Kansas City, Mo. (AM: 1350 kHz, 5 kW) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch); Buyer: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch). Consideration: $1,800,000.

KCYL(AM) Portland, Ore. (AM: 960 kHz, 10 kW) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch); Buyer: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch). Consideration: $1,800,000.

KDCO(AM) Des Moines, Iowa (AM: 1240 kHz, 10 kW) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch); Buyer: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch). Consideration: $1,800,000.

KDKR(AM) Dallas, Tex. (AM: 1400 kHz, 7 kW) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch); Buyer: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch). Consideration: $1,800,000.

KDLB(AM) Eau Claire, Wis. (AM: 1500 kHz, 5 kW) has new broadcast interests. Seller: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch); Buyer: Broadcasting Co. of Kansas City (President, Robert H. Kirch). Consideration: $1,800,000.
Facilities Changes

TV action
- WBOC-TV Salisbury, Md. - Granted CP to change ERP to 457 kw, with MAXERP 2000 kw; antenna height 985 feet, with antenna coordinates 34° 25' 24" and 39° 20' 34", approx. 5 miles S.E. of Sharptown, Md.; change type antenna: conditions (BPCT-805015SKG). Action Sept. 10.

In Contests

FCC decisions
- FCC has denied New York State Commission on Cable Television (CCT) reconsideration of its Sept. 19, 1978 order finding that certain policy statements of CCT, as set forth in Opinion 97, would hinder development of multipoint distribution service (MDS). In Oct., 1976 and April 1977, CCT issued policy statements indicating it would require all MTS systems offering other than off-the-air programming to obtain cable television franchises or discontinue operation. Included in this class were MTS systems receiving programming via MDS stations. Orth-O-View, company that markets television to multiple-unit dwellings in borough of Queens, N.Y., challenged FCC's actions by requesting FCC to issue declaratory ruling voiding CCT's proposed requirements on ground that they conflicted with Orth-O-View's rights to receive interstate communications. FCC said CCT had failed to demonstrate that such action was warranted. Action Sept. 10.
- FCC has denied Petition by Smaller Market UHF Television Stations Group for stay of exemption for significantly viewed signals from blackout requirements of network program nonduplication rules. To support its stay petition, Group claimed rule, which was approved in 1978, was "unexpected" and "drastically altered regulatory framework that ensured network program exclusivity protection for its members by eliminating signals from blackout requirements of network program nonduplication rules. Decision has had and will continue to have adverse effect on Group's financial well-being," Group said. In denying stay, FCC said Group's request was simply too late. Stays are intended to suspend execution of an agency or court judgment and are not intended to "reverse, annul, undo or suspend what has already been done," commission said. Action Sept. 10.
- Broomfield, Colo. - FCC has granted application of educational television station RKB-1 TV Broomfield, by Boulder Community Media Corp., for rezoning sole remaining issue of Front Range's finances. Station actually went on air Feb. 22, and has been broadcast within station since. But court order returned Front Range to applicant status and required FCC to determine whether Front Range was financially qualified; which FCC did, saying it had been financially qualified since 1976. The FCC noted the appeal decision to court but did not ask for stay of grant. (FCC 80-535). Action Sept. 10.
- KHJH(L) Iowa City - FCC has authorized KHJH to operate at power of 4 watts using its N-D-A system during station time during station time must now suspend operation due to operation of co-channel Class I-B station WXQ(R) (AM) New York. FCC said it would grant request since proposed operation would protect WXQ(R)'s signal and provide, during night, first local commercial AM service to city. Also, it added its right of present N operation of KHJH, this operation would not have preclusionary effect on other potential nighttime uses of this channel. (FCC 80-530). Action Sept. 10.
- Houma, La. - FCC has designated for hearing six competing applications for new VHF on ch. 11 in Houma to determine which of them should be licensed for station. Applicants are Houma Broadcasters, Inc., Guaranty Broadcasting Inc., GCA Communications Corp., Communications Corporation of the South, The Way of Life TV Network Inc., and Greater New Orleans Broadcasting Association. Five of applicants propose commercial operation. Greater New Orleans proposes noncommercial educational operation. Way of Life and GCA filed separate petitions. Hearing will be controlled by Texoma Broadcasters Inc., which is partly owned by family of former President Johnson. Through the LBJ Co. Texoma is licensee of KLFY-TV Lafayette, La. Guaranty is licensee of WAFB-TV Baton Rouge. Each proposes to operate Houma station as satellite of its other station. Issues include interference, local program origination and commercial versus noncommercial programming in terms of which would best serve public interest. (FCC 80-482-487) Action Sept. 10.

FM hearing decisions
- Caluksville, Ark. (Broadcasting Enterprises, Inc. and Logan County Broadcasting Co.) FM proceeding; (BC Docs. 80-140-41) - Granted joint petition by applicants for withdrawal of Logen's application; approved reimbursement of expenses by Logen for $11,700; disposed of, with Logen's application granted Broadcasting Enterprise's application for new FM at Caluksville, and terminated proceeding. Action Sept. 8.
- Great Falls, Mont. (Northern Sun Corp. and D.M. Gray, Co., Inc.) FM proceeding; (BC Docs. 80-174-75) - Granted petition by applicants for approval of amendment; dismissed Grant's application with prejudice, authorized reimbursement of $15,000 to Gray, and granted Northern Sun's application for new FM station at Great Falls. Action Sept. 8.

Designated for hearing
- King City, Calif. - Designated for hearing applications of Rainfall Broadcasting Corp. and Radio Del Rey, Inc. for new FM station at King City, to determine which of proposals would, on comparative basis, better serve public interest and which of applications should be granted (BC Docs. 80-469-701). Action Aug. 26.
- Denver - Designated for hearing applications of American Television and Communications, Colorado Television, Oak Television, Denver, Inc., and Alden Communications of Colorado, Inc. for new UHF on ch. 20 at Denver, to determine whether American Television and Colorado Television are financially qualified; which proposals would, on comparative basis, better serve public interest, and which of applications should be granted (BC Docs. 80-465-68). Action Aug. 28.
- Henderson and Owensboro, both Kentucky - Designated for hearing applications of Murray State Univ. and Western Kentucky Univ. for new FM on ch. 89.3 at Henderson and Owensboro, respectively, for purposes of determining number of other reserved channel non-commercial educational FM services available in proposed service area of each applicant; area and population served thereby; whether share-time arrangement between applicants would result in most effective use of channel and thereby better serve the public interest, and, if so, terms and conditions thereof, which of proposals would better provide fair, efficient and equitable distribution of radio service; in event it is concluded that channel between applicants should not be awarded solely on considerations relating to Section 307(b), extent to which each of proposed operations will be integrated in all application, financial and technical considerations, and objectives of respective applicants; or whether other factors in record demonstrate that one applicant will provide superior service and which of applicants, if either, should be granted (BC Docket Nos. 329-30). Action Aug. 19.
- Somerset, Ky. - Designated for hearing mutually exclusive applications of TV-8 Inc. and Bluegrass Media Inc. for new UHF on ch. 16 at Somerset to determine whether common ownership, operation or control of WLOAM(AM) and TV-8's proposed television station should be permitted, whether circumstances exist which would make operation as satellite necessary for Somerset, which of proposals would, on comparative basis, better serve public interest and which of applications, if either, should be granted (BC Docs. 80-454-55). Action Aug. 25.
- Kaplan, La. - Designated for hearing applications of Cajun Communications, Inc. and Mid-Acadiana Broadcasting Corp. for new FM on 97.7 mhz at Kaplan, to determine which of proposals would, on comparative basis, better serve public interest and which of applications should be granted (BC Docs. 80-438-59). Action Aug. 28.
- Mt. Clemens, Mich. - Designated for hearing applications of Adell Broadcasting Corp., APF Entertainment Corp., Southern Broadcasting Co., and Macomb Broadcasting Co, for new UHF on ch. 38 at Mt. Clemens, and Trinity Television Corp. for same ch., to determine whether tower, heights and locations proposed by Adell, APF, Southeast Michigan, Trinity and Macomb would constitute hazards to air navigation, whether APF and Macomb are financially qualified; which of proposals would best provide fair, efficient and equitable distribution of radio service; which of proposals would, on comparative basis, better serve public interest, and which of applications should be granted (BC Docs. 80-471-75). Action Aug. 27.
- St. Ignace, Mich. - Designated for hearing applications of Mighty-Mac Broadcasting Co. and Maumee Valley Broadcasting Association for new FM on 102.9 at St. Ignace, to determine whether Mighty-Mac violated Section 73.3526 of rules, which proposals would, on comparative basis, better serve public interest and which of applications should be granted (BC Docs. 80-452-53). Action Aug. 22.
- Albany, N.Y. - Designated for hearing applications of American International Communications Corp. and Albany TV 23 Inc. for new UHF on ch. 23 at Albany, N.Y., to determine which of applications, on comparative basis, would better provide public interest and which of applications should be granted (BC Docs. 80-456-57). Action Aug. 27.
- Raleigh, N.C. - Designated for hearing applications of New Sound Inc.; Educational Information Corp.; Interstate Broadcast System; Special Markets Media Inc., and Capital Area Broadcasting Co. Inc, for new AM on 570 kHz, 500 W-D at Raleigh, to determine whether New Sound, Educational Information and Special Markets are financially qualified; ascertainment efforts of New Sound, Educational Information, Interstate Broadcast and Capital Area; whether Special Markets has available satisfactory site, transmission facilities changes.
and whether it is technically qualified, which of proposals would, on comparative basis, best serve public interest and which of applications, if any, should be granted (BC Docs. 80-531-532). Action Aug. 13.

- Corpus Christi, Tex. — Designated for hearing applications of Coastal Bend Family Television Inc. and Christian Childrens Network Inc. for new UHF on ch. 24, at Corpus Christi, to determine whether Coastal Bend is financially qualified, which of proposals would, on comparative basis, best serve public interest and which of applications should be granted (BC Docs. 80-460-61). Action Aug. 18.


- Mullens and Pineville, both West Virginia — Designated for hearing applications of Slab Fork Broadcast Co. and Wyoming Broadcasting Co. for new FM on 92.7 mhz at Mullens and Pineville, respectively, to determine areas and populations which would receive primary aural service from applicants’ proposed operations and availability of other primary service to such areas and populations, which of proposals would, on comparative basis, best serve public interest and which of applications should be granted (BC Docs. 80-462-64). Action Aug. 28.

- Rogers, Ark., and Slab Fork, Ky. — Denied for hearing applications of Floh Broadcasting Inc. and Slab Fork Broadcasting Co. for new FM on 94.3 mhz from Blue Mountain, Okl. to Rogers, Ark. and Slab Fork, Ky. respectively, to determine which of proposals would, on comparative basis, best serve public interest and which of applications should be granted (BC Docs. 80-464-66). Action Aug. 28.

- Denial of petition for rule making filed by FOIA Corp. requesting assignment of 94.5 mhz to FOIA Corp. as its first FM assignment, comments due Nov. 7, replies Nov. 7 (BC Docs. 80-471-72). Action Sept. 9.

- Findlay, Ohio — Proposed to be assigned 97.7 mhz to Findlay (pop. 21,435). Action Sept. 2.

- Meridian, Miss.—Designated for hearing applications of COAST TV Inc. and Christian Trees Inc. for new FM on 95.5 mhz to Meridian. Effective Oct. 2. Action Sept. 2.

- Satellite assignments — Tentatively approved for Morgan County, Iowa, on ch. 28. Action Sept. 2.

- Westover and Graford, Tex. — Proposed to be assigned 95.5 mhz to Westover and substitution of 95.5 mhz to Westover and substitution of 95.5 mhz (BC Docs. 80-471-497). Action Sept. 2.

- The following cable systems have been fined $500 each for failure to file 1979 annual employment reports as required by FCC rules:

- Phil Campbell. Ala. — Phil Campbell Broadcasting Inc. (AL0057).
- Cullman, Ala. — WFMH Cable TV (AL0155).
- Fort Jones, Calif. — James Brainard (CA0665).
- Haddam and Durham, both Connecticut — Bernard L. Perry et al (CT0093-4).
- Franklin, La. — Washington Cablevision Inc. (LA0057).
- Long Beach, Miss.—Coast TV Cable Inc. (MS0097).
- Meridian, Mississippi—Gooding Enterprises Inc. (MS0097).
- Jefferson et al, N.C.—V-R of Ashe County Inc. (NC0085).
- North Enid, Pond Creek and Wakita, all Oklahoma—NW Translator TV Inc. (OK0103, 211).

