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Minispots. Five-second in-program commercials could be familiar, if fleeting, sight on TV next fall. Idea of breaking 30-second length into six five was tried by Miller Beer (via McCann-Erickson) on CBS-TV's coverage of Cotton Bowl football game on New Year's Day. After touchdowns there'd be quick 1D with voice over: 'It's Miller time: If you've got the time, we've got the beer.' Innovation, described as experiment, drew some criticism at Association of National Advertisers TV workshop last week (story page 22), but CBS sources say it doesn't seem to have generated much objection and that they're evaluating idea to decide whether to do it again next season. Quick check indicates NBC and ABC are less enthusiastic.

Deflating the hype. Next manifestation of FCC Chairman Richard E. Wiley's new ethic is expected to be rulemaking aimed at banning hypoing of ratings. And if chairman has his way, commission will move in tandem with Federal Trade Commission. FTC statute has provision banning practices that officials say cover hypoing — attempting to boost ratings by special promotions or advertising at rating time and House Commerce Committee several years ago told two agencies to work together on issue. FCC officials have grumbled about what they feel is FTC's lack of enthusiasm for that effort (although FTC in past brought, and won, some cease-and-desist suits against broadcasters accused of hypoing), so several months ago Chairman Wiley initiated contact with FTC in hope two agencies could take joint action. FTC and FCC staffs have been in touch since then.

FCC staff has prepared draft notice of rulemaking, but it will probably not move to agenda until coordination of two agencies is completed, assuming there is coordination. Draft notice would attempt to define hypoing and would list examples of its various guises.

Clearing up clearances. Promising results are said to be seen in tests by all three TV networks of automatic system of recording station clearances, to improve speed and accuracy of Nielsen network ratings. As system is envisioned, "black box" at each affiliated station would read code in network programs, report to Nielsen computer what was going on air. That information, matched with input from Nielsen sample homes, where meters identify channel tuned but not the program on it, could produce almost infallible network readings. Black box has been in development for some time (Broadcasting, May 20, 1974), is now undergoing real-world tests at all three networks.

Oceans apart. Three top figures in broadcasting are at odds on how United States should handle external information functions. Frank Stanton, retired CBS Inc. president, is chairman of ad hoc Committee on International Information, Education and Cultural Relations and has mustered tentative majority for report proposing to disband United States Information Agency, make its Voice of America independent entity, and transfer other activities to State Department jurisdiction under new deputy under secretary for public affairs.

Opposing this and bucking for retention of USIA as independent agency are Leonard H. Marks, Washington attorney and former USIA director, and J. Leonard Reinsch, retired president of Cox Broadcasting, former chairman and now member of U.S. Advisory Commission on Information, sitting over USIA.

BMI toppers. Soon to be announced will be election of Sydney M. Kaye to lifetime status as chairman emeritus of Broadcast Music Inc. and of G. Richard Shafto, veteran broadcaster, as Mr. Kaye's successor in board chairmanship. Attorney George, 75, who participated in founding of BMI in 1939, previously had announced his retirement from active senior partnership in his law firm, Rosenman, Colin, Kaye, Petschek, Freund & Emil, New York, continuing as counsel. Mr. Shafto, 70, retired as president of Cosmos Broadcasting Co., Columbia, S.C., five years ago, but retains stock interests in both broadcasting and cable, is dean of BMI's board.

Las Vegas straight. National Gay Task Force has been trying to get place on program of National Association of Broadcasters convention in Las Vegas April 6-9, but without luck so far. Loretta Lotman, media adviser to homosexual organization, stopped off at NAB's Washington headquarters after appearing at National Association of Television Program Executives conference in Atlanta (Broadcasting, Feb. 17), but wasn't able to see anyone in authority and has made no better progress since. Word from NAB spokesman is that Las Vegas program is locked up.

Turntable too. ABC's plans to spend $75-million revolving loan (Broadcasting, Feb. 17) apparently go beyond expansion of publishing enterprises that sources had speculated would be focus of network acquisitions. Further development of ABC Records, which bought Famous Music and several subsidiary labels in 1974, is still a priority. ABC Records (label's Dunhill arm is being phased out) has maintained high profile under leadership of energetic new president, Jerry Rubinstein, and so far has expressed interest in acquiring at least one smaller New York-based label (with subsidiaries of its own). Greater investment for talent acquisition is also expected.

Trading with the enemy. NBC has reportedly bought package of theatrical movies from, of all sources, CBS, Films, which include "Little Big Man" starring Dustin Hoffman, Jack Lemon and Catherine Deneuve in "The April Fools," John Wayne's "Ride Lobo," and "A Man Called Horse" with Richard Harris, were produced in late sixties and early seventies by CBS-owned Cinema Center Films. Pictures will be played off on NBC network beginning with 1975-76 season, sources said.

Rules for the road. Washington's communications lawyers have not yet given up their effort to persuade FCC to adopt and publish guidelines for its field investigators to follow in their gumshoeing. Committee of American Bar Association and executive committee of Federal Communications Association are each considering filing pleadings with commission on subject and may join forces. FCBA delegation got nowhere in discussing matter with commission staff last month (Broadcasting, Feb. 17). There have been complaints of harassment.
Top of the Week

School days with ANA. Television advertisers give the medium a good going-over in two days of workshops. Nielsen tells some statistical tales about TV. Page 22. FCC's ubiquitous Mr. Wiley urges advertisers to get behind 'quality' programs. Page 23.

Springing into action. After seven weeks of dickering, House Commerce agrees to begin work. Communications Chairman Macdonald sets priorities, but license renewal is not among them. He passes buck to Senate, Senator Pastore passes it back. Page 26.

Added defense. FCC, in rejecting petition of Syracuse citizen group to deny license of Newhouse-owned WSYR-TV, says charges of concentration of influence and of economic monopoly must cite specific abuses. Decision is seen as offering further protection to multimedia owners under challenge from Justice Department. Page 27.

Tax break. U.S. Court of Claims overrules IRS and says California broadcaster can depreciate personnel contracts. Page 27.


Goodbye to all that. ABC appears ready to cancel seven hours of prime-time shows, including Happy Days, Karen. The Hot I Baltimore and Kung Fu. NBC set to cut at least four-and-a-half hours, including Smothers Brothers and Adam-12. CBS reportedly will drop three-and-a-half hours, including, at last, Gunsmoke. Page 32.

Late curtain? ABC-TV's Fred Pierce proposed at ANA workshop that networks should hold off on new-season premieres until late in September. He says more time is needed to assess midseason changes and impact of family viewing rules. Other two, however, are cool to the idea. Page 33.

Revolutionary prospects. CPB and three commercial networks outline bicentennial programming. Page 34.

Ballpark figures. Broadcast rights bring in $44.5 million, up only $1.25 million over 1974. Ad buys are smaller, but the numbers are bigger, with house and auto maintenance coming on strong. The breakdown: $26.4 million to the clubs, $18 million to major leagues from NBC for nationwide games, nonweekend World Series at $130,000 per minute and All-Star tilt at $100,000 per minute. Page 36. Box scores begin on Page 38.

Ok, but no more. Three commercial networks have no quarrel with Comsat rates, but feel increases aren't warranted. If FCC orders cuts, however, they want their fair share. Page 48.

