SIX LOS ANGELES VIDEO GRANTS; DON LEE DELAYED

TELEVISION GRANTS for six of seven channel applicants in Los Angeles, and memo-
randum opinion finding Paramount Pictures
controls licensees or grantees of four video
stations (one short of maximum allowed by
FCC) announced by FCC Friday. Paramoun
t also found to control three pending video
ap-
pliances.

Fourth Paramount grant among Los Angeles
authorizations. Don Lee Broadcasting System,
awaiting hearing next month on alleged viola-
tions of FCC network operation-time rules, given
neither grant nor denial of Los Angeles ap-
lication. Hughes Tool Co., other L.A. appli-
cant, withdrew. One channel still open there.

Broadcasting Corp. of American (licensee
KPRO Riverside, KROP Brawley, KREO
Indio, Cal.) given grant for video station at
Riverside using Channel 1 (44-50 mc), 1 kw
visual, 1 kw aural power, antenna height 5,152
feet.

Los Angeles grantees:

Paramount—Channel 4 (66-72 mc), 15 kw visual power, 8 kw aural, antenna height 3,120
feet.

Times-Mirror—Channel 11 (108-104 mc), 19.15 kw visual and aural, 3,096 feet.

Timex Television—Channel 5 (76-82 mc), 29 kw visual, 21.21 feet.

Dorothy S. Thackrey (KLAC KYA WLBD)—Channel
12 (310-516 mc) 16 kw visual, 16 kw aural, 3,120
feet.

Carrie C. Anthony Inc. (KPI)—Channel 9 (186-192
mc), 16.1 kw visual, 17 kw aural, 2,037 feet. (Consrs.
Clifford J. Durr & Louis I. Kunin, who argued.) No
action should be taken on KPI application pending
action on KPI renewal.

In first such investigation in television, FCC
ruled Paramount exercises control within
meaning of FCC rule—over Allen B. Du Mont Labs. [WABD New York, WTTG Washing-
ton and Interstate Circuit Inc, Dallas appli-
cant, as well as Bahalan & Katz Corp. (WKBK
Chicago)]. Television Productions (Los Ange-
les grante), United Detroit Theatres (Detroit
applicant), and New England Theatres (Bos-
ton applicant). Paramount control of latter
four had been conceded.

However, FCC noted, grant to Television
Production would not bring total video outlets
of these companies to maximum allowed.

Commission found Paramount "has no stock
ownership or management interest in Maison
Blanche Co." New Orleans applicant.

FCC also noted Television Productions
among defendants in anti-trust suit relating
to television equipment but concluded "the
nature of the charge against applicant does not
appear to be such as to require a denial of
a grant on that ground." If trial of suit
develops justifying facts, Commission said,
consideration be given on license re-
novation.

CRS DEADLINE JAN. 15

FCC ANNOUNCES extension from Dec. 31
to Jan. 15 of deadline for suggestions on de-
velopment or operation of equipment to be
used in 460-470 mc band for Citizens' Radio-
communication Service.

NAB ASSN. of Women Broadcasters holds
1947 convention March 7-9 at Hotel Roosevelt,
N. Y. with March 8 sessions open to public,
Alma Kitchell, WJZ N. Y., ABW president,
announced Friday.

10 NEW FM STATIONS ARE AUTHORIZED BY FCC

(Earlier FM Grants, page 44)

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS for 10 new FM
stations (eight Class B, two Class A) an-
nounced by FCC Friday; three others issued
"in lieu of previous details." Permittees as
follows (power is effective radiated power, an-
tenna height in height above average terrain;
AM frequencies in parentheses):

WMAS Inc. (WMAS), Springfield, Mass.—Class B;
967 mc. (Channel 244): 3.2 kw; 975 feet.

WMIR (WMIJ), Fort Wayne, Ind.—Class B;
102.3 mc. (No. 272): 2 kw; 485 feet.

WYANDOTTE (Mich.) News Co.—Class A;
104.7 mc. (No. 284): 1 kw; 110 feet.

*Independent Merchant's Best Co. (WLOL), Minne-
apolis—Class B; 101.5 mc. (No. 267); 34 kw; 610 feet.

WMMN (WMMN), St. Paul—Class B; 100.9 mc.
(No. 268); 58 kw; 375 feet.

WHED (WHEE), Portland, N. H.—Class B;
107.3 mc. (No. 271): 2 kw; 375 feet.

Paladium-Times Inc., Oswego, N. Y.—Class B;
109.9 mc. (No. 270); 1.6 kw; 375 feet.

St. Lawrence Bos. Corp. (WSLB), Coghenburg,
N. Y.—Class B; 106.3 mc. (No. 281); 13.7 kw; 22
feet.