Fines

- Applications

- New FM’s

- Existing FM’s

- Grants

- Call Letters

- Satellites

- Call Letters

- Applications

- Call Letters
HELP WANTED MANAGER

Major market group needs sharp, aggressive sales manager for top 50 market. Must be able to motivate sales staff of four and carry a strong personal list. Salary, commissions, bonuses, override, gas, company car and growth for the right person. Current Sales Manager is purchasing National radio station! Sell us in your first letter. Reply Box J-53.

Sales Manager, take charge, your success may result in ownership. Small market, Central Minnesota. Send complete resume Ken Eldenschnick, 123 Central Avenue, Long Prairie, MN 56347

Wanted All Around Broadcaster. Sales knowledge, proven on-air ability, a desire to live in the great country. Ability to assume station manager position, after learning the operation and displaying a desire to be part of a fast growing, successful company. It's an opportunity to earn with good compensation. Tape, resume, and pertinent information to Box 708, Koldak, AK 99615.

Group owner in need of a Sales Manager capable of applying research in local sales. 'Rep' background helpful, but not essential. You must be able to mold a cohesive local sales force and maintain strong personal billing. This southeast station offers excellent bases, incentives and fringe benefits. EOE. Box J-168.

General Manager/Sales Manager wanted for Northern Mountains States AM. Excellent opportunity for hard working self-starter with strong background in sales. Knowledge of all areas of station operation and strong leadership ability a must. Equal Opportunity Employer. Must be able to drive to Box 2557, Billings, MT 59103 or call 406—252-5611.

General Manager for small AM/FM station northern Michigan. Strong on sales. Send resume, salary requirements. Box J-205.

First Class Sales Manager wanted to lead, train, and motivate very productive sales force. Must be ex- cellent salesperson. Will be given top account list. Our well programmed radio station is No. 1 in this market. We promote big and successfully. We provide the tools you need to get the sales! Must be able to produce strong new accounts to earn big bucks. Box J-44.

Group owned suburban N.Y. station needs sharp aggressive sales manager. Must be able to motivate and carry strong personal list. If you want to work hard and make money send your resume and salary history to Box J-200.

Public Affairs Director for AM/FM in midwest urban market to produce meaningful public affairs and news for AM-Black and FM-Rock formats. Applicants must have broadcast experience in news or public affairs. Send resume and sample of public affairs to United Broadcasting Company, 4733 Bethesda Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20014. Minorities and women are encouraged to apply. Equal opportunity employer must.

Management trainee with successful sales track record, for profitable, growing Midwest Full Time AM station. Equally opportunity Small Market group. EOE/ MF. Looking for a winner on the way up, Box J-218.

We're still looking. Group broadcaster needs two sales managers for medium southeast Florida stations. If you're looking for your first management slot or on locked out, where you are—send us a complete resume. Need to be aggressive street lighter with R.A.B., training and minimum of three years sales experience. Reply Box J-237.

HELP WANTED SALES

Versatile Sales Person looking for growth needed by group owned stations. Sales most important but production, promotion and public affairs are very helpful. Must be able to maintain stability and have strong desire to succeed. Contact Mike Edwards. 614—335-0941, WWHO AM-FM, Box 1, Washington Court House, OH 43160, EOE.

Salesperson/Announcer for Modern Country Music AM/FM located in beautiful central Virginia. Excellent opportunity. Rush tape, resume and requirements to WPED/WCMZ(FM), PO Box 8, Crozet, VA 22932.

Sales Manager ... Midwest AM/FM Combo ... Box J-165.

KYND and KULF, top adult combo in Houston, has openings for national sales manager. We're looking for the right person to work closely with Eastman and local contacts. This outstanding opportunity with Harfe-Hankins Broadcasting requires a dedicated professional. Reply to either Mike Home, KYND, 11 Greenway Plaza No. 222, Houston TX 77004, or Jack Collins, KULF 2100 Travis No. 1400, Houston TX 77002, Equal Opportunity Employer.

Billed 13 last month, should have billed 20. Looking for Sales Manager who can rise to the occasion. Contact Gary Coates, KBJT, PO Box 659, Fort Dodge, AR or call 351—512-737.


Terre Haute AM-FM needs solid salesperson who's willing to hustle. With established account list you should make $15,000-$20,000 your first year. National ownership has a commitment to winning ... country AM, top 40 FM, Sports. Send resume to WJGM, Greenway Plaza, 4200, Box 400, Brazil, IN 47834.

Shenandoah, Pa. Established daytimer in new modern quarters has increased power to 2500 watts and considerably expanded our potential. New 100 store mail also opening in our town in October. Need experienced salesperson or one capable of being a sales selling manager. Contact Rod Wolf, WART, Alto, PA 814—943-6112, EOE Employer.

Northern Illinois—established AM/FM looking for bright, articulate self-starter to handle AM & FM Sales. Some experience in own area of responsibility desired. Interested send resume to J. McCullough, Personnel Manager, WPLO/WJAK, PO Box 215, La Salle, IL 61341. An Equal Opportunity Employer, MF.

HELP WANTED ANNOUNCERS

Soul Station in Sun Belt wants announcer who is ready to move up to production/programming duties. EOE. Send resume to J. J. O. E. MF.

Wanted Experienced Morning DJ who has what it takes to do the job. If your shoulders are as broad as your creativity wit, and broadcast experience, you are answering the right ad, call 303—336-2208 or tapes and resumes to KLME, PO Box 98, Lamar, CO 80115.

Shenandoah Valley Top Rated AM/FM opening for afternoon drive personality. Commercial experience and production abilities required. We need a PRO to join our excellent staff. Salary commensurate with ability and experience. Send resume to Robert MacNeil, WSVA/WQPO, Harrisonburg, VA 22801. EOE.


An exciting midwest adult contemporary station needs exciting personalities. If you act is together send resume to Box J-175.

Morning Entertainer for 50,000 watt FM Indiana country station. Above average pay plus benefits. Send resume to Box J-192.

Adult Contemporary 50 kw station on Cape Cod looking for a warm, intelligent communicator. Good knowledge of local music and production work. Contact Ken Conners, WCIB, Falmouth-Cape Cod, MA 02540.

Announcer/Salesperson for Modern Country Music AM/FM located in beautiful central Virginia. Excellent opportunity. Rush tape, resume and requirements to WPED/WCMZ(FM), PO Box 8, Crozet, VA 22932.

Can You Write and produce copy that sells? Can you do an A/C airshift? Can you stand living in lovely, peaceful central Mass. with no pollution, no high taxes, no muggings. Can you handle the pressure of commercial radio experience? If you can do all of these things, send tape and resume to Gary James c/o WADA-Radio, 90 South Street, Ware, MA 01082 E.O.E. No phone calls.

WLAN FM-97 announcers are among the highest paid in central Pennsylvania. Days off with pay will average 20-25 the first year. FM-97 is presently looking for a top-notch morning personality (or team). We also have an opening for a night personality. 12 AM to 6 AM. WLAN is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Send all tapes and resumes to: Mel Edwards, Program Director, WLAN-65, 225 North Queen Street, Lancaster, PA 17603.

Top-rated adult-contemporary outlet seeks bright, talented personality for Morning Drive. Polish your skills in one of the Northeast's most desired com- position positions to: WKTO, Box 10, Ithaca, NY 14850. EOE.

Small Market Radio, has opened for experienced Announcer, with production, play by play. Send tape, resume to KDMO-KRGK Box 426, Carthage, MO 64846, E.O.E. MF.

Announcers for new quality music southeast FM station. Immediate November 1. Five years experience. Send tape/resume to Charlie Needel, WGLH, 1000 Alice Avenue, Stuart, Fl. 33494 by October 15, E.E.O.

Humanities Program Producer to produce weekly half-hour radio humanities magazine. B.A. degree re- quired, M.A. preferred in humanities discipline. Also re- quires audio production experience, willingness to travel, and ability to work independently. One year position. S1350. Deadline Oct. 24. Send resume and references to Bruce Smith, Gen. Mgr. WKMS-FM. Murray State University, Murray, KY 42071. MSU is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Employer.

WRGI, Naples, Florida—Just lost our fabulous night man (6PM to 1AM) to our great sales team. Our attendances are major markets (Miami, San-deapolis, Miami) and we are looking for a jock who appeals to the 18 to 35 market. Professional, adult ap- proach to Top 40. Minimum two years experience. Send tapes and resume to Roger Beld, WRGI 950 Manasota Road, Naples, FL 33942. No phone calls, please. EOE.

Creative announcer wanted. Afternoon drive plus production. Very competitive small market. AC format with heavy information emphasis. No beginners. Pennsyl- vania. EEO Employer Box 1-110.

Wanted; Announcer for country format. Up to $1250 per month. Send tape and resume to KSOX 345-57th Ave., Raymondville, TX 78556. E.O.E.

KSON AM & FM, San Diego, CA accepting tapes & resumes for future on air openings. Country music ex- perience a must. Send tapes & resumes (no calls please) to Rod Hunter, College Grove Center, San Diego, CA 92115. EOE.

Q-107 (WDOG, Charleston, S.C.) is expanding its stafl of professionals. Wanted killer jock. Must be natural, exciting and able to work overtime. In turn, we'll offer excellent pay, security, and more. Clock watchers, and persons scared of hard work need not apply. If you can truly entertain, send your tape and resume to Q-107, today. Gary Wolf, Operations Manager, WDOG, PO Box 903, St. George, SC 29477 803—723-5119.
HELP WANTED ANNUCED CONTINUED

WLAN, Central Maine’s dominant adult contemporary station, is accepting tapes and resumes for openings in the air staff and news department. Females encouraged. Must have experience and third class license. Contact: Jeff Kelly, WLAN, Box 929, Lewiston, ME 04240 EOE.

50,000 Watt Mod-Country WCAW Tape/Resume to Rick Johnson, Box 4318, Charleston, WV 25304, EOE.

Opportunity—Morning Announcer—experienced only apply. You’ll be second man on established noon program. You’ll do phone show and production. Knowledge of automation plus. EOE. Contact—Tom Parker, Operations Manager, KTTK/KZHN, Rolla, MO 65401. 314—364-2525.

Needed Immediately—Announcer with 1 Class FCC License for Top AM Country Music Station in large market. Send resume and tape to Bill James, WCOG Radio, PO. Box 8717, Greensboro, NC 27410. EOE.Minorities encouraged.

HELP WANTED TECHNICAL

Self-Starting Chief Engineer wanted for a first rate AM-FM station in San Luis Obispo, CA. Moving into a brand new building and need a good workmanlike technician to make challenging improvements. No closet DJs, please. 3-4 years experience desired. Send resume to Robert A. Van Buhles, Mesa Radio Inc., Box 4227, Mesa, AZ 85201. Phone 602—853-8668. Equal Opportunity Employer.


Wanted Chief Engrgr: We need someone with a strong background in studio and transmitter maintenance. Must be knowledgeable of modern transmission and switching conditions in a beautiful location. Send letter, resume and references by October 17 to William Dierellmann, General Manager/Operations Manager, KVPT-KFTR-AM/FM, East Texas State University, Commerce, TX 75428. ETSU is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Channel 22, Christian Television Corporation of Clearwater, Florida, is looking for a chief engineer, production coordinator and maintenance, leadership quality. Contact Mike Boland, 813—535-5622.

We’re in the market for a qualified maintenance engineer with aspirations to become assistant chief. Needs background in studio and transmitter. Offering good salary and benefits package and the Monterey Peninsula to live. Send resume to Ken Wilson, Chief Engineer, KMST-TV, 46 Garden Court, PO. Box 1938, Monterey, CA 93940, A Retlaw Broadcasting Station EOE.

Chief Engineer: For AM and Automated FM. All new offices and equipment. New new equipment. Starting salary open. Good fringe benefits. EOE. Donald K. Clark, GM, Box 2029, Cocoa, FL 32922.

Chief Engineer for AM and FM facilities. Group ownership in Michigan. Send resume and salary PO. Box 1775, Saginaw, MI 48605, EOE.

Chief Engineer for Texas station. Good pay. EOE. Send resume to Box J-213.

Chief Engineer—5KW AM directional—3KW FM automated, in small mid-west college town. Send resume to Jack Rohde, Box 156, Ripon, WI 54971, EEO Employer.

Chief for midwest AM/FM. Some experience necessary. Good maintenance practices important. EOE. Box J-240.

COLORADO—great opportunity in a fabulous area of Southern Colorado. Fulltime small (40,000) AM market needs experienced Chief with solid references and willingness to work. Send resume to Bob Gourley Box 631, Monte Vista, CO 81144.