Pie in sky is on shores of Potomac. Public Service Satellite Consortium sets up shop, looks to Congress, NSF and private givers for grubstake. Page 48.


Part of the system. Jerry Warren, who was caught up in history, acquitted himself with grace under pressure. Page 73.

DuPont news survey report is two-edged sword

Broadcast news is growing in importance and, at least on basis of material submitted for awards judging, in quality as well, duPont-Columbia awards jurors say in 274-page report released yesterday (March 2): "We are struck with the high quality of what we have seen. We are convinced that the industry should find deeply satisfying its accomplishment in this area."

Report also finds "disappointing" and "alarming" developments. Westinghouse Broadcasting's disbanding its award-winning Urban America unit is cited as example of negative effect that financial reverses in one segment of big company may have on conscientious and "highly lucrative" broadcasting segment of same company. Also alarming, report continues, was growing use of news consultants: Counting stations that hired them or compete with their clients, "there remained few if any medium or major-market newsrooms unaffected." Nor did report take comfort from reports that "happy talk" was being succeeded by harder, faster "top-40" approach: "News consultants and hold-the-line newsmen of the traditional sort, as well as anyone concerned with the future mental health of the nation, might take alarm at this bit of news."

Jurors said they "have been more cognizant this year of good works by radio." They said they failed to see general upgrading of radio news but that "it is clear that many excellent things are being done."

Report, titled "Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Survey of Broadcast Journalism: Moments of Truth," sees network newscasts' audience growth during Watergate scandals as one sign of growing importance of broadcast news. As other evidence it says special research project in conjunction with American Association of University Women provided 500 monitors covering 425 stations who found that: Length of newscasts had increased at 56% of those stations, size of news staffs increased at 63%, news budgets were up at 75%, local news/public affairs audiences were up at 80%, investigative reporting had been stepped up by more than half. AAUW also found coverage of specific concern to women had increased at half of stations and attitude toward women had improved at two out of three. Sex stereotyping was found to be apparently on wane, and specific biases were called rare.

In one of several special reports published with "Survey," Clay T. Whitehead, former director of Office of Telecommunications Policy, decries concentration of media control, sees cable TV as "the real hope for the future," and concludes: "The real question of press freedom today [is] whether the government regulators and the broadcasting regulators can be persuaded to loosen the big media, big government grip they have on television programming today — and whether our future journalists will care as it was like this. The occasion was the Broadcast Pioneer's 15th annual Golden Mike Award banquet, held in New York last week, at which WCCO(AM) Minneapolis-St. Paul was honored. Lawrence F. Haag (c), president of Midwest Radio-Television, licensee of WCCO-AM-FM-TV, was presented Golden Mike Award by Edwin Pfeiffer (r), WPRI-TV Providence, R.I., and president of Broadcasters Foundation. Among the speakers was Senator Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) (l), former FCC Commissioner Lee Loewinger and present Commissioner Abbott Washburn. Story is on page 29.
much about the well-intentioned bureaucratic erosion of a free press as they have about poorly intentioned attempts at press censorship."

DuPont-Columbia jurors, led by Elie Abel, dean of Columbia Graduate School of Journalism and former NBC newsman, announced current (1973-74) award winners last week (Broadcasting, Feb. 24) "Survey," edited by Marvin Barrett, is based on two years of research under direction of Louis G. Cowan, Columbia School of Journalism's director of special projects and former president of CBS-TV, and it will be published March 24 by Thomas Y. Crowell Co., New York, under title "Moments of Truth" (paperback, $3.50).

Split widens between FCC and OTP on need for new cable legislation

Debate between FCC and Office of Telecommunications Policy over OTP's draft cable bill broke into open last week, and in some heat — at least on OTP's side.

Two state cable association meetings 700 miles apart provided forums. FCC Chairman Richard E. Eger, at Georgia association meeting in Atlanta last Thursday, talked of his dedication to re-regulation — simplifying, amending or deleting existing rules — and specifically he has asked staff to prepare rulemaking looking to modification or repeal of commission's antileapfrogging rules. He said he questions whether rules are accomplishing their stated objective or are in public interest.

He also expressed view that number of requirements scheduled to be imposed on cable by 1977 — that they have 20 channel, access-channel and two way capacity, among others — should be not only deferred but "substantially modified." This kind of rethinking and changing of rules, he said, "is the genius of the administrative process." And it is primarily for that reason, he said, that he disagrees "with my good friend, John Eger, in connection with the proposed OTP legislation for cable."

Mr. Eger, acting director of OTP, in Dallas on Friday for meeting of Texas association, described OTP's proposal as one that would substitute competition of marketplace for government regulation. Congress would legislate basic framework of regulation, and commission's role in filling in gaps would be minimal; adjudication involving cable systems would be left to courts.

Mr. Eger also said Congress is proper forum for debate over cable. And, in hotter passages deleted on delivery, he said, "Cable's future can no longer be negotiated and compromised between the FCC and the affected industries. We've all gone as far as we can go in the back hallways and smoke-filled rooms of the regulatory power structure. The outcome of the debate is too important for the public, and the public's representatives in Congress, not to see the issues debated out in the open."

And he sees little evidence of "the genius of the administrative process" that Chairman Wiley described. "Business as usual" at FCC, Mr. Eger said, means "a Cable Bureau growing at a faster rate than the cable industry; a regulatory process that makes the rules and waives the rules as it goes along — leaving you scratching your head with one hand and keeping hold of your wallet with the other: and a drawn-out, never ending, elaborate dance in which you take one step forward and two backward." That was deleted also.

No go on WRVR buy

Negotiations have collapsed between GAF Corp. and Riverside Broadcasting (Riverside Church), licensee of WRVR(FM) New York, for GAF to buy jazz-oriented station and turn it into full-time classical outlet. Richard Clurman, chairman of WNCN Advisory Committee, which is promoting full-time classical station in city since then-WNCN(FM)

Self-denial. In Arbitron measurement week, when stations like to load schedule with strongest programs, WCPO-TV Cincinnati scheduled tape of Television Information Office's 43-minute Television and Children interview show (Broadcasting, Feb. 24) at 8 p.m. last Wednesday (Feb. 26), filling rest of hour locally. Result, according to TIO, was 10 rating and 16 share, ranking third in four-station market.

switched to WQIV and rock format, expressed dismay at situation. "We know Riverside wants to sell the station," he said. "WRVR has cost them millions over the years." Source at Riverside said "preliminary conversations" had taken place with GAF, but that GAF "had not made a firm offer." He also said, "We're being used as a stalking horse for Starr Broadcasting, and we're not in business to pull William F. Buckley's chestnuts out of the fire." Mr. Buckley is chairman of Starr Broadcasting, owner of WQIV, and helped set up WNCN Advisory Committee. Riverside source says station still could be sold if substantial offer were made.

In Brief

Buying mood. Twentieth Century Fox has agreed to purchase KCPX-TV Salt Lake City from Columbia Pictures Industries for estimated $11 million. Broker: Blackburn & Co. Station was acquired by Columbia's subsidiary, Screen Gems Inc., along with KCPX(AM) in 1959 for $3.1 million. Salt Lake deal follows earlier agreement by 20th Century to purchase KMOL-TV San Antonio, Tex. (see page 28). KCPX-TV is ABC affiliate on channel 4 with 50.1 kw vertical, 8.7 kw aural and antenna 3,000 feet above average terrain.

