

Ultravision recommended for channel 29 in Buffalo

FCC hearing examiner has recommended that commission favor Ultravision Broadcasting Co. over WEBR Inc. in their contest for channel 29 in Buffalo.

Ultravision is owned by three area residents, Florian R. Burczynski (45%), Stanley J. Jasinski (45%) and Roger K. Lund (10%). Mr. Jasinski is 54% owner of WMMJ Lancaster, N. Y.

Hearing Examiner Basil P. Cooper, in initial decision released Friday (Aug. 26), gave WEBR "substantial demerit" for "continuing refusal" to amend application to reflect principals' involvement in CATV systems, in violation of rules. WEBR's parent, *Buffalo Courier-Express*, owns Courier Cable Co. in Buffalo.

Examiner also favored Ultravision in area of integration of ownership with day-to-day management of proposed station, and said it deserved "substantial preference" in that grant would promote greater diversity of ownership of mass media.

License period extension seen coming from Hill

All signs "point to an extension of license periods perhaps by the next session of Congress," Arkansas broadcasters were told Friday (Aug. 26).

Sherril Taylor, vice president for radio of National Association of Broadcasters, told Arkansas Broadcasters Association meeting in Little Rock that signs from FCC, Budget Bureau and Congress indicate three-year license term soon will be extended.

Mr. Taylor noted Budget Bureau has pushed FCC to reduce paperwork and this has been supported by several commissioners. In addition he noted support of several congressmen who have introduced bills to extend terms.

"Nearly 40 years of broadcasting experience," he said, "have amply demonstrated that broadcasters deserve a longer license period."

Single-gun color set

Paramount Pictures Corp., holder of rights to Chromatron color tube (Lawrence single-gun tube) is expected to announce pact with manufacturer for

U. S. marketing of sets using tube—announcement to come in about two weeks.

Its 19-inch Chromatron-equipped prototype sets are said to be five to seven times brighter than shadow-mask type color tubes. Sources at Paramount indicate sets would be priced under \$500.

Paramount now licenses Chromatron tubes to Sony Corp., which holds rights to manufacture sets in Japan.

Fulbright remarks hint problem for John Hayes

There were indications that President Johnson's selection of John S. Hayes, president of Post-Newsweek stations and executive vice president of *Washington Post*, as U. S. ambassador to Switzerland (see page 78) might not have pleased at least one influential senator.

Senator J. William Fulbright (D-Ark.), chairman of Senate Foreign Relations Committee which must approve ambassadorial appointments, has been at odds recently with *Washington Post's* editorial policies on Vietnam and with paper's handling of his speeches. He recently charged *Post* and *Washington Evening Star* with distorting some of his remarks because "of their eagerness to please the administration."

After Hayes nomination was announced, Senator Fulbright commented on "interesting" report of Mr. Hayes's selection. He added *Post's* "enormous and complex and fabulously rich empire obviously has great influence not only in Washington, but throughout the nation as well."

There was no indication how Senator Fulbright might regard Mr. Hayes's nomination at committee hearing on nomination, still unscheduled last Friday (Aug. 26).

LBJ takes Hyde along

President Lyndon B. Johnson had local hero to introduce to folks he addressed Friday (Aug. 26) in Idaho—FCC Chairman Rosel H. Hyde.

President invited Chairman Hyde, native of Idaho and Republican, to accompany him on speaking tour in state, which included stops in Pocatello and Arco, both Idaho. Mr. Hyde was on platform when President spoke at Arco atomic reactor site, and was introduced by President to audience.

President's speaking tour includes Denver and Pryor, Okla., from where he goes to Texas ranch.

Words and wiggles on TV

Religious group looking over "trends" in television warns of "shocking development" toward obscenity on U.S. screens (liberal use of "damn" and "hell" and "what used to be known as doctor's office terms"), but that's not all, according to booklet distributed by Radio and Television Commission of Southern Baptist Convention, Fort Worth.

With prospect of TV becoming more international in nature (BROADCASTING, Aug. 22), booklet notes that French TV, which offers viewers "far better picture quality than we," also features one late-night show from Paris club "complete with striptease." Concludes commission: "trend to the risqué and obscene is international in scope."

Storz group is returning its headquarters to Omaha

Storz Broadcasting Co. is reestablishing headquarters in Omaha, Neb., according to President Robert H. Storz.

Firm operates KXOK St. Louis, WDGY Minneapolis, WHB Kansas City, WQAM Miami, WTIX New Orleans, and KOMA Oklahoma City. Home offices once were in Omaha but have been in Miami during past few years.

Firm also announced Stanleigh Torgerson, formerly manager of radio station WMC in Memphis, appointed manager of WQAM, filling vacancy created by death of Jack Sandler.

Moving to remodeled quarters in Omaha are George W. Armstrong, executive vice president of firm, formerly operating manager of WHB, and Herbert S. Dolgoff, vice president and general counsel.

New additions to headquarters staff include Perley W. Tribou, formerly technician with Voice of America, who will be Storz chief technical director, and John W. Johnson, CPA formerly with Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Co., who will be firm's comptroller.

Sale of WILD Boston to Dynamic group okayed

Dynamic Broadcasting Corp., group radio owner, was granted FCC approval last Friday (Aug. 26) of its purchase