HELP WANTED NEWS

Immediately Opening for PM news reporter at this top rated northwest NJ station with strong commitment to news. If you’re dedicated, hardworking with strong writing & reporting skills … this one’s for you! But don’t wait. EOE. Tape & resume to Program Director, WNDB, Box 1006, Hackettstown, NJ 07840.

Are You a local news digger? Do you have a minimum of two years of commercial radio experience writing and delivering local news. Can you stand being a part of this exciting news team? We may have the opportunity you’ve been looking for. Send tape and resume yesterday to Gary James, W-A-R-E Radio, 90 South Street, Ware, MA 01082. EOE. No phone calls.

KANSAS KICKS (KS-KK) Topeka’s best modern country station is looking for an aggressive and intelligent general assignment reporter. Some anchor work is available provided you have the talent. Applicants must have at least nine months experience. If you’re interested send a resume, alinecheck, and writing examples to Mike Manns, News Director, KSXX Radio, Box 4407, Topeka, KS 66604. KSXX is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Radio News, NBC affiliate, Fresno, California, located in the heart of the Agriculture country, has immediate opening for a Farm Editor. Applicants must be experienced all-around newspeople … especially well oriented in farm reporting. Permanent position, 5-day week, attractive employer-paid benefits package. Salary up to $35,000, week, depending on experience and ability. Send complete resume and tape to KFRC Radio, 3636 N. Friant Road, Fresno, CA 93726. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

S.W. station looking for an experienced street reporter and editor for all-news morning format. Send resumes, tapes, and writing sample to: News Director, KPMC, Radio 7705 Gullway Drive, Port Arthur, TX 77640.


News Director: Five years experience. Handle two local newscasts and rewrite fires. Send tape to Hamp Elliott, WSTU, 1000 Alice Avenue, Stuurt, SC 29349 by October 15. EEO.

Central Virginia College Town seeks experienced, aggressive and imaginative news director with “on air” experience. Must be experienced in morning activity and be part of a lead established news team. Send tape, resume, and references to WXM, PO. Box 1294, Charlottesville, VA 22902. EOE.

Wanted: Fast growing adult contemporary radio station in San Diego looking for that “right” person who can administer and deliver today’s lifestyle news. We’re looking for a drive time anchor with an equal fair for administration. If you feel you excel at both rates please send resume to Karen Church, Brinkman, KOGO, 8865 Gibbs Drive, Suite 201, San Diego 92123. Equal Opportunity Employer.

Vermont’s Information Station has openings for assistant news director. No beginners. EOE. Send tape to Craig S. Parker, WDEV, Box 296, Waterbury, VT 05676.

News Director for Central New York AM/FM station. Experience in radio news necessary but excellent opportunity for a news reporter/announcer who is ambitious, talented and ready to advance. Send tape and resume to Program Director, PO Box 5300, Utica, NY 13503.

Experienced Aggressive News Person for Palm Springs California AM and FM stations. Must be able to gather, write and deliver hard news. Local news format with weekend shifts included. Send tape and resume to News Director KPSI, 174 North Palm Canyon Drive, Suite 145, Palm Springs, CA 92262. EOE.

Experienced radio anchor needed by dominant AM-FM operations to gather write and read news. An Equal Opportunity Employer. Send resume to Box J-237.

WTLB Radio seeking additional drive time anchor/reporter. Commercial or college experience required. Contact Brian Whitemore. 315—797-1330 (EOE/MF).

News Department Seeks person to collect, write, produce and deliver local news copy and develop skills in competitive sports reporting. Send tape, resume, salary requirements to WATIN, PO Box 1240, Watertown, NY 13081.

News-Production Person for southwest Texas C&W. Includes short AM shift. Must be committed to professionalism, accuracy, and good starting salary with opportunity EOE. Box J-229.

HELP WANTED PROGRAMMING, PRODUCTION, OTHERS

Music Programmer: For Top-rated and respected major market radio station with excellent library. Looking for a smart, sensitive, and experienced Music Programmer who understands how to select and combine melodic currents and standards from both Adult-Con temporary and Adult-MOR categories. EEO Employer. Send resume and salary history to Box H-89.

TV Audio Director to supervise department of three and work on programs ranging from talk to live performance, both in studio and remote. Must be familiar with recording studio practices including mixing, 8-track, and multitrack recording procedures. Three years broadcast experience minimum. Resume to Chuck Waggoner, KTCATV, 1640 Como Ave., St. Paul, MN 55108. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

Program/Program Director for growing public radio station. Responsible for program and music selection for classical format. Possible airshift. Do not apply unless you have experience, are energetic, like to work in a demanding position, and understand research. Salary $13,000. Deadline Oct. 10. Resume to: David Anderson, KWGS, 800 S. College, Tulsa, OK 74104. EOE.

Commercial Copywriter/Producer to create award-winning spots and do short air shift at high profile professional AM/FM. Experience a must! We’ll pay top salary and benefits. If you are good, send tape of commercials you have written and produced to: Bob Burian, WCCW, 346 East State Street. Traverse City MI 49684, EOE/MF.

Producer/Manager/Continuity Director: Experienced bilingual (Spanish/English) individual to do production/continuity department, growing medium market, AM/FM combo. To supervise production/write, produce creative copy. Weekly PA program, assist news director/Benefits package: pleasant resort, agamic community. Salary D.O.E. An E.O.E. in minority inquiries encouraged. Send resume to Box J-152.

Are you ready to step up to Program Director? Prove in a letter with resume, references that you are. This could be your big break and mine. Modern country. Delicious South in Beach Area. EOE. Box J-221.

Talk Show Host, WWNS 790 AM, South Florida’s fastest growing radio station, 1st in News/Talk. Please send resume to: Bob Wensel, WWNS, 8300 S.W. 67th Ave., Miami, FL 33143, An Equal Opportunity Employer.

Production/News. Must be creative, humorous, professional. FM100, 555 Benjamin Holt, Stockton, CA 95207.

Program Director for AM and FM in the beautiful Napa Valley of California 45 miles from San Francisco. Starting salary is first class local. OSA/ała stil. Seeking sound management and leadership ability plus quality on air performance. AM is heavy news, talk and personality. FM aggressiveness and good music. Resume and salary requirements in first letter. Box J-230.

SITUATIONS WANTED MANAGEMENT

Astrakhan in your ratings book don’t sell … numbers do! I will deliver elephant numbers. Nationally recognized; case histories on request. Available and can do this book. Gerry 317—923-8710 now!
Eight Year Professional in management, produc-
tion, journalism, D.J. with degrees. (West) Box J-145.

General Manager … On full time or weekly consult-
ing basis. Former owner and general manager, who
can make us both money. No magic … just sound prin-
ciples. Prefer a buy-in or buy-out. AM-FM combination
in 25, 100, 500 and medium market in Wisconsin, Iowa,
il- linois, Michigan, Minnesota, or Missouri. We can't
make money if we don't talk. You can call references.
All replies confidential. Box J-151.

General Manager: Totally armed with 18 yrs ex-
perience with top management. Seeks knowledge of sales and profits in all
size markets both AM/FM. Skills include heavy sales and sales promotons. Strong leader and motivator.

Sales Manager: Top salesman in top market. Ex-
perienced, professional, strong motivator. Seeking op-
tportunity to develop your salespeople into outstanding
money producers. Box J-204.

GM and/or GSM: young, aggressive, street-wise and
profit-oriented GM seeks new challenge with quality organization on the grow. AM/FM, various formats,
medium markets. Box J-239.

Successful General Manager seeking new challenge with solid potential and financial rewards.
Interested in long term equity. Proven track record in multi-
station market of over 1000. Strong in RAB sales administration and ability to get the job done. Prefer
midwest or south. Box J-222.

15 years programming and sales: Major market ex-
perience seeking small/midmarket market "home!" Will-
ing to start as program director. Box J-252.

SITUATIONS WANTED SALES


Hungering for greater success! Selling Sales Man-
agership of upper Midwest small/midmarket station with similar philosophy. Planning, presentations and effec-
tive summary closings earned me $27,000 commission last year. Success documented in resume. Box J-207.

Major market AOR air ace, seeking stable midsize market AOR air shift with production, Possible music duties. Phone: 919-497-8912. After-
noons. Excellent references, location no problem.

SITUATIONS WANTED ANNOUNCERS

Currently a fresh young college graduate, seeking
a sports announcing opening. Will broadcast by play by play. You name it, I can do it. I sound damn good and have the tapes,
references, and experience to prove it! Contact Burt Gones. 545 Grove St. Skokie, IL 60077. 312–
868-3875. (Former Sports Director at WKDI Radio, Northern Illinois University).

Exp. Rock Jock—Ready to kick. For tape and
resume, call Roger Channell, at 312–764-0262 or 312–929-0776.

SITUATIONS WANTED TECHNICAL


Humorous and creative air personality. Prefer
adult contemporary but can handle any format. Ex-
60630, 312–631-1845, after 6 p.m.

My shoes are too tight. Small market morning man
seeks medium market opportunity if the shoe fits. I'll wear it. Call Jan, 505–455-5307.

Dedicated announcer interested in music and
news director. Seeks MOR, Top 40, or news in small or medium market in Northeast. Call Fred at 314–255-2282.

Need a Music, Promotion or Public Affairs Direc-
tor for AOR? AOR Position Background College GSM.
I need a break! Pacific Northwest/California. Michael
Hart 714–233-8833 leave message.

Experienced and currently working air theme
creativity, hardworking, and reliable. Third en-
dorsed and willing to relocate. For tape and resume write Box J-246.

I'm a 32 year old, 16 year pro … looking for a major
market position. I have a first phone. Presently pro-
gram-news director of this solid number one, AM sta-

Experienced Ad Communicator with first phone
seeks position in A/C or policies formatted station. Prefer Mid-Atlantic States. Box J-215.

Some experience, Excellent working record, Coop-
ervative. Good voice and delivery FCC second, Paul
Kaishian, 510 N. 106, St. Wauwatosa, WI 53226. 1–
414–453-4548.

First phone, diverse media background, strong news,
seeks weekend airmid. Also available Christmas week, holidays. 100 mile radius NYC. Box J-249.

Need top notch experienced, sportscaster available
now will relocate. Skill in production, music sales. Mitch 212–594-5824.

Four years experience in Top 40 and C&W in small
market. Looking for move to middle or major market—
either format in Midwest, Southwest or West. Good production tool! Box J-113.

10 years country personality. Program/music director.
box J-115.

SITUATIONS WANTED TECHNICAL

Chief Engineer: Experienced; diverse background.

First Class looking for chief engineer position of
small AM and or FM station. Dependable, sober, mar-
ried, has kids, dotted lines, etc. Loop, Chicago area.
Call California, midwest, considers others. 919–443-3551
after 5:30 pm. Bill Colman, KAA4DJ 114 Circle Drive,
Rocky Mount, NC 27801.

13 years experience as C.E. AM & FM, automation,
construction, maintenance studio & transmitter Box J-223.

SITUATIONS WANTED NEWS

Sportscaster, young, exciting. College grad, PBR all
sports, talk, anchor. Steve Long, Box 296, Naples, NY
14512 716–374-2473.

Recent College Grad looking to break into radio. Ex-
periened in news and sports reporting. PBR and pro-
duction. Tape and resume available. Contact Dan at 312–255-3795.

First Ticket. Announcing, limited experience. Sales
experience also. Will relocate, Tapes, refs. and resumes available. Joe Muscato. 312–594-3858.

News-Sports Director—Good voice—R-TV credits.
Degree,Reference, Hank Holmes 617–679-6557
after 2 pm weekdays.

Aggressive, secondary-market newsperson wants bigger challenges. Prefers street reporting, can

Play-by-Play—Football and basketball 15 years major
college. Exciting, enthusiastic, expert, ex-
perienced. Lost assignment due to sale of station. Au-
dience builds. Major college or pro only. Box J-173.

College grad—young, college experience. Seeking
sports position. Can do board shift. Bob 516–
224-948.

Black, male comic seeks entry level D.J./News-
tech. Position. Enthusiastic with good atti-
tude. Call Jerome Richardson 215–849-5815 or
215–922-2530.

Top 50 Market ND Available. Market size not as
important as professional atmosphere. Seeks station
with strong news commitment and professional staff.
Also enjoys working with, shaping beginners, eager to
learn. Stresses good writing, street-reporting. 716–
46-2498.

Small to medium markets—veteran newsman look-
ing for place to settle. Dedicated, committed, more
than just a rip and read. No revolving door or cash
flow problem stations, please. Box J-248.

Available: A 15-year broadcast veteran, looking for
off-air work (writing, editing, assigning news; produc-
ing talk shows; producing sports). Will offer best resume and references. Chuck Carney, 616–
345-6424.