Bigger bars of soap. NBC-TV, which achieved almost instant ratings success when it expanded Another World daytime drama to 60 minutes, announced last week that it will stretch Days of Our Lives serial to one hour beginning next month. Five weeks after Another World extended itself to 4 p.m., NBC has jumped from 19 to 30 share in 3:30 to 4 p.m. time period. Show also gets consistent 30 share in its 3 to 3:30 p.m. segment. In April, Days of Our Lives will start at 1:30 p.m. instead of present 2 p.m. How to Survive a Marriage, now in 1:30 p.m. slot with season-to-date 5.5 rating and 18 share, will be canceled.

Good year for broadcasting, cable. Storer Broadcasting Co. last week reported increased revenue for 1974 but decrease in after-tax profits. Revenue and profit from broadcast station and cable TV operations were up. Over-all net earnings were $9,369,000 ($1.99 a share) in 1974, compared with $12,389,000 ($2.61) in 1973 when company took extraordinary net gain of $2,429,000 (51 cents a share) on sale of WDEF(AM) Detroit. Earnings in 1974 were also adversely affected by previously announced book loss on Delta Air Lines stock and warrants which Storer sold below values originally assigned to stock in 1972 merger of Storer and Delta (Broadcasting, Feb. 17). Company's gross revenues were $103,154,000 in 1974, $96,528,000 in 1973. Revenues and pre-tax profits from station operations: $78,558,000 and $18,126,000 in 1974, $75,322,000 and $17,723,000 in 1973. Revenues and pre-tax profits from cable operations: $9,363,000 and $1,074,000 in 1974, $7,226,000 and $387,000 in 1973.

Kahn's comeback. In his first public speech in two years, Irving B. Kahn, former chairman of Teleprompter Corp., New York, urged cable television industry to stake claim
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for satellite-to-cable network now, or, he said, cable will find it has “slept through the development of what is going to be the next major communications revolution of this century.” Speaking at annual convention of Texas Cable TV Association in Dallas on Feb. 27, Mr. Kahn referred to his imprisonment by saying he hoped cable industry would “credit my account with payment I’ve made for my debt to society,” and said he intended to become active in some phase of CATV — either as operator of system, satellite network or program producing company. Mr. Kahn was released from prison last fall after serving 18 months of five-year sentence following conviction in 1971 on charges of bribery, conspiracy and perjury in connection with award to Teleprompter of exclusive cable franchise in Johnstown, Pa.

AIM hits bull’s eye. Securities and Exchange Commission has ruled that CBS may not omit from proxy material to be sent to stockholders resolution proposed by Accuracy in Media recommending creation of nine-member, part-public committee to investigate charges of bias and distortion in reporting of defense issues by CBS News. SEC made similar ruling for RCA (Broadcasting, Feb. 24).

Burden fights on. Attorneys for Don Burden have filed notice of appeal of FCC decision stripping him of his licenses for five stations — WIFE-AM-FM Indianapolis, KOIL-AM-FM Omaha, KISN(AM) Vancouver, Wash. Notice was filed in U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington. Commission, in order issued last month, said Mr. Burden was guilty of “pervasive and continuing misconduct” and lacked qualifications to be licensee.

Changing the combination. FCC has modified rules on combination advertising rates to (1) drop exemption that permitted FM stations serving same area to sell in combination and (2) expand present policy—which bans a licensee or licensee-owned rep firm from representing competing stations in same service and market—to include stations in different services (“Closed Circuit,” Feb. 3). At same time, FCC issued notice of rulemaking that would permit combination sales by separately owned broadcast stations that have no overlap of city-grade contours. Rule would also apply to cable systems outside city-grade contour. Comments on rulemaking due May 12; reply comments, June 12.

Second thoughts. FCC has stayed hearing on license renewal application of WTIX(AM) New Orleans and ordered inquiry to determine whether allegations brought against it are bona fide. Southern Media Coalition had submitted unsworn affidavits of two New Orleans women claiming station had broadcast announcement on Jan. 7, 1973, inviting armed civilians to aid police in apprehending sniper atop Howard Johnson motel (Broadcasting, Sept. 30).

Puffin’ along. Tobacco Institute, Washington, has reported that cigarette advertising declined from $314.7 million in 1970 (last year such advertising was permitted in broadcast) to $256.2 million in 1974. Since cigarette advertising on TV and radio was estimated at $220 million in 1970, other media (magazines, newspapers, outdoor) have benefited considerably from broadcast ban.

Probation. Complaints filed by local citizen group has led FCC to grant only short-term, conditional license renewal to WXXX(AM) Hattiesburg, Miss. Two conditions are designed to assure that station implements affirmative action program aimed at employing blacks. Commission also conditioned renewal on outcome of hearing on renewal applications for WSWG(AM)-WSWG-FM Greenwood, Miss., which are owned by C.D. Saunders, who also owns WXXX. Hearing involves misrepresentation and lack of candor issues. Complaints about Hattiesburg station were filed by representatives of Concerned Citizens for Better Communications, who alleged that WXXX misrepresented facts to commission and failed to implement affirmative action program to employ blacks.

First on file. Citizens of Newton for Community Effective Radio Now has petitioned FCC to deny license renewal to WNTN(AM) Newton, Mass., for alleged inadequacies in local news programing, public affairs and special documentaries. Proof of allegations, group asserted, is demonstrated in members’ “systematic listening and monitoring” of station, discussion with community leaders and inspection of licensee’s report on past programing contained in current renewal application. Deadline for petitions to deny license renewals for stations in New England is today (March 3).

Looking for leader. National Cable Television Association has appointed search committee to find replacement for President David H. Daniel Aaron, board member and vice president of Comcast Corp., Bala Cynwyd, Pa. medium-sized MSO, is chairman. Others include Alfred R. Stern, Warner Cable Corp. chairman; Douglas H. Dittrick, president of Viacom Communications; Robert K. Weary, who owns shares of two Kansas systems, and Charles Henry of Iron Mountain, Mich., owner of CATV systems in several states, and interests in AM station and microwave common carrier.

The bill for ASCAP. Stanley Adams, president of American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, told western meeting Feb. 27 in Beverly Hills, Calif., that society’s income last year was $69,102,000 and disbursements to members $52,131,000, compared to 1973’s $65,311,000 and $50,439,000.

