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DirecTv makes programing and equipment splash at Consumer Electronics Show

By Peter Lambert

DirecTv broke the cable and studio program-access ice last week, signing The Disney Channel, as well as Paramount Pictures pay-per-view movies and special events, onto its direct broadcast satellite service, scheduled to launch 150 digital TV channels to 18-inch home antennas next year.

DirecTv used last week's International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas to announce the contracts and demonstrate equipment.

The Disney deal comes three months after Congress passed the 1992 Cable Act mandating cable access—one of several elements of the act cable is opposing in court.

"In the end, programers are going to always look for varied means of distribution that reach different audiences," Disney Channel President John Cooke told BROADCASTING. "You always argue about the time-frame, but programers will end up in new technologies, sooner or later, maybe depending on regulation.

"The reality is there is a law, and the outcome is that programers will sign," said Cooke. "My suspicion is there are other entities that have already signed or will sign very soon."

DirecTv has committed to sign up 20 cable services by its March 1994 launch. (It is also negotiating with two other Hollywood studios.) In exchange, the National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative will cover satellite costs for those programers, investing $250 million to gain exclusive distribution rights in rural areas. DirecTv says it "will prominently market The Disney Channel in urban locations."

"We have no quarrel with, and have dealt with, every alternate distribution technology," said James Boyle, spokesman for Discovery Networks, which has taken the access law to court. "We just don't think government should mandate we have the same terms as with cable operators, when the situations are different."

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PRIME NETWORK, SPORTSCHANNEL TO MERGE

Liberty Media will own 50% of new partnership; Rainbow, NBC share the rest

By Rich Brown

Top regional cable sports programing suppliers Prime Network and SportsChannel America have reached a long-anticipated agreement to merge their operations, creating a combined national sports programing service reaching 41 million households nationally.

Following more than two years of on-again, off-again negotiations, Telecommunications Inc. spin-off Liberty Media Corp. last Thursday closed the no-cash transaction with Cablevision Systems Corp. affiliate Rainbow Programming Holdings Inc. and NBC. Liberty Media Corp., which owns 77% of Prime Network parent Affiliated Regional Communications (ARC), will own 50% of the new partnership; Rainbow and NBC, which are equal partners in SportsChannel America, will each maintain a 25% share of the
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new partnership.

Liberty paved the way for the deal last week by purchasing ARC shares in Los Angeles-based Prime Ticket regional sports network and other properties. The purchase made Liberty sole general partner of ARC and marked the exit of Daniels, said to have been one of the obstacles in closing the Prime-SportsChannel deal.

Managing general partner of the new Prime-SportsChannel partnership is James Dolan, president and CEO of Rainbow; Jeff Ruhe, currently president and COO of SportsChannel America, is president and COO of the new venture, and Daren Miller, currently vice president of Liberty Sports, is executive vice president. NBC Cable Ad Sales, which currently handles sales for cable network CNBC and SportsChannel America, is selling advertising.

While executives involved in the deal said there was no cash involved, ARC was given a one-third interest in Prism and in SportsChannel Philadelphia, the two regional sports channels owned by Rainbow and NBC in the Philadelphia market.

The new Prime-SportsChannel venture, which will have a combined reach of 41 million of the nation's 57 million cable subscribers, plans to make the two networks available on a standalone basis outside areas served by a regional sports channel. Prime network presently distributes its lineup of live and taped events to 15 regional sports channels reaching 26 million homes across the country; SportsChannel America delivers its breaking sports news and occasional events to eight regional SportsChannels representing 18 million homes nationally. By comparison, the national ESPN sports network reaches virtually all cable subscribers nationwide.

Dolan said he dismissed speculation that SportsChannel would shut down any of its less profitable regional services, as the company did with its Los Angeles operation last year. Dolan said the Prime-SportsChannel merger is expected to strengthen the company's regional sports operations.

Asked whether the new venture intends to bid on major national sports contracts, Tom Rogers, NBC Cable and Business Development division president, said there was no particular game plan set and added that any rights bid would have to be assessed "as the situation arises."
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TURBULENT TIMES AT FOX

Latest executive to leave is Kellner; Wall St. and affiliates, while concerned over future, are reassured by appointment of Salhany as FBC chairman

By Joe Flint and Steve Coe

Jamie Kellner's departure as president and chief operating officer of Fox Broadcasting Co., though in the cards for some time, according to close sources, caught Wall Street and many affiliates off guard. And while affiliates were pleased with the naming of Lucie Salhany as Kellner's replacement, there is still some concern from the financial markets and affiliates as to what the new year has in store for Fox parent News Corp.

On the street, Australia-based News Corp.'s American depository receipts fell by some 6% following Kellner's resignation. On Friday, shares of News Corp. were trading at 36.875 on the New York Stock Exchange, a 5% drop from 40.375, where the stock was trading before Kellner's departure.

Part of Wall Street's concern is the recent personnel changes at the top of Fox. First, Fox Chairman-CEO Barry Diller resigned, then Murdoch fired Steven Chao, the man hired to establish a news service for the incipient network. Fox Entertainment President Peter Chernin then replaced 20th Century Fox Chairman Joe Roth, who left to form an independent film company at Disney. Replacing Chernin was executive vice president, creative affairs, Sandy Grushow.

That two of Fox's major Christmas releases, "Hoffa" and "Toys," have been major busts didn't help matters, and some analysts have downgraded their projections for the company. Oppenheimer analyst Jessica Reif, who dropped her buy recommendation on the stock last month, said in a January report that the Fox TV station group, which had been outperforming their markets in the last two or three years, will no longer do so and station revenue will weaken. "We believe Fox Broadcasting will also face a similar situation, i.e., a slowdown in ratings and a weaker ad environment leading to slow revenue growth." At the same time, Reif wrote, Fox's costs should rise as it adds a seventh night of more expensive programing and replaces its less successful shows in midseason.

While Reif's report is pleased with Salhany, "it still does not change our view that so many changes will be disruptive to all the operating divisions involved."

"There has been some concern about the movies in the fourth quarter and the lack of momentum. This [Kellner's departure] coupled with those events and analysts' recommendations being removed probably led to the stock drop," said Mark Reilly, principal, MacDonald, Grippo, Reilly, who added that there are also many investors holding a short position in the stock, which also may have contributed to the drop.

But the changes don't concern Reilly. Although he concedes that Fox's new shows have been disappointing, "they have gotten more mileage out of the old ones than they thought."

Of the new appointments, Reilly said that Murdoch has a "stellar track record in picking people."

"Everybody is watching very closely as we move into January and the Tuesday night rollout," said PaineWebber analyst Chris Dixon. The investment community, he added, is also recognizing that it was a good year for News Corp. stock and this is an opportunity for portfolio managers to trim back their holdings and take some very real profits. "It's too premature to read too much into the drop, but we're watching very carefully," Dixon said.

And while the affiliates are happy with Salhany's appointment, that does not mean they are not somewhat worried about the recent changes at Fox and how the new Tuesday night lineup will fare.

"There has been some concern," said one major Fox affiliate operator. "Barry's leaving was a big loss; Peter Chernin was a good programer. The appointment of Salhany is the most positive thing I've seen happen there."

This group operator also has concerns about Tuesday night. "Do I think they rushed the seventh night? Yes. Am I concerned? Yes. Do we need the seventh night? No. The rush, the executive said, was probably predicated by the Warner Bros. consortium, Paramount's Deep Space Nine and Fox's concern that its affiliates would grab those products.

But Salhany's appointment has calmed a lot of nerves. "Affiliates were concerned, but the Salhany appointment is a terrific thing for us," said Barry Baker, partner, River City Broadcasting.
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Toni Cook received $500,000 for withdrawing challenge to one of RKO stations; stepfather Jordan also in deal; controversial practice has since been banned by FCC

By Harry A. Jessell

Antoinette Cook, senior counsel for the Senate Communications Subcommittee and the leading candidate to be the next chairman of the FCC, received over a half-million dollars in 1988 to withdraw her license challenge to RKO General’s WGMS-FM Washington—a practice subsequently banned by the FCC.

Cook’s take was part of a comprehensive settlement involving RKO’s WGMS-AM-FM, eight competing applicants and a “white knight” who purchased the stations for $333.9 million. The settlement called on RKO to divvy up $10.4 million of the purchase price among the competing applicants for their promise to walk away.

Cook’s partnership, Riggs Radio- casters Inc., received $2.1 million, according to FCC records. As one of two general partners with a 26.5% equity interest, Cook was entitled to a quarter of that amount. There was a third limited partner.

Another of the competing applicants involved in the settlement was Vernell Broadcasting Inc., whose ownership included Vernon Jordan, a prominent attorney with Akim Gump Straus Hauer & Feld, chairman of the Clinton transition and Cook’s stepfather. In FCC records, he is listed as chairman and 12% owner of Vernell. The group received $765,000 as part of the settlement.

Cook makes no apologies and says there is no need for them. “When I filed the application for that license, I had every intention of building and operating the station if we got it,” she said. “The FCC process dragged out, my life moved on and before I went to the Hill we entered into the settlement agreement. I didn’t do anything that violated the law. It was a decision I made based on what was going on in my life at the time.”

And during her years on the subcommittee, she said, the senators she has worked for were generally supportive of the FCC’s efforts to reform the renewal process to prevent profiteering. “That is something the senators thought was a good idea. I always thought it was a good idea,” she said.

The Vernell and Riggs groups were just two of more than 150 groups that challenged all of RKO’s stations starting with KHJ-TV Los Angeles in 1965. Finding evidence of wrongdoing, the FCC yanked RKO’s license for WNACTV Boston, but it permitted the group to reach settlements on the challenges of its 14 other stations. The only catch was that RKO could keep only about two-thirds of the station’s market value; the other third had to go to the challengers.

Cook, 35, has been the candidate most mentioned to succeed Chairman Alfred Sikes. A graduate of Wellesley College and Northwestern Law School, the Chicago native came to Washington in 1981 to practice communications law at Wiley, Rein & Fielding. She joined Senator Daniel Inouye’s (D-Hawaii) Communications Subcommittee in 1987 and was promoted to senior counsel in 1991. She was deeply involved in drafting and guiding passage of the 1992 Cable Act, which brings a large dose of regulation to cable.

Rumors were flying last week that Clinton was set to tap her for the job, but Cook said she has heard nothing and declines to talk about her chances or anybody else’s. “I think you’re all going to be fooled, and it’s going to be someone like Clinton’s brother.”

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**ALL AMERICAN ARRANGING FINANCING**

All American Communications Inc. (AACI) is trying to obtain $25 million in financing that company officials say is necessary to complete the pending acquisition of LBS, finance next season’s slate of Baywatch episodes and help pay outstanding loans totaling about $14 million now due to Credit Lyonnais Bank Nederland.

According to AACI Chief Financial Officer Thomas Bradshaw, the company has obtained tentative approval for a $25 million loan from a consortium of lenders led by Chemical Bank. Before the new loan can go through, said Bradshaw, Credit Lyonnais has to decide whether it will take possession of the collateral backing one loan, including certain theatrical films and 190,000 shares of film producer Live Entertainment Inc., held by AACI, or allow AACI to continue “exploiting” those assets and extend the due date on the loan. Bradshaw said that some “technical issues with some of the creditors” had also delayed closing on that deal, which he now anticipates will close by the end of January.

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MSTV CALLS FOR SCALABLE ATV, ALL-CHANNEL TUNER STUDY

Comments on latest rulemaking urge flexible digital parity with competitors

By Peter Lambert

In comments filed with the FCC on Jan. 7, broadcasters made their strongest call yet for the ability to roll out the digital television age in whatever ways pay best for themselves and, at the same time, better serve the public.

To assure program innovation and diversity and maximize spectrum efficiency, the FCC should encourage any uses of advanced TV channels that do not undercut television broadcast service, says the Association for Maximum Service Television (MSTV) in the third round of advanced TV (ATV) rulemakings.

And in a tactic that could force TV set manufacturers to share the broadcasters' ATV implementation cost burdens, MSTV also suggests the FCC begin to consider mandating all-channel, NTSC/ATV receivers, three years after setting an ATV standard.

"MSTV lauds the FCC's stated belief that defining ATV now might "inadvertently prohibit some sources and formats of programs that would be highly desirable to viewers."

But MSTV argues the FCC's handling of future digital compression techniques, technical flexibility and ancillary services—three issues raised by the Third Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking—all pose the same dangers.

In particular, says MSTV, scalable compressed video standards now being adopted by the cable, motion picture, video dialtone, and computer industries "may offer ATV broadcast transmission systems greater flexibility and compatibility with other media. This will no doubt foster development of new, innovative video program formats [including] multiple programs on a single 6 mhz channel, interactive, user-selectable, scalable image formats and multichannel sound options. This type of technical flexibility would clearly be in the public interest."

Indeed, argues MSTV, it is too early even to define "primary" and "ancillary" ATV channel uses, which "will be blurred...by the growing convergence of computer and television applications."

And although the FCC might well prohibit standalone subscription broadcast services, it should not "sweep too broadly" in prohibiting subscription enhancements, such as a sports data base integrated into sports TV transmissions.

MSTV also argues that, if the All-Channel Receiver Act of 1962 was needed to assure the viability of UHF TV, it may soon be needed to assure "the viability of the entire local broadcast system."

Suggesting the FCC seek comment on the need to "implement a mandatory universal ATV receiver capability" at the third year after standards adoption, MSTV reasons: "The commission's core decision to mandate the conversion to ATV carries the legal corollary of universal ATV receiver capability."

Also filing comments, Blonder Broadcasting went further, calling for a new procedure to set digital compression standards, saying the FCC's current ATV plan will bankrupt "every terrestrial broadcaster" by 2008.

WIDESCREEN TV: READY FOR SLOW ENTRY IN '93

Introducing the television made for movies, Thomson Consumer Electronics said of its 34-inch, direct-view, widescreen (16:9 aspect ratio) TV set, which debuted for sale this year at last week's 1993 Winter Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.

Thomson was not alone: Philips, JVC and Sharp also introduced widescreen models. But Thomson laid out a marketing plan that will narrowly target current owners of videodisc players—virtually the only source of widescreen movies, with more than 600 titles currently available.

Its "CinemaScreen" set will "expand" 4:3 programming to fill the full 16:9 screen, and it includes split-screen and picture-in-picture features allowing simultaneous viewing of two, four or nine programs.

This winter, Thomson will preview the set to videodisc owners, predominately in California, and by April, start selling CinemaScreen with a retail price between $4,495 and $4,995. Comparable 35-inch NTSC sets currently sell for $1,600 and up.

Thomson Senior Vice President James Meyer described CinemaScreen as a "flagship model [that] further strengthens our position in the high-end category," which accounts for 5% of unit sales and 25% of dollar volume.

Thomson expects to make 10,000-15,000 units a year, aiming to gradually market 16:9 TVs while avoiding consumer confusion over all-digital HDTV introduction in 1995-96. Thomson is a partner with Philips, Sarnoff Research and NBC in developing the Advanced Digital High Definition TV system, one of four digital systems vying for FCC adoption.

Thomson also unveiled prototype hardware for trademark "USS," Digital Satellite System hardware it is building for direct broadcast satellite services to launch in early 1994 (see page 4).

New Radio Broadcast Data Service hardware also debuted at CES (see page 66). —PDL
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**THE ADVOCATES (D.C. CHAPTER): WHO GETS WHAT**

*Broadcasting*'s annual salary survey of the Fifth Estate's trade association chiefs for latest available year (and year prior) show MPAA's Valenti first in income; NCTA's Mooney and NAB's Fritts, second and third

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**FOX**

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Salhany, who joined Fox as chairman of Twentieth Television in July 1991, now takes over the network as chairman of Fox Broadcasting Co., and takes a seat on the recently formed Fox Inc. board of directors.

Salhany said her most pressing challenge as she takes over for Kellner is keeping the momentum going that he started. “My job right now is to continue the work they’ve done, which is to make sure we make it to seven nights and eventually to number one,” she said. Salhany predicted that her broadcast station and syndication background will be helpful in her new position. “Because I come from a programing background I’ll probably be more involved with programing and development than Jamie was, and because of my station experience I am familiar with affiliate relations.” In his tenure as president of the network, Kellner left much of the programing and development duties to Peter Chernin, then president, Fox Entertainment, before assuming the Fox Motion Picture job Fox last year.

Salhany’s position at Twentieth apparently won’t be filled, with oversight for Twentieth Television falling to Chase Carey, who also has responsibility for the Fox Television Group. Carey is not expected to have the same day-to-day control that Salhany exercised over Twentieth, which consists of the syndication, distribution and network production departments.

Kellner’s departure prompted speculation that he had been fired by Fox Inc. Chairman Rupert Murdoch in the wake of the recent exodus of Fox executives. Kellner, however, said he had been ready to leave for some time. “I’ve been itching to try something new for some time. I felt it was a great time for my exit.”

Despite his departure, Kellner will retain ties to the company through a seat on the Fox Inc. board. Also named to the board last week were Chernin and Les Hinton, president, News America Publishing.

Kellner’s relationship with Fox, where he has worked since 1986, may expand in the near future. Murdoch has suggested the company may provide financial backing for a future Kellner project. “The proposal of Mr. Murdoch’s will only become reality if it makes sense to Fox Inc.,” said Kellner.
DIRECTV DEALS
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It remained unclear whether Directv's "initial group" of deals would include Paramount-owned USA Network, Lifetime or Madison Square Garden Network.

"Paramount is very pleased to be the first studio to join this exciting new venture," said Robert Klingensmith, president of Paramount's Video Division. New movies will become available after home video release, probably in cable PPV's usual window. Pricing "will be competitive with current pay-per-view pricing," said DirecTv.

"It is DirecTv's hope to be able to provide a multitude of pay-per-view channels providing both current and classic movies as well as special events," Klingensmith said, adding that history has "already proven to us that buy rates expand exponentially as the number of pay-per-view channels expands." DirecTv says it will devote enough digital signals to PPV to start hit movies every 30 minutes.