First phone, diverse media background, strong news,
seeks weekend airmid. Also available Christmas week, holidays. 100 mile radius NYC. Box J-249.

Experienced sportscaster. Will play by play seek-
ing medium market will relocate call after 7 305–
598-3615.

Major Market News Director—Operations Man-
ager. Highly experienced, take charge professional.
Journalist. Prefer Texas-Southern Metro. Will consider
others. Box J-254.

Versatile, professional with five years experience
locating Midwest market. Will consider excellent sportscasting, solid in newscast and pro-
duction work. Call Gene Fritz evenings. 312–
539-9053.

SITUATIONS WANTED PROGRAMMING, OTHERS

Producer/Dirctor—Major credits. 15 yrs Radio &
TV News & Public Affairs Commercial & PBS. Drama.

Program-Music Director/Announcer seeking similar position with good company 8 years ex-
perience in station operations. Proven No. 1 Arbitron record. Let's form an effective management team
enjoying mutually profitable and successful outcome. Bill McCown 803–
226-4408.

Small Medium Markets: Stable, Innovative,
motivating, winning programmer desires long-term

Research Analyst/Assistant Research Director (Television/Radio). 28 year old male seeks position in
research department; desires major role in total
research support for television/radio station. Five
years experience in competitive environment includ-
ing research, analysis and planning/organizing. Currently
with federal government. No broadcast experience:
quick learner. BS degree. Resume available. Box J-200.

TELEVISION

HELP WANTED MANAGEMENT

Marketing Services Manager, KING-TV, Seattle.
Newposition. Inquire within Sales Department of major
market NBC affiliate for individual with minimum three
years experience at a television station in marketing,
sales promotion or promotion. Job requires strong
writing and graphics skills, knowledge of broadcast
research and television setting. Self motivation essen-
tial. Please send resume, samples of work and letter
outlining interest to: Sturgis Dorrance, General Sales
Manager, KING Television, Box 24525, Seattle, WA
98124. King Broadcasting is an equal opportunity
employer M/F.
HELP WANTED MANAGEMENT CONTINUED

Promotion Manager, 2-3 yrs experience. Send samples of work which will be returned. Network affiliated TV station on East Coast. A/A, EEOC. Send all inquiries to Box J-190.

Business Manager, 2-3 yrs experience, Accounting degree required. For network affiliated TV station on East Coast. A/A, EEOC. Send all inquiries to Box J-169.

Business Manager in medium sized North East market. Are you second in command ready to move up and take control of a TV Accounting Office? Experience in all phases of broadcast accounting is important but eagerness and aggressiveness are necessary. Degree desired. Equal Opportunity Employer. Send resume and salary requirements to Box J-216.

HELP WANTED SALES

Sales Manager—Local television sales experience, ability to train and motivate local staff of six account executives. Resumes to Bob Krieghoff, General Sales Manager, WROC-TV, 201 Humboldt St., Rochester, NY 14610, E.O.E.

Account Executive for aggressive north east independent. The most sophisticated research available. Starting salary in key areas and demands. Send resume to GWM, WUT, 951 Whitehaven Road, Grand Island, NY 14072. Equal Opportunity Employer.

HELP WANTED TECHNICAL


The Rex Humbard Ministry has immediate openings for experienced video operator/engineer and video tape maintenance engineer with experience on late model RCA. Please send resume with salary history to T. Hoxton, 2690 State Road, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223.

Maintenance Supervisor for small production studio. Experience with helical recorders and color cameras required. For details call Barrett Giorgis 415—495-8846 or send resume to 1175 Potero Ave., San Francisco, CA 94110.

Operations Engineer—Immediate need. Switching 1st Class FCC license. $10,000. Contact Mary Diegert, WSKG Public TV and Radio, PO Box 97, Endwell, NY 13760. EOE/AA/M/F-E.

TV Engineer: Houston independent UHF station needs a Transmitter Maintenance Engineer. Must have 1st class FCC license and minimum 5 years transmitter experience. Will assume responsibility of new facility construction. Send resume to Metromedia, Inc. PO Box 22810, Houston, TX 77027. We are an equal opportunity employer.

Chief Engineer, "Hands-on" person needed to establish and manage maintenance activities for network affiliated UHF-TV station on East Coast. A/A, EEOC. Send all inquiries to Box J-191.

Television Engineers needed for expanding production facilities. Manager 5 yrs experience in Video, Audio, Video tape maintenance and/or operation. Send resume to Personnel Dept., Oral Roberts Evangelistic Association, PO Box 2187, Tulsa, OK 74117.

Florida network VHF affiliate needs a maintenance engineer with 3-5 years experience in all phases of television engineering. Installation, digital and microprocessor experience desirable. E.O.E. Call Nile Hubert, 295-652-2222, or send resume to WESH-TV, PO Box 7697, Orlando, FL 32854.

Senior Maintenance Engineer with 3-5 years experience in all phases of television, E/O, and installation. Growth with group owned stations. EOE—Contact chief engineer 305-855-5455.

TV Engineer Wanted—Transmitter chief—Lafayette, Louisiana. Must be solid, experienced, good work habits, self starter up to $20,000 per year for right qualified individual. Contact Thomas G. Pepper, General Manager, KLFY-TV, PO Box 3867, Lafayette, LA 70502. Strictly confidential. EEO employer.

TV Engineering Supervisor—Major market CBS affiliate, WNaN-TV Boston, has an immediate opening for the position of chief engineering supervisor, duty of planning and directing all the station's engineering operation and of operation and television equipment in compliance with company engineering standards and regulations. At least 7 years of TV broadcast experience, ENG, digital back-ground and FCC First Class License are essential. Previous supervisory experience preferred. For prompt consideration send resume and salary requirements to Diane Pughis, Division Personnel Manager, RKO General, Inc., RKO General Building, Government Center, Boston, MA 02114. An Equal Opportunity Employer M/F/H/Vets


Come to Muncie, Indiana. Help WIPB-TV install a new transmitter, antenna, STL, and remote controls all in a new building. Ball State University needs a take-charge individual to supervise 3 engineers and many students, and to assist the Chief Engineer. New studio construction will be underway. New transmitter project nearing completion this spring. We do a number of sports and other remotes too. Excellent opportunity to gain valuable experience. Send resume to Technical University Personnel Services, Office, Muncie IN 47305. Application deadline: 10/10/80. An Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Chief Engineer: for metropolitan Chicago Cable Television Group. Including 3 television studios and master controllers. Responsibilities include 3 Hitachi camera remote truck, Chyron, 1-inch C format videotape machines, ENG equipment, and staffing new departments. Good salary and benefits. Contact: Director of Programming, Cablevision of Chicago, 655 Lake Street, Oak Park, IL 60302. No phone calls.

Maintenance Engineer with experience on TCR-100 and Sony cassette machines. Salary negotiable, Bill Christman, WDRE-TV Chat- tanoga, TN 37401—267-3392 E.O.E.

ENG Maintenance Engineer: to work with news department of medium market station. Requires two to three years experience, first class FCC license, EOE. Send resume and salary requirements to News Director, WTVW-TV, 4015 Yuna Road, Muncie, Indiana. 47305.

Control Room/Camera Operators. Some experience in audio and video switching. ENG helpful but not necessary. Small UHF adjacent to top ten market. Resume and character references to Box J-208.

Maintenance Engineer with 8 years experience in operation, sales and service of state-of-the-art television equipment. Technical training may be substituted for some experience. FCC first class license required. University of Wisconsin Television Production Centers. Apply by October 6th to Pam Thornburg, Personnel Officer, UW-Stout, Menomonie, WI 54751. An equal opportunity employer.

IVC-900 Maintenance Engineer: The leading film-to-tape broadcast equipment company for an IVC-9000 maintenance engineer—preferably also with ability to operate IVC-9000 and with knowledge of Ampex 1200. Please respond to Box J-209.

HELP WANTED NEWS

Weathercaster. Excellent opportunity for person with on-air experience and high interest in weather. Work with state of the art weather equipment in beautiful downtown location. Good salary and attractive benefits. Equal opportunity employer. Contact Dennis Smith, KARO-TVM, Box 333, Wichita, KS 67201. 

Producer/Anchor for fast growing well equipped, group owned network affiliate in top 100 market. If you can work with five gits and think on your feet, let us hear from you. No beginners. Send resume and tape to Max Tooker, News Director, WAFF-TV, PO Box 2116, Huntsville, AL 35804, EOE.

South Florida television station is looking for an experienced street reporter for a total ENG station. Send resume and air check to News Director, PO Box 510, Palm Beach, FL 33480 EOE.

Top 20 Sun Belt Station looking for knowledgeable meteorologist with some experience in weathercasting. Excellent opportunity with lots of energy and a creative approach to delivering weather information. An Equal Opportunity Employer. Send resumes to Box J-94.

Weathercaster, to be second person in the department responsible for weather presentations on TV and radio. Competitive midwest market. Duties include newscast weather, in-studio weather, weather wire, fax, color radar. Must have on-air TV weathercasting experience. Equal Opportunity Employer. Send letter and resume to Box J-179.

Assistant Producer for TV news documentary unit. Involve assisting the producer in researching and developing stories, arranging interviews and locations, and structuring weekly 30 minute minicam news documentaries. Should be experienced in news documentary production as a TV news journalist. Working knowledge of ENG editing equipment desirable. Send resume to Mr. Frank Lucca, News Dept B WNED TV, PO Box 1263, Buffalo, NY 14240. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

Managing Editor for major markets network affiliate. Must be able to execute a dynamic coverage concept and be able to work effectively with producers. Must be self-starting idea person with strong leadership capabilities. Must have minimum 2 years experience in management position. Please contact Mr. Jon Donnell, President, Box 1171, Muncie, Indiana 47305. EEO-F. M/F.

News Director, topical assignment. Cable 1 ENG with daily satellite news feed. Salary open. Some anchoring. Send tape and resume to Lee Holmes, Guam Cable TV, 530 W. O'Brien Drive, Agana, Guam, 96910.

News Anchor/Reporter—applications now being taken for a fully experienced anchor/reporter with an absolute minimum of 3 years prior experience in this area. Excellent opportunity for someone with a background indicated are asked not to apply as they will not be considered. Send tape and resume to News Director. KPHN-TV, 5111 East McKinley, Fresno, CA 93727. An M/F/E.O. station.

Producer for 6 and 10 PM news. Must have TV news experience. Send resume to News Director; WTVW-TV, PO Box 7, Evansville, IN 47710. EOE.

Reporters: need two reporters to join strong News operation in southeast—top 100 market; some experience preferred; must be aggressive and have good writing ability M/F/E.O. Reply to Box J-193.

Assistant Assignment Editor. Creative, aggressive, assistant assignment editor wanted for one of the countries top local news operations. Contact Bob Yuna, KDKA TV, 1 Gateway Center, Pittsburgh PA 15222, EOE.

Top fifty market, mid-Atlantic, searching for reporter/anchor: Must be experienced, aggressive, creative. Send tape and resume to WAVY-TV, 801 Wavly St., Portsmouth, VA 23704. No phone calls please.

Experienced ENG Photographer/Editor—Immediate opening—no reporting—Must have at least 2 years experience on Sony BUV editing equipment and professional ENG cameras, tape, resume, and salary requirements. Must come with first letter to Don Feldman, News Director, WMWT-TV, PO Box 321, Salisbury, MD 21801. (EOEO)

General Assignments Reporter. We are looking for a person with TV reporting experience who has the drive to succeed and advance. Excellent potential for upward mobility in this sunny South Texas-Caribbean market. Send resume and tape to Chris Kelly, Personnel Director, KGBT-TV, PO Box 711, Harlingen, TX 78550. An Affirmative Action Equal Opportunity Employer.

News Director. Need strong, experienced leader to continue our momentum in building new department. Resumes to Lemuel B. Schofield, General Manager, WROC-TV, 201 Humboldt St., Rochester, NY 14610, E.O.E.
HELP WANTED NEWS
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Producer/Reporter—Research, investigate and produce programs examining issues and topics of statewide interest. BA in Journalism, Broadcasting or Mass Communications plus three years experience. Experience as a broadcast journalist preferred. Strong research and writing skills. Additional experience may substitute for degree on year for years basis. Salary: $3150 plus benefits. Apply by October 20th. Contact: Paul E. Few, Assistant Manager/Administration, Uni-

ity of Nebraska, Box 93111, Lincoln, NE 68585.
Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Weather person. Degree in Meteorology or the AMS seal preferred. Applicant must be able to project warm, professional, tele-communicate with great warmth and confidence and existing work experience. Send resume and tape to: Channel 7, WJPL-TV, 1000 W. First Ave., Kansas City, MO 64111, EEO/AA.