Late dates. George Laboda retires as director of programing, Colgate-Palmolive Co., New York, will continue as consultant . . . Joseph F. Abernathy, general manager, KMCR-FM Kansas City, Mo., named general manager, WIOD(AM) and WZAK(FM) Miami, succeeding Philip D. Costin who moves to staff of parent Cox Broadcasting Corp. . . . Donald D. Weary Jr., of Dow, Lohnes & Albertson, Washington law firm, becomes a special assistant to FCC Chairman Richard E. Wiley March 12, succeeding James Graf, now on staff of Senate Communications Subcommittee (Broadcasting, Feb. 3) . . . Jack W. Fritz, president, John Blair & Co., elected to two-year term as advisory trustee, representing station representatives, for National Committee for the Support of Free Broadcasting, replacing Tod Moore, president, Katz Agency, whose term expired . . . For earlier reports see “Fates & Fortunes,” page 57.
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April 2—U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington rehears en banc Pensions fairness doctrine case (Broadcasting, Dec. 23).
April 3-5—Alpha Epsilon Rho, national honorary broadcasting society, annual convention, Las Vegas.
April 4-5—Region 6 conference, The Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, for members in North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Site to be announced, Eau Claire, Wis.
April 4-6—Region 12 conference, The Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, for members in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee west of eastern time zone. University of Mississippi, Oxford.
April 4-6—Women in Communications Inc., Great Lakes region meeting, Ohio State University, Holiday Inn, Columbus.
April 4-8—Women In Communications Inc., Northeast regional meeting, Hartford, Conn.
April 4-6—Broadcast Education Association annual meeting, Las Vegas Convention Center.
April 4-8—Region 2 conference, The Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, for members in Maryland, District of Columbia, North Car-
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April 4-6—Region 11 conference, The Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, for members in California, Nevada, Arizona, Hawaii. Site to be announced, Pasadena, Calif.
April 8—Association of Maximum Service Telecasters, Washington, D.C., 19th annual membership meeting, 2 p.m., MGM Grand Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada.
April 8—Society of Broadcast Engineers annual meeting, 3-5 p.m., conference rooms 1, 2, 3, Las Vegas Hilton, Las Vegas, Nevada.
April 8—National Association of Broadcasters annual convention. Las Vegas convention center.
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April 11-12—Region 1 conference, The Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, for members in New York, central and eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, New England, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.
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April 11-12—Region 7 conference, The Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, for members in South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville chapter. Site to be announced, Kansas City, Mo.
April 12-13—Women in Communications Inc., Pacific Northwest region meeting, Portland.
April 13-17—National Cable Television Association 24th annual convention, Rivergate convention center, New Orleans.
April 16—Council of Churches City of New York annual awards luncheon for commercial and educational radio/TV stations.
April 17-18—American Advertising Federation sixth district meeting. Site to be announced, Chicago.
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The Formby 'Profile'

EDITOR: "Profile" has long been one of my favorites in BROADCASTING. I enjoy the ones about the people I know and the people I would like to know. I always have the feeling the "Profile" articles on people that I know very accurately portray the individual. Never has that been truer than in the case of Clint Formby. You absolutely described him to a "T" — except that you forgot to mention the time he preached at the First Baptist Church in Hereford. But you didn't have space to tell all about that event.—Thad M. Sandstrom, vice president-broadcasting, Stauffer Publications, Topeka, Kan.

EDITOR: It is indeed refreshing to see someone who still knows the true purpose of radio broadcasting. As an immediate past owner of a small-market radio station, I must tell you that Mr. Formby has found what all broadcasters should be seeking. All too many times "interest, convenience, and necessity" applies to the owner or manager rather than to the people of the community for whom it was intended.

Without those people, local radio would sign off permanently. This is the only way a small community station can hope to compete with "big city boys." After having done both, I can honestly say that "effective radiated power" does not a broadcaster make.—Jim Richards, former owner/manager, KSJZ-AM-FM Hemet, Calif.

TVB thumbs-down on eight-week sweeps

EDITOR: Once in a great while, the best of us make an error of omission, as did BROADCASTING in its Feb. 17 issue, regarding the Television Bureau of Advertising's attitude toward a recent Nielsen letter on eight-week audience measurement sweeps. Please let our membership know that we strongly oppose the eight-week plan, and the alternatives, proposed by Nielsen, are not preferable to the present four-week system.

I appreciate how a small three-letter word can be dropped in printing, but our position has not changed.—Harvey Spiegel, senior vice president, sales and marketing, TVB, New York.
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We've been asked many times why our client, Binney & Smith, bothers to advertise its well known crayon product at all, since it's hard to think of a competing brand. It's because after some two decades of handling the account and watching sales go up year after year, the answer is obvious: We're competing with much more than other crayons. We're really fighting for that all-important share of mind in a market crammed with thousands of toys, games and other drawing implements.

And we're doing it with a product that has been around for generations—since 1903, in fact—a product that has remained virtually unchanged except for new colors (64 today) added in the familiar green and yellow box.

In the face of this highly competitive marketplace—an atmosphere which daily entices both kids and mothers with hundreds of new toys that zoom, boom, walk and even talk—our unpretentious quiet toy has its work cut out for it to win that crucial share of mind. For if kids stop "crayoning," we're out of business. Our product doesn't fly, doesn't race, can't be dressed in 17 changes of clothes, can't light up and won't respond to the flick of a switch. But it does respond to that one magical quality all kids possess in abundance—imagination.

Keeping all these things in mind, we've also had to keep pace with the times, constantly re-evaluating our target audiences (each year delivers a brand new crop of 2-year-olds and their mothers), keeping the creative product and media selections at peak effectiveness and efficiency, and maintaining consistent advertising schedules.

Every agency and client engaged today in producing children's product commercials knows how that world is changing due to consumer movements and subsequent government requirements on content, techniques, etc. We find these new guidelines, though tough, are really quite reasonable, and meeting them presents no serious creative problem. We simply have had to revise our thinking, and approach from another angle. The characteristics of our major communications medium—network TV—are changing in equal proportion: changes in viewing habits among children and mothers. But we still believe that TV is the answer for our product, as long as we can keep one step ahead of this moving target. For instance, weekend kids' shows are no longer part of our TV schedule, where once they played an important part in the media mix. Right now, more kids view early prime time on weekends than on Saturday and Sunday mornings. The 5-7:30 p.m. slot, which is nonnetwork, has shown significant growth in children's viewing. Thanks to excellent distribution, network up until now had been the most efficient answer, but this may change.

It must be working, for in 1974 Binney & Smith posted record sales.

As with many playthings, our product has two commercial targets: the users, children 2-11; and the purchasers, their mothers. Originally, going back to our first involvement with the client about 20 years ago, the ad budget was very modest and the consumer effort consisted of one-half and two-thirds pages in magazines such as Parents, Ladies Home Journal and Good Housekeeping, which delivered efficient numbers of mothers of young children.

Creative themes in those years were built around the many ways children could use and enjoy Crayola crayons: Making shoebox trains, cardboard box towns, paper bag puppets, all colored with Crayola crayons. As the ad budget grew along with sales, page size and frequency grew. But even with four-color pages it was impossible to communicate directly with the young child in large numbers simply because children of that age don't read magazines.

Television was the answer. About 10 years ago, we bought into Captain Kangaroo with the likable captain (Bob Keeshan) himself as the presenter. All commercials were taped as an integral part of the show, with the captain enlarging on the "how to make things" theme.

As sales continued to climb, the ad budget was proportionately expanded to the point where we could finally afford to use television to reach mothers as well as kids. In 1969 we went total TV, using a combination of daytime, Captain Kangaroo and weekend children's shows.