None of the companies divulged terms of the contracts, which are almost certainly revenue splits, since NRTC is covering costs. Speculation is that, by going first, Paramount and Disney gained favored-party terms that would be altered to match any more favorable terms negotiated by others in the future.

Thomson Consumer Electronics also appeared in Las Vegas to demonstrate the first real-time prototype "DSS" (Digital Satellite System) hardware. Thomson says its will produce a million units annually to receive DirecTv and programming from Hubbard Broadcasting's United States Satellite Broadcasting, which invested more than $100 million to share DirecTv's satellite system.

Thomson will suggest a $699 retail price for the basic DSS system, including single-output antenna and remote control, $899 for a package including dual-output antenna and universal remote.

Thomson Senior Vice President James Meyer told press gathered at the Desert Inn: "It's a race to see who can produce the right technology to drive home entertainment systems [and] the most attractive programing package...that will capture the consumer's attention."
NEW YORK

ABC’S MAINE MAN

ABC-TV will bid farewell to 32-year veteran Bob Siegenthaler this week. The president of operations and engineering, and long-time newsman, is taking the network up on the “voluntary separation package” offered to virtually all employees late last month. Takers must respond by Feb. 5 to the offer, said to include several weeks’ pay per year served and per $10,000 salary, plus vacation and bonus. Siegenthaler, 59, will stay until a successor is appointed, before he heads off to Portland, Maine, where he will wear his “lumberman jacket every day,” he says, and may take a teaching offer.

WEEKDAY ON HOLD

Multimedia Entertainment President Bob Turner has decided to "postpone" the proposed fall 1992 roll-out of Weekday (with Robb Weller and Dana Fleming). With over 14 syndicated daytime talk show strips—at latest count—in the broadcast marketplace, Turner explained the market has become "glutted to the point where it is extremely difficult to establish the kind of sampling that can give us above a 2 rating." Turner said Weller, Fleming and executive producer Burt DuBrow remain committed to further development of the project. He says the show could go back into the market by fall 1994, but hinted a network clearance deal hasn’t been ruled out.

HOUSTON

TEXAS TWO-STEP

Designing Women has switched from affiliate KPRC-TV Houston, where it performed poorly since debuting in syndication this fall, to independent KHTV(TV) there, where it has joined the latter’s late-night comedy block. Several years ago, a number of affiliates who picked up Cosby Show rights dealt the show to an independent in their market after the show failed to meet expectations. But officials at Designing distributor Columbia Pictures Televison say the Houston switch was the first and only flip involving their show so far. Station officials in Houston agree it was a unique situation. KPRC had earlier acquired the rights to both Paramount’s Entertainment Tonight and Hard Copy for next fall. KHTV was the Hard Copy incumbent and wanted to dump what had become a lame-duck show early if possible. With Designing performing poorly on KPRC, both stations agreed, along with Columbia and Paramount, that it made sense for KHTV to give up Hard Copy early in exchange for Designing Women. Since the swap took effect a week ago, both shows have improved their new time periods.

WASHINGTON

BEFORE CLOSED DOORS

FCC chairmanship candidate Toni Cook—who’s in the news for her association with an application against a former RKO station (story, page 16)—will be the first guest at a new series of Washington power breakfasts organized by Jerry Udwinn, ex-Westinghouse newsman and lobbyist who now heads his own government and media relations company, The Udwinn Group. The invitation-only gathering (Wednesday, Jan. 13 in The Virginia Room of the Mayflower Hotel) will include lawyers, trade associations, public interest groups and others across the board in broadcast, cable, telephone and program production industries. Everyone, that is, except the press.

LOS ANGELES

HIP-HOP DEPASSE

Suzanne DePasse is executive producing what’s being described as a hip-hop variety show for Fox Broadcasting. The show is likely to debut sometime in the spring. Fox may be looking to repeat the success it has had in the variety genre with In Living Color, whose future is in doubt now that series creator Keenan Ivory Wayans and the network have parted company.
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“Should we change the [ratings] ground rules so some of the players get a leg up?”

A while back, Nielsen came up with a rating system just for cable in San Antonio. This was confusing because of the multiple coverage patterns of the cable networks on several interconnects with differing household levels. Now we have before us the notion to expand the San Antonio plan to other markets. This is a design to base cable ratings on a smaller universe. So if in a given market cable penetration is, say, 50%, then the ratings would double because the universe is cut in half.

Now that’s a heck of an idea. If your ratings are soft, you change the universe and—wham—the numbers get bigger. Why don’t those UHF stations that suffer from reduced circulation get after the rating services to publish numbers based on their universe? Why not? Then we could have mass confusion, screw up the ease of doing business and have a jolly good time keeping everyone off kilter.

Cable is part of television, but it is not one station or one channel. In any one market, cable is many systems, each with its own coverage pattern. And each system has its own program components. Not every system shows the same cable programming. And not every system is available for sale, even on an interconnect. Therefore, if a rating service is going to measure audience to cable, the numerator should be viewers available for sale and the denominator should be ADI or DMA homes, the same as it is for TV stations. The issue is simple—should we change the ground rules so some of the players get a leg up?

Try this argument. Cable has passed over 90% of U.S. homes, but cable penetration is only 60%-plus. This means one out of three homes said “no” to cable. For whatever the reason, they said “no,” meaning they don’t want it. Let’s say that the same home that said “no” to cable also happens to be a Nielsen home. On a given night the set is off. The folks are out to dinner, the set is broken, they are reading a book. No matter. On this night they said “no” to television.

Now, under the new proposed guidelines, the guy that says “no” to cable gets excluded from the cable universe, meaning he doesn’t count. The same guy that says “no” to over-the-air gets included in that universe. Something wrong with this picture?

Any advertising agency or advertiser will tell you they don’t want cable universe ratings. They don’t need extra chores to convert numbers to a common standard. As an industry with a product to sell, we don’t need to erode our joint efforts to make television user-friendly. Also, consider this.

Over these many years, the local-market grunt work and the diaries and meters were largely paid for by America’s television stations. Now here comes cable with a smaller checkbook asking Mr. Nielsen for a report that’s been developed on the numbers built on the wallets of over-the-air television. Not a smart move.

There’s nothing wrong with special reports. We welcome that! But when a special report becomes part of a standard delivery, that crosses the line and changes the rules of doing business.

Cable is a very valuable extension of over-the-air TV to many advertisers. It allows advertisers who can’t afford an ADI to buy a small slice of the market. That’s good. Collectively, the common client of America’s television stations and cable needs to be treated with encouragement. Television buying should not become complicated. We all need to pull together and treat our mutual customer—the advertiser—on a user-friendly basis. If there are ways to make what we do better, then we should do it together. Fair enough?
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‘DEEP SPACE’ TAKES OFF LIKE A ROCKET

Star Trek: TNG spin-off is on record-setting pace for syndicated series debut

By Mike Freeman

Making its bow in syndication last week, the two-hour premiere of Paramount Domestic Television’s Star Trek: Deep Space Nine appeared to be on a record-setting ratings trek, likely surpassing the levels its forerunner, Star Trek: The Next Generation, reached in its debut six years earlier. In fact, once the final weekly national ratings are processed a little more than a week from now, Deep Space Nine is in a position to go in the record books as the highest-rated regularly scheduled syndicated series debut.

While it was widely anticipated that the premiere feature presentation would receive strong sampling, Deep Space Nine posted unexpectedly large margins of victory against competing network affiliate programming.

As of Tuesday last week, the space station-based drama had racked up record ratings in 18 metered markets with an 18.2 rating/25 share (NSI, Jan. 3-5; three ARB-only markets included), improving stations’ previous time period programming by an average 127% in share over November 1992 sweeps (7/11 average). Even more impressive, DSN’s premiere won the time period in 10 metered markets and finished first or second in 16 of 18 against competing affiliate and independent fare.

The early rating returns also had Paramount’s head of research, Mike Mellon, claiming Deep Space Nine will tally a mid-20 rating when its first national Nielsen Syndication Service (NSS) report is released next week.

“We’re already 77% ahead in rating than TNG’s debut,” said Mellon.

According to Mellon, Next Generation posted a gross aggregate average (GAA) 17 rating (accounting for multiple broadcasts) in its first NSS measuring for the week ending Oct. 11, 1987. Although Mellon estimated the post-debut episodic ratings for Deep Space Nine will “settle” into the 14-17 rating (NSS) range, he also ventured to predict that its season-to-date average could be 15%-20% higher than Next Generation’s 9.9 rating (NSS) average for its 1987-88 freshman season.

(Another critical measure will be the 18-49 demographic ratings that emerge from DSN’s first NSS report. The Next Generation’s demo ratings outscore all syndicated and network programs across the board.)

While Janeen Bjork, vice president, director of programming for Seltel, conferred upon DSN its status as a “through-the-roof hit,” she pointed out that technically the highest-rated programs in syndication history were one-time specials—The Mystery of Al Capone’s Vault and Return to the Titanic—which posted 34.2 and 25.7 ratings nationally (both NSS) in April 1986 and November 1987, respectively.

“Certainly, it’s on a pace to be the highest-rated debuting series, but I think everyone was expecting that it would build on the momentum of Star Trek: The Next Generation,” said Bjork, who also noted that TNG’s first-run ratings have continued to grow this season (where it sometimes ranks first, ahead of King World’s Wheel of Fortune) due to its increased exposure with back-end repeats in strip syndication since last season.

“They’ve got a monster hit. It is a franchise that has not lost anything over the last 25 years.”

That brand recognition translated into some powerful local rating stories. In its first bow on Chris-Craft/United TV’s KCOP(TV) Los Angeles, DSN won its time period with a 20.3/29 (NSI, Jan. 5), improving the station’s time period (8-10 p.m., PT) 314% in share over November 1992 sweeps. Paramount’s O&O Indepen-
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dent, WDNA-TV Washington, posted the most dramatic time-period share growth, up a staggering 420% with a 19.8/28 (NSI, Jan. 4) at 8-10 p.m.

The highest ratings were achieved on two Fox affiliates: Kelly Broadcasting's KCPQ-TV Seattle won 8:10 p.m. with a 25.8/36 (up 200% in share from November 1992), and XETV(TV) San Diego was not far behind with a top-rated 24.8/35 (up 150%).

Other metered-market highlights were Tribune Broadcasting's WGN-TV Chicago scoring a second-ranked 15.5/21 (up 200%); Paramount independents WTXF-TV Philadelphia, a top-ranked 17.6/24 (ARB, up 118%); KTXA(TV) Dallas, a second-ranked 15.8/22 (up 267%); KTXH(TV) Houston, a third-ranked 14.7/20 (up 186%); KMSP(TV) Minneapolis, a top-ranked 20.9/29 (up 142%); KTXL(TV) Sacramento, a top-ranked 22.4/21 (up 107%); KNXY-TV Phoenix, a top-ranked 21.0/28 (ARB, up 115%); and WTCN-TV Hartford, a second-ranked 15.121 (up 62%).

Roger Ottenbach, general manager of KCPO, whose station will sandwich regular episodes of DSN between airings of the original Star Trek and Next Generation on Saturdays at 7 p.m. (PT), says DSN reduced the broadcast stations' and cable networks' ratings by half during its premiere.

"With Microsoft and Boeing based in this town, I guess you could say that Seattle has a high-tech audience that is drawn to high-quality science fiction," Ottenbach suggested. "We average a 16/30 with TNG on Saturdays, so we'd be delighted if Deep Space Nine can do as well on a regular basis."

Martin Colby, vice president and general manager of KETV, similarly echoed Ottenbach's sentiments that scheduling the pair of first-run Star Treks on Saturdays (from 6-8 p.m.) has strengthened his Fox network lineup later that evening. "In a sense, it has made us prime time from 6-11 [p.m.]," said Colby.

On the supply side for Paramount, which is estimated to have budgeted $1.5 million per episode on production of Deep Space Nine, it remains to be seen whether the series will surpass the reported $100 million-plus in ad revenues Next Generation earns on the front end annually (not including cash revenues from the back-end repeats).

Although he declined to comment on the revenues for either series, Paramount syndication President Steve Goldman ventured to say that if an hour is going to "break through" an 8 rating in syndication, a studio has to invest more than $800,000 per episode to reach a profit position on the front end. "Unless you are prepared to eat a deficit without the back end presold, the hour syndication business is not as easy as some people think. We preempted the market because we have the back end presold (for both Star Treks), so other studios would be hard pressed to find shelf space on other stations for new hours. Our philosophy is to go with brand awareness when taking a new product into the marketplace."

Brand awareness was indeed a primary consideration in Paramount's decision to similarly budget The Untouchables, a revived first-run series that makes its two-hour premiere nationally this week. Both Goldman and Mellon were cautious on projecting The Untouchables' debut ratings. "The Untouchables may not have the built-in heat of the Star Treks, but people are thirsting for high-quality hours, not only one that highlights action but also one that stresses strong writing and characters," Goldman said. "I'm confident that we'll have an hour that is comparable or surpasses the ratings and quality of some of the hours on the networks."

ZODIAC PLANS 'ANIMAL POWER'

By Steve McClellan

Taking a cue from its own moniker, Zodiac Entertainment is developing what company executives and investors hope will become its franchise kids show for the 1990's—a program based on the animals in the Chinese zodiac (year of the dragon, horse, etc.) called Power Animals.

The show will launch as a weekly in 1994, with plans to go to strip in 1995. And according to Peter Keefe, Zodiac's program creator and director of production and strategic planning, the company will lay the groundwork for publishing and merchandising tie-ins during the coming year, a key goal being to get upfront advertising commitments from toy manufacturers and others.

And if the show performs as its producers hope, Keefe says Zodiac plans to offer Power Animals in year two on a cash-plus-barter basis. Zodiac's strategy is based on projections that the broadcast economy will have rebounded by 1995 and that stations will want to retain as much advertising time as they can.

"If they can do it cash-plus, that would be a good thing," offered one television programer. "Right now, 95% of all animation is for straight barter, and stations are conditioned to acquiring it that way. One reason is that advertising demand for kids product has been skewed to the fourth-quarter holiday season, with less demand in other quarters. But clearly the kids business continues to grow, and it's somewhat less cyclical now than it has been historically."

The plan to strip the show in year two follows the path Zodiac has taken with animated shows Widget and Mr. Bogus. The latter is going into year three next fall as a strip after two seasons as a weekly. Widget, now in its third season (second as a strip), has completed first-run production and will be paired in a weekly hour block with a new offering for fall 1993, Twinkle, the Dream Being.

"It's really not a question of whether we'll go to strip in year two," said Keefe, assuming it generates a decent rating. "The issue is really time periods. If we deliver a quality product, have licensing arrangements in place and have letters of interest from toy companies, retailers and others expressing support, we should be able to leap-frog to the head of the line of distributors angling for the top time periods, he says.

Like previous efforts, Zodiac's latest is a joint venture with two Korean companies—broadcaster KBS and Sei Young, the animation house. Calico Entertainment, Northridge, Calif., will do the original animation and Sei Young will do the ink-to-film work. According to Keefe, the project may take on other partners.
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MCA IS NEWEST ON KID BLOCK

‘Exosquad’ is first of planned kids offerings

By Steve McClellan

MCA’s new first-run animated cartoon, Exosquad, is the first show of a planned first-run kids block to be supplied by MCA Family Entertainment and distributed by MCA TV. Exosquad is the first first-run animation project from the two-year-old Universal Cartoon Studios, a division of MCA Family Entertainment, which is run by Jeff Segal.

According to Segal, Exosquad will be followed by a cartoon version of Beethoven, the Ivan Reitman-directed theatrical with Charles Grodin and the title character, a Saint Bernard. Segal said the plan was to develop both a network Saturday version of the cartoon and a first-run strip version.

Segal said Beethoven was targeted for 1994, coinciding with the release of the theatrical sequel, currently in production. “It’s getting pretty crowded in syndication,” Segal said of the amount of kids fare currently in the market. “To start, we’ll shoot for mornings” with the cartoon block.

“We think we have a good shot at being a major player in first-run,” said Segal. “Our tie to MCA gives us a leg up because so many of the company’s divisions are major advertisers in the TV spot markets, including the movie and music division, and also companies linked to our parent [ Matsushita], such as Panasonic. So if we can bring ad commitments to stations along with strong programs, that could be a real advantage.”

In addition to animated programs, MCA Family Entertainment is developing live action kids programming. Segal reports that his division is supplying a pilot, the pre-production channel, with a soon-to-be-announced kid-targeted sitcom. The company is also in negotiations with NBC about a possible Saved by the Bell-type series for the network’s teen-targeted Saturday lineup for 1993-94.

Also in development for NBC is a “family TV movie” slated for later this year that would be produced in association with actor Michael J. Fox’s Snowback Productions.

Leno at 10?

Yes, that was Jim Waterbury, president and general manager, KWWL(TV) Waterloo, Iowa, and chairman of the NBC affiliates advisory board, whom some viewers saw repeatedly over the New Year’s weekend on CNN. An interview with Waterbury made its way into the long weekend story rotation regarding the network’s Leno-Letterman dilemma. The interview dealt with Waterbury’s suggestion that NBC consider stripping Leno and The Tonight Show at 10 p.m. and using Late Night with David Letterman at 11:30 p.m. to avoid losing either talent. According to Waterbury, CNN contacted him after learning of a note he dropped to NBC Television President Pier Mapes wondering if the network had considered such an alternative. “It was really just a suggestion given in the spirit that all options ought to be considered,” said Waterbury. He noted that NBC had considered moving Carson to prime time in the early 1980’s, the last time the network was mired in third place.

‘Empty Nest’ hatches spinoff

Word in Hollywood is that Witt-Thomas-Harris Productions (WTH) is developing a fall 1993 series spinoff for Park Overall, which plays Laverne the nurse in the WTH series Empty Nest for NBC. The spinoff is in the early phase of its exclusive series development deal with The Walt Disney Co.’s Touchstone Television division, WTH is fulfilling a long-expressed desire by Disney and NBC executives to develop a series revolving around Overall’s popular Southern-accented character. Last season, WTH introduced spinoff Nurses as a Saturday 8:30 p.m. lead-out from Empty Nest. Both are relative bright spots in NBC’s prime time lineup. If the Overall project comes to fruition, it would mean the departure of two of the show’s stars in as many seasons. Earlier this season, Kristy McNichol left for treatment of a manic-depressive condition. No word yet on her return.