WANTED TV News Director—Seek aggressive news professional responsible for content and anchoring of nightly news program. Will supervise eager newsroom staff and full ENG operation. College/University degree plus three years experience. Send resume and tape to: Paul A. Bourn, NBC News & Weather, WASS-TV, 500 West Coast Plaza, Dallas, Texas 75240.

TV News Reporter—Seek experienced journalist. Send resume and tape to: Box 100, WABX-TV, 1211 Valley Forge Ave., Villanov-

a, Pa. 19085.
Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Sports Director for WCAE-TV’s aggressive sports department required. Must have knowledge of ENG equipment, contact: Bob Fagan WCAE-TV, 500 S. Main St., Kent, Ohio 44240.

WANTED talented Radio Programmer—Position available. Must have at least three years programming experience. Send resume and demo tape to: Box 49, WAPW-AM, 500 Main St., Green Bay, WI 54304.

HELP WANTED PROGRAMMING, PRODUCTION & OTHERS

Minority Affairs Producer: State public television network has immediate opening (contract) for a producer to manage the conceptualization, development, design and production of minority affairs programs. Assignment will include the establishment of a strong presence for minority audience programming in the network. The position will actively interface with public affairs producers for opportunities for mutual benefit. Position requires five (5) years of increasing responsibility in television production with emphasis on line producing, research, writing, and demonstrated management skills including project administration. Statewide travel experience. Salary negotiable. Send resume, tape, and salary requirements to: Public Affairs Manager, WFSU-TV, 4045 S. Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32306.

Producer/Director—Seeking opportunity to direct news and political shows in medium to large market. Must have at least ten (10) years management experience, solid grasp of news production and stylistic changes. Salary negotiable. Send resume and reference to: Executive Producer, WJBC-TV, 300 W. Third Ave., Champaign, IL 61820.

20 years experience, all phases of management including programming, news, promotion, sales.Seeking program operations. Currently in management. Box J-234.

SITUATIONS WANTED TECHNICAL

Female FCC First-Class License (recently ob-
tained). Twelve years experience at major TV station in administration, personnel, and news coordination. Recent experience at upper-level technical position. Very negotia-
tble. Box J-140.

18 years experience all phases of Engineering as well as Management totally familiar with everything from preparing an application to laying out and con-
structing entire station, Box J-236.

Eager young microwave engineer with 1st class license and experience in satellite communications interests with interests in AM, FM or TV seeks employment in Seattle-Tacoma area. Available immediately. Steve Dill, c/o Teleprom, 1344 Tilton Road, Northfield, NJ 08226, 506-927-9518 evs., 641-1720 days.

Chief Engineer, also consider exceptional Assistant Chief's position. Successful past Assistant Chief, age 33, seeks full responsibility career position with quality minded organization. Professional manage-
ment orientation, very heavy maintenance/operations background. Must have over 10 years experience in all areas of broadcast engineering. Must be an ad-

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lished in July 1975. Specializing in survey and critique-interim maintenance or chief engineer. Available by the day, week or duration of pro-
ject. Phone Bruce Singleton 813—868-2989.
SITUATIONS WANTED NEWS

Experienced, young, eager broadcast journalist seeks position in news or sports. Producing, reporting experience. Major market/newsports assistant experience. Phil Plofsky 157-43 90th Street, Howzard, NY 11414, 212-641-3117.

Aggressive Reporter 2 years experience eager for small to medium market opportunity. Strong production skills. Mary Ann Herman 614-468-2882.


Lead Anchor — Also produces, mature, network experience. Currently employed Midwest. Some reporting. Box J-182.

I am the top rated anchor in a medium market looking to move on. If you want a journalist behind the face and voice, then I am the person you are looking for. Call 609-561-0619.


Dedicated, experienced sportscaster with four years in broadcasting. Looking to help a good station. 318-433-2971. Box J-253.

Give me a break! Syracuse broadcast journalism grad looking for a start. Have ENG experience, but will do almost anything especially work as a desk assistant. Contact Pat at 201-847-3396.

Need iran footage? Network news archives expert available. Box J-203.


Weather Anchor, A.M.S. Seal, five years medium market. Box J-251.

SITUATION WANTED PROGRAMMING, PRODUCTION, OTHERS

Seeking a director-producer? Have four years commercial and educational TV experience in studio and ENG work. M.S. in systems management. First Phone, B.A. broadcasting. Call 703-726-2521.

Producer/Director with national and regional commercial production credits, strong managerial background, and 15 years television production experience seeks position with production house or television station with emphasis in production. Available now. K. Dwight Wells, 855 Good Ave., Indianapolis. In 45219 317-777-428-3914.

Producing for cable. Experienced PBS Producer seeking public station wanting to develop cable option for future. Box J-144.


Experienced Network Producer, tired of New York wants news director position with station interested in quality. Don't reply if you're a revolving door outfit. Box J-217.

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CATV engineer for new Pennsylvania system. Experience in building own plant necessary Will consider a current No. 2 person seeking advancement. Liberal benefits. EOE employer. Send resume to: Mr. Roberts, PO Box 6128, Bridgeport, CT 06608.

HELP WANTED MANAGEMENT

Executive Director, California Chicano News Media Association (CCNMA), a non-profit educational and charitable corporation housed at the University of Southern California. Position is designed to enhance current programs, Marketing and Communications, and seeks dynamic applicants for the position of Executive Director. The Executive Director's responsibilities include administration and supervision of CCNMA programs and staff, fund raising, coordination of professional, and community organizations, counseling of students and preparation of reports. The Executive Director reports to a 15-person board of directors. Present staff includes a Communications Manager, Administrative Assistant and four full-time journalists. Benefits. Applicants should have at least five years of experience in journalism, journalism education or related fields and a working knowledge of grant writing would be useful. The CCNMA is made up of more than 50 working reporters, editors and news technicians interested in encouraging young Latinos to pursue careers in journalism. Assistance in studying journalism, and promoting career advancement of Latino journalists. CCNMA's activities consist of comprehensive program of conferences, workshops, publications, referral services, scholarships and related activities. Deadline for applications is October 6. Those interested should send a letter and resume to: Search Committee, Chicano News Media Association, School of Journalism, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA 90007.

HELP WANTED SALES

Sales Reps Wanted — Innovative, new sales promotion for radio stations; 4 sales managers needed; South, Northeast, Midwest & West. Call on radio station owners & managers to sell exclusive promotional product-1 to mlk. High earnings. Reply Box J-220.

HELP WANTED TECHNICAL


$40,000+ First Year Guaranteed. Our company has grown so quickly the past 5 years, we are in desperate need of a very special person who knows how to broadcast equipment intimately and has aggressive sales ability. We are diversifying into other areas and need some new professionals for our sales division. Responsibilities include sales of new and used broadcast equipment and further development of equipment sales division as business demands. We are a first rate company and believe in paying top dollar for the right person. Bill Kitchen, Quality Media Corp., 800-241-7878.

HELP WANTED INSTRUCTION

Instructor/Vocal Coach. Must be proficient in correcting regional accents. Should have knowledge of phonetics and oral interpretation. Call for interview before 2 p.m. weekdays or send resume to: Deborah Ross-Sullivan, Director of Vocal Coaching, KitS Broadcasting Workshop, 1220 N. Highland Avenue, Hollywood, CA 90038, 213-462-0600.

Broadcast Teaching Position. Search reopened. Applicants must have 3 years or more experience, preferably in advanced level TV production or mobile television, with solid experience in video production, and group or small class instruction. Send applications to: Byman B. Glickman, Northwestern University, 2030 Sheridan Road, Evanston, IL 60201 by Dec. 1st, 1980.

Broadcast Production Position. Search reopened. Applicants must have 3 years or more experience, preferably in advanced level TV production or mobile television, with solid experience in video production, and group or small class instruction. Send applications to: Byman B. Glickman, Northwestern University, 2030 Sheridan Road, Evanston, IL 60201 by Dec. 1st, 1980.

WANTED TO BUY EQUIPMENT

Wanting 250, 1,000, and 5,000 watt AM transmitters. Guaranteed Radio Supply Corp., 1314 Iurbide Street, Laredo, TX 78040. Manuel Flores 512-729-3331.


HELP WANTED NEWS

Senior Video Producer. Major energy company seeks television news producer to handle public relations video programming. Candidate should have 3 or more years experience in video production and the ability to produce high quality documentary preferable. Salary competitive with top 15 market producers. Send resume to: Rick Whitmire, Texaco, Inc., 2000 Westchester Ave., White Plains, NY 10605, Equal Opportunity Employer.

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JAMPRO 2 bay antenna, 95 MHz, 145' guyed tower, coax, on the ground. $1,995.00 FOB price. FCB. Denic, California. (209-634-7820).


Collins 820E-1 AM Transmitter. 5KW with matching 2-tower phased and antenna coupling units. Pre-owned. Available for inspection. Contact: Tom C. Doell, KVX, Inc., 214-369-1271, Suite 902, 7515 Greeneville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231.

School for TV Programming: Chicago, August 15-17, 1980.

September 1980
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For Sale Mini-Van: Dodge Tradesman 200 — 3 years old (15,000 miles) Air conditioned, insulated, carpeted, ideal for cable-TV, for news gathering or remote production. 2 Ikegami’s HL-35 mini-cams, 1 CDL Switcher, synch gen. 1 color monitor; four 9" color monitors. VOA’s, PDA’s, lights, microphones, tripods, completely wired ready to go, extras. Best offer over $350,000. Call: Emie Panos 9 to 5 p.m. 312-236-5535.


Tektronix 465M Oscilloscope, $1900. TRI EA-3 Edit Control system with DDT-1 Digital Reader, $1800. Singer-Graflex 93 OR 16mm Film Projector like new, with TV shutter, mirrors and remote control, $1500.1TE Camera Pedestal Pan Tilt, $250; 213-691-1300.


Ork Omega 10 Channel stereo audio console, good condition, $2,800. Andy Booth, CE, WORQ 804—497-1067.

IGM-500 Stereo Automation, 2 Scully 270, 3 carousels, peg clock, time announcement, single card deck, numeric encoder/decoder & encoder/cart, cart deck, 3 racks, $5000 Steve Dinkel 810—279-8346.

Automatic DP-1 Stereo, 2 RS carousels, 2 dual deck cart machines, 3 Revox Box, 1 Metrolec RP/W tone encoder/decoder with CRT & logger, 4 racks. As is $5,850 Steve Dinkel 810—279-8346.

For sale: Television Technology 100 watt UHF translator (ch B input and ch 63 output with solid state updated UST-20 and RA-7 Amplifiers, $5,000 or make offer. Contact Gary Mackley City Clerk, Dear Rivel, M N. Phone No. 218-248-1815.

Collins 300-G AM Xmt., 250. Good condition for main of auxiliary Mt. Taylor, WHDL 716—372-0161.

FM Antenna Jampro JSCP 14, tuned to 107.3, needs some work, best offer takes it. Roger Halter, WCGO, PO. Box 1537, Columbus, GA 31901.

For Sale: Three Norelco PC70 cameras with XQ1020 series tubes, two have Angelique 111 lenses, one has Schneider TV-1 lens, twin TV33 camcorder, CCU’s in consoles with cassette monitoring included, tripod, Vinn head and some cables included. Contact Myron Oliner, KBTV, 1089 Bannock, Denver, CO 80217.

20 KW FM transmitter, early 70’s, exc. condition. M. Cooper 215—379-8585.


Scheffer 903E expanded memory automation system complete with four 750 ITC reel to reel playbacks. Three Audio-flies II cart machines, random access for 144 cards, manual control panel, digital keyboard controllers, studio/network interface with control head, ARS-33 list and load TTY and VEL English loggers. Two and one half years old. Contact R. Flischte. Broadcast Management Corporation, 8686 Michael Lane, Fairfield, OH 45014, 513—874-5000.

5 KW FM transmitters, Gates FM 5B w/s. power supply also GEL in exc. condition. M. Cooper 215—379-8585.

2 Philips LDH-20 Cameras 1 yr old, $13,000 each. WGBB-TV Red Lion, PA F Weld 717—426-1681.

1 PCC-90B w/complete equipment package. $20,000 Camera, base station, cables, spare parts, manual, etc. in good condition. John Bosak, WFIT-TV, Box Z, Hershey, PA 717—533-8000.