Radio Projects Inc., Syracuse, N. Y.—Class B;
94.3 mc. (No. 232); 8 kw; 590 feet.

Sunset Radio, Inc., Hollywood, Calif.—Class B;
97.7 mc. (No. 260); 7 kw; 875 feet.

Greater Huntington Radio Corp. (WHTN), Hun-
tington, W. Va.—Class B; 99.9 mc. (No. 290); 53
kw; 560 feet.

(*) In lieu of previous details.

WSPD VIDEO ORDER

FIRM ORDER for approximately $200,000 in
RCA television equipment is placed Friday by
Fort Wayne Broadcasting Co. and WSPD-TV Toledo with
P. B. Reed, RCA Victor Washington repre-
sentative. Order covers type TTS-A transmitter
(5 kw video, 3 kw audio, plus antenna sys-
tem, four image orthicon cameras for field and
studio use, control equipment for field and
studio, and motion picture projection equip-
ment for both 16 mm and 35 mm projection.
WSPD-TV assigned Channel No. 13 (210-216
mc).

CITES TV OPPORTUNITY

RADIO PARTS manufacturers urged to get
into television by Irving Kane, president of
Viewtome Television & Radio Corp. at a meet-
ing to introduce video receiver, the "Futura,"
retailing at $225 plus installation. Pointing
out that with 60,000,000 radios in use and re-
tail sales and prices dropping, he said tele-
vision "is here and will pick up the slack."

WLIB-ACA EXTENSION

WLIB N. Y. and American Communications
Assn. (CIO) extended for two weeks old con-
tract for WLIB announcers. William Bender,
chairman ACA Atlantic Branch, reported "ne-
egotiations are now going on between union
and WLIB, and station has agreed to make any
wage increases agreed upon retroactive to
Dec. 14, date old contract expired."

WBS, GUILD AGREE

WORLD BROADCASTING System, N. Y., and
United Office & Professional Workers of Am-
erica (CIO) have agreed to free-
ment of all points of contract for WBS white-
collar staff. Contract expected to be signed
about Jan. 6, retroactive to Nov. 1.

FOUR NEW AM OUTLETS ARE GRANTED BY FCC

GRANTS for four new AM stations announced
Friday by FCC, along with withdrawal of
one of near-record 22 grants issued Tuesday
(story page 80). Grantees:

Pittsburg, Pa.—Pittsburg Publishing Co. 1340
kw, 250 w. Fulltime. Owned (98%) by Staufer
Publications, 94% owner KOPF Shawnee, Okla.,
and publisher of papers in Pittsburg, Topeka and Shawnee.

Arkansas City, Ark.—(Kansas Nebh.,) Mary-
ville and Nevada (Mo.). Oscar S. Staufer, president.

Lawrence, Mass.—Lawrence Broadcasting Co. 800
kw, half-time only (40%). Boston consultant on radio station opera-
tions; Gordon S. LeY (research engineer, Sub-
marketing). Station buys one half of flying share; Harold A. Ley, real estate company executive, takes other half.

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Granited Dec. 19.

KANSAS, N. C.—Fred H. Whitley, part owner
W. H. Whitley & Sons Home Funeral, Kannapolis,

Johnson City, Tenn.—Washington County Broad-
casting Co. 1340 mc. 1 kw, day only. Principals:
M. T. McArthur (66%), president John Sevier Hotel
Corp., other business interests; James E. Wilson
(36%), Navy veteran, with WOFI Bristol, Tenn.

Grant withdrawn was one issued Dec. 17
Lawrence broadcasting to Co., Laramie, Wyo., for fulltime on 1340 kw. 250 w. Snowy Range location.

SMITH WOULD APPLY LEA ACT TO ALL BUSINESS

REVISION of Lea Act, making it applicable
to all business rather than broadcasting,
planned in new labor legislation to be intro-
duced early next month by Rep. Howard W.
Smith (D-Va.), according to statement re-
leased Friday by Mr. Smith. Republicans
planned similar move (BROADCASTING, Dec. 9).

Late Friday Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio)
chairman Senate GOP Steering Committee and
slated to become Labor Committee chairman,
said new Congress will be ready to enact labor
legislation by Feb. 15. Special Republican Labor
Committee expected to have bill ready for Congress opening,
Mr. Smith, he said, with hearings immediately.

‘GUIDING LIGHT’ SETTLEMENT

FIVE-YEAR litigation in Illinois over owner-
ship of Guiding Light program on NBC Gen-
eral Mills hour ended when attorneys for
Irra Phillips, defending NBC, met filed by Emmons
Carlson, NBC Central Division promotion man-
ger, agreed to settlement reported in excess
of original $125,000 offer. Mr. Carlson
had won court appeal in claim of half ownership
of program.