Kinder, gentler Stern?

Howard Stern has at least one faithful listener in Washington: FCC Commissioner James H. Quello, whose disapproval of Stern is a matter of record (and record time). Commissioner Quello says he listens every day to make sure nothing goes awry. He thinks Stern’s act has been cleaned up appreciably since the FCC’s crackdown.

Grove makes first-run push

Dallas-based distributor Grove Television Enterprises, which is targeting its half-hour reality weekly, Firefighters, for premiere the week of Jan. 18, is stepping into first-run syndication in a big way with three more series. Grove is teaming up with dick clark productions and Binder-Steinberg Productions to distribute Heartline, an interactive late-night dating show where singles can submit “video greeting cards” and home viewers call an 800 phone number to make a date. Bob Goen (formerly host of the network version of Wheel of Fortune) and Amina Fakir are co-hosts of the April 1993 hour strip, offered on a seven-minute local/five-minute national barter basis. GTE has also teamed with Prevention magazine on a half-hour reality strip, Prevention. Produced by Lifetime Medical, Mike Jerrick and Heidi Bohay host the fall 1993 strip, being sold on a four-minute local/three-minute national barter split. Grove is also looking to enter the kids arena with The Land of I, a half-hour live-action puppet show produced by TLC Productions and offered on a three-and-a-half/two-and-a-half barter basis for fall 1993.

More first-run firsts

Thunderbird Productions, a Reston, Va.-based distributor, is launching three fall 1993 strips from its first visit to the NATPE convention in San Francisco (Jan. 24-28). First off is 22507, a first-run half-hour sitcom strip set in Laguna Beach, Calif. Then there is Honeymoon, a hybrid soap/game show where viewers can send in a form (printed in TV Guide advertising inserts) to win a honeymoon in Jamaica. Finally, there is the more mainstream School’s Out, a teenage “battle of the stars” taped in Florida.
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"TONIGHT’S” BEEN
Arsenio storms ahead

The Sierra snowpack, the principal source of water for Southern California, is about doubled up over the past two weeks. In the Siskiyou and High Sierra, the lake level has risen significantly. The rain should start falling here this morning with the arrival of a moist air mass.
But the snow also brought tragedy. Last week, a 20-year-old man died in Maryland, as when a 20-year-old man dies in Maryland, you can usually expect politics to rear its head. But... what's happening here? The Shreveport riot is not to the north when the rain begins falling here from the tropical storm sometime this morning.

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The Arctic storm will still be well to the north when the rain begins falling here from the tropical storm sometime this morning.

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WRC-TV in Washington, D.C. will make the move next September.

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ber, while WLWT in Cincinnati will act on Monday.

Among the other stations that have replaced “Bet” with “Copy” in the last four weeks are WCBS-TV, New York; KDFW, Dallas and WCPX, Orlando.

—Daily Variety, January 4, 1993
PUBLIC TV FINDS OPPORTUNITIES IN CABLE

PBS develops services for non-broadcast distribution; local stations program channels

By Rich Brown

A s cable operators look ahead to compression and the need to program 500 or so channels, one source for new programing could turn out to be public television. The Public Broadcasting Service is developing new channels for possible distribution on the nation’s cable systems, and there are a growing number of local cable channels produced by local public television stations.

“When you have access to 500 cable channels, we see that as an opportunity,” says Peter Downey, senior vice president, program business affairs, PBS. “As the distribution barriers melt away, it’s a tremendous way for us to expand and provide multiple services.”

On a national level, PBS is developing services for non-broadcast distribution for rollout within the next one to three years. Among the frontrunners is a channel aimed at preschoolers, “Ready to Learn,” which Downey said would probably be best suited for cable distribution. He said even more specialized PBS services, such as a planned math channel aimed at professionals, might have potential as a channel in a 500-channel environment.

And yet to be determined is what will become of the relationship between public TV and Discovery Communications, which had earlier forged an alliance to explore development of new program services. As both sides develop new channels of their own—Discovery’s Learning Channel is looking to spin off a preschool programing block, “Ready, Set, Learn”—the relationship is now being described by both sides as “dormant.”

Meanwhile, upward of two dozen public TV stations around the country have developed local cable channels in their markets. Downey says that number is expected to grow as many local stations, looking to find additional outlets for their programing libraries, begin to program local cable channels at a cost far lower than the expense of building additional transmitters.

The cost of operating a second channel is manageable, says Byron Knight, station manager of WHA-TV Madison, Wis., which has operated a second channel, Cable Channel 3, for about 12 years. Operating costs run less than $50,000 per year, he says. WHA-TV, owned by the University of Wisconsin, uses the cable channel as an alternative to the over-the-air schedule and features primarily how-to, foreign-language and adult-education courses produced inexpensively at the university’s Madison campus.

KL RU-T V Austin, Tex., a public station that has been running a separate cable channel for five years, has managed to keep operating costs down through automation, says Maria Rodriguez, vice president of broadcasting. She said the only problem in operating the additional service, at least initially, was finding the programs to fill the second-channel’s schedule.

“The first year was very difficult,” says Rodriguez. “Since that time, we have more programing than we have broadcast time for.”

KL RU and the cable channel share about 30% of their programing through time-shifted schedules, much of which comes from the Public Broadcasting Service and other public TV program sources. The broadcast channel focuses on programing for students K-12, while the cable channel allows the programer to offer shows centering on early childhood and early childcare. Both channels program from 6:30 a.m. to midnight.

A number of public stations involved in programing cable channels have found their local operators to be supportive and receptive to the additional channels. “I think the local cable company is interested in having a channel for the public good,” says Beth Miller, who oversees programing for the cable channel run by WHA-TV.
CABLE WAITS TO SEE WHERE SALHANY TAKES FOX

Promised FoxPlex multiplex service, to have been in testing last year, still in the works

By Rich Brown

In the wake of Lucie Salhany’s appointment last week as chairman of Fox Broadcasting Co. (see “Top of the Week”), it was not immediately clear what changes, if any, would be made in the company’s cable initiatives. But some industry onlookers said the appointment could bode well for the company’s ongoing development of new cable networks.

Fox’s reputation as a cable-friendly broadcaster so far has led to the successful launch of Fox Net, which in less than two years has enabled the company to reach via cable more than 1½ million homes not covered by Fox broadcast outlets. But the company has suffered delays in other cable initiatives, including its proposed launch of a new basic cable network or network and its plans to multiplex Fox programming in selected markets via cable, a project called FoxPlex.

FoxPlex, a plan unveiled by Fox at the Western Cable Show in late 1991, was to have kicked off in test markets last year. But the plan, which would offer a time-shifted version of the local Fox channel via cable, has been delayed.

It is believed that at least one snag in the FoxPlex plan could be in trying to convince syndicators and producers to allow for a second run in a market at no additional cost, says Skip Simms, general manager of WEVV-TV, Evansville, Ind., one of the Fox stations that expressed an early interest in the FoxPlex plan.

“I imagine in typical Fox fashion they were quick to share things, and the next thing they knew it was public without all the details worked out,” Simms says of the FoxPlex plan.

Preston Padden, Fox senior vice president, affiliates, says that FoxPlex plans have not even advanced to the point of discussions with syndicators and producers. He adds that Fox still thinks the concept makes sense.

In other cable developments, some industry onlookers said Salhany’s appointment could bode well for Fox’s development of new cable networks, since Larry Jones, the Fox executive in charge of that development, reported directly to Salhany in her previous role as chairman of Twentieth TV.

Despite the speculation, Padden said last week it was too early to discuss the company’s planned cable initiatives under Salhany’s tutelage.

“We’re still trying to introduce her to people at the company,” he joked.

FORTH-QUARTER RATINGS: 1992 VS. 1991

ESPN’s fourth-quarter sports lineup took top honors among basic cable networks in prime time for the final quarter of 1992 with a 2.3 rating, reaching 1,413,000 households nationally. Following closely behind at 2.2 were USA (1,353,000 homes) and Superstation WTBS-TV Atlanta (1,328,000).

USA’s high fourth-quarter numbers helped the network also score as the highest-rated basic cable network of the year in prime time with a 2.3 rating, representing an average 1,350,000 homes in the time period (Monday-Sunday, 8 p.m.-11 p.m.). USA’s 1992 win marked its third consecutive year in the first-place position in prime time, and represented a 5% rise over its prime time numbers for 1991, when it finished with a 2.2 (tied with TBS).

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Empire Room
Donald V. West
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9:15-10:00 AM THE KEYNOTE HOUR:
A WAKE-UP CALL FOR THE 90'S
John C. Malone
Tele-Communications, Inc.

10:15-11:00 AM THE GREAT DEBATES REVISITED
MODERATOR
Donald V. West
Broadcasting
DEBATORS
Ave Buensky
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vs.
Robert H. Alter
Cabletelevision Advertising Bureau

11:00-NOON THE ADVERTISING AGENCY OUTLOOK
MODERATOR
Carolyn Wall
News America Holdings, Inc.
PANEL
Jerome H. Dominus
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Saatchi & Saatchi Advertising
Marvin Goldsmith
ABC Television Network
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1:00-2:00 PM NEWSMAKER LUNCHEON
Grand Ballroom
Broadcast Entertainment Network Heads

2:15-3:15 PM THE BIG, WIDE, WONDERFUL WORLD OF TV SYNDICATION
MODERATOR
G. William Ryan
Post-Newsweek Stations
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Steven Goldman
Paramount Television Distribution

3:15-4:15 PM CABLE: A KEY PLAYER IN THE MAJOR LEAGUES
MODERATOR
Rich Brown
Broadcasting Magazine
PANEL
Thomas F. Burchill
Lifetime Television
Winston H. Cox
Showtime Networks, Inc.
Tom Freston
MTV Networks
John S. Hendricks
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David Kenin
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4:15-5:15 PM THE SUMMARY AND THE VERDICT
The Honorable Ervin S. Duggan
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NEW ALL-NEWS MARCHES TO ITS OWN NEWSBEAT

Wall Street wizard Bloomberg uses New York AM station to reinforce company name

By Peter Viles

When New York’s WBBR-AM signed on last week as the city’s third all-news station, a brash entrepreneur named Michael Bloomberg took on two of radio’s news giants, Group W and CBS Radio.

Bloomberg also challenged conventional wisdom in radio that says a station specializing in business news cannot draw a big enough audience to make money. But, in a larger sense, Bloomberg was only pushing ahead with his core business, a booming financial information service distributed via computer terminals to nearly 23,000 customers around the world.

In fact, on the day Bloomberg’s WBBR was launched on the frequency long held by WNEW-AM, Bloomberg declared the station a financial success—even though every minute of commercial time in January has been given away for free to existing Bloomberg customers.

“If we never sold an ad, this would be a profitable venture for us,” Bloomberg said last Monday (Jan. 4). “It gives us great publicity. It helps us sell [computer] terminals.”

He added, “Basically we are a company that comes back to these machines that are on 22,500 desks around the world.”

Still, Bloomberg is known for his competitive nature, and he made it clear he intends to build a loyal following of listeners and advertisers to compete against WINS-AM and WCBS-AM, New York’s all-news leaders. His business theory, as quoted in a Forbes profile, is simple: “A new guy can do it better.”

“I don’t care what the competition does,” Bloomberg said. “I can promise you—I will not, from now on, listen to the other guys.”

Bloomberg spent $13.5 million to acquire WNEW-AM from Westwood One and Robert F.X. Sillerman, and spent another $500,000 building an entirely digital studio that is so computerized the station can be run at night from Bloomberg’s offices in London and Tokyo.

WBBR’s format surprised some observers, who expected more emphasis on business and financial news. Bloomberg’s 10-minute program blocks (see box) consist of 4½ minutes of non-business news, 4 minutes of business and financial news and 1½ minutes of commercials.

“There is not a big market for just financial news,” he said. “Take a look at the CNBC ratings.”

Bloomberg said WBBR, with an on-air slogan “News that matters to you,” will try to appeal to a broad cross-section of listeners, from government workers and tradesmen to bankers and investors. “Our audience is doers, if you will,” he said. For example, “Housewives, who, if you think of it, each run their own business.”

And, lest WBBR be lumped with other New York all-news outlets, Bloomberg said the station will pay considerably less attention to crime than other news outlets do. “If you want all crime all the time, this is not the station for you.”

Bloomberg said he plans to spend $2 million over the next two-and-a-half months in an advertising and promotion blitz that will include billboards, television and newspaper inserts.


In response, both WINS and WCBS have been stressing their business cov-
erage, but neither station has shown any signs of altering its format. "If they can enlarge the news audience and attract more people to the AM dial, so much the better for all of us," said Dan Griffin, general manager of WCBS-AM.

If nothing else, Bloomberg should get the radio industry’s attention through some of his unorthodox operating methods, which include:

- Giving the first month of commercial inventory away to existing Bloomberg clients, partly as a thank you for their support and partly to entice them to advertise on the station.
- Advertising salespeople are paid a straight salary, with no commission. Annual bonuses will be based not on the station’s performance but on Bloomberg’s sale of computer terminals.
- Bloomberg said he plans to publish a rate card and stick to it. And just so advertisers know the card is non-negotiable, he plans to print monthly statements for the entire station revealing the number of spots each advertiser took and the amount the station charged.
- Under no circumstances, he said, will any commercials be bumped.
- Although he staffed the station almost entirely with radio professionals, Bloomberg said he will not look to the industry for too much more help. "We’ve hired enough professionals to get us going," he said. "The danger of hiring people from the outside who quote, 'know what to do' is that you end up doing what your competitors are doing."

Bloomberg, who first made his mark on Wall Street by running the equity trading desk at Salomon Brothers Inc., has made a successful career out of taking on the big boys of financial communications. As founder and chief executive of Bloomberg L.P., he carved a niche in the market-data business by developing and marketing an elaborate computer and software network—the distinctive machines are known as “The Bloomberg”—that gives investors up-to-the-minute information.

And he has taken on financial news giants such as Reuters and Dow Jones by starting his own news service. Bloomberg Business News, which now has 150 reporters and editors, operates news bureaus in New York, Tokyo, London and Toronto, and has its stories printed in the New York Times on most days.

SPANISH KLAX-FM SURGES TO TOP IN L.A.

The fall Arbitron surveys showed Howard Stern holding the top spots in morning drive ratings on both coasts, while recently reformed KLAX-FM Los Angeles became the first Spanish-language station to win the L.A. Arbitron ratings battle.

Stern, whose run-ins with the FCC provided plenty of media coverage during the fall survey, drew an 8.5 share in New York (total week, persons 12-plus) and a 6.0 in Los Angeles, both tops in the market. In the Strategic AccuRatings survey in New York, Stern finished second among listeners 12-plus—trailing all-news WINS-AM—and first among listeners aged 25-54.

Among listeners 12-plus, urban-formatted WRKS-FM drew the top spot in both New York surveys—Arbitron and Strategic AccuRatings.

In Los Angeles, where Strategic did not survey, KLAX more than doubled its 12-plus share, from 2.0 to 5.3. The station, owned by Spanish Broadcasting System, switched call letters and format recently, adopting a Mexican/Ranchera format on Aug. 1 that drew almost immediate ratings increases.

“It’s a very pleasing surprise,” said Raul Alarcon Jr., president of SBS. “But it’s not totally unexpected. And I don’t think the station’s leveled off yet.”

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IRS SAYS DOLAN OWES ALMOST $500 MILLION

Cablevision chairman has gone to tax court to fight attempt to make him pay that amount in back taxes, penalties and interest for 1984, '86, '87, '88

By Harry A. Jessell

The Internal Revenue Service has slapped Cablevision System Chairman Charles Dolan with a demand for back taxes, penalties and interest that could approach half a billion dollars.

Dolan's IRS troubles emerged last week following his public petition challenging the tax collector's claims top to bottom in U.S. Tax Court.

According to the IRS's “notice of deficiency” delivered to Dolan last fall, he owes $179.9 million in back taxes and $53.9 million in penalties for the years 1984 and 1986-88—a total of $233.9 million. What's more, interest and penalties on the interest could easily double that amount.

No fraud is alleged. The IRS says Dolan's exposure is due to “negligence or intentional disregard of rules and regulations” in reporting income from cable system partnerships, asset sales and family trusts.

"It's pretty outrageous," said Bruce Haims, of Debevoise & Plimpton, who is representing Dolan. The IRS claims "do not bear any relationship to the facts," he said. "I've never seen anything like it."

In his tax court petition, Dolan accuses the IRS of "ascribing ownership of assets to Dolan that he never owned; alleging the receipt of income that never existed; valuing assets without any basis in reality; including income from the sale of the same assets more than once, and claiming that income was not reported when, in fact, the income was included in [Dolan's] tax returns."

Not only does the petition dispute the IRS's claim, it insists the IRS owes Dolan a refund of $1.4 million for 1987.

According to Haims, the IRS and Dolan have been trying to work out their differences for three or four years through the agency's internal private appeals processes. The IRS notice and subsequent court appeal signaled the failure of those efforts, he said.

Although the case is now in court, Haims said, a negotiated settlement is still possible. That is what happens in the "great majority of [tax court] cases," he said.

The IRS has made no allegations for 1985 or the years after 1988, Haims said. A statute of limitation blocks the IRS from going after Dolan for years prior to 1984.

Haims stressed that the IRS's action is directed at Dolan and his family only. It has "absolutely no effect" on the publicly traded (Amex) Cablevision Systems Corp., of which Dolan is chairman, he said.

Among the IRS’s claims:
- That interest Dolan received in cable partnerships was taxable income

DOLAN'S TAX BILL

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Note: The figures do not include annual interest on the unpaid taxes or penalties on the interest. Together they could double Dolan's liability.
that he failed to report. The IRS says the interest was compensation for "personal services...in connection with the formation, development and operation of various cable TV companies."

For instance, in 1984, a year in which Dolan reported a $13 million loss, the IRS says, he received taxable interests in several partnerships totaling $169.3 million.