Generator Sets—5 KW to 200 KW. For standby electricity in case of blackouts. Reconditioned. Govt. surplus plus sets or brand new. Diesel or gasoline powered. 2204—400/600 volts, 110 volts. Write or phone for your quotations. M. Berger Co. 8th & Bingham Sts., Pittsburgh, PA 15203, Phone: 412—431-7377


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COMEDY

Free sample of radio’s most popular humor service! O’LINERS, 1448-C West San Bruno, Fresno, CA 93711.

Guaranteed Funnier! Hundreds renewed! Freebie! Contemporary Comedy, 5804-B Twinning, Dallas, TX 75227.


MISCELLANEOUS

Antenna Site 9 Acres in Louisville, Kentucky for sale by owner. Ideal location for radio or communications antenna. 502—239-2747.

Artist Bio information daily calendars. Most popular bi-weekly service. Write on letterhead for sample: Galaxy Box 20093-B. Long Beach, CA 90801. 213—438-5508.

Wanted to buy current Country Western Library Contact: KZIO-Radio; Phone 714—375-1380 or write PO Box 385, Ridgecrest, CA 93555.

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Best of Radio, highly polished weekly series of radio history. Local avail, plus national sponsor. Exclusive trade. 312—467-5430.

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How to Handle the six biggest objections to radio advertising ... Self-Study, six cassette audio program with 54-page workbook. Write for free brochure. Ruggs, Walker & Company, One Crossroads of Commerce, Suite 520A, Rolling Meadows, IL 60006.

INSTRUCTION

Free booklets on job assistance, 1st Class FCC license and D.J.-Newscaster training. A.T.S. 152 W. 42nd St. N.Y.C. Phone 212—221-3700. Vets benefits.


REI teaches electronics for the FCC first class license. Over 90% of our students pass their exams. Classes begin September 2nd and October 13th. Student rooms at the school, 61 N. Pineapple Ave., Sarasota, FL 33577. 813—955-6922.


RADIO

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Major Talk Radio Station

We are the # 1 radio station in Los Angeles and one of the top talk stations in the country. 24 hours talk, some news, remote and informative specials, top personalities, total community service, and the Los Angeles Dodgers.

We require a min. of 5 years executive/management exp. in radio or television. You must also have production and administrative abilities, be able to professionally write program and promotion material, and work with talent on a day-to-day basis. This is a position that demands a person who is a self-starter and quick to assume responsibility.

Send complete resume with salary requirements to:

Box J-243
Equal Opportunity Employer M/F

Help Wanted Management

GENERAL MANAGER

Medium market Florida A M. Candidates must have successful sales record. Able to hire and train new sales staff, include with resume letter; stating sales philosophy your criteria for hiring and how you would train. This opportunity offers $20,000 to $25,000/year salary plus negotiable share of profits and future equity possibilities. Replies confidetial to Box J-244.

GENERAL MANAGER

The top rated station in this medium size Eastern market is seeking a dynamic motivation. This person will be aggressive, informed, creative and qualified to lead the best staff in the city. Apply with full resume to Box J-210. All information confidential, EOE.
Help Wanted Management

Hey Superman ... Help Us Fight Crime

The crime is, we don’t have everyone on the air ... We need a Sales Manager. Our Superman must be an organized, people motivating, “BOOK” understanding, selling, son of a gun. Superman can be a Sales Manager already or the Number Two, who’s ready to move up and there’s no room at the top ... What do you get? ... A Super salary ... Plus incentives based on a Super AM/FM facility with Super proven formats with Super numbers ... A Super brand new fast million dollar building with Super equipment, Super people, Super signals and coverage area in California ... INTERESTED! Reply in strictest confidence with resume and salary history to: Box J-142.

Help Wanted Announced

Morning Show Host

50,000 watt WGY in Schenectady, New York

Candidate should possess:
- 2-3 years of medium/major market radio experience
- demonstrated ability in station/community involvement
- desire to work within a corporate environment

Send complete resume and recent aircheck to: Michael Neff, Program Manager, WGY, Schenectady, New York 12309. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

Help Wanted Technical

Chief Engineers (2)

Park Broadcasting, Inc. needs chief engineers for its radio facilities in Richmond, Virginia and Chattanooga, Tennessee. Both locations require FCC 1st class license, automation and directional antenna experience. Should be very strong on maintenance. Send resume with verifiable references and salary history to:

Doug McKay, General Manager
WTVR Radio
3314 Culver Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23230

Jack Stark, General Manager
WEOR Radio
3300 Broad Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402

Equal Opportunity Employer

Help Wanted News

WPAT-News Anchor

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- Fulltimer near Charlotte, NC. $800,000.
- Daytimer. Good dial position. Central Florida. $280,000.
- UHF-TV-CP, in the Deep South. At cost—$250,000.
- 1,000 watt daytimer. $330,000. Terms.
- UHF-TV In Iowa. $320,000.
- 1,000 watt daytimer. KY. $300,000.
- Florida station under construction. Prefer partner but will sell. $280,000. Terms.
- Atlanta area. 5,000 watts. $520,000.
- 3,000 watt FM, Southern Arkansas. $380,000.
- Class C in single FM market. Montana. $110,000. Terms.
- AM/FM In Oklahoma. $1,100,000. Terms.
- AM/FM In Louisiana. $320,000. Terms.
- Class C, Midwest. $700,000.
- 250 watt daytimer, NE. $250,000.
- Cable TV Southern Alaska. Small.
- $110,000. Terms.
- AM/FM, N.E. Louisiana. $25,000 down.
- 500 watt daytimer, Single market station. CA resort area. $430,000.
- Fulltimer. Major market Idaho. $660,000 terms.
- Daytimer, NC. About 50 miles from coast. $240,000. Terms.
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Florida Gulf-Coast AM. Once dominant in market, this well-equipped station needs owner-operator. Principals only. Box J-177.

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**Media**

**James S. Evans**, senior VP, Media General, Richmond, Va.-based group broadcaster and publisher, named executive VP in charge of operations.

**Lon Mirolli**, assistant general manager and general sales manager, WKEF-TV Dayton, Ohio, named VP of licensee, Springfield Television Corp.


**John L. Sander**, station manager, WDVT-TV New Orleans, named general manager of WTOL-TV Toledo, Ohio. Both are Cosmos Broadcasting stations.

**Norman S. Schrutt**, VP-general manager, WKWB (AM) Buffalo, N.Y., joins KSLA-AM-FM Los Angeles as VP-general manager. All are Capital Cities Broadcasting stations.

**Richard B. Belkin**, VP/broadcasting of group owner Lee Enterprises, Davenport, Iowa, assumes additional duties as head of corporate planning.

**Fritz Beesemyer**, president and general manager, WXYZ-AM-FM Detroit, joins KOX (FM) San Francisco as executive VP/general manager. Sale of KOX to Charter Media was approved last week by FCC.

**Robert D. Johnson**, business manager, KOKH-TV Oklahoma City, joins WDKB-TV Fort Lauderdale, Fla., as VP and general manager.


**Keith Fuller**, president and general manager of Associated Press, has been selected as 32d recipient of 1981 William Allen White Foundation Award for journalistic merit. Fuller, who joined AP in 1949 and worked his way through news and executive positions to his present appointment in 1976, will receive the award Feb. 10 in ceremonies at University of Kansas.

**Frank Seymour**, sales manager, WLWT-TV Cincinnati, joins WCKI (AM)-WKJZ (FM) Louisville, Ky., as VP/general manager.

**James Ebblin**, general manager, WHTN (AM)-WKUM (FM) Huntington, W. Va., joins WING (AM) Dayton and WJAI (FM) Eaton, both Ohio, as VP/general manager.

**Jerry Schaefer**, station manager, KCKN (AM)-KRNO (FM) Reno, joins KPFI (AM)-KBBQ (FM) Carson City, Nev., as VP and general manager.

**Russell Kimball**, program director, KIQU (FM) Lebanon, Ore., named general manager.

**Rod Williams**, manager, KMMV (AM) Wailuku, Hawaii, named general manager and VP of licensee, Obie Communications Corp. of Maui.

**Jeff L. Wald**, television consultant, Frank N. Magid Associates, San Francisco, joins Gersten Broadcasting Co., Los Angeles, as VP for broadcast operations. Gersten has been formed to acquire TV stations.

**Ivan D. Johnson**, VP, National Cable Television Association, Washington, D.C., joins Times Mirror Cable Television, Phoenix, as VP of company’s Arizona systems. Johnson will also assume the responsibility of VP, American Cable Television, in which Times Mirror holds interest and which is building cable system in Phoenix.


**Stephanie Bergsma**, director of underwriting for noncommercial KPBS-FM-TV San Diego, named director of development for KPBS-TV.

**Allen Grafman**, director of research and special projects for U.S.-U.S.S.R. Trade and Economic Council in New York, joins Omnicom Cablevision of Illinois, Lake Forest, as VP.

**Advertising**

Tom Dillon, 65, who served as president and chief executive officer of BBDO International, New York, from 1957 to 1977 and has been board chairman since 1977, will retire Dec. 31 after 45 years with agency. Upon retirement, Dillon will head new corporation, Mintaka Inc., publishing company specializing in reports to top management. Philip B. Dusenberry, senior VP and one of three creative directors of BBDO, New York, named executive VP and executive creative director of agency, filling post vacated since last February when Allen G. Rosenshine was elected president of BBDO.

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**Oro Spanish Broadcasting Inc.**

Rene De La Rosa, President has acquired KIOI, San Francisco, CA. for $3,000,000

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Nancy H. Elswick, associate media director, Fahlgren & Ferris Advertising, Parkersburg, W.Va., joins DM&M, St. Louis, as senior buyer. A. Mark Schupp, media supervisor, Barickman Advertising, Kansas City, joins DM&M, St. Louis, as buyer. Terry Lucas, assistant account executive, DM&M, St. Louis, named account executive.

Albert A. Klatt, senior VP and general manager of Needham, Harper & Steers/Chicago, will retire from agency on Dec. 31 after 27 years of service.

David S. Allen, chief operating officer, Petry Television, New York, named president. Allen succeeds Arthur W. Scott who was named vice chairman, Petry board of directors.

Jerry Wood, director of corporate planning, Young & Rubicam, joins Stone & Adler, Chicago, as executive VP for planning and development.

Peggy Green, VP and senior associate media director of spot-buying operations, Dancer Fitzgerald Sample, New York, and president of Program Syndication Services, DFS subsidiary, named senior VP of DFS.

Ronald S. Lipeles, VP-director, financial services, Campbell-Ewald Co., Warren, Mich., elected senior VP. Appointed VP's, Campbell-Ewald: R. David Eck, senior account executive; Robert S. Forlenza, senior art director; John B. Hammond, senior account executive; William R. Remedy, director of product information; Katherine A. Oelzner, manager, broadcast spot buying; Judith E. Sawyer, manager-network buying; Eugene A. Skowronski, senior account executive; Roderick G. Smith, manager-advertising research.

George Fabian, marketing director, canned foods division, Campbell Soup Co., Camden, N.J., appointed senior VP and director of research, SSC&B Inc., New York.

Peter Hochman and Rodger Groves, management supervisors, Cunningham & Walsh, New York, named senior VP's.


Ed Coleman, formerly with Rumrill Hoyt Advertising, joins Carmichael-Lynch Advertising, Minneapolis, as senior VP-finance and administration.

Craig S. Wilbraham, Detroit manager, Christal Co., named VP.

Howard B. Hirsch, account supervisor, Marschalk Co., elected VP.

Norman S. Freedman, management supervisor, McCaffrey & McCali, New York, elected senior VP group management supervisor in account management department.

Donald J. Cole, media supervisor, W.B. Doner, Baltimore, named VP-director of media research.

Ed Stevens, local sales manager, WFAA(AM) Dallas, joins KPLX(FM) Dallas, as general sales manager.

Dan Bates, general sales manager, KOCO-TV Oklahoma City, joins KTVT(TV) Oklahoma City as assistant manager and general sales manager.

Russell F. Richmond, account supervisor in direct marketing department, Ketchum MacLeod & Grove, Washington, named VP and account supervisor.

John Linder, group supervisor, Kenyon & Eckhardt, joins Creamer/New York as VP-associate creative director.

Delane Caeser, art director, Bozell & Jacobs, New York, named art supervisor, Homer & Durham Advertising Ltd., New York.

Catherine Rohan, account supervisor in Chicago office of Hill & Knowlton, elected VP.

Richard Stein, local sales manager, KFRC(AM) San Francisco, joins KNOM(AM) there as general sales manager. Connie Williams, local sales manager, KHJ-AM Los Angeles, joins KJLH(AM) as southern California sales manager.

