

for \$350,000. Seller is owned by Gene Smith, WFRC president and general manager, and Gene Edward Camp, Frederick, Md., dentist. Mr. Travis is former WRDU-TV Raleigh-Durham, N.C., news director; his wife is University of North Carolina faculty member. WFRC is full time on 1600 khz with 1 kw. Co-brokers: Reggie Martin and Richard A. Shaheen Inc.

■ KFDO-TV (satellite) Sayre, Okla.: Sold by Bass Broadcasting Co. to Marsh Media Ltd. for \$300,000. Seller is owned by Perry R. Bass (51.56%) and sons, Robert M., Sid R., Edward P. and through trust, Lee M. (48.42% together). Seller still is seeking buyer for KFDO-TV's parent, KFDA-TV Amarillo, Tex., and other satellite, KFDW-TV Clovis, N.M. Bass sons also own WSLC(AM)-WSLQ(FM) Roanoke, Va., and KDNT-AM-FM Denton, Tex. Bass family primarily is involved in oil and gas exploration, development and production. Buyer is owned by brothers, Stanley Marsh (37.5%), Michael (25%), Tom (12.5%) and sister, Estelle Marsh Watlington (25%). They plan to use KFDO-TV as satellite of their KVII-TV Amarillo. Marsh family also is principal in KFWD(FM) Fort Worth which was sold to Southern Broadcasting Co. (John G. Johnson, James W. Coan, Earl F. Slick and Albert L. Butler Jr., principals) for \$1,750,000, subject to FCC approval (BROADCASTING, June 30), has interest in Total Television of Amarillo, cable system there and owns Texas oil and cattle companies. KFDO-TV is on channel 8 with 26.3 kw visual, 5.25 kw aural and antenna 580 feet above average terrain.

■ KEOS(AM) Flagstaff, Ariz.: Sold by Thunderbird Broadcasting Co. to CFK Broadcasting Co. for \$200,000, assumption of \$50,000 land mortgage and \$50,000 covenant not to compete. Jack P. Bird owns buyer and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned equally by Jay William Jennings, Paul G. Knutson and sister, Constance Fay Knutson, who also are equal partners in Knutson, Knutson & Jennings Inc., San Francisco advertising agency. Paul Knutson also owns 50% of Negaunee, Mich., nursing home, and with Constance Knutson, owns Ishpeming, Mich., real estate development firm. KEOS is on 690 khz with 1 kw day and 500 w night.

■ Other sales reported at the FCC last week include: WOGO(AM) New Smyrna Beach, Fla.; WGFT(AM) Youngstown, Ohio, and KKUB(AM) Brownfield, Tex. (see page 60).

Approved

The following transfers of station ownership were approved last week by FCC.

■ WMMN(AM) Fairmont, W.Va.: Sold by Marja Broadcasting Corp. to Marion Broadcast Corp. for \$850,000. Seller, John Carr, also owns WDNE(AM) Elkins, W.Va. Principals in buyer are Robert Levine (45%), Paul M. Friedberg (22%) and Jack Goldfarb (22%). Mr. Levine has interest in scrap processing business; Mr. Friedberg is partner in Charleston, W.Va., law

firm, and Mr. Goldfarb owns electric supply company and has real estate interests. WMMN is on 920 khz fulltime with 5 kw.

■ WCNZ(AM)-WWCK(FM) Flint, Mich.: Sold by Heritage Broadcasting Co. to Realin Corp. for \$638,000. Sellers, John Nogaj, L. James Hicks, William J. Bishop and Bernard C. Norko, have no other broadcast interests, though Mr. Nogaj is general manager of WCNZ-wwck. Buyer is owned equally by Frazier Reams Jr. and John R. Linn, who with others, are involved in WKBZ(AM) Muskegon, Mich., transaction, subject to FCC approval (see WKBZ announcement, page 34). WCNZ is daytime on 1570 khz with 1 kw. WWCK is on 105.5 mhz with 3 kw and antenna 300 feet above average terrain.

■ Other sales approved by the FCC last week include: KPLY(AM) Crescent City and KARM(AM) Fresno, both California; KADE(AM) Boulder, Colo.; WNTN(AM) Newton, Mass.; WCSV(AM)-WSLE(FM) Peterborough, N.H.; WNOS-AM-FM High Point, N.C.; WFNL(AM) North Augusta, S.C.; KANN(AM) Ogden, Utah, and WRDS(AM) South Charleston, W.Va. (see page 60).

FCC issues warning on fraudulent billing

The FCC, disturbed by recent fraudulent billing cases, has issued a general warning to licensees reminding them of their

responsibility to verify the accuracy of station bills, invoices, affidavits and the like. The commission said relevant program logs or station records must be checked and failure to do so could raise questions of a licensee's qualifications and result in sanctions.

A commission staff member said the FCC is particularly disturbed about those licenses who unintentionally are committing fraudulent billing by being "loose" with their record-keeping.

Coors won't quit TVN

Pastore expresses disappointment at CPB nominee's decision; fate should be decided by month's end

Joseph Coors, head of the Colorado-based Coors brewery and nominee to the board of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, has told the Senate Commerce Committee he definitely will not quit his post as director of Television News Inc. His position on the TVN board represented a conflict of interest with a seat on the board of CPB in the minds of some members of the Commerce Committee, and although Mr. Coors steadfastly maintained during hearings last month that he saw no conflict, he followed their urging to take the matter up with the TVN board.

In a letter to Senator John Pastore (D-R.I.) last week, Mr. Coors said, "While

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