- That Dolan failed to report his gains on certain assets. In 1986, the unreported gains amounted to $114.8 million.
- That Dolan received, but failed to report, taxable income from family trusts or earned the income and shifted it to the tax-exempt trusts. As a result, in 1986 alone, the IRS says, Dolan should have reported an additional $3.9 million.

Dolan’s 51-page court appeal takes on each of the IRS’s numerous allegations. In responding to the 1984 allegations, the petition sets out four different ways the IRS may have "erred" in insisting he earned $169.3 million in partnership interests in 1984.

NEW COMMERCE CHIEF SAYS HE’S ‘SUPPORTIVE’ OF S. 1200 GOALS

In testimony before Senate, Ronald Brown, while agreeing with intent of Gore telecommunications infrastructure bill, makes no comment on telco entry provision

By Randy Sukow

Commerce Department Secretary-designate Ronald Brown, appearing before the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee considering his confirmation, said he is "familiar with S. 1200," a bill introduced during the last Congress by Vice President-elect Albert Gore and Communications Subcommittee member Conrad Burns (R-Mont.) and "is fully supportive of the goals," including the creation of a telecommunications superhighway by 2015.

But Brown was careful to avoid comment on S. 1200's most controversial provision—repeal of the 1984 Cable Act’s prohibition on telephone company ownership of cable TV systems in their local telephone service areas as an incentive to complete construction of the new high-tech infrastructure by the Senate’s ambitious deadline.

Burns said he was satisfied with Brown’s response. "I think that’s wise on his part" not to tip his hand on the cable-telco crossownership issue at his confirmation hearing, Burns told BROADCASTING. He said he expects to soon take part in discussions between Congress and the administration on such controversial details involving the modernization of American communications lines.

In the meantime, Burns said he

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would unveil a new version of S. 1200, including cable-telco crossownership and expanded provisions dealing with construction of the new infrastructure, early in the new Congress—"First jump out of the box."

Brown endorsed the Clinton-Gore campaign statements on the need for an upgraded telecommunications infrastructure. "I will work with the FCC and other agencies to develop technical standards and telecommunications policies designed to promote the rapid development of a national telecommunications and information infrastructure," he said in reply to written questions presented to Brown by the committee before the hearing.

In response to a question from Communications Subcommittee Chairman Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) on his commitment to educational television, Brown said: "One of the reasons we want to build this telecommunications superhighway is to make sure that young people have access to information. If you can tap into a Nintendo game, you can tap into the Library of Congress."

Brown also said he would promote a more important role for the National Telecommunications and Information Administration as the chief adviser to the President on telecommunications matters. High-priority technologies NTIA will watch include "high-definition and digital television, digital audio broadcasting, personal communications services and wireless computer networks," he said. He also said he would work to find "unused or underused government spectrum" for application to new civilian wireless communications technologies.

In spite of some criticism by a few committee members about possible conflicts of interest arising out of Brown’s current positions—chairman of the Democratic National Committee and partner in the Washington law firm of Patton, Boggs & Blow—he is expected to easily win Senate confirmation. He is set to resign his DNC position and sever all ties to the law firm by Inauguration Day, Jan. 20.

Brown will not be required, however, to sever his association with Albimar Communications, owner of WKYS(FM) Washington, of which he is a partner and vice chairman of the board. "We have interparty agreements. He can’t sell his stock, so it has no liquid value whatsoever. He has never been a decision maker over here—never has been and never will be," said Albimar President Skip Finley, a member of the National Association of Broadcasters Radio Board.

Finley credits Brown’s wife, Alma, public affairs/public relations director at WKYS, for many of the station’s public affairs awards.

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RETRANS CONSENT FOES QUICK TO ACT IN CONGRESS

Two bills introduced in House to insure program producers get slice of pie

By Randy Sukow

House Judiciary Committee opponents of retransmission consent in the 1992 Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competitiveness Act wasted no time in resuming their attacks. On the first day of the new 103rd Congress (Tuesday, Jan. 5) two bills out of Judiciary’s Copyright Subcommittee were introduced to scuttle the provision broadcast lobbyists worked two years to enact during the last Congress.

Copyright Subcommittee Chairman William Hughes (D-N.J.) and ranking subcommittee minority member Carlos Moorhead (R-Calif.) introduced a measure (H.R. 12) to insure that TV program producers get a share of retransmission-consent revenues.

The Hughes-Moorhead bill would amend the United States Code dealing with copyright restrictions to read: "A television broadcast station is an infringer of copyright...if such station, without the express written consent of the copyright owner of a work broadcast by such station, authorizes the secondary transmission of such copyrighted work by a cable system or other multichannel video programming distributor."

Copyright chairman William Hughes

On the same day, fellow Copyright Subcommittee member Barney Frank (D-Mass.) introduced the "Cable Television Amendments Act," which seeks to repeal retransmission consent outright. Frank promised to introduce the bill during the end-of-the-year recess, calling retransmission consent "potentially very anti-consumer" because broadcasters "with their significant market strength, would demand unreasonably high payments from cable systems" and cable systems would pass the expense on to subscribers (BROADCASTING, Dec. 7, 1992).

Of the two bills, Frank’s appears to have the least chance of movement. Because it would simply strike the retransmission-consent amendment as enacted in 1992 out of the 1934 Communications Act, it would come under the jurisdiction of the Energy and Commerce Committee. In view of the solid support retransmission consent enjoyed in Energy and Commerce last year, committee action on the Frank bill this year is highly unlikely.

H.R. 12, however, has been referred to Judiciary, and Hughes will be free to start consideration of it in his Copyright Subcommittee at will. Hughes, in a written statement for the Congressional Record, promised early hearings and asked members who opposed retransmission consent last year to immediately sign on as cosponsors "so that we may quickly rectify what is a serious problem." A problem because, "put simply, broadcasters want to sell other people’s property," Hughes said.

Motion Picture Association of America President Jack Valenti, whose constituents are most likely to benefit from the Hughes-Moorhead bill, reacted cautiously to its introduction. MPAA was studying its potential "impact on the industry," he said last week. "Over the last two years the
industry has repeatedly voiced its concerns with retransmission consent. This bill may very well add to the debate and review taking place in the FCC and the courts," he said. (Five cable industry plaintiffs currently are pressing suits to strike down retransmission consent and other elements of the 1992 Cable Act in the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington.)

Retransmission-consent supporters did not give either bill high odds for enactment. NAB President Eddie Fritts noted that Congress enacted retransmission consent in some form three different times since 1927. "In each instance, Congress clearly recognized that provisions governing broadcast retransmission rights do not have any impact on provisions governing programmers' copyright interests," he said.

An Energy and Commerce aide doubted any widespread support for repeal of retransmission consent could be mustered out of any sector of the House.

### PROGRAMERS DISPUTE BROADCASTERS' RETRANSMISSION RIGHTS

**MPAA, Fox Tell FCC Retransmission Consent Interferes With Program License Agreements**

**By Joe Flint**

Whether the FCC likes it or not, it may end up deciding whether a programmer has a claim to any retransmission-consent money that a broadcaster gets from a cable system for signal carriage.

While CBS told the commission to "resist the temptation to intermingle copyright issues with the communications policy," it may not be that simple for the FCC, with programmers, broadcasters and cable operators appearing unable to come to an agreement on how to decide the issue of who gets paid what.

Group owner and syndicator Tribune Broadcasting Co. told the FCC to declare retransmission consent-type clauses in programing contracts void when it comes to a station's ability to exercise its statutory right to retransmission consent (which allows a broadcaster to negotiate a fee with a cable operator for signal carriage).

"The Cable Act speaks in terms of retransmission of a station's "signal," rather than retransmission of constituent elements of the signal such as individual programs.... Congress could have granted equivalent rights to those who own the programs themselves—copyright holders—but chose not to do so," Tribune said.

Tribune's views were echoed in comments to the commission by the broadcast networks and the National Association of Broadcasters, while the Motion Picture Association of America countered that retransmission consent is flawed and programmers have a legal right to any retransmission consent monies.

The comments are in response to the commission's notice of proposed rulemaking on how to best implement the must-carry and retransmission-consent statutes of the Cable Act. Tribune said allowing program license holders to block retransmission consent would frustrate congressional intent.

Last November, the FCC asked whether it is correct for the agency to interpret the retransmission consent provision as enabling broadcasters, in the absence of any express contractual agreement, to negotiate retransmission consent without the participation of copyright holders. The answer, Tribune said, is yes.

Even if there is a clause in a contract regarding rebroadcasts or retransmission, programmers should not be included in any FCC rulemaking, Tribune said. "Tribune can represent to the FCC that such provisions are standard 'boilerplate' in program licensing agreements throughout the television industry." Such terms, Tribune said, existed "well before the Cable Act was ever dreamed of."

That's not the way the MPAA and other programmers see it. "We have opposed retransmission consent because, in principle, it collides with typical TV program license agreements, which may specifically prohibit broadcasters from claiming or exercising retransmission consent authority with regard to cable and other media."

Filing separately from MPAA, Fox Inc. also said that "there can be no question that program suppliers continue to have the right to limit by contract the ability of stations to grant retransmission consent. Ironically, Fox's syndication arm—Twentieth Television—said late last year it would waive its right to any retransmission-consent money.

Syndicator, broadcaster, cable programmer/operator Viacom Inc. also sided with the studios and asked the FCC to require that a local station electing retransmission consent to "provide a cable system with a written certificate signed by the station stating that it has express authority from its video programmers to grant retransmission consent."

The National Cable Television Association and the nation's largest operator—Tele-Communications Inc.—also sided with broadcasters on this issue, saying that the commission should find that such contracts "may not restrict a broadcaster's right to grant retransmission consent."

MPAA and broadcasters also differ over whether retransmission consent collides with the compulsory copyright license, which allows cable operators to carry copyrighted material for a governmentally set fee. MPAA says yes; broadcasters, no.

Seeking an exemption from retransmission consent are the telcos that, through the United States Telephone Association, said they should be exempt from retransmission-consent payments.

With the cable industry challenging both must carry and retransmission consent in the courts, many operators reiterated those challenges in their comments but also asked the commission to set tight deadlines for television stations to decide whether to elect must carry or retransmission consent.

The NAB and Comcast Corp. said stations should have to choose one or the other 30 days from the commission's order in this proceeding. Cable operators are concerned about avoiding unnecessary copyright fees from carriage of a broadcast station for a portion of a copyright royalty reporting period.

Cable programmers also expressed concern that one of the unintended consequences of the Act would be that cable networks would be pre-empted because of must carry.
TELEVISION READIES FOR PRESIDENT CLINTON

Robotic and mobile cameras are just a few of the technological devices over-the-air and cable networks will use to cover the inauguration

By Randy Sukow

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V networks and the U.S. Government began making preparations for coverage of the 1993 Presidential Inaugural Ceremony in spring 1991. It is a difficult, complicated task involving several jurisdictions of the federal government and a number of tricky security issues.

As construction progressed last week on network headquarters on the inaugural parade route and camera stands at numerous sites between Capitol Hill and the White House, many of the final details had not yet been resolved.

A mobile camera in the presidential limo during the parade from Capitol Hill to the White House is one new wrinkle the networks may have this time, said Lane Venardos, vice president, hard news and special events, CBS News. “We were not allowed to do that in 1989. We’re waiting to see if we’ll be allowed to do it this time,” he said.

In spite of the complications, network producers and pool coverage coordinators say preparations for this inaugural have been comparatively smooth because most of the same people in both the networks and government who organized the 1989 inauguration coverage returned to their familiar roles. Pool responsibilities will match the 1989 assignments, with CNN coordinating the overall pool coverage, NBC manning pool cameras on Capitol Hill, CBS on the parade route and ABC at the White House.

“We’ve learned a little bit” about dealing with the myriad government agencies,” said CNN’s Bill Headline, who is handling the same position as overall network pool coordinator he manned for the 1981 and 1989 inaugurals. ABC, for example, took several hours in 1989 to set up its mobile units in Lafayette Park (across from the White House), a chore that should have taken 20 minutes, out of government concern to protect trees and shrubbery there. “We got together as early as last spring and started dealing with the various authorities” to find better sites, Headline said.

The television viewer may not notice subtle changes in the coverage of the traditional Washington ritual, which has changed little over 200 years—the administration of the oath of office at the West Front of the U.S. Capitol at approximately 11:45 a.m. on Jan. 20, followed by the delivery of the inaugural address; a procession through the Capitol building to the East Front, where President Clinton will bid farewell to a departing former President Bush; luncheon in the Capitol’s Statuary Hall; the parade down Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House, scheduled to start at approximately 2 p.m.

Pool TV cameras will follow every step, with each network planning to fill in with its own hand-held camera coverage at various spots throughout the afternoon.

In addition, some networks are planning expanded use of robotic and miniature-sized cameras, first used in 1989 inaugural coverage. “There are several locations that lend themselves to [robotic cameras] and we plan to take advantage of the opportunity,” said Jeff Grelnick, ABC executive producer, special events. ABC will use them in locations, such as the East Front roof of the Capitol building, where the Secret Service and other Washington police agencies prohibit manned cameras.

CBS correspondent Bob Schieffer will cover the swearing-in with a microminiature camera mounted on his head. Venardos said: “We did that during the conventions and it was great fun.... The ‘Bobcam,’ as he dubbed it, worked out very well.”

As they did in 1989, two networks—ABC and CNN—will base their anchors at their Washington bureaus rather than build temporary headquarters along the parade route. Updated matte and chroma-key equipment will provide the illusion that they are on site.

“In some instances [being on site] allows us to get certain guests,” said Bill Wheatley, executive producer for NBC’s coverage, which will be based on the roof of the Labor Department Building on Constitution Avenue. “Our people like to be on scene. We believe it adds to the electricity in the air.”

The Senate Radio and Television Gallery, which handles accreditation for Capitol Hill events, could not estimate how many radio and television personnel would be authorized, except to say it would be in the thousands, with each TV network, including Fox, PBS and C-SPAN, sending between 50 and 100 each. (CNN estimates that it will use 150 people to cover all sites.)

Perhaps the most noticeable difference in this inauguration’s coverage will be expanded coverage of inaugural balls and pre-inaugural events, including shows on cable entertainment networks. MTV, for example, is holding its own inaugural ball (airing at 10:11:30 p.m. ET on Jan. 20) as the culmination of its 1992 “Choose or Loose” campaign to get out the young-adult vote. The Clinton and Gore families have been invited to attend the party, which will feature a number of rock acts.
Former TV news reporter and freshman House member Marjorie Margolies-Mezvinsky (D-Pa.) was named to the House Telecommunications Subcommittee last Wednesday (Jan. 6) following a caucus of Democrats on the parent Energy and Commerce Committee. Before making her run for Congress last year, Margolies-Mezvinsky worked for NBC’s Today show and the network’s Washington O&O WRC-TV Washington.

As expected, Subcommittee Chairman Edward Markey (D-Mass.) was reappointed and Jack Fields (R-Tex.) was chosen to succeed Matthew Rinaldo (R-N.J.) as ranking minority member. In total, 22 members were chosen to sit on the subcommittee (14 Democrats, 8 Republicans), a reduction from 25 members during the last session. Other new members include: Paul Gillmor (R-Ohio), J. Dennis Hastert (R-Ill.), Alex McMillan (R-N.C.) and Lynn Schenk (D-Calif.).

Nickelodeon provided a platform for Washington lawmakers to promote “family issues” with its first-ever “Welcome to Washington Party” last Monday night (Jan. 4). House and Senate members, their wives and children were invited to the Capitol Hill event, which featured appearances from stars of Nickelodeon’s children’s programs. The congressional hosts of the party—Representatives Patricia Schroeder (D-Colo.) and Frank Wolf (R-Va.), chairwoman and ranking Republican on the House Committee on Children, Youth and Families, and Senators Jay Rockefeller (D-W.Va.) and Kit Bond (R-Mo.)—used the event to drum up support for several pieces of legislation, including the Family and Medical Leave Act (vetoed last year), health care reform and removal of the Bush administration’s “gag rule” regulation limiting information federally subsidized doctors can provide on abortions.

At the same time, Nickelodeon President Gerry Laybourne discussed the network’s plan to hold the “Kids World Council,” an annual meeting of children to discuss serious issues.

The Community Antenna Television Association has tapped longtime FCC attorney Bob Ungar for its newly created post of vice president and general counsel. CATA President Steve Effros said Ungar, who joined the association last Monday, will help in trying to shape the new cable rules flowing from the 1992 Cable Act. “The game has changed from debating this law to making it work,” Effros said. “Trying to make things work has been Bob’s specialty at the commission, and it will now benefit the cable business.”

Effros said he and Ungar worked together in writing the first set of cable rules in the early 1970’s. Most recently, he served as a legal adviser to Tom Stanley, chief of the FCC Office of Engineering and Technology.

Communications attorney Mickey Gardner is out from under a Resolution Trust Corp. suit, but it’s costing him $350,000. The RTC agreed to drop its suit alleging, among other things, Gardner had received excessive consulting fees from Charles Keating’s Lincoln Communications in connection with its purchase of Gulf Broadcasting Co. in 1984. Gardner’s settlement payment amounts to 17% of the $2.1 million in fees and interest RTC was trying to recover from Gardner. Other charges in the suit were dismissed with prejudice.

According to Gardner, he received $1.5 million from Keating for advice that led Lincoln to buy Gulf for $132 million and later sell it for a $50 million gain. “The uncontested evidence in the case demonstrated beyond dispute that the consulting fees which I received were entirely reasonable and proper.” Gardner said. It makes more sense to settle the case than to endure “another year or more of the RTC’s taxpayer-financed prosecution,” he said.

The co-author of the FCC report that concluded broadcasting is in an “irreversible” decline is on his way to Australia. Jonathan Levy, a senior staff economist in the Office of Plans and Policy, has won a USIA-funded Fulbright Scholarship to study U.S.-Australia trade in audiovisual products at the University of Technology in Sydney this summer. Along with fellow OPPer Florence Setzer, Levy wrote “Broadcast Television in a Multichannel Marketplace,” which painted a generally bleak picture of broadcasting’s future. Although it upset some broadcasters, it helped buttress FCC Chairman Alfred Sikes’s drive to loosen broadcast regulations.