Ed J. Hennessey, general sales manager, WAYV-TV Portsmouth, Va., is retiring and plans to open his own media consulting business.

John Marquises, local sales manager, WOWT(TV) Omaha, named general sales manager. Rob Dalton, account executive, WOWT, named local sales manager.

Nelson Trolltter, national sales representative, Katz Agency, Cleveland, joins WLW(TV) Cincinnati as national sales manager.

Jim Stevens, local sales manager, WRCK(FM) Chicago, named national sales manager. Joel Schwartz, WRCK general sales manager, assumes local sales responsibilities.

David B. Piowden, VP and general manager, WBNM(FM) Briercliff Manor, N.Y., appointed manager, sales and market development, WBNM(TV) New York.

John Vera, national sales manager, KXTV(TV) Sacramento, Calif., joins KMST(TV) Monterey, Calif., as sales manager.


Mike Smith, sales representative, KWLT-TV Waterloo, Iowa, named local sales manager.

Rebecca L. Norris, general accounting supervisor, Capitol Holding Corp., Louisville, Ky., joins WAVE-TV Louisville, as director of accounting.

Kevin Driscoll, national account executive, RKO Radio, Chicago, joins WMAQ(AM) Chicago as manager for local agency sales.

Lori McCarney, advertising officer with Seattle First National Bank, joins Grey Advertising, San Francisco, as account executive.

Matt Carlson, account executive, Public Communications, joins Harsh-Rotman & Druck Inc. as account executive in Chicago office.


Rod Dougherty, sales manager, Advent Corp., Des Moines, Iowa, joins HR Television, Des Moines, as account executive.

### Programming

Roy Polevoy, VP, programming, ABC-owned TV's, next month assumes responsibility for ABC-TV on-air promotion. He'll be reporting, directly to Tony Thopopoulos, ABC Entertainment president, and will remain in New York.

Peter Newman, director of corporate development, Viacom International, New York, joins Premiere, Los Angeles, as director of marketing planning. James McMillon, director, western region, American Television & Communications Corp., Englewood, Colo., and regional marketing representative, Walt Disney World Productions, joins Premiere as director of affiliate marketing.

Patricia Narup, formerly with Showtime Entertainment, joins Premiere as sales administration and affiliate services manager. Jon Laland, formerly with production and development departments, Metromedia Producers Corp., and Jerry Parrs Productions, San Francisco, joins Premiere as manager of programming. Lucy Stutz, formerly with programming and operations divisions, Showtime, New York, joins Premiere as program administrator. Stutz will serve as liaison between Premiere's programming and operations departments.

Stan Curnyn, executive VP of Warner Communications' Record Group, New York, named to newly created position of senior VP of record group. Part of his responsibilities will be development of commercial video activities.

Vincent Benedict Jr., general sales manager, WDBM(AM) New York, named VP, sales, CBS Cable. Robert J. Mariano, marketing supervisor and regional manager of affiliate relations, Warner Amex Satellite, New York, joins CBS Cable as director, affiliate sales and relations.

R.W. (Skip) Schmidt, VP and general manager, WTMF-AM-FM Springfield, Mo., joins TM Productions, Dallas, as VP-general manager.

Robert T. (Bud) Donnelly, VP, special marketing, for Columbia Pictures Television Distribution, Hollywood, named to newly created post of VP, sales, West.

Celli Armanda, executive story editor and director of creative affairs, Films Pictures, Los Angeles, joins Hanna-Barbera Productions, Hollywood, in newly created position of direc-
Robert Burch, national program director for Century Broadcasting Corp., named director of network operations for Westwood One, Los Angeles, radio syndication firm.

Richard A. O'Leary, president of ABC owned Television Stations and president of ABC International, named chairman of 32d Assembly of Prio Italia, first American to head award event since 1955 when late Seymour Siegel was named chairman.

Jim Puffer, account executive in syndication sales, 20th Century-Fox Television, named Northeastern sales manager.

Mary Klimartin, production manager for Gold Key Media, Hollywood, appointed operations manager. Danielle DiGiacomo, sales assistant with TV Guide, joins Gold Key Media as sales coordinator. Gold Key Media is barter arm for Gold Key Entertainment.

Bishop (Butch) Henley, regional manager, South Central region, Home Box Office, joins Showtime as South Central regional director, based in Bedford, Tex.

Susan Nemeroff, advertising and design manager, CBS Sports, New York, named talent director.

Jed Drake, sports director, WPTZ-(TV) Plattsburgh, N.Y., named production associate, Entertainment and Sports Programming Network, Bristol, Conn.

John Hawkins, former chief executive officer of Millennium Communications, and Steve Rood, formerly with Gold Star Productions, have formed Hawkins/Rood Communications, Walnut Creek, Calif. Company will specialize in consulting, programming, production and management for radio and television.

Bob Harris, Southern regional manager, Drake-Chenault Programming, Dallas, resigns to head The Center for Radio Sales, firm based in Dallas and specializing in radio sales consulting.

Bob Hamilton, radio music publisher, named corporate VP for Weedock Productions, newly created division of Weedock Corp., Los Angeles, that will be involved in radio programming.

Sheila Barrett, program director, VU-TV, Phoenix, custom designer of pay-TV programming, named VP.

Toby J.D. Rogers, founder of Toby Rogers Enterprises, joins Metromedia Producers Corp., Los Angeles, as sales representative for the corporation's Northeast region. He will be based in New York.

Tim Noonan, VP of programming, KWLW-(TV) Waterloo, Iowa, named VP-development and production. Jim Waterbury, local sales manager, KWLW-(TV), named VP-operations.

Dave Martin, program director, WYFP(FM) Chicago, joins WCFLAM) there as program director.

Jack Diamond, assistant program director and air personality, KYNO-AM-FM Fresno, Calif., joins WYKE(AM) Annapolis, Md., as program director.

Steve Milski, music director, KIYFM) Lebanon, Ore., named program director.

Steve Goldstein, VP, Robert O. Mahlman Inc., Bronxville, N.Y., broadcast consultant, joins WABCAM New York, as production director.

Mary Frances Petote, program specialist for city of Rochester, N.Y., joins People's Cable there as community program manager.

Shirley Kirk, continuity director, WHE-(TV) Evansville, Ind., named program manager. Bruce Villines, producer/director, WHE-(TV), named production manager.

David Grainer, film supervisor, WUHF(TV) Rochester, New York, named production operations manager. Jesse Anthony, will assume Grainer's duties as film supervisor at WUHF(TV). Karen Rickard, secretary, named administrative assistant to general manager.

Jay Meyers, program director, WINR(AM) Syracuse, N.Y., joins WCTC(AM) New Brunswick, N.J., as operations manager.

Greg Storer, producer, WPTV(TV) Orlando, Fla., named executive producer.

Dave Satchell, film editor, WDTN(TV) Dayton, Ohio, named production director.

John Granev, sports talk-host show, WBK-AM-FM Albany, N.Y., joins WAST(TV) there as sports director.

Guy Lebow, sports announcer, WRAL(AM) New York, named sports programming director.

Tracy Dent, account executive, WDBD-AM-FM Orlando, Fla., named sports director, WDBD-TV Orlando. John Russell, reporter, WTRH(TV) Indianapolis, joins WDBD-TV as assistant sports director.


Bill O'Reilly, anchorman, 11 p.m. news, WFSB-TV Hartford, Conn., joins WCBS-TV New York, as host of 7:30 Magazine.

Davis Allison, program director, WXXI(AM) Sarasota, Fla., named operations manager, WWZZ(AM) Sarasota.

P. Scott Miller, art director, KATU(AM) Portland, Ore., joins WPLG(AM) Miami, as design manager.

**News and Public Affairs**

**Tom Kuelbs,** assistant news director, WLS-TV Chicago, named news director. Bill Fyffe, acting news director, resumes full-time responsibilities as VP and station manager.

**Brad Kalbfeld,** enterprise editor for AP's national broadcast, named broadcast editor in New York.

**Gerald B. Trapp,** deputy director of broadcast services for Associated Press, New York, and former AP general broadcast news editor, joins Intermountain Network, Salt Lake City, as VP with responsibilities in affiliate relations, news and sales, effective Oct. 15.

**Ralph Penza,** reporter and weekend-anchor for WDIV-TV Washington, joins WNBC-TV New York as weekend-co-anchor at 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. with Carol Jenkins and as featured reporter on all station newscasts. John Hambrick, current weekend anchor, joins Chuck Scarborough as co-anchor of 6 p.m. edition of news program. Sue Simmons, now co-anchoring 6 p.m. news broadcast, joins Jack Cafferty as co-anchor of 5 p.m. telecast. Simmons will continue to co-anchor 11 p.m. weekend edition with Scarborough.


**John Ferrugia,** reporter, KCMO-TV Kansas City, Mo., joins Washington bureau of CBS News as general assignment reporter.

**Bob Kirk,** anchorman, WTV(TV) Syracuse, N.Y., joins WAST(TV) Albany as co-anchor. **Mike Moran,** co-anchor, WMHT(TV) Schenectady, N.Y., and Benita Zahn, assignment editor WAST(TV), named co-anchors, WAST.

**Melissa Forsythe,** reporter, WHAS-TV Louisville, Ky., assumes additional duties as Saturday co-anchor.

**Owen May,** reporter, WBBM(AM) Chicago, joins WBBM(AM) there, as weekend news anchor.


**Jack Conaty,** reporter and weekend anchor, *New Jersey Nightly News,* for noncommercial WNET(TV) New York, joins WLAT-TV Washington, as reporter for weekend editions of news at 11 p.m.
Stan Bohrmann, weekend anchor, WTCN-TV Minneapolis, joins KYW-TV Philadelphia, as investigative reporter.

Mike Fahrlander, general assignment reporter, KTSB-TV Topeka, Kan., named weekend anchor.

Marti Johnson, weekend anchor, KTSB-TV, named general assignment reporter.


Dot Lanterstein, news writer/reporter WSTC(AM) Stamford, Conn., joins WFS(AM)-WMCM-FM White Plains, N.Y., as night news editor.

Promotion & PR

Ann Marie Stepovv, assistant manager of information services, WBBM-AM-FM Chicago, joins WLS(AM) there as promotion development director.

Richard Brase, advertising and promotion manager, WXEX-RFM Richmond, Va., joins WUWE(AM) New Orleans as promotion manager.

Marcia Shedd, promotion director, WNYR(AM)-WEZO(FM) Rochester, N.Y., assumes additional duties as sales promotion director, co-owned WUWE(AM) Rochester.

Pamela J. Hamilton, sales promotion director, CBS Radio, joins RKO Radio as director of creative services.

Melinda Miles, former student, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, joins WAFF(TV) Huntsville, Ala., as promotion manager.

Keith Askenasi, public relations director, Seattle professional soccer team, Sounders, joins Teleprompter cable system there as public relations/sports director.

Connie Hanlon, formerly with American General Insurance Co., Houston, joins Herbert S. Benjamin Associates Inc., Baton Rouge, as public relations director.

Flo Jenkins, publicist, Arista Records, joins KTMA(TV) Los Angeles as publicist.

Val Nicholas, assistant to community relations director, KCKA(TV) Sacramento, Calif., named news promotion coordinator.

Nancy Davis, director of audience development and promotion, WSH-TV Daytona Beach, Fla., joins KTVH(TV) Hutchinson, Kan. (Wichita), as promotion manager.

Robert Sykes, assistant engineering supervisor, WDTN(TV) Dayton, Ohio, named engineering supervisor.

Allied Fields

Candace Greene, director of media relations, National Association of Broadcasters, Washington, resigns effective Oct. 31 to form public affairs/government relations firm. Principal client: Premium Coordinating Committee (group that supplies premium advertising programs to banks and savings associations).

James J. Ridings, Midwestern manager, advertiser-agency radio sales, Arbitron, Chicago, named Eastern division manager for radio station sales. He will be based in New York.

Silas F. Davis, entertainment law attorney with Katz, Leavy, Rosensweig & Sindle, New York, joins RCA's Selection videotape operation as manager of licenses and clearances.

Paul A. Mutino, acting general counsel and secretary, Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Washington, elected general counsel and secretary.

Deaths

Wilfred Strickland King, 72, executive VP and a director of J.M. Mathes Inc., New York agency, died in Winter Park, Fla., on Sept. 18. During King's 37-year career with J.M. Mathes, he was corporate supervisor of the research, marketing and merchandising departments and director of creative services. His accounts included tourism for Bermuda government, Union Carbide and Canada Dry. He is survived by his wife, Dianne and two daughters.