At this point, the creative theme of the commercials changed from the "things to make" format into simple, product-centered spots. We set as an objective the establishment of strong product brand identification and the concept of Crayola crayons being a fun-filled, colorful, easy-to-use product. The quiet toy had a new way of speaking to both kids and mothers. While age marketers talked to kids with varooming racing cars and talking dolls, we're asking them to try something else: "Color your world with Crayola crayons."

The entry into TV enabled us to really put our special brand of selective marketing to work. Network television provided us with the necessary ingredients to home in efficiently and effectively on target audiences. Kids' shows were excellent vehicles to reach the young product users; daytime reached the young mother, and in many instances delivered substantial bonus audiences of children. Commercial messages could be custom-made for specific audiences, and with many of the spots we created dual-purpose commercials which would be effective whether viewed by child or parent.

In this ever-changing situation, we have to look even harder at the adult viewing audience we must reach: the mother. Attitudes and activities continue to change at a startling pace. The working mother alone is a growing factor. Nielsen has added a new category of working women in their reports. While daytime is still the special domain of women, younger women are watching late night on a comparable basis. How do we reach them?

But all things considered—and looking toward the never-never land of tomorrow—our gut feeling tells us that as long as kids have imagination, a reasonably safe and normal world to grow up in, and free enterprise remains free, the quiet toy will still be very much in evidence when it's a hundred years young.
"One of those beautiful television experiences..."

All Creatures Great and Small

The story of "All Creatures Great and Small" was gentle and low key. Yet, last month's Hallmark Hall of Fame presentation evoked some of the loudest and most emphatic critical praise of the season:

"One of those beautiful television experiences, full of marvelous little surprises...makes you want to treasure everything in life."
New York Daily News (Kay Gardella)

"A delicate concoction...handled with unusual intelligence and sensitivity."
New York Times (John J. O'Connor)

"Excellent...a cheerful, amusing play about life — human and animal."
Cincinnati Post (Mary Wood)

"One of the most thoroughly engaging TV shows I have seen in some time."
Dallas Times Herald (Bob Brock)

"A pleasantly enjoyable dramatic creation, thanks to the sterling performances of British actors Simon Ward and Anthony Hopkins."
Milwaukee Journal (Beth Slocum)

Thanks are due to Hallmark and everyone associated with the drama (which was based on veterinarian James Herriot's engaging book) — to producers David Susskind and Duane C. Bogie; director Claude Whatham; and writer Hugh Whitemore.

Actors Simon Ward and Anthony Hopkins headed a brilliant cast, and received fine support from co-stars Lisa Harrow and Brian Stirner.

Their telling of the tale of a young veterinarian's life in the countryside put television's best foot forward. It deserves all kinds of recognition — and we're happy that it's getting it.

NBC TELEVISION NETWORK
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Source: NSI, November 1974, total day estimates, subject to survey limitations.
Big accounts go through two-day drill on TV basics

ANA workshop warned against clutter, hears doubts raised about research, learns what's good and bad in barter, is told how to cut commercial costs

Close to 300 members and guests of the Association of National Advertisers were treated to a combination of philosophy and nitty-gritty how-to's about TV advertising at a two-day ANA workshop in New York last week.

In the process the advertisers were encouraged by FCC Chairman Richard E. Wiley to sponsor children's and family-audience programing (story page 23) and were told by Frederick Pierce, president of ABC Television, that the start of the 1975-76 season should be delayed to allow time for production of higher quality programing (page 33) and were given an array of A. C. Nielsen statistics on subjects as diverse as program mortality and pro football (page 22).

Broadcasters and advertisers together were enjoined to avoid doing anything to damage TV's effectiveness. CBS was chided for introducing its Bicentennial minutes and NBC for its upcoming one-minute mid-evening news summaries, both on grounds that they were vehicles for creation of additional commercial time. And though they were not mentioned by name, Miller beer and CBS were chided for what appeared to be a New Year's day experiment with five-second in-program commercials during coverage of a football game.

Highlights of the workshop, held Tuesday and Wednesday (Feb. 25-26), included the following:

Michael D. Moore, senior vice president of Benton & Bowles, New York, cautioned advertisers — and broadcasters — not to do anything that would hurt TV's advertising effectiveness. He said:

"I have alluded to the fact that network television quite possibly is the most effective advertising medium we have today. I know that some might take issue with that point of view, but indulge me for a moment and accept the statement as true. If it is true, then you national advertisers, who represent the vast majority of spending in the medium, have the obligation to your management and stockholders to preserve it over the long haul.

"Increasingly, we are all faced with the temptation to sacrifice the long-term effectiveness of the medium for short-term gain. As costs spiral for both the broadcaster and the advertiser, each is looking for ways to maintain his position. Often this means doing things that in my judgment will make the medium less effective in the future. The broadcaster is tempted to generate more revenue and reduce the out-of-pocket costs to the advertiser by utilizing scheduling devices that allow for more commercial time. Like when ABC added a fourth commercial minute on Batman a number of years ago or when CBS and NBC decided to clip programing to insert nightly 50-second programs [CBS's Bicentennial minutes; NBC's upcoming one-minute news summaries] in order to create 10 more seconds of commercial time which hadn't previously existed in the schedule.

"On the other hand, the advertiser is tempted to not only go along with the broadcaster, but to compound the situation by looking for ways to maintain advertising weight with fewer dollars by scheduling shorter message-length commercials. For example, there are those who would like to see two unrelated products incorporated into a single 30-second commercial. Another advertiser recently took a 30-second commercial and split it into six separate five-second commercials and scattered them throughout a sporting event.

"Clever, but if someone doesn't stand back and remind the advertiser and the broadcaster that clutter has the potential of killing the goose that lays the golden egg, we may lose a good deal of value that we currently attain from this highly effective marketing tool."

The advertiser that split the 30 into six five-second commercials was identified as Miller beer, and the sports event in which the commercials ran was said to be a football bowl game on CBS last New Year's day.

For advertisers wanting to know what makes a good spot buyer, Richard Williams, general sales manager of Post-Newsweek's Top Market Television rep firm, had some ideas. He summed up:

"A good spot TV buyer is growth oriented for both long and short range goals and desire, takes time to know as much as possible and more than is provided about his client, agency and the medium he is buying. He believes that excellence is attained not by spectacular deeds but by doing the little things well, consistently."

"He maintains his objectivity yet deals with client, agency and the media in a professional and unabrasive manner. He can and will do a better job for his agency and client by maintaining a commitment to excellence both professionally and personally because the two are inexorably connected.

"Finally, more and more he will look to remain and grow with a company that provides the atmosphere where the bottom line is not only profit but development of people, and where both of these goals are of equal importance; an agency where evaluation and constructive criticism flow upward, not only downward; where he or she has an opportunity to influence not only when the work is done but how it is done and to help set guidelines as well as meet deadlines."

Mitchell Johnson, president of Syndicast Services Inc., outlined for the audience some of the advantages and disadvantages of advertiser barter syndication. Mr. Johnson traced the growth of this form of program distribution over the past five years and said that it has moved steadily from its start as a vehicle for smaller advertisers to one that today includes such front-ranking companies as Colgate-Palmolive, Bristol-Myers, General Motors, Scott Paper, J. B. Williams, Budweiser, Vick Chemical and J. P. Stevens.