As chairman of the United States Telecommunications Training Institute, Mickey Gardner presented a special certificate to USTTI’s 3,000th graduate, Cleo Monica Nombuleno Gobo of Cape Town, South Africa (above). Hoping to pursue a broadcasting career in South Africa, Gobo took training courses sponsored by WJBK-TV Detroit and Paramount Pictures. USTTI is now in its 11th year.

Washington may be getting a new media hub at 1320 19th St. N.W. The Association of Independent Television Stations is looking to relocate there in March, and they are not alone. Tele-Communications Inc. and Cox Communications have also leased space.
LIFETIME'S BURCHILL BUYS PETRY MAJORITY

Chairman of rep, David Allen, sells his stake, believed to be 60%-65%, to nine-year veteran of cable channel

By Sharon D. Moshavi

A fter trying to sell his majority stake in the firm for more than a year, Petry Inc. Chairman David Allen has found a buyer: Thomas Burchill, currently president and CEO of Hearst/ABC-Viacom Entertainment Services, which runs Lifetime Television.

Allen, 62, will remain chairman, effectively in a consultancy position, and Burchill will take on the newly created position of president and CEO. Burchill said Allen is key to insuring a smooth transition.

Petry would not release financial details, other than to say that Burchill now holds a majority equity stake in the company. He said he has backers in the deal who are providing capital but are not taking an equity position. He is believed to have bought Allen's 60% to 65% stake in the privately held company, and possibly some of the rest of the shares, which are controlled by senior management. Sources close to Burchill and Petry say the former is paying for just a small part of the equity personally; they say he is borrowing the bulk of the cash from Allen and will repay him from cash flow.

Petry's annual sales are believed to be about $750 million, with cash flow in the neighborhood of $6 million. The company's market value is estimated at $35 million to $40 million, say sources.

Burchill, who had been in his current position at Lifetime for nine years, has roots in the rep business. He worked at RKO and Blair, and in fact, he had worked at Petry for four years in the late 1960's as a radio sales manager.

Burchill's extensive cable experience should be a boon to Petry's client stations, since he "knows how to fight for a share of the audience. And he has programing expertise that will help our stations make the right choices," says Harry Stecker, executive vice president, director of client services at Petry. As for getting into the cable rep business, Burchill's pres-

Tom Burchill, with Lifetime for nine years, joins rep firm as majority shareholder.

 Television stations experienced 6% growth in local and spot advertising in 1992, according to the Television Bureau of Advertising's earliest estimates. But that figure is cut in half—to 3%—if political dollars are discounted, proving that normal advertising did not bounce back much in 1992.

Total local and spot dollars for 1992 came to about $10.8 billion. TVB is estimating that spot grew by 5%-7% and local 6%-8%; that includes political advertising, which accounted for $300 million. The organization's earliest projections, made when the presidential race was asleep and it appeared political advertising would be much more minimal, had been that both categories would grow about 3% to 5%. Excluding political ads, growth fell to the low end of that early prediction.

Despite the overall anemic growth for spot and local in 1992, several categories showed signs of life, and that bodes well for the start of 1993, says Harold Simpson, TVB's vice president, research. The key automotive category showed a significant comeback in 1992 (up 28% in spot and 18% in local through the first nine months of 1992). Other categories showing growth are sporting goods and toys. One area in which Simpson says the industry needs to see a surge is packaged goods advertising, which didn't bounce back in 1992.

A lot of attention is being paid to the first quarter, which could be a good indicator of the state of the advertising economy. "What happens in first quarter is key. It's the first quarter in a while without Olympics or political dollars," says Simpson.
ence "does not increase or decrease our interest" in getting into that field, says Stecker, who adds that Petry shares other rep firms' interest in expanding into cable and other businesses, while retaining broadcast as its core business.

Petry has already started that expansion, taking an equity stake in and repping station-client Hubbard Broadcasting's new DBS venture, set to launch in 1994. Chairman Stanley S. Hubbard says he is "delighted, pleased and happy" about Burchill taking over at Petry. Hubbard also thinks Allen will stay on in some capacity for some time. "I'm sure he'll be there for years. Dave doesn't want to tend to his garden yet."

Doug McCormick, group vice president at HAVES and executive vice president at Lifetime, is thought to be the leading candidate to replace Burchill at Lifetime. McCormick and David Moore, group vice president, HAVES, and president, Lifetime Healthcare Communications, are running the network until a successor is named. Moore is also said to be a candidate for the job, but there appears to be interest among some of Lifetime's owners in finding a woman to head the female-targeted channel.

Burchill, who said talks with Petry revived up in December, informed Lifetime's board of his decision to leave on Christmas Eve. Sources say the board released him from his contract.

ABRY TO BUY STAKE IN ITS ADVERTISERS

In an effort to create second revenue stream, group broadcaster wants to purchase equity in companies operating in markets where its stations are located

By Sharon D. Moshavi

In an attempt to find a second revenue stream for its TV stations, ABRY Communications is taking the unusual step of buying equity in its advertisers.

ABRY is looking for deals that utilize what its stations have to offer: advertising time. It wants to purchase equity in companies operating in the five markets where ABRY stations are, offering up a combination of cash and advertising inventory.

The TV group owner is in the process of buying equity stakes in a two-year-old venture called Discovery Zones—children's entertainment centers found in about 30 malls nationwide. Each is an individual franchise, and ABRY so far has taken equity (paying in both cash and ad time) in a Cincinnati franchise—its WSTR-TV is located there—and is negotiating for equity in franchises in two other markets where it has TV stations.

According to Andrew Banks, ABRY managing director, the company is looking to have three or four "substantial" equity ventures set up in each of its TV markets by the end of 1993. Ideal companies are those such as Discovery Zones—in a growth rather than maintenance mode and who need, but cannot afford, to advertise heavily. Some other businesses that ABRY has identified as potential equity partners include car dealerships, theme parks and real estate franchises.

The equity positions have two potentially significant benefits. First, they help get rid of underpriced or unsold inventory. Second, says Banks, they have no operational costs and so contribute directly to a station's bottom line. "If a station has cash flows of $8 million, and [an equity venture] can increase that by even $800,000 or so, that may not sound like very much, but think about the amount of revenue a station would need to raise in the course of its regular business to get that much money in cash flow. It would be a heck of a lot," says Banks.

The new direction for ABRY is necessitated by economics: the explosive growth in ad inventory due to cable television, says Banks. While he admits such equity ventures are unusual for TV stations, it makes sense, he says, because they do not take the focus away from the stations' core business of selling ad inventory, but rather take advantage of it.

Changing Hands

This week's tabulation of station and system sales ($250,000 and above)

WSHH-FM Lowell (Boston), Mass. □ Sold by Noble Broadcast Group to Granum Communications Inc. for $18.5 million. Seller is headed by John T. Lynch, and is purchasing KATZ-AM-FM St. Louis (see below). It is also licensee of five AM's and seven FM's. Buyer is headed by Herb McCord, and is also licensee of WBOS(FM) Boston, KXMB(AM)KCMU(FM) Dallas, and WMMO(AM) Orlando, Fla. WSSH-FM has AC format on 99.5 mhz with 32 kw and antenna 600 feet above average terrain.

KMST(TV) Monterey (Salinas), Calif. □ Sold by Retlaw Enterprises Inc. to Harron-Smith Television Partnership for $8.2 million. Seller is owned by Lilian B. Disney, Sharon Disney Lund and Diane Disney Miller, and owns five other TV's. Buyer is new company formed by Harron Television Corp., which has interests in three TV's, and Robert N. Smith, who has interests in 10 TV's. KMST is CBS affiliate on ch. 46 with 1,350 kw visual, 135 kw auroral and antenna 2,530 feet. Broker: Kalil & Co.

KSSR-FM San Antonio, Tex. □ Sold by Genesis Broadcasting Inc. to Tichnor Media System Inc. for $3.8 million cash plus assumption of liabilities. Seller is subsidiary of Booth American Co., headed by John L. Booth, and is licensee of seven AM's and 12 FM's. Buyer is headed by McHenry Tichnor, and is also licensee of six AM's and six FM's. KSSR-FM has AC format on 92.9 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 1,016 feet. Broker: Star Media Group Inc.

WIMZ-AM-FM Knoxville, Tenn. □

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Sold by Stoner Broadcasting System Inc. to South Central Communications Corp. for $3.5 million. Seller is headed by Thomas Stoner, and recently purchased WONE(AM)-WTUE(FM) Dayton, Ohio, for $7.7 million (“Changing Hands,” Oct. 12, 1992). It is also licensee of three AM’s and six TV’s. Buyer is headed by John D. Engelbrecht, who has interests in licensees of one AM, three FM’s and one TV. WIMZ(AM) is fulltimer with AOR format on 1240 khz with 1 kw. WIMZ-FM has AOR format on 103.5 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 1,723 feet. Broker: Blackburn & Co.

KDRV(TV) Medford, Ore. Sold by Sunshine Television Inc. to Soda Mountain Broadcasting Inc. for $4.1 million. Assignment includes satellite KDRK(TV) Klamath Falls (Medford), Ore. Seller is headed by John F. Hash, and is 100% owned by Love Broadcasting Co., which owns licensee of WLOX-TV Biloxi, Miss. Buyer is headed by Carolyn S. Chambers, and is subsidiary of Chambers Communications Corp., which owns licensee of KEZI(TV) Eugene, Ore. KDRV is ABC affiliate on ch. 12 with 190.5 kw visual, 331 kw audio, and antenna 2,701 feet. WGBI-FM Scranton, Pa. Sold by Megarree Co. to Lackazerne Inc. for $3 million. Seller is headed by Marcella Megarree Belchcomb and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is headed by Kerby Confer, who is 100% stockholder of Keymarket Communications, which recently sold WNNK-FM Harrisburg, Pa. (see “For the Record,” p. 77) and WDDC(FM) Williamsburg, Va.; it recently purchased WZLB(AM)-WFRG-FM Rome, N.Y. It is also licensee of three AM’s and four FM’s. WGBI(AM) has AC format on 910 khz with 1 kw day and 500 w night. WGBI-FM has top-40 format on 101.3 mhz with 7 kw and antenna 1,110 feet.

KHF-FM Georgetown (Austin), Tex. Sold by Rusk Limited Partnership to Clear Channel Communications for $3.5 million. Seller is headed by Jesse H. Jones II and John C. Jones, and has interests in KTRH(AM)-KLOL(FM) Houston and KSMG(FM) San Antonio, all Texas. Buyer is headed by L. Lowrey Mays, and is licensee of 11 AM’s, 12 FM’s and seven TV’s. KHF-FM has CHR format on 96.7 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 951 feet. Broker: Media Venture Partners.

KATZ-AM-FM St. Louis Sold by Inter Urban Broadcasting of St. Louis Inc. to Noble Broadcast of St. Louis Inc. for $2.75 million. Seller is headed by Thomas P. Lewis and James J. Hutchinson Jr. and also owns one AM and two FM’s. Buyer is headed by John T. Lynch, and is selling WSHH-FM Boston (see above). KATZ(AM) is fulltimer with R&B, Motown format on 1600 khz with 5 kw. KATZ-FM has AC format on 100.3 mhz with 50 kw and antenna 495 feet. Broker: Blackburn & Co.

WCAW(AM)-WWAF(FM) Charleston, W.Va. Sold by Franklin Communications Partners Ltd. to West Virginia Radio Corp. of Charleston for $1.6 million. Seller also owns WKSU-AM-FM Mobile, Ala., WRKA(FM) Louisville, Ky., and Alabama Radio Network. Buyer also owns two AM’s, two FM’s, Metronews Radio network and daily newspaper in Morgantown, W.Va. WCAW has country format on 680 khz with 50 kw day, 250 w night. WWAF has AC format on 99.9 mhz with 50 kw and antenna 490 feet. Broker: Blackburn & Co.

KAKI(AM) Benton (Little Rock), Ark. Sold by Bridges Broadcasting Service to Southern Skies Corp. for $1.125 million. Seller is headed by Preston Bridges and also owns KGKO(AM) Benton, Ark. Buyer is headed by Jerry Aitchey and also owns one AM and two FM’s. KAKI has MOR format on 107.1 mhz with 2.5 kw and antenna 331 feet.

WMME-AM-FM Augusta, Maine
VS&A COMMUNICATIONS PARTNERS L.P. has decided not to appeal a recent court decision that ended its $70.2 million attempt to buy from Palmer Communications WHO-AM-TV and KLYF-FM, all Des Moines, and KFOR-TV Oklahoma City. VS&A had asked the court to force Palmer to resume negotiations toward a definite contract. Those negotiations had fallen apart last April. But the chancellor in New Castle (Delaware) County Court decided that although both parties had agreed to some material terms, they had not agreed to bind themselves to those terms. The agreement letter between Palmer and VS&A, Chancellor Allen wrote, did not require Palmer to give up its "right as a property owner to change its mind concerning the disposition of its property prior to the time if agrees to bind itself legally to a sale." Bill Ryan, president and chief executive officer, Palmer Communications, said the stations have shown improved performance and the company now has no intention of selling them.

Sold by Tri-Group Inc. to Pilot Communications of Augusta Inc. for $950,000. **Seller** is headed by Michael G. Ferrel and has no other broadcast interests. **Buyer** is headed by James L. Leven, who also owns WAQX-FM Manlius, N.Y. WMME(AM) is fulltimer with CHR format on 1400 kHz with 1 kw. WMME-FM has CHR format on 92.3 mhz with 50 kw and antenna 500 feet above average terrain. **Broker: Media Services Group.**

WMMQ(FM) Charlotte, Mich. **Sold** by Ottaway Communications Inc. to Goodrich Broadcasting Inc. for $900,000. **Seller** is headed by Robert F. Ottaway and has no other broadcast interests. **Buyer** is headed by Robert F. Goodrich, and currently has attributable interest in station through time brokerage agreement (see WMRR(FM) Muskegon Heights, Mich., below). WMMQ has classic rock format on 92.7 mhz with 1.5 kw and ant. 466 ft.

KHAR(AM)-KBRR(FM) Anchorage **Sold** by Sourdough Broadcasters Inc. to Alaska Broadcast Communications for $800,000. **Seller** is headed by Patricia Harpel and has no other broadcast interests. **Buyer** is headed by Roy Paschal and also owns three AM's and four FM's in Alaska. KPAR is fulltimer with MOR format on 590 kHz with 5 kw. KBBR has AC format on 104.1 mhz with 55 kw and antenna 61 feet above average terrain. **Broker: American Radio Brokers Inc., SF.**

WVMX(FM) Stowe, VT **Sold** by Sage Broadcasting Corporation of Vermont to Vermont Communications Systems Inc. for $750,000. **Seller** is subsidiary of SBC Technologies, which is licensee of one AM and one FM. **Buyer** is headed by Ronald L. Shaffer, and recently purchased KRKY(AM)-KRKM(FM) Granby-Kremmling, Colo. (see "Changing Hands," Jan. 4). It is subsidiary of American Broadcasting Systems, licensee of two AM's and two FM's. WVMX has AC, CHR format on 101.7 mhz with 43 w and ant. 2,653 ft.

WCNA(AM) Clearwater, S.C. **Sold** by Wafar Communications Inc. to GHB of Clearwater Inc. for $750,000. **Seller** is headed by Wayne P. Farmer, and has no other broadcast interests. **Buyer** is headed by George H. Buck Jr., who recently sold WTOO(AM) Asheville, N.C. ("Changing Hands," Sept. 7, 1992). He is also licensee of 13 AM's and two FM's. WCNA has beautiful music format on 98.3 mhz with 2.8 kw and antenna 484 feet. **Broker: Michael J. Bergner**

KGAL-FM Brownsville, Ore. **CP sold** by Eads Broadcasting Corp. to C & C Broadcasting Inc. for $725,000. **Seller** is headed by Richard B. Eads, and is also licensee of KSHO(AM) Lebanon, Ore. **Buyer** is headed by Charles Chackel, who has 35% interest in Combined Communications Corp., licensee of KUGN-AM-FM Eugene, Ore. KGAL-FM has oldies format on 102.3 mhz with 6 kw and antenna 961 feet. **Broker: American Radio Brokers Inc., SF.**

WMRR(FM) Muskegon Heights, Mich. **CP sold** by Pathfinder Communications Corp. to Goodrich Broadcasting Inc. for $625,000. **Seller** is headed by John F. Dille III, and is also licensee of six AM's and five FM's. **Buyer** is headed by Robert E. Goodrich, and has attributable interests in station as well as in WMMQ(FM) Charlotte, Mich. (see above). It recently sold WUBU(FM) South Bend, Ind. ("Changing Hands," Nov. 30, 1992). It is also licensee of three AM's and four FM's. WMRR has easy listening format on 101.7 mhz with 3 kw and ant. 300 feet.

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COMMERCCE CLEARS VC-RS EXPORT IN TIME FOR SBCA

San Diego conference will emphasize international market, but digital transmission and high-power DBS may vie for attention

By Peter Lambert

The U.S. Commerce Department cleared the way last week for the sale of VideoCipher-RS encryption hardware to home satellite equipment distributors outside the U.S., just in time for the Satellite Broadcasting and Communications Association (SBCA) Winter Show, Jan. 14-16 in San Diego—an event with a decidedly international theme this year.

Armed with an export classification number to sell a special version of its VC-RS descrambler, General Instrument Corp.’s VideoCipher Division is negotiating sales to a subsidiary of Grupo Televisa in Mexico.

The SBCA’s all-day international conference Wednesday, Jan. 13, will open with a panel titled, “How U.S. Programers Operate in International Markets,” featuring executives from HBO, ESPN, Turner Broadcasting, GI and the Motion Picture Export Association of America. Ira Goldman, manager of California’s overseas trade and investment programs, will keynote the day. Speakers from Brazil, Canada and Mexico will also be featured.