Oliver T. Blackwell, 57, former executive VP of Katz Agency, New York, died Sept. 23 at his home in Mahwah, N.J., after long illness. He retired from active management last July after 29 years with Katz, but remained member of representative firm's board. Under Blackwell's leadership, Katz formed programing department and he was named VP and director of audience development in 1959. He is survived by his wife, Marie, and two daughters.

Kathleen Boyden, 32, account executive with WMAL(AM) for year, was found dead in trunk of her car last Tuesday. She had been missing since previous Thursday when, notified by her co-workers when she didn't appear at her office, police found bloodstains in her apartment and in stairwell leading to garage where her car was kept. Car was discovered by citizen who had seen description of it on local television. Previously she had been marketing director for KYA-AM-FM San Francisco for three years. She is survived by her mother, father and brother.

Matti Slukola, 58, died of heart attack Sept. 19 at Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Broadcast Symposium, Washington hotel, Washington, after giving paper. Unit manager for advanced development of RCA broadcast system antenna center, he joined RCA in 1952. Slukola, native of Finland, was known for development of circularly polarized TV antennas. Survivors include wife and two daughters.

Monte L. Walpole, 49, engineering manager, KDRT(TV) St. Louis, died of cancer Sept. 19 at Missouri Baptist hospital, St. Louis. He had been with station since 1952. Survivors include two sons and one daughter.
**Mergers**

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| N                    | San Juan Racing        | 19 9/16                  | -3/8 -1.93            | 21                       | 47        |                                 |
| O                    | Scripps-Plough         | 43 1/4                  | +3/8 +1.80            | 222                      | 2,227     |                                 |
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| O                    | Tech Operations        | 15 14                   | +1 1/4 +7.16           | 21                      | 141       |                                 |
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**Broadcasting with Other Major Interests**

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| O                    | Telepromper            | 25 1/4                  | +3 1/8 +3.72          | 24                      | 24        |                                 |
| O                    | Time Inc.              | 60 1/4                  | -1/4 -1.22            | 1,684                     | 1,684     |                                 |
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| O                    | Viscom                 | 52 1/4                  | 57 1/4 +1 18 8 73 19 220 | 290       |                      |                                 |

Earnings figures are exclusive of extraordinary gain or loss. Footnotes: * Stock did not trade on given day. Price shown is last traded price. ** No P/E ratio computed, company registered net loss. *** Two-for-one stock split. + Stock traded at less than 12.5 cents.
Dear Broadcaster,

Come join us at this year's NAB Radio Convention at the Los Angeles Bonaventure Hotel!

The weather is balmy to degree's but the Tanner products are hot!

Drop by the Tanner Suite -- 2323 -- and see if you're one of the many winners in "The Winning Ticket" contest. Top Prize is a JVC AM/FM/Micro TV.

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Dave, Dick or A.J. will tickle your fancy with our new syndicated music formats... and be sure to let Bill L. tell you how Tanner can help you with your merchandising and other promotional needs!

Cordially,

[Signature]
Linda Cinciotta, the new president of the Federal Communications Bar Association is—as everyone who knows her will attest—a pretty, cheerful, friendly woman. She laughs easily and, in this age of women’s liberation, seems about as threatening to a man as his favorite older sister, the one who used to take care of him when his mother was out of the house. But Cinciotta, let it be known, is no pushover. There is steel beneath that lavender and lace—as she freely acknowledges. “I’m an ambitious, aggressive lady,” she says, smiling.

Perhaps that assessment should not come as a surprise, considering Cinciotta’s status in the Washington communications community. At 37, she is a partner (and the only woman partner) in a large Washington law firm, Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn. She is the first woman to serve as president of the FCBA—an achievement of which she is demonstrably proud. And she is president of the Washington chapter of American Women in Radio and Television. “Not bad,” she agrees, not attempting to hide her satisfaction. “Not bad at all. In fact, very good.”

Then she says, “I couldn’t have been a shy, retiring flower and gotten what I did.”

Not that she regards being a woman as a disadvantage to overcome. On the contrary, she considers it an advantage. If a man opens a door for her or lights her cigarette, she’s delighted. And if a male opposing lawyer is chivalrous (and dumb) enough to show her an unnecessary courtesy in a case and is clobbered for his gallantry, well, that’s his problem, right? “Exactly, sure, of course,” she says, laughing. “You use the assets you’ve got,” she says. “You’re crazy if you don’t.”

Cinciotta is not the product of an environment in which ambition—at least in a woman—is nurtured. And it wasn’t until after she joined the law firm that her ambition and drive began to surface. Harry Plotkin, a senior partner in the firm, describes her as an “effective” and “respected” lawyer, and “a prodigious worker” who has developed “an ability to project herself and assert leadership positions.” When she joined the firm, he says, “she was shy and not outgoing.”

Being a lawyer, let alone a member of a top firm, was not in Cinciotta’s plans when she was growing up in Silver Spring, Md., just outside Washington. The women’s movement hadn’t yet taken hold, and Cinciotta’s family did not fill her head with notions of a career.

Indeed, it wasn’t until Cinciotta was working as an employe relations specialist at the Department of Justice—after graduating from Georgetown University where she had majored in French in what proved a vain hope she could become good enough in the language to serve as a United Nations translator—that she began thinking of law as a possible career. The presence of so many lawyers, she says, “piqued” her interest. Or maybe it was the first faint stirrings of ambition. In any event, after two years with the department, she decided to invest her savings in tuition for one year of night law school at George Washington University. (She wasn’t about to give up her job.)

Her family was aghast. “They thought I lost my mind.” After all, no one in the family was a lawyer. Cinciotta herself wasn’t sure they were wrong. She thought she would probably find law dull. But to her pleasant surprise, she enjoyed the law hugely. In fact, she did well enough in that first year to win a full scholarship that enabled her to transfer to the day school. She graduated in 1970, and accepted an offer from Arent, Fox—one of a number of offers she had received.

Success seemed to breed success and to fuel ambition. When she was attending law school, acquiring a degree was about as much ambition as she could manage. But with the degree and then a job in hand, her horizons began widening. “With each little victory you have, your self-confidence is bolstered,” she says.

Perhaps Cinciotta’s most significant victory was achieved two years ago, when she was serving as the FCBA’s member in the American Bar Association’s house of delegates. Normally, the post goes to a former FCBA president; it is regarded as a job with more perks than responsibilities. Somehow, though—she doesn’t know how—Cinciotta was picked. And at her first house of delegates meeting, in August 1977, in Chicago, she got another surprise. She was going to have her hands full—a move was under way to deny the FCBA its seat as a means of reducing the house of delegates’ size. For the next year, Cinciotta led an intensive lobbying and political effort among the more than 400 members of the house, one in which she duelled with ABA members of stature, in an effort to block the expulsion proposal. And although a majority of the house in 1978 voted to eliminate the FCBA’s seat, the necessary two-thirds majority was not achieved (Broadcasting, Aug. 14, 1978). Cinciotta was, then, not only in her own mind but in the minds of her colleagues in the FCBA, a person to be reckoned with.

A year later, Cinciotta was elected vice president of the FCBA, which put her in line for the presidency in 1980. Beginning in 1972, when she was asked to serve as assistant secretary (and thus become one of the few women to hold an office in the organization), Cinciotta had held most of the FCBA posts. Now, as president, she feels in her element.

“I’m the sort of person who doesn’t like being involved in something just to be a member,” she says. “I like to help set policy, and have an active role. And obviously, there’s none more active than president.”

Of course, Cinciotta also has her practice to keep up—an active one in all phases of broadcasting and cable television. And, for the record, she is a relatively new bride; she was married a little over a year ago to John P. Olguin, a biomedical engineer at the National Institute of Health.

But Cinciotta is not ready to slow down. Although she feels she has accomplished a great deal in the past 10 years, she finds that she is asking herself, “Where do I go from here?” She enjoys her work at Arent, Fox. “But I would never be a person who closes her eyes to other possibilities,” she says. What, for instance? Without pausing for breath, she says, “I wouldn’t mind being chairman of the FCC. I wouldn’t mind that at all.”

Immediately, the talk gets serious. Is she active politically? No. Is she a Democrat or a Republican? She won’t say. “It’s important only if I thrust myself into that arena,” she says. For the record, again, she is a registered Republican.

Are you listening, Ronald Reagan?
Matters of survival

There is a genuine fear among radio and television broadcasters that they have been marked for obsolescence or extinction by the FCC. The fear may prove to be excessive, but it is understandable.

Radio broadcasters face a proliferation of competition—and unknown physical and economic dislocations—if proposals to narrow AM channels from 10 kHz to 9 and to drop in new FM assignments are adopted. Television broadcasters face even larger questions about their future.

Three weeks ago the FCC initiated a rulemaking to create “thousands” of new micro-stations in television by opening both the VHF and UHF bands to operations with very low power. At the same time it dropped short-spaced but potentially competitive VHF facilities into four markets.

Two weeks ago the FCC voted for a rulemaking to create still another class of 139 VHF drop-ins with the power to compete with existing V’s and perhaps to excel existing U’s.

The prospective rush of new television stations into the marketplace is but another worry for established broadcasters who were already bracing for competition from a cable industry that has been all but liberated from federal control. While the FCC was proposing to make room for all those new television stations, the Copyright Royalty Tribunal was reminding broadcasters of another Washington defeat by issuing the formula for distribution to commercial broadcasters of the 1978 collection from cable copyright fees. The whole commercial television broadcasting system is sharing a cable payment that totals $475,958 for the virtually unrestricted privilege of transmitting programming that cost broadcasting stations $1.14 billion in 1978.

As the broadcasters bank their pittances of cable revenue, they will reflect on the FCC’s repeal two months ago of the syndicated exclusivity and distant-signal rules that gave protection against cable importation of programs to which broadcasters had bought territorial rights. Those rules were in effect when the present copyright act was adopted and were factored into the scales of cable royalties that the act prescribes. With the rules now gone, and cable liability set by law at rates that broadcasters believe to be absurdly low, the broadcasters may be excused for feeling put upon.

The preceding litany of troubles would have given the boards of the National Association of Broadcasters enough to think about last week at their meetings in Washington. Still to come, however, is potential competition from direct-to-home broadcasting by satellites, which the FCC is intending to take up this week. The threat to the broadcasting establishment comes from everywhere.

What is to be done about it?

As reported elsewhere in this issue, the NAB and individual broadcasting groups are planning self defense. All of the FCC’s ventures have been undertaken with less attention to physical engineering than to social engineering and with no more than academic knowledge of the marketplace. The appearance of a rush to judgment, which Commissioner James H. Quello deplored in dissenting to the drop-ins, would have been less obvious if the FCC had opted for notices of inquiry instead of rulemakings. Even so, there will be a chance for broadcasters to make their case for an even break in an increasingly competitive world.

They cannot hope to insulate themselves against progress in other technologies. They have a right to demand equitable regulation based on educated judgments instead of political accommodations. Somewhere on the FCC there must be a fourth vote for responsibility in federal communications policy.

In the way again

Not many editorial writers got through last week without commenting on the Ronald Reagan-John Anderson debate on CBS-TV and NBC-TV Sept. 21. But there was no more consensus among the writers than among the opinions turned up by an ABC News-Louis Harris poll of the public. If a conclusion can be drawn, it is this: The debate drew a big crowd but made no strong impression. The guess here is that the format was at fault.

“Debate,” of course, has been a misnomer for joint appearances by presidential nominees since the first one by John Kennedy and Richard Nixon in 1960. All have been adaptations of the basic broadcast interview, featuring journalists asking questions.

There was, however, an antiseptic quality to the Sept. 21 arrangements. Each participating journalist was allowed to ask one question, separately asked of each candidate. The ground rules invited precisely the kind of long-winded questions that any journalist would prepare in anticipation of having only one shot on the tube before a national television audience. (The format cannot be blamed, however, for the shurrhiness of a couple of the Sept. 21 participants.)

As long as an interview program is confined to the use of prefabricated questioning, with no chance for follow-up when answers are incomplete, it will lose spontaneity and substance. That may be the way cautious candidates want to play the game. It is not the way journalists should agree to play it.

Journalists, however, are not in control as long as Section 315, as interpreted by the courts and regulators, requires the presence of a third party as the organizer and presenter of debates. The League of Women Voters and the television professional it hired to produce this year’s debates are performing the third-party role with commendable tact and skill. They are, however, by definition an intrusion between the journalistic process and the candidates. As was demonstrated in 1960, when Section 315 was suspended by the Congress, network news departments are the logical choices to produce national joint appearances by presidential candidates.

Section 315 once again has been exposed as an obstacle to the intelligent presentation of political candidacies. Won’t Congress ever admit that the section provides no useful service to the public?
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