The advantages of barter syndication to an advertiser, Mr. Johnson said, include an opportunity for program identification, improved product protection, the ability to reach specific demographic groups and the availability of merchandising and promotional tie-ins.

Mr. Johnson conceded there are disadvantages: An advertiser requiring 200 stations and the 95% of media available from a network can rarely obtain it from syndication; there is risk in that an
advertiser underwriting a program must commit for 13, 26 or 52 weeks; national rating information is not available unless special tabulations are ordered, and the maintenance of a syndicated program is complicated by the severing of existing contracts; there are added charges for pre-emption and for negotiations for make-goods.

In the keynote speech, Tom Dillon, president of BBDO, warned against unques tioned acceptance of scoring systems that purport to tell whether a commercial is effective or not, how commercials should be scheduled or what TV buy is the best possible.

"We have indeed come a long way," he said, "but I am afraid that we have an equal distance to go before we can feel confident that any single number can tell us with the precision I would like whether a particular commercial is good or poor." He "suspected" that "most of us are making pretty good decisions" on scheduling but was "terrified," he said, "by the possibility that we have too much confidence in them."

On the question of evaluating TV buys, Mr. Dillon said, progress has been such that "we may be getting a little smug," in being so involved with the demographics, lifestyles and perhaps psychographics of TV audiences that "we (may) tend to forget that the general purpose of television advertising is to affect a broad audience among those who buy a specific product or service."

Mr. Dillon introduced a new kind of measurement: product consumption per dollar of media expenditure. It can give results quite different from conventional cost per thousand or cost per rating, with antacids, for example, network radio and early news on TV seemed "appreciably more efficient" in terms of cost per thousand males, but daytime quizzes appeared to be 48% more efficient than early news on TV when measured "in terms of consumption of upset stomach remedies."

"I do not mean to suggest that in every situation in which an analysis is made, you will find such surprising disparities," he said. "But you indeed do find enough of these to disturb your faith in conventional wisdom. I hasten to add that I am not suggesting to any antacid advertiser that he throw all his money into daytime quizzes on this slender piece of information. I only use it to show the disparity of results that can be obtained if you lay audience figures down against consumption figures."

George Sullivan, manager, commercial production, Colgate-Palmolive Co., New York, described the steps C-P has taken in TV commercials production in the areas of cost, time and technique. He said that his department does not evaluate the creative aspects of commercials, leaving that judgment to the company's divisional creative directors and to its advertising agencies.

Colgate-Palmolive receives a minimum of three bids from TV production firms and from editorial and optical finishing houses, according to Mr. Sullivan. He said that company generally does not use a cost-plus system but instead requires a detailed cost analysis with each bid. Mr. Sullivan pointed out that 20% of all commercial costs are common to all producers and they can be checked by calling firms or unions engaged in specialized activities. After his department and the agency review the bids, a production house is engaged and a pre-pro duction meeting is held to make certain everyone involved understands the goals.

Another step taken by Colgate to reduce commercial costs and retain quality has been the use of test commercials. Mr. Sullivan said this approach was adopted in 1968 and since that time, there has been an increase in the number of commercials Colgate has had produced in rough form and a decrease in the number of finished productions.

The pay-off of Colgate's strict procedures, Mr. Sullivan said, is that the company has managed to keep the company's TV commercial costs to 1970 levels.

Speaking from media experience at an agency (Ted Bates & Co.) and a buying service (The Sawyer Group), Sewall (Bud) Sawyer, manager of media, Borden Inc., New York, told the ANA audience there are two situations in which it is easy to decide to use a media buying service rather than an agency. The first: when the advertiser and its agency want specialized outside help in buying broadcasts because "the agency is not staffed in depth with TV or radio network or spot buying experts." The second: when the advertiser is looking for specialized buying help on an extensive but short-term basis (political candidates, magazines with once-a-year but heavy spot broadcast efforts).

On a more general basis, Mr. Sawyer said there is "only one way" to decide whether to use media buying services. This is by applying post-analysis to the work of the services and the agencies, he stated. With this kind of measurement, Mr. Sawyer said, "you're in a position to decide how effectively your agencies are buying spot and whether you should give a buying service a crack at it."

Six out of 10 network TV programs (63%) die in their first year, but for those that survive the odds are even better (66%) that they will return again. The survivors in fact seem to gather strength as they go along: Three out of four (75%) of those on the air for six or more years can count on being back for at least one more season.

These were among the statistical odds and ends offered to the Association of National Advertisers' TV workshop (also page 21) by James D. Lyon of the A. C. Nielsen Co., on subjects ranging from football and children's TV to public broadcasting and basic TV audience data.

He suggested that children's daytime viewing seems to be leveling off or declining modestly, but he tied this trend to a gradual decline in the size of U.S. families.

He said Senator Frank Moss (D-Utah) of the Senate Commerce Subcommittee on Consumers had made "several requests for data on children's viewing," including one asking for a list of programs for which children represent 50% or more of the total viewing audience (separate story page 33).

Without saying whether Senator Moss had requested it, he also presented other data on children's viewing, including:

Eight of the top-10 child-appeal programs are in prime time, and the most popular, Emergency (NBC, Saturday, 8-9 p.m.), attracts almost 9 million children aged 2-11 during the average minute. During weekday mornings about 3.5 million children watch during the average minute; when school is out in the afternoon the figure rises to 5 million. On a Saturday mornings some 13-million children regularly watch TV.

Other highlights:

* TV-equipped households are at the "near-saturation level" of 97%; growth in multiset homes has leveled off to a current estimate of 41% of all TV homes; color-TV homes have increased from 4% in 1964 to about 66% in 1974; cable-TV homes have been growing at a rate of about one percentage point a year to a current estimate of 11% of all TV homes.

* TV-viewing times are getting smaller. In 1970 the average TV household had 3.12 persons; in 1974 it had 2.90.

* Women watch more TV than anybody else, averaging more than 30 hours a week, and are tops in every day-part except Saturday and Sunday daytime. Children view slightly more than men,
and teen-agers view the least—about 20 hours a week. The entire household keeps the set going an average of 43 hours 47 minutes a week (1974). The 1974 household average of six hours 14 minutes of viewing per day was up from five hours 24 minutes in 1964. The daily average seems to have leveled off. Nevertheless, Mr. Lyons said, "I suppose there is some practical limit or saturation point in viewing levels short of 24 hours per day, but I don't profess to know what it is." Average PBS ratings increased "markedly" from 1970 to 1973—the latest year for which Mr. Lyons gave figures—and they doubled, but "are still very low." The average 1973 rating—on a total audience rather than average audience basis—was 1.5% of TV households. About four out of 10 households (40.7%) tuned to a PBS prime-time program at some time during eight weeks, but this represented a gain from less than three out of 10 (27.4%) in 1970. "Upper-income, college-educated and professional and white-collar families were most attracted to these programs. Sesame Street, public broadcasting's best known success, had an average rating of 4.3 in 1974, as against a 5.7 average for all network children's programs. Sesame Street's average was down slightly in 1974, with the dip probably traceable to a greater use of repeat programming. In a week, Sesame Street's audience builds to a level of almost 14% of all TV households. For an average three-week period last fall, Monday-night football (ABC) had "considerably higher individual week audience levels" than Sunday-afternoon games (CBS and NBC), "but by the end of three weeks the estimated cumulative audience for all three telecasts is about the same." In terms of male viewers aged 18-49, the differences become more apparent. In addition, "The combined cumulative audience for the three networks was barely more than half (56%) of all men in this key target category," Mr. Lyons added, and since "commercial additional programing" is often needed to achieve total coverage of any target audience.