Likely to address international expansion, signal security and the coming transition to digital transmission, Home Box Office Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Michael Fuchs will deliver the keynote address to the SBCA Jan. 14.

With HBO, Viacom Networks and Tele-Communications Inc. all purchasing satellite digital video compression hardware this year, “it will be hard not to focus on compression,” says Hewitt. “C-band will eventually go digital, and our members want to know how and when.”

GI and others may debut new hybrid analog/digital receivers able to serve home disk subscribers through a transition that already includes both kinds of signals in the sky.

High-power direct broadcast may also make a splash, with pressure rising during last week’s Consumer Electronics Show on Hughes Communications’ DirecTv to announce deals with cable programers.

On the current analog front, SBCA President Chuck Hewitt says many had feared the conversion to VC-RS (renewable security via replaceable smart cards) would blunt satellite equipment sales. To the contrary, he says, while cable programers were shutting off the pirated VC-II data stream beginning last October, the industry sustained the best autumn in five years, selling nearly 40,000 systems per month (up from the mid-20,000’s).

SBCA preregistration, at more than 1,400 last week, was up from sub-1,000 levels the past several years. And 406 exhibitors is down by only 10 from last year’s show.

Meanwhile, Titan Satellite Systems Corp., with supporting comments from home dish programer PrimeTime 24, has urged the FCC to support competitive provision of VideoCipher-based equipment. Commenting in response to a general FCC inquiry (BROADCASTING, Jan. 4), Titan charges GI “has threatened programers...that it will terminate their software maintenance and licensing agreements” if they add Titan authorization keys. Titan also charges GI has blocked its access to horizontal blanking interval capacity to deliver Titan authorization data. PrimeTime 24 questioned GI’s ability to keep up with consumer demand by itself.

RADIO BROADCAST DATA DEBUTS AT CES

Manufacturers demonstrate digital display, format-scan receivers to become available by summer, as more than 40 stations implement RBDS standard

By Peter Lambert

Radio manufacturers and broadcasters teamed to make the nation’s new radio broadcast data system (RBDS) standard a top story at the 1993 Winter Consumer Electronics Show Jan. 7-10 in Las Vegas.

Nine radio makers demonstrated new RBDS receivers to become available in mid-1993. Each has an eight-character digital display for radio station identification, program, emergency alert, paging and other information delivered by broadcasters. Critical to broadcasters, the RBDS radios allow listeners to search signals according to format. Regularly downloaded AM and FM station formats are stored in the receivers.

“At a time when many broadcasters are looking to expand their revenue base, this technology will help usher in a new world of data broadcasting,” said NAB Executive Vice President John Abel. “Perhaps most important, all AM and FM stations will enjoy the call sign and format display features.”
As of Jan. 7, 42 FM broadcasters across the nation had become "RBDS stations," said the Electronic Industries Association. They include five in Detroit, three in Philadelphia, two in Chicago, New Orleans and San Diego and one each in New York and Long Beach, Calif. Ten Las Vegas FM's broadcast messages during CES.

So far, 22 formats have been incorporated into the standard; seven format slots remain open. The formats agreed upon by broadcasters and manufacturers—through the National Radio Systems Committee (manned by EIA and National Association of Broadcasters members): (1) news, (2) information, (3) sports, (4) talk, (5) rock, (6) classic rock, (7) adult hits, (8) soft rock, (9) top 40, (10) country, (11) oldies, (12) soft, (13) nostalgia, (14) jazz, (15) classical, (16) R&B, (17) soft R&B, (18) language, (19) religious music, (20) religious talk, (21) personality and (22) public.

Manufacturers exhibiting RBDS receivers were Axcess USA Corp., Blaupunkt, Delco Electronics, Denon America, Grundig, Kenwood USA, Onkyo USA, Philips Car Systems and Sony Corp. of America.

**PANAMSAT AND TELEVISA TIE KNOT**

PanAmSat and Mexico's Televisa S.A. de C.V. finalized formation of PanAmSat Limited Partnership, following FCC approval of the deal. That expedited approval came over objections from Orion Satellite Corp. With backing from British Aerospace, Orion plans to start its own international separate satellite system in the mid-1990's.

Televisa's $200 million investment will give it a 50% senior equity position in PanAmSat LP, though the FCC says it is satisfied PanAmSat founder Rene Anselmo will remain managing general partner.

PanAmSat President Frederick Landman says the company will probably need no further equity to launch Ku-band satellites into the Pacific, Atlantic and Indian Ocean regions by early 1995. While Televisa's investment will go to satellite construction, contracts with Hughes Aircraft allow for payments over the 15-year life of each bird. Favorable export financing with Paris-based launcher Arianespace also lessens the need for upfront cash.

Landman expects broadcasters will continue to make up about 70% of PanAmSat's clientele. Currently NHK, Fuji TV, Turner Broadcasting System, ESPN, CBS, the BBC and other networks use PAS-1 to move television product in and out of Europe. He hopes programmers now scattered across several domestic and regional spacecraft in the Pacific will aggregate on PAS-2, allowing the use of a single, small downlink across the region.

The FCC rejected Orion's argument that Televisa principal Emilio Azarraga—through his investment in the partnership, through his "past personal and financial dealings" with Anselmo and as a user of PanAmSat—would surreptitiously control the satellite operation. —PDL

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**Feb. 24-26**—Texas Cable Show sponsored by Texas Cable TV Association. San Antonio Convention Center, San Antonio. Information: (612) 474-2032.


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Advertising deadline: January 20, 1993
Issue date: February 1993
SOUNDING OFF ON STERN

EDITOR: As the first broadcaster to go on the record in opposition to the "Stern" style of radio (in 1985), I've followed with amusement and revulsion subsequent developments. My first skirmish with Howard Stern, when he occupied the afternoon drive outhouse at WNBC(AM) New York, was via an on-air editorial denunciation. This resulted in a half-hour "confrontation" via telephone broadcast live on his show. Although my lady objected to the fact that "Stern" repeatedly mispronounced my name "Bird Dick," this encounter opened my ears to the fact that "Stern" the radio persona and Stern the man are quite different entities. Regrettably, the former now appears to have taken control of the latter. I wish Stern, a brilliant humorist and satirist, had chosen a different mode of expression, but to use the cliche, he's laughed all the way to the bank. That I can and do forgive and accept.

But I will not accept, condone or forgive BROADCASTING and those industry "leaders" who, under the guise of First Amendment protection, are defending Stern's on-air filth. When a radio group owner (unidentified by BROADCASTING) praises Mel Karmazin and calls him the William S. Paley of today's radio, our industry is in deep doodo. My first paying job in radio was at a small market station in upstate New York (WGVA Geneva). The year was 1949. Bob Kieve, then program director, now group owner of Empire Broadcasting, taught me everything you need to know about the basic principles and subtleties of taste and community service. Some things never change, contrary to the Karmazins and their supporters, who obviously care only about corporate profits.

And, to find the "bible" of our industry supporting them is absolutely shattering. Sol Taishoff must be spinning in his grave.—Peter M. Bardach, chairman, W SUS(FM) Franklin, N.J.

BARTER CLARIFICATION

EDITOR: As a follow-up to my "Monday Memo" of Dec. 7, 1992, "The IRS Takes a Dim View of the [Bart er] Reporting Used by Much of the Media," we at EPT Cadre Ltd. would like to point out a relevant issue that your readers should be aware of concerning IRS Form 1099B usage.

We spoke with Mark Fratrick of the National Association of Broadcasters concerning 1099B compliance. The main issue we discussed was the clear-cut situations for 1099B reporting versus the gray areas. We had originally included a paragraph in the "Monday Memo" that stated: "A restaurant, for example, could pay for ad time with gift certificates rather than cash. The TV station, in turn, could use them itself, or pay other bills, such as printing or carpet cleaning, with those certificates."

The clearest reason for filing a 1099B is when a station is using trade-out items for the purchase of others' products and services. For example, if a station trades for scrip from a restaurant and they pass all of the certificates on to a snow removal company for payment in part or in full for snow removal services, this is an efficient use of trade and they must file a 1099B for the sales made by both companies. Provided, of course, that they complete over 100 transactions per year. (This 100 figure is empirical; the code refers only to the 100 transactions in relation to "Barter Exchanges," see code Sec. #6045.)

As consultants who specialize in trade design, implementation and accounting procedures, we recommend the use of trade-outs not only for immediate internal use, but to pay other ongoing expenses. For example, if a radio station trades for tires with a local retailer and in return utilizes the tires to pay for printing, we consider this an efficient use of trade-outs.

The process of setting up a station to handle 1099B's is easy. We typically can make the necessary changes within a day to accommodate 1099B transactions.

If a station chooses to utilize trade-outs exclusively for internal corporate use, we believe the filing of 1099B's is probably not necessary; however, incorporating 1099B reporting into a station's accounting system allows a station the flexibility to reduce ongoing expenses and obtain other desirable products and services via items that have been obtained on trade, as in the tire example. The reporting process is fairly inexpensive and simple, so why not incorporate a 1099B program at a station?

The added flexibility of utilizing trade to obtain other needed products and services in an organized manner could have a very positive impact on a station's bottom line. This is especially true in a depressed economy when many stations are cash and customer poor and must efficiently utilize trade-outs in order to survive and flourish.—Harold Rice, chief financial officer, EPT Cadre Ltd., Minneapolis.
As compiled by BROADCASTING from December 21 through December 31 and based on filings, authorizations and other FCC actions.

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As compiled by BROADCASTING from December 21 through December 31 and based on filings, authorizations and other FCC actions.

OWNERSHIP CHANGES

Applications
- WAAJ(AM) Huntsville, AL (BAL921211EB; 1550 kHz; 50 kW-D, 500 w-N)—Seeks assignment of license from United Communications Inc. to M.B. Associates for $12,500. Seller is headed by Sam Floyd, who has interests in licensees of WFAI(AM) and WYLL(AM) in Huntsville, AL. Buyer is headed by Marcus Taylor, and has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 11, 1992.

- WACV(AM) Montgomery, AL (BAL921210EB; 1170 kHz; 10 kW-D, 1 kw-N)—Seeks assignment of license from MB Radio Inc. to Meyer-Baldridge Radio Inc. for $100,000, assumption of debt. Seller is headed by Deborah Corbett, and is subsidiary of Woods Communications Group, headed by Charles Woods and is also selling KATI(AM) Amarillo, TX (see below). Buyer is headed by Kenneth E. Meyer and George C. Baldridge, who have interests in KBOA(AM)-KTOO(AM) Kalamazoo, MI, and KTKX(FM) Lexington and KTXR(FM) Springfield, Missouri. Filed Oct. 10, 1992.

- KRWA-FM Waldron, AR (BCH921215HP; 103.1 mhz; 3 kW; ant. 298 ft.)—Seeks transfer of control from Cole Thomas Broadcasting Corp. to Marty Starkey for $25,000. Seller is headed by Robert E. Yoes, and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer has no other broadcast interests. Filed Oct. 15, 1992.


- KRKY(AM)-KRKM(FM) Grancy-Kremmling, CO (AM: BAL921207EA; 930 kHz; 4.5 kW-D; FM: BAL921207EB; 106.3 mhz; 300 w; ant. 1096 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Hays Communications Group Inc. to Granky Broadcasting Systems Inc. for $250,000. Buyer is also purchasing WVFX(FM) Stowe, VT (see "Changing Hands," Jan. 4, and WVMX, below). Filed Dec. 7, 1992.


- WGMX(FM) Marathon, FL (BAPL921210HM; 94.3 mhz; 3 w; ant. 160 ft.)—Seeks assignment of CP from Great Marathon Radio Company Inc. to PCB of Florida Inc. for $200,000. Seller is headed by Joseph Nascone, and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is headed by John E. Rayl, and has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 10, 1992.

- WEDG(FM) Ormond Beach, FL (BAPH921203GG; 93.1 mhz; 3 kw; ant. 328 ft.)—Seeks assignment of CP from deHaro Radio Ltd. to Edge Broadcasting Inc. for $320,000. Seller is headed by Anthony deHaro Welch, who has 50% interest in licensee of WROD(AM) Daytona Beach, FL. Buyer is headed by Reed B. Hughes, and has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 3, 1992.

- WFTW(AM)-WTHC(FM) Thomson, GA (AM: BAL921215HN; 1240 kHz; 1 kw-U; FM: BAL921215HO; 101.7 mhz; 3 kw; ant. 300 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Hickory Hill Broadcasting Co. to Camellia City Communications Inc. for $110,000. Seller is headed by Nick W. Evans and Walter J. Brown, who have interests in licensees of WSPA-AM-FM-TV Spartanburg, SC; WGBT(AM)-TV Florence, SC; KMIT(AM) Mason City, IA; and WMBB(AM) Panama City, FL. Buyer is headed by Donald Michael Wall, and has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 15, 1992.

- WAI(VF) Spring Valley, IL (BAP921202GX; 103.3 mhz; 3 kw; ant. 328 ft.)—Seeks assignment of CP from Illinois Valley Radio to Owen L. Studstill Jr. for $24,000. Seller is headed by Cynthia Krysiak and Charles Tiemann, and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer has interests in licensees of WGLC-AM-FM Mendota and WXKO-FM Pana, both Illinois, and WXRS-AM-FM Swantosoro, GA. Filed Dec. 13, 1992.

- WCC(LTV) New Orleans (BALC92121KE; ch. 49; 5,000 kw-V; 500 kw-A; ant. 1,049 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Wayne Ducote, chapter 7 trustee for Crescent City Communications Company Inc., to George S. Finn Jr. for $135,000. Station is not on air. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 16, 1992.


- WSPR(AM) Springfield, MA (BAL921214ED; 1270 kHz; 5 kw-D; 1 kw-N)—Seeks assignment of license from Dynom Inc. to Edmund Dines for $70,000. Seller is headed by Peter M. Brestovan, and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 14, 1992.

- WMMO(FM) Charlotte, MI (BAP921211GE; 92.7 mhz; 1.5 kw; ant. 466 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Ottaway Communications Inc. to Goodrich Broadcasting Inc. for $900,000 (see "Changing Hands," p. 64). Filed Dec. 11, 1992.

- WMRR(FM) Muskogon, MI (BAL9alth2003HY; 101.7 mhz; 3 kw; ant. 300 ft.)—Seeks assignment of CP from Pathfinder Communications Corp. to Goodrich Broadcasting Inc. for $625,000 (see "Changing Hands," p. 64). Filed Dec. 3, 1992.

- KIBZ(FM) Lincoln, NE (BAL921202HZ; 106.3 mhz; 3 kw; ant. 213 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Tate Communications Inc. to Rock Steady Inc. for $550,000.

STOCK MARKET PERFORMANCE AVERAGES FROM JAN 1992 TO JAN 5 1993

NASDAQ: 674.34 (+1.21%) S&P Ind.: 506.05 (-1.23%)

ALL % CHANGES FROM PRIOR WEEK

Jan92 Feb92 Mar92 Apr92 May92 Jun92 Jul92 Aug92 Sep92 Oct92 Nov92 Dec92 Jan93

Broadcasting Best + Other Interests Cable Programming Equipment & Engineering Services

1058 +2.22%

840 +0.71%

461 +1.09%

392 +2.61%

114 +0.41%

216 -2.71%

60 -0.97%

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KARU(FM) Raymontville, TX (BAPHL921217GK; 105.7 mhz; 310 kw; ant. 797 ft.)—Granted assignment of license from South Carolina Communications Corporation for $525,000 ("Changing Hands," Nov. 23, 1992). Action Dec. 16, 1992.


KFBX(FM) Seal Beach, CA (BAPHL921217GC; 105.7 mhz; 1 kw; ant. 15 ft.)—Granted assignment of license from South Carolina Communications Corporation for $525,000 ("Changing Hands," Nov. 23, 1992). Action Dec. 16, 1992.

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NEW STATIONS

Applications

■ "Palm Springs, CA (BPED921211MC)---Shepherd Communications Inc. seeks 90.5 mhz: 3 kw; ant. 33.9 m. Address: P.O. Box 1000, Yucaipa, CA 92999. Applicant is headed by Jon Fugier, and is permittee of KYUB(FM) Palm Springs, CA. Filed Dec. 11, 1992.

■ Mount Olive, IL (BP921125MF)---Talley Broadcasting Corp. seeks 105.3 mhz: 6 kw; ant. 100 m. Address: 1255 23rd St., NW, Suite 800, Washing- ton, DC 20037. Applicant is headed by Hayward L. Talley and owns licensees of WSMK-AM-FM Litchfield, IL, and KBKB-AM-FM Fort Madison, IA. Filed Nov. 25, 1992.

■ Pinckneyville, IL (BPHS921207MH)---Richard Blakely seeks 104.3 mhz: 3 kw; ant. 100 m. Address: 5 Patton Drive, Pinckneyville, IL 62274. Applicant has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 7, 1992.

■ Marlboro, VT (BPHS921207MD)---Southern Vermont Radio seeks 101.5 mhz; 4 kw; ant. 188.5 m. Address: P.O. Box 850, West Dover, VT 05356. Applicant is headed by general partners Robin Rothchild and Martin Rothchild, and has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 7, 1992.


■ Marlboro, VT (BPHS921214MC)---Vermont Community Broadcasters seeks 101.5 mhz; 9 kw; ant. 181 m. Address: 1485 Huron Road, #9, Nack'ssett, NH 03106. Applicant is headed by Marc A. Pinard, and has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 14, 1992.

■ Marlboro, VT (BPHS921204MA)---Dynamo Corp. seeks 101.5 mhz: 2.6 kw; ant. 105 m. Address: P.O. Box 1230, Claremont, NH 03743. Applicant is headed by William D. Goddard and Jeffrey D. Shap- ira, and has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 4, 1992.

Actions

■ Hamburg, AR (BPH910821MH)---Granted app. of Kenneth W. Diebel for 99.5 mhz; 3 kw; ant. 100 m. Address: 1207 Louisa St., Rayville, LA 71259. Applicant has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 18, 1992.


■ South Bend, WA (BPH910826MO)---Dismissed app. of Carol Kightley for 105.7 mhz: 25 kw; ant. 16.1 m. Address: P.O. Box 24, Oysterville, WA 98641. Applicant has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 1, 1992.

FACILITIES CHANGES

Applications

AM's

■ Lawrenceville, IL, WAKO(AM) 910 kzh---Dec. 7 1992 application of Lawrenceville Broadcasting Co., Inc. for CP to make changes in antenna system.

■ Bayou City, LA, KDLF(AM) 1170 kzh---Dec. 14, 1992, application of Teche Broadcasting Corp. for CP to make changes in antenna system.

■ Lexington, MA, WVEE(AM) 760 kzh---Aug. 14, 1992, application of Bikunt Masscom Inc. for CP to increase ERP to 555 kw (H&V); ant.: 325 m.; TL: AT&T site at end of Grapevine Canyon Rd.; Lexington Valley is 10.46 km distant at 52 degrees true from transmitter site.

■ Ocruct, CA, KGDP(FM) 95.7 mhz---Dec. 14, 1992, application of Radio Representives Inc. for mod. of CP (BPH-880620MB) to make changes; TL: Harris grade transmitter site, 5 ml. north of Lompoc, CA, on Route 1.

■ San Rafael, CA, KTID-FM 100.9 mhz---Dec. 9, 1992, application of Marin Broadcasting Company Inc. for CP to make changes; change conform construction facilities specified in application file no. BNL-92106KB.

■ St. Augustine, FL, WSOS(FM) 105.5 mhz---Dec. 11, 1992, application of WSOS-FM Inc. for CP to make changes; change ERP: 19 kw (H&V); ant.: 115 m.; change frequency to 94.1 and class to C3 (per MM docket #90-164).

■ Martinez, GA, WMTZ(FM) 93.9 mhz---Nov. 25, 1992, application of Columbia County Broadcasters mod. of CP (BPH-900611B) to make changes; change ERP 13 kw H&V; ant. 139 m.; TL: 2400 W. Caterpillar Rd., Martinez, GA; install directional antenna.
**Radio Licenses**

- **St. Augustine, FL WACO(AM) 1420 kHz—Granted app. of Ariel Broadcasting Inc. (BP-920111AA) for to correct coordinates to 29 51 00 - 81 19 50. Action Dec. 8, 1992.
- **Valdosta, GA WGO(AM) 950 kHz—Granted app. of W G O Inc. (BP-920601AF) for CP to change changes in antenna system. Action Dec. 9, 1992.
- **Evanton, IL WKTA(AM) 1330 kHz—Granted app. of Polnet Communications Ltd. (BP-920429AB) for 24 psa-PSRA power to 24 psa & W to make changes in antenna system. Action Dec. 7, 1992.
- **Florence, KY WMLX(AM) 1180 kHz—Granted app. of WMLX Inc. (BMP-920831AB) for TL: south of Hwy 237 (Pleasant Valley Road), 6.34 km SW of center in Florence, 38 59 00 - 84 41 14. Action Dec. 11, 1992.

**FM's**

- **Georgiana, AL WLAG(A) 107.7 kHz—Granted app. of Sharon A. Seilert (BMP-920612IE) for mod. of CP (BPH-900329M) to make changes; TL: 2.6 mi. east of Route 65 on Route 106. Action Dec. 14, 1992.
- **Orcel Beach, CA KBKCH-7 107.7 kHz—Granted app. of Maloney Broadcasting Company (BPH-920720IF) for CP to make changes: ant.: 4 - m. Action Dec. 9, 1992.
- **Klings Beach, CA KBKCH-7 107.7 kHz—Granted app. of Kido Communications (BMP-920512IC) for mod. of CP (BPH-861323ML) for new station for upgrade (per modem #90-149), change ERP: 21 kw HAV: ant.: 303 m., TL: located on Slide Mountain, 11.6 km NE of Incline Village; class C3. Action Dec. 17, 1992.
- **Roseville, CA KRXQ(FM) 93.7 kHz—Granted app. of Fuller-Jeffrey Broadcasting Corp. of Grt. Sac. (BPH-920407IB) for CP to make changes: ant.: 100 m., TL: 8842 Quail Lane, Roseville, CA. 25 mi. north of Eureka Rd., 5 mi. east of Sierra College Blvd., Placer County, CA. Action Dec. 8, 1992.
- **Sonora, CA KZSO-92.7 kHz—Granted app. of Clarke Broadcasting Corp. (BPH-920807IE) for to make changes, ERP: 38 kw HAV; ant.: 393 m., TL: top of Bald Mountain, 3.1 km at 37 degrees from Sonora, CA. Action Dec. 9, 1992.
- **Callahan, FL WAFA(FM) 93.3 kHz—Granted app. of Rowland First City Radio Inc. (BPH-920220IC) for CP to make changes; comm. license from St. Marys, GA to Callahan, FL (per PM modem #191-281). Action Dec. 8, 1992.
- **Cape Coral, FL WXXB(FM) 103.9 kHz—Granted app. of WRRG Partners (BPH-920409II) for CP to make changes: ERP: 100 kw HAV; ant.: 299 m., class: C1. Action Dec. 10, 1992.
- **Fort Myers Beach, FL WBJX(FM) 99.3 kHz—Dismissed app. of Schlegella Inc. (BML-981212KL) for mod. of license (BLH-9831202AB) to increase ERP: 44 kw HAV per modem #98-375. Action Dec. 9, 1992.
- **Live Oak, FL WQHL(FM) 98.1 kHz—Returned mod. of Day Communications Inc. (BPH-9201031K) for to make changes; ERP: 100 kw (HAV); ant.: 239 m. HAV, TL on FL Highway 51 approx. 4 km, right on Hwy 354 approx. 3 km, right on dirt road approx. 1 km, right on dirt road approx. 8.5 km; site 500 m. N of Hwy 51; antenna to C1 (per docket #90-546). Action Nov. 23, 1992.
- **Safety Harbor, FL WYUW(FM) 94.5 kHz—Granted app. of Entertainment Communications Inc. (BPH-920609IC) for to make changes; ERP: 6 kw HAV; ant.: 136 m. HAV, TL on FL Highway 51, St. Petersburg, Pinellas, FL Action Dec. 7, 1992.
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ALLOCATIONS

- Clearwater and Zelo, KS Effective February 11, substituted channel 254C for channel 254A at Clearwater, and conditioned the construction permit for channel at Clearwater. (MM Docket 92-216 by RAO [DA 92-1649] adopted December 4, by the Chief, Allocations Branch)

- California Effective February 11, substituted channel 262C1 for channel 262A at Larose, and conditionally modified the construction permit for KMKZ-FM accordingly. (MM Docket 92-215 by RAO [DA 92-1650] adopted December 4, by the Chief, Allocations Branch)

- California Effective February 28, substituted channel 276C3 for channel 276A at Chula Vista, and conditionally modified the license for KFLM-FM accordingly. (MM Docket 92-216 by RAO [DA 92-1652] adopted December 4, 1992, by the Chief, Allocations Branch)

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ACTIONs

- Invited comments on provisions that will govern access to multichannel video programming, as well as program carriage agreements. Comments are due January 25, replies February 16. (MM docket 92-265 by NPRM [FCC 92-543] adopted December 10 by Commission).
- Proposed and solicited comment on procedural and substantive alternatives for rate regulation on basic tier service, cable programming services, equipment offered to subscribers, and commercial leased access offered to programmers. Comments are due January 27, replies February 11. (MM docket 92-266 by NPRM [FCC 92-544] adopted December 10 by Commission).
- Proposed amending sections 73.682 and 73.699 of rules concerning television technical standards to permit optional transmission of expanded closed captioning and other types of information using all of line 21, field 2, of vertical blanking interval (VBI) of broadcast television signals. It has also proposed reserving use of line 19 of VBI for optional use of ghost-cancelling reference signal. Comments are due March 1, replies March 16. (MM docket 92-305 by NPRM [FCC 92-556] adopted December 18 by Commission).
- Proposed requiring certain types of broadcast stations to report on their license renewal applications status of their operations. Comments are due February 13, replies March 10. (MM docket 92-304 by NPRM [FCC 92-557] adopted December 18 by Commission).
- Seeking comment on interpretation and implementation of crossownership and anti-trafficking provisions of Cable Act, as well as on adoption of limits on horizontal concentration and vertical integration in cable industry. Comments are due February 9, replies March 3. (MM docket 92-264 by NPRM and NOI [FCC 92-542] adopted December 10 by Commission).
- Provincetown, Dennis, Dennis Port, West Yarmouth and Harwich Port, all Massachusetts Denied Joan Orr's petition for reconsideration of Report and Order which denied petition for rulemaking to allot channel 230A to Dennis Port, and dismissed joint counterproposal filed by Orr and Marshfield Broadcasting Co. to allot channel 232A to Dennis or Dennis Port, and channel 230A to Provincetown. (MM docket 87-484 by MO&O [DA 92-1628] adopted November 30 by Chief, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau).
- Detroit Notified Bell Broadcasting Co., licensee of station WUZZ(FM) of apparent liability for forfeiture of $6,250 for violating rules by failing to conduct contest substantially as advertised. (By Letter [DA 92-1722] adopted December 21 by Chief, Mass Media Bureau).
- Newark and Jersey City, NJ Upheld approval of joint settlement agreement which resulted in granting application of Multicultural Broadcasting Inc., to operate deleted facilities of WHIB/AM on channel 290 at Newark, NJ. (MM docket 94-115, et al., by MO&O [FCC 92-558] adopted December 18 by Commission).
- Glen's Falls, NY Denied application of Normandy Broadcasting Corp. to renew license of WLYR(FM); granted application of Lawrence N. Brandt for new FM on 95.9 mhz. WLYR's frequency, at Glen's Falls. (MM docket 92-6 by Initial Decision [FCC 92D-72] issued December 18 by ALJ Richard L. Sippel).

SERVICES
Andrea Hein, former senior VP, licensing, motion picture group, Paramount Pictures, Los Angeles, named president, licensing, of newly formed Paramount Licensing Group there.

Cathleen Creany, VP/GM, WTVH-TV Syracuse, N.Y., joins WFAA-TV Dallas in same capacity.

Appointments at A.H. Belo Corp., Dallas, Tex.: Brenda Maddox, tax director, named VP, corporate taxes; Harold Gaar, VP, marketing, The Dallas Morning News, named VP, public affairs; Judith Craven, M.D., president, United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast, elected to Belo's board of directors.

L. Randall Yates, president, Whitehall Laboratories, New York, joins Nielsen Media Research there as VP, marketing.

Appointments at KUTV-TV Salt Lake City, Utah: Louise Barrett, Kingston, promotion director, named marketing, creative services director; John Greene, producer, marketing department, named promotion director.

Dean Eisner, managing director, international development, Cox Enterprises, London, named treasurer, Cox Enterprises, Atlanta.

Sandy Martin, director, marketing/research, creative services, promotion, KSHB-TV Kansas City, Mo., named secretary, Broadcast Pro-

Toper Taylor, VP, television, Nevada Entertainment, Studio City, Calif., named senior VP.


Appointments at WOKR-TV Rochester, N.Y.: Don Loy, director, pro-

Andrea Duggan, public relations director, WSBK-TV Boston, joins WPXT-TV Boston as marketing director.


Appointments at Multimedia Entertainment's Sally Jessy Raphael, New York: Rose Mary Henri, senior

Cathleen Creany
WFAA-TV

Harold Gaar
A.H. Belo Corporation

Karle Ross
WTVJ-TV

Chip Wallace
KMIR-TV

Kirk Combs
HNWH Radio Sales

Andrea Hein

 Delaware State University

 Appointments at Paramount Domestic Television, Hollywood: Susan Stamm, account executive, southeast region, named southeast division manager; Liz Firallo, account executive, western division, named central division manager; Maura McDonough, central division manager, named VP/central manager.

Sandy Martin, director, marketing/research, creative services, promotion, KSHB-TV Kansas City, Mo., named secretary, Broadcast Pro-

Appointments at WSTR-TV Cincinnati, Ohio: Jim Hazlett, promotion writer/producer, named community relations director; Bob Benkert, community relations director, named programming coordinator; Samantha Routzon, video editor, named production coordinator; Lisa Nelsen, receptionist, named programming assistant.

Karie Ross, sports anchor, KLAS-TV Las Vegas, joins WTVJ-TV Miami as sports anchor/reporter.

Chip Wallace, field producer/cameraman/editor, KNBC-TV Burbank, Calif., joins KMIR-TV Palm Springs, Calif., as general assignment reporter.

Appointments at ABC's One Life to Live, New York: Susie Bedsow-Horgan, producer, joins the show's writing team; Robyn Goodman, program executive in charge, replaces Bedsow-Horgan.
producer, the Jackie Mason and New York at Night shows, WWOR-TV Secaucus, N.J., joins in same capacity; Christina Pane, producer, Richard Bey Show, WWOR-TV Secaucus, joins in same capacity; Jason Raff, field/line producer, The Real Story and Real Life, CNBC, Fort Lee, N.J., and Carole Holmes McCarthy, host/producer/writer, L.A. Journal, public access, Los Angles, join as associate producers.

Robin Wagner, anchor, WDAF-TV Kansas City, Mo., resigns.

Gene Lavanchy, host, Boston Bruins Hockey, WSBK-TV Boston, joins WDHD-TV there as weekend sports anchor/reporter.


**RADIO**


Appointments at HNWH Radio Sales, New York: Kirk Combs, VP/Eastern Division manager, named executive VP; Sharon Wenzel-vig, VP, and Kevin Cassidy, VP, regional manager, director, sales, named senior VP’s; Jeff Hodge, executive VP, Caballero/MG Spanish Media, New York, joins as VP, sales, marketing; Adam Pullman, account executive, Schubert Radio Sales, New York, and Carol Rosenberg, account executive, CBS Radio Representatives, New York, join in same capacities; Zina Meggas, manager, sales, marketing, Intermarket Technologies, Chicago, joins HNWH Radio Sales, Chicago, as account executive; Julie Lane, director, sales, Schubert Radio, Dallas, joins HNWH Radio Sales, Dallas, as account executive; Jolie de Sedas, account executive, Eastman Radio, Los Angeles, joins HNWH Radio Sales, Los Angeles, in same capacity.

Chuck Jewell, station manager, KIOA(AM)-FM Des Moines, Iowa, named GM.

Mark Halverson, GM, WYNN (AM)-WTNT-FM Tallahassee, Fla., joins WHO(AM)-KLYF-FM Des Moines, Iowa, in same capacity.

Susan Golden, account executive, WINS(AM)-WKLI-NY, NYC, named program director.

KOMO Seattle, joins Broadcast Programming there as regional sales manager.

Tim Gardner, operations supervisor, KLYF-FM Des Moines, Iowa, named program director.

Kathy Stinehour, station manager, KCFX-FM Kansas City, Mo., joins WTRY AM-FM-WPYX-FM Albany-Troy, N.Y.

Robert Ausfield, CFO, WABY (AM)-WKLI-FM Albany, N.Y., joins WTRY AM-FM-WPYX-FM Albany-Troy, N.Y.

Susan Reynolds, promotion, marketing director, KKCM Portland, Ore., joins KSFO(AM)-KYZ-FM San Francisco as promotion/marketing director.

Tom Thon, VP/GM, WLQO-FM Columbus, Ohio, named president.

Tom Connolly, VP/GM, WYLI-FM Cincinnati, named president.

Stuart Saginor, director, retail development, WEEI(AM) Boston, named director, sports sales.

Al Leitl, GM, WSPO(AM)-WSPT-FM Stevens Point, Wis., joins WBIZ AM-FM Eau Claire, Wis., in same capacity.

Steve LaBeau, operations/program manager, KMXX-KISP Phoenix, joins WMXN-FM Norfolk, Va., as program director.

Peter Pennekamp, VP, cultural programing, National Public Radio, Washington, D.C., resigns.

Bobby Rich, former program director, KTZN Tucson, Ariz., joins KKLD-KJYK there as director, operations, programing.

Richard Kelley, executive VP, sales, Unistar Radio Networks, Los Angeles, joins KMLE-FM San Francisco as director, sales.

**CABLE**

Karen Schmeichel, director, advertising sales, Comedy Central, New York, named VP, sales.

Phil Laxar, VP, programing, pay-per-view, KBLCOM, Inc., Houston, joins Request Television, Denver, as VP, programing.

Kirsten Poe, media relations associate, CNBC, Fort Lee, N.J., named media relations manager.

Charles Younger, executive VP, Continental Cablevision, Boston, retires. Jeffrey DeLorme, senior VP, Continental Cablevision, Florida region, has been named to succeed Younger; Nancy Hawthorne, senior VP, treasurer, named CFO.


Robert Sieber, VP, research.
BUZOGANY NAMED NEW HEAD OF BCFM

The Broadcast Cable Financial Management Association named Bruce (Buz) Buzogany as its new executive director effective today, Jan. 11. Buzogany previously ran his own communications consulting firm, counting among his clients Multimedia Entertainment. Prior to that he was a director of NATPE*Net, a PC-based information service, and before that was director of programing and promotion at WLOS-TV Asheville, N.C., and director of advertising and promotion at KTLA-TV Los Angeles. Among his immediate goals, he said, was to use the business expertise of BCFM’s membership to analyze their own organization. He also wants to attract more financial and other corporate executives from syndication and distribution companies to join BCFM. Buzogany replaces Robert McAuliffe, who retired after 20 years.

Turner Broadcasting System, Atlanta, named VP, audience development, Turner Entertainment Networks, Atlanta.

Appointments at Turner Network Television, Los Angeles: Kim Long and James Wilberger, directors, production, named VP’s, production.

**ADVERTISING**

Claudia Deichstetter, account supervisor, VP, DDB Needham Worldwide, Chicago, named VP.

Appointments at CME-KHBB Advertising, Southfield, Mich.: Sharon Knapp and Angelika Paglia, media supervisors, named VP’s.

Audrey Knoth, news director, WCMS Norfolk, Va., joins Goldman & Associates Advertising and Public Relations there as public relations director.

Tonise Paul, senior VP, management supervisor, BBDO, Chicago, named executive VP.