Adviser support of wholesome shows looks good by Wilye

FCC Chairman Richard E. Wilye appealed to national advertisers last week to put their money in "quality" television programming for children and in the "family viewing" periods of prime time.

Mr. Wilye told his message to a television-communications audience at a National Advertisers in New York. It was largely at his behest that the National Association of Broadcasters and Association of Independent Television Stations adopted new limits on commercial loads in children's programming last year (except for special programming into the FCC's license renewal policies). It was also on his initiative that the NAB television code board proposed to keep sex and violence out of the 7-9 p.m. period when family audiences are available, a proposal to be considered by the NAB television board next month.

Advertising support for children's programming "must be encouraged if adequate budgets are to be committed to the task of producing quality programming," Mr. Wilye told the ANA.

"Family viewing type programming 'must be encouraged if adequate budgets are to be committed to the task of producing quality programming,'" Mr. Wilye told the ANA.

"But," he added, "you in the audience know such programming when you see it—and it is my sincere hope that you will commit your corporations to support such programs wherever possible."

Programs to be slotted in the new "family viewing" time—between 7 and 9 p.m.—deserve support, too, he said.

The concept is aimed at providing "wholesome family entertainment on television," he noted. And he expressed the hope that family viewing will "prove to be not only good for the public interest but good for business as well."

When family-viewing type programming is offered by programers, he said, "my hope is that it will be supported by national advertisers." Without such support, he added, "it will be very difficult for this new program to succeed."

Fourth quarter sets record for spot TV

Biggest budget boosts come from pet foods, household furnishings, human foods and soaps, says TVB

The Del Monte Corp. boosted its spot-TV advertising by more than 1,000%—from $433,000 to almost $4.9 million—to register the biggest dollar growth and reach 11th rank in spot TV advertising for the fourth quarter of 1974. The figures are being released today (March 3) by the Television Bureau of Advertising, based on estimates compiled by Broadcast Advertisers Reports. They put over-all spot-television investments in the fourth quarter at $473 million, up 17% from $429.6 million in the same quarter of 1973. Del Monte's $4.5-million increase in fourth-quarter spot expenditures passed over-all campaign, which the company called highly successful, promoting Del Monte canned vegetables in more than 50 markets, according to TVB. It said the campaign represented 60% of the company's advertising budget for the fiscal year started in July. The fourth-quarter outlay raised Del Monte's spot-TV expenditures for calendar 1974 to $11 million. Other big gains in the fourth quarter, according to TVB, included Lever Brothers, up $4.4 million to $11 million; Campbell's, up $3.5 million to $4 million; Standard Brands, up $2.4 million to $3.9 million; Quaker Oats, up $2.4 million to $5.9 million, and Warner-Lambert, up $2.3 million to $4 million.

With a $24.3-million outlay, Procter & Gamble remained by long odds the biggest spot user, but nine other companies also passed the $5-million mark. General Foods and Lever Brothers joined P&G in exceeding the $10-million level.

The five leading product categories for the quarter, TVB reported, were: human foods, $105.5 million; toiletries and toilet goods, $48.5 million; sporting goods and toys, $37.6 million; automotive, $32.4 million, and household equipment and supplies, $30.2 million.

Among the biggest gainers were pet foods, $1.6 million; household furnishings, up 216%; household furnishings, up 29%; and soaps, cleaners and polishes, up 22%.

Nighttime television accounted for $156.4 million or 33% of the quarter's spot-TV total, followed by early evening with 26%, daytime 22% and late night 19%.

Five companies made their first appearances in the quarterly top 100: Gabriel Industries (Kohner, Gabriel, Gilbert toys) with $1.6 million; Mega International (Mego toys), $1.4 million; Cling Peach Industry of California, $1.3 million; Leisure Dynamics (Lakeside and Cox toys), $1.3 million, and Raytheon Co. (Amana products), $1.2 million.

The fourth quarter's top 100 follows, with estimates based on BAR monitoring of 263 stations in 75 leading markets for one week per month and projected to the month.

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Morris Plains, N.J., are expected to reach detente within a few weeks in their dispute over TV commercials for P&G's Scope and W-L's Listerine mouthwashes.

The argument has been over comparative advertising. Warner-Lambert has protested on several occasions to the code board about Scope commercials referring to a competing "medicine breath" mouthwash, meaning Listerine. W-L also said it would voluntarily eliminate its apparent reference to Scope as the "sweet-tasting mouthwash" if P&G made a similar move.

An official of the code board said he has had several discussions with P&G on the matter and was confident that the Cincinnati firm would soften its copy sufficiently to meet present or new code guidelines. He hastened to add that advertisers can make comparisons with other products and point up the distinctive characteristics of their products but said: "These points should not be made in a fashion that is gratuitously disparaging" to competitors.

### Settlement expected on Scope, Listerine

Through the good offices of the TV code review board of the National Association of Broadcasters, Procter & Gamble Co., Cincinnati, and Warner-Lambert Co.,

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### NBN expands its radio dimensions

Sales company that started in '73 as service to baseball TV sponsors, has broadened its AM-FM coverage for the majors' upcoming season

The National Baseball Network is going into its third season of local and regional TV coverage and its first year of full-scale radio coverage. Don Stuart, president of the service that places advertisers in local and regional baseball broadcasts, said the TV line-up includes 22 of the 23 U.S.-based major league teams (the 23rd, the Los Angeles Dodgers, is said to be sold out) while the radio network will cover all but the Dodgers, the California Angels and the San Francisco Giants.

Mr. Stuart said the TV network will deliver from 135 to 180 participating stations, depending on what the advertiser wants. Typical budgets, he said, range from $850,000 to $425,000. The higher figure gives an advertiser one 30-second commercial in every televised game; the lower figure covers an alternating-game or half-season plan. Variations may be worked out for other configurations. Mr. Stuart expects to equal if not exceed the TV network's ratings last year, which he said were the equivalent of a 16.5 average in major markets and 14.1 over 85% of the U.S.—better, Mr. Stuart said, than any competitive seasonal sports coverage. Negotiations are said to be approaching contract stage for renewals by Consolidated Cigar Corp., Alberto-Culver's Command hair products and Novell's Noxzema Instant Shave, and discussions are under way with advertisers in other categories, Mr. Stuart reports.

The recession has made everyone more cautious, he observed, but he has already set one advertiser for the new radio network operations: Maremont Corp.'s Gabriel shock absorbers, through Post-Keyes-Gardner, Chicago.

Mr. Stuart expects the average radio line-up to range between 350 and 450 stations, though he says it can go to 800 or
Number 1 FM station in the nation!

WMEF Fort Wayne

Largest audience share of any FM station in Fall 1974 Arbitron radio sweep.

19.5 share metro survey area. Total persons 12 + monday–sunday 6am to midnight.