Suzanne Jasso, senior financial analyst, D’Arcy Masius Benton & Bowles, St. Louis, named supervisor, agency accounting.

**INTERNATIONAL**

David Simon, VP, Buena Vista Productions International, London, named senior VP.

Cobus Stofberg, head, subscriber management services division, FilmNet International, Belgium, named CEO.

**DEATHS**

Johnny Most, 69, radio voice of the Boston Celtics on WEEI(AM) for 37 years, died Jan. 3 of cardiac arrest at Cape Cod Hospital, Hyannis, Mass. The native New Yorker attended Brooklyn College and broadcast New York Knicks games before coming to Boston. He began broadcasting Celtics games in 1952. Most retired Oct. 8, 1990. Survivors include two daughters and two sons.

Lucas Voinovich, 63, audio maintenance engineer for Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty’s New York Programming Center, died Dec. 29 from a cerebral hemorrhage at St John’s Hospital, Queens. He had been with Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty since 1964. Survivors include his wife, Anna, and a brother.

Jack Nedell, 92, retired television and radio sales executive, died Dec. 23 at his home in Hollywood, Fla., after a lengthy illness. Nedell started his career in 1929 at WHN(AM) New York and later worked at CBS affiliates WGBI(AM) and WDAU-TV Scranton, Pa. in 1932. Nedell retired in 1969. He was a member of the Broadcast Pioneers. Survivors include his wife, Rose, and a son.

Thomas Calmeyer, 44, station manager, WCVE-FM Richmond, Va., died Dec. 13 at Retreat Hospital after a lengthy illness. Calmeyer’s broadcasting career began in the late ‘60s when he served with the United States Air Force Alaskan Forces Radio and Television Network. From there he went to WLNC(AM) Laurinburg, N.C. In 1974 he joined WNOR(AM) Norfolk, Va. A year later he served as news director at WRNL(AM) Richmond. He also worked at now defunct WEET(AM) and WRYA(AM), both Richmond, before joining WCVE as operations manager in 1987. Survivors include his father, John, one sister and two brothers.

Romeo Muller, 64, writer of children’s television Christmas specials including Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, Frosty the Snowman and The Little Drummer Boy, died Dec. 8 of cancer at his home in High Falls, N.Y. He wrote 11 Christmas specials and had Christmas specials on all three television networks at the same time in 1979. His last Christmas special, Noel, aired in December on NBC.

John Stodelle, 66, founder and co-owner of Stodelle Broadcasting Corp., Brawley Calif., died Dec. 8 from a heart attack at his home in La Mesa, Calif. During the ‘40s, Stodelle worked for KFAX(AM) San Bernardino, Calif., and KMPC(AM) Los Angeles before moving to San Diego, where he opened the Wilson-Stodelle Advertising Agency in the ‘50s. In 1970 he retired from the agency and purchased KROF(AM) Brawley, Calif., later adding KSIO-FM. He turned over the operation of Stodelle to his son Stephen upon his second retirement in 1989. Survivors include his wife, Elaine, a son and daughter.


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DANIEL LESLIE BRENNER

It would be understandable for the vice president, law and regulatory policy, of the National Cable Television Association—which represents an industry under attack from Congress, broadcasters and telcos—to be wary about what 1993 has in store for cable. Not so.

"Some see headaches, I see opportunities," says Dan Brenner, the 41-year-old attorney who sharpened his regulatory skills working under FCC Chairmen Charles Ferris and Mark Fowler.

Dan Brenner has a genuine love of television in general and cable in particular that allows him to keep focused on the issues at hand instead of letting the pile of paperwork and FCC proceedings overwhelm him.

For cable, those opportunities lie in the possibility of a 500-channel world and the telephone business. Cable, Brenner believes, is the industry best positioned to take advantage of new technologies.

"Cable is where the smart money is. We’ve got the pipeline, the infrastructure and the proven ability to create programing options. Every month millions vote for cable again and again by renewing their subscriptions."

Brenner concedes that the cable industry has had its problems over the last few years. "This is a real hard time for cable—it’s chops-busting time around here." That includes close monitoring of the FCC’s implementation of the Cable Act as well as challenges to the Act in the courts.

"We want to work with the FCC and answer the questions they ask. Everybody is under tremendous time pressure to do an enormous amount of critical thinking in establishing approaches to these regulatory schemes."

When it comes to what is at stake in the courts, though, there is only one answer for Brenner. "This must carry is the worst version ever cooked up. It is unconstitutional," he says tersely. He has similar feelings toward retransmission consent that he hopes the courts will agree with.

TV has always been a big part of Brenner’s life. Growing up in Los Angeles he was a TV addict, and several childhood friends had parents in the business.

"I love TV. I came from the typical family: my mother slaved away in the kitchen while my father was watching Bullwinkle. I grew up really liking TV, thinking it was really magical. The magic is still there for me, and that is probably why I wound up being a communications lawyer." Before deciding on becoming a lawyer, though, Brenner tried his hand in front of the microphone, and his college days at Stanford included a stint on the college station.

"However, the idea of being an on-air personality was not as appealing as being behind the scenes. "While I liked the on-air aspect, I kept getting drawn into the more academic aspects of the industry. I became a regulatory enthusiast. The on-air world is an enormous crapshoot."

Brenner knows something about crapshoots: he has tried his hand at stand-up comedy and hosting his own cable shows (one was nominated for an ACE Award) and writing music.

While a law student at Stanford, Brenner got his first official taste of the industry as a law clerk at Westinghouse. After graduation, he clerked for federal trial judge William Byrne Jr. of the U.S. District Court, Los Angeles. From there it has been communications all the way.

Although he loves Los Angeles, Brenner came East and after two years in private practice joined the commission as a legal adviser to Ferris. He stayed in that position through 1984 under Mark Fowler before becoming Fowler’s senior adviser and principal speechwriter. But in 1986, after seven years at the FCC, Brenner returned to Los Angeles as director of UCLA’s Communications Law Program.

"It seemed like a good opportunity to test my feelings about the academic world for a while and allowed me to bring what I learned in government to the classroom."

While he enjoyed the experience, Brenner found that teaching "was not hospitable to people who had interests in the outside world." Last June, with NCTA in need of a legal boost for the upcoming regulatory battle, Brenner answered the call and does not anticipate leaving soon.

"The problems we face here will keep me enjoying this job for quite a while. I am doing something important by sorting out issues for the industry and helping the FCC make sense of it all. The fun comes from reaching out to the industry and making sense of it all. I care about giving people the options that TV offers. It gives meaning to my work."

VICE PRESIDENT, LAW AND REGULATORY POLICY, NATIONAL CABLE TELEVISION ASSOCIATION, WASHINGTON, D.C.
The FCC's fight against indecency continued last week with the commission issuing a $23,750 fine to WSUC-FM Cortland, N.Y., for a broadcast the FCC said described sexual activities in a patently offensive way. WSUC-FM is licensed to the State University of New York. Separately, the FCC upheld its $25,000 indecency fine against KME(FM) San Francisco.

Latest name circulating for coveted FCC chairmanship in Clinton administration: Geoffrey Cowan of Los Angeles, public interest lawyer, TV producer and lecturer at UCLA.

Paramount Television's Star Trek: Deep Space Nine premiere continued its record march (see page 32) through the metered markets, winning 8-10 p.m. in New York with a 16.5 rating/24 share (NSI, Jan. 7) on WPIX-TV. That improved the station's time period by 267% in share from the November 1992 sweeps (4/6). Since its Jan. 3 debut, the third-generation Star Trek drama has racked up an 18.7/25 average in the 24 Nielsen markets it debuted in, a 150% boost in share average.

Among 486 bills introduced during the first week back for the new House of Representatives were several affecting the TV industry, including: the Political Broadcasting Access Act (H.R. 449), a measure to provide qualifying candidates limited free ad time on radio and TV stations and cable, by Tom Billey (R-Va.); a similar bill (H.R. 352) to mandate free time for political debates during the campaign season and expansion of the lowest-unit-rate laws, by Jim Slattery (D-Kan.); a bill to remove Major League Baseball's antitrust exemption (H.R. 108), the mechanism that allows teams to negotiate national TV and radio rights contracts with networks, by Michael Bilirakis (R-Fla.), and a bill to eliminate all federal funding for CPB (H.R. 147), by Phil Crane (R-Ill.). All four bills are identical to legislation introduced during the last congressional session.

Capcities/ABC confirmed last week that the ABC television network entered 1993 with a hiring freeze. "That would make sense, since we're offering voluntary buyouts," said a company spokeswoman, adding that some vacant jobs are being filled at the network, but only after each new hiring is reviewed and approved.

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THOMPSON TO LEAVE GROUP W RADIO

Group W Radio President Jim Thompson announced his resignation last week, effective by the end of the first quarter of 1993. Group W did not immediately name a successor to run the company's 16 radio stations.

A Group W spokesman described Thompson's departure as "amicable," and said the company will soon begin a "very aggressive search throughout the radio industry" for a successor. Thompson, a 20-year Group W veteran who had been running the radio group since 1989, said he is resigning to join the recently formed Liberty Broadcasting group as chief executive officer, sharing those duties with former Group W executive Michael Craven.

Thompson's resignation was announced in an internal memo sent last Thursday (Jan. 7) to Group W broadcasting employees by Group W Chairman Burt Staniar. In the memo, Staniar praised Thompson as a "dynamic leader" and a "superb representative of our company."

Group W, with annual radio billings estimated at $200 million by Duncan's Radio Market Guide, ranks with CBS and Capcities/ABC among the three highest-billing companies in radio.

Liberty, which recently announced plans to purchase WBB-FM in Babylon, N.Y., is shopping for stations in the top 35 markets.

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NSS POCKETPIECE

(Nielsen's top ranked syndicated shows for the week ending Dec. 20. Numbers represent aggregate rating average stations% covered)

1. Wheel Of Fortune 13.7/221/98
2. Jeopardy! 11.8/208/97
3. Oprah Winfrey Show 9.7/187/97
5. Fox Holiday Theatre 8.5/166/95
6. Married..With Children 8.3/190/95
7. Entertainment Tonight 8.1/179/95
8. Imagination 8.1/191/97
11. Roseanne 7.1/132/95
12. Family Festival: White Christmas 7.0/190/85
13. Holiday Theatre 7.0/174/73
15. Fox Holiday Th: Smokey Mountain Xmas 6.1/191/94

NSS POCKETPIECE

(Nielsen's top ranked syndicated shows for the week ending Dec. 27. Numbers represent aggregate rating average stations% coverage)

2. Wheel Of Fortune 11.9/219/97
4. Oprah Winfrey Show 9.1/236/99
5. Wheel Of Fortune-wnd 7.1/171/73
6. Married..With Children 7.5/187/95
7. Entertainment Tonight 7.1/175/95
8. Designing Women 6.4/186/97
9. Current Affair 6.3/179/95
10. Inside Edition 6.1/158/90
11. Roseanne 5.9/238/93
12. Donahue 5.6/220/99
14. Sally Jessy Raphael 5.4/214/96
15. WKRP in Cincinnati 5.4/219/95

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reported another round of revenue increases for the industry in November. For the month, total revenue increased 3% from November 1991, and for the year to date, combined national and spot revenues exceeded 1991 levels by 2%. For the 11 months, local revenues exceeded 1991 performance by 5%, while national revenue was down by 7%.

Capcities/ABC Inc. signed a definitive agreement to sell WPRO-AM/FM Providence, R.I., to cable operator Tele-Media Corp. of Delaware. The price was undisclosed and Capcities disputes rumors of $18 million. Capcities has owned the stations since 1959.

Greater Media's KLSX-FM Los Angeles plans to double-check the Arbitron diaries from the fall survey to make sure none of its listeners were credited to KLAX-FM, the Spanish station that doubled its ratings and soared to number one in the market. Despite extraordinary publicity surrounding morning man Howard Stern, KLSX saw its ratings dip slightly from summer to fall.

The FCC has officially proposed adopting the Motorola C-Quam AM stereo technical standard. Responding to congressional mandate, the FCC has asked for comments by April 5 and replies by April 20. The FCC says 591 C-Quam stations and 24 million receivers are in operation.

Twentieth Television reports that its Century 16 movie package, which includes top-grossing box office titles "Home Alone," "Star Wars," "Diehard 2" and "Edward Scissorhands," has been sold in 60 markets representing 62% of the U.S.

Fox Television Stations Inc. named Stacey Marks-Bronner VP-GM of WFLD-TV Chicago, filling the post left vacant by the departure of Stu Powell late last year. Marks-Bronner comes from CBS Television Stations, where she had been VP of advertising, promotion and press relations since August 1992.

FCC Chairman Al Sikes told reporters last week that there will be no review of the prime time access rule at this week's meeting.

Sikes said he was willing, but the other commissioners were not. Commissioners Ervin Duggan and Andrew Barrett both expressed reluctance to address the issue while the fin-syn proceeding is still going on.

Don Heller, VP-GM of the Philadelphia-area Prism and SportsChannel Philadelphia regional sports services, was replaced last Thursday as co-owners NBC and Rainbow Programming Holdings Inc. sold a third of the operation to TCI spinoff Liberty Media Corp. SportsChannel executive Dennis Patton has been named GM for both services.

NBC REVAMPS SCHEDULE

To make room for the Barry Levinson drama Homicide: Life on the Streets and to prime Thursday night in anticipation of life without Cheers, NBC made a series of schedule changes that will affect at least six series. As previously announced, Homicide will premiere following NBC's presentation of the Super Bowl on Sunday, Jan. 31. The show will debut in its regular time slot of Wednesday, 9-10—currently occupied by Seinfeld and Mad About You—on Feb. 3. On Thursday night, Cheers will begin airing twice, at 8-8:30 and 9-9:30, while Wings moves from 9:30-10 to 8:30-9 and Seinfeld jumps into the 9:30-10 slot. That lineup takes effect on Feb. 4 and continues through the February sweeps. During February, A Different World, currently at 8:30-9, will be pulled from the schedule, but returns at 8-8:30 beginning Thursday, March 4.

On Saturday, March 6, Almost Home (redeveloped from last year's The Torkelsons) joins the schedule at 8-8:30. Nurses moves to 8:30 followed by Empty Nest at 9-9:30. Mad About You moves from Wednesday to take over the Saturday, 9:30-10 slot. Sisters remains at 10-11.

NBC also announced James Wilder and Dan Cortese will star in a remake of the 1960's series Route 66. Wilder was a co-star of ABC's Equal Justice, and Cortese has been host of MTV's MTV Sports. Bert Leonard, creator and executive producer of the original series, will oversee the 1990's version. Production will begin this year, with no air date set.

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BLAST FROM THE PAST

Broadcasting accorded far less space in reporting settlement of the WGMS-FM purchase in 1987 than it does this week to detailing the role played in that deal by Antoinette (Toni) Cook, the respected senior counsel to the Senate Commerce Committee, reportedly under consideration to be chairman of the FCC. (We were a little more wordy in 1983 when we reported details of the original application—albeit in 6 point type.) The difference, of course, is the new prominence of Ms. Cook, who’s come a long way since walking away with $500,000 for withdrawing from the WGMS contest.

In some ways it’s a case of “that was then, this is now.” At the time it was common practice for competing applicants to receive generous sums simply for stepping out of the way, despite the protests of broadcasters, policymakers and this page that such payoffs amounted to extortion. Eventually, the FCC agreed, limiting payoffs to legitimate expenses. Since then the number of such challenges has dropped significantly, if not out of sight.

However much we deplored the practice, there’s no smoking gun in Ms. Cook’s taking advantage of the existing law. Had she become a broadcaster she’d probably have been a good one. As good, indeed, as she may yet turn out to be as head of the FCC.

‘STAR’ POWER

Talk about boldly going. Deep Space Nine, the Star Trek spin-off that debuted last week, is rewriting the ratings record books for independents in major markets across the country. If The Next Generation (TNG) proved that big-budget first-run hours could pay off, Deep Space Nine suggests the appetite for such fare is far from sated. On Washington’s WDCA-TV, for instance, the debut improved on November 1992 numbers for the time period by 430%, and that was just one of many such success stories.

Not since syndicators searched for Al Capone’s money and the Titanic’s mystery have independents seen such ratings, and those were specials. Deep Space Nine has a continuing mission to give some independents a much-needed shot in the pocketbook. It remains to be seen just how much of the show’s early success is a product of the Star Trek phenomenon. One gauge of that, of course, will be how well the episodic-hour Deep Space performs on a regular basis. Another will be the ratings for the debut of Paramount’s The Untouchables, another big-ticket syndicated hour—but one without the built-in buzz factor of the Trek franchise—and of the hours on tap for Warner’s Prime Time Entertainment Network (Time Trax and Kung Fu), scheduled to debut next week.

Those answers will come soon enough. For now, the stations with Deep Space Nine can bask in a truly stellar performance.

LETTER PERFECT

Last week’s mail brought a letter from a broadcaster constituent who didn’t want us to miss an editorial in the Northwest Florida Daily News (whose parent Freedom Newspapers also owns broadcast properties). Its conclusion: that the FCC is a “historic mistake” that should be put out of its “embarrassing misery.” While we wouldn’t go that far, the case it builds toward that conclusion makes many of the points we’ve been making on the indecency issue. In the interest of letting broadcasters know they have allies in their battle against censorship, below are liberal excerpts from the Dec. 22 editorial (“FCC Was an Old Mistake That Should Be Corrected”).

While radio ratings are hardly the perfect model of something so elusive as the “community standards” of the large and diverse populations of metropolitan areas like New York City or Los Angeles, popular radio personalities generally get to be popular by reflecting the prevailing standards rather than by violating them...

By the terms of the FCC’s own regulations, then, the FCC has no legal call to punish [Howard] Stern. He may be tasteless, but to contend that he violates community standards is worthy of the Red Queen of Wonderland.

The larger issue is whether the FCC should be controlling the content of the broadcast media at all. The First Amendment guarantees freedom of the press, and the broadcast media constitute the press with more recent technology. The federal government began regulating them in 1934 under false pretenses that have dissolved into anarchism.

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