Programmed by

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201-567-8800

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more or be limited to originating stations only, depending on each advertiser’s marketing objectives. Costs vary with the configurations ordered but tend to range between $300,000 and $600,000. Mr. Stuart said, with the latter encompassing a minute of commercial time in each game on 450 stations. Where TV network advertisers get 30’s, radio advertisers get minutes.

(A “Special Report” on baseball and broadcasting begins on page 36.)

Business Briefs


Down under up here. Qantas Airways, Australian airline, new advertising campaign breaks in April four new 30-second spots. Two thirds of target $2.5 million ad budget to be used in TV, both network and spot in top 25 markets. Second wave of spot TV in top 25 markets is planned for September. Qantas spent $1.78 million in advertising, also with two-thirds going to TV, last year. Cunningham and Walsh, San Francisco, is advertising agency.

Spud spots. Consumers are beginning to hear about low prices for potatoes in four-week radio campaign by The Potato Board, San Francisco. Campaign began Feb. 24 and uses radio for first time on ABC Information Network and in spots in top 26 markets. Money being spent is modest $157,000, but anticipation is that larger portion of $1.1 media budget will continue to go to radio if first wave is effective. Agency is Botsford Ketchum, San Francisco.

Say cheese. Comedienne Joan Rivers tells Dorman Cheese Co.’s story in nine new 30-second radio spots, backed by a budget of $300,000. Commercials, developed by Ackerman Advertising, Greenville, N.Y., relate how Dorman’s cheese figured in courtship of Miss Rivers and her husband, Edgar (love notes written on the papers between slices). Dorman, heavy radio spot user for past seven years, makes departure from traditional musical treatment to comic framework.

Media

House Commerce gets shipshape, sets its course

Only minor changes are made in first plan to revamp committee; Macdonald sets priorities but doesn’t mention license renewal

With little of the bickering but a good deal of the confusion over parliamentary procedure that had characterized its earlier attempts to organize, the House Commerce Committee last Wednesday ratified its rules, its subcommittees, chairmen and assignments. Seven weeks into the 94th Congress, the committee and its subcommittees may now get on with legislative business.

With minor changes, the committee rules are those adopted in January by the subcommittee’s Democratic caucus and authored by Representatives John Moss (D-Calif.), John Dingell (D-Mich.) and Paul Rogers (D-Fla.) (BROADCASTING, Jan. 27). On paper the new rules represent a significant chiseling away of prerogatives that used to reside solely with the Commerce Committee chairman, Representative Harley Staggers (D-W.Va.). For example, they give the majority caucus the power to determine the number and jurisdiction of subcommittees and provide that the subcommittee chairmen will be responsible for developing their own budgets and for hiring their own staffs. These duties were previously performed by the full committee chairman.

There had been reports along the way that Mr. Staggers was unhappy with the changes and that he, along with the committee’s minority members and some Democrats with little enthusiasm for the reforms, would try to overturn them in committee sessions. But Mr. Staggers was not present at the meeting last Wednesday (he was reported ill) and on the final vote to approve the new rules, five Republicans joined the Democrats in casting “aye” votes. Republicans cast the only “no” votes. The final tally was 27-5.

One rule modified, but adopted by the committee last week was an amendment by Representative H. John Heinz (R-Pa.), which states that radio and television broadcasters will be permitted to cover any committee hearing or markup session unless they are specifically barred by a recording committee at the start of the meeting. Mr. Heinz pointed out that current practice, wherein the committee must vote at the beginning of every meeting to permit radio and TV coverage, discriminates against broadcasters because such votes are rarely taken.

Under the new rule broadcasters are presumed to have the committee’s permission to cover all meetings that the print media can, unless that permission is specifically withdrawn.

The only member of the committee to oppose the Heinz amendment last week was Representative Bob Eckhardt (D-Tex.), who said the presence of television cameras and lights would create a “circus atmosphere” which would interfere with the committee proceedings.

The item which had occupied the committee for the better part of three sessions was whether to permit members to vote by proxy. Although the Republicans fought long to ban the use of proxies, in the end the committee adopted an amendment to the rules which permits their use only by members who are ill or otherwise occupied with “official business.” Furthermore, members holding proxies may vote them only on legislation specified on the proxy.

Another amendment passed last Wednesday provides for 28 professional staff members responsible to the full committee, 18 appointed by the chairman of the full committee (six of those will be placed at the disposal of the minority members), and an additional 10 appointed by the five subcommittee chairmen and five minority members (the sixth subcommittee, the Investigations Subcommittee, is provided for separately). The latter 10 will be directly responsible to the subcommittee chairmen and ranking minority members who appointed them. These rules also specify that the 18 appointed by the full committee chairman will be assigned to do legislative work with the subcommittees.

Representative Rogers, who offered the amendment, said a major reason for doing so was to ensure that legislation will remain under the care of the same staff members from the subcommittee level on through the full committee. In the past legislation had passed from hand to hand in its jump from the subcommittee level to the full committee level.

With the exception of the Investigations Subcommittee, most of the staffing and budget decisions of the subcommittee chairmen will be subject to approval by the committee’s majority caucus. Separate provision is made in the rules for the staff and budget of the Investigations Subcommittee, which will be determined by the subcommittee chairman and approved by the Democrats on the subcommittee. The new Investigations Subcommittee chairman is John Moss.

At least one of the subcommittees, the Communications Subcommittee, plans to take advantage of the new rules to request a larger budget and staff than it has had before. Representative Torbert Macdonald (D-Mass.), chairman of the subcommittee, said after last week’s meeting that at least he would like to have an opportunity to get the people we need.” In the past he has had no more than one or two staff members to help him.

Mr. Macdonald last week released a tentative list of legislative matters he had five subcommittee hearings in mind. The Senate Communications Subcommittee’s list released the week prior (BROADCASTING, Feb. 24), there is no mention of license-renewal legislation. An aide explained that there is a feeling on the House side that the bill is in the Senate’s court because the House took the initia-
tive on license renewal last session. Furthermore, he indicated, there are other matters which figure higher on the subcommittee's list of priorities.

But an aide on the Senate Communications Appropriations said subcommittee Chairman John Pastore (D-R.I.) feels the House should take the first step. "They're the ones who killed it," he said, referring to the fact that the bill's progress was halted last year because Representative Staggers never named conferees to represent the House in conference on the bill last session. Mr. Staggers said at the time that the bill would get attention in this Congress.

Many of the matters on the House subcommittee's schedule are the same as those on the Senate subcommittee's: FCC, Office of Telecommunications Policy and Comsat oversight hearings, long-range funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, educational broadcasting facilities funding, hearings on TV violence and obscenity, a review of the U.S. Sports Anti-Blackout Act, and mark-up of proposed legislation to repeal the equal-time provision of the Communications Act (Section 315) as it applies to presidential and vice presidential candidates. In addition, the House Communications Subcommittee anticipates hearings on children's TV programming and advertising as well as a look at the problems of UHF broadcasters. The last item was prompted by a recent visit to Chairman Macdonald by emissaries of the Council for UHF Broadcasters, a newly formed trade association.

Mr. Macdonald had hoped to stage a day of FCC oversight hearings this Wednesday (March 5), but it was reported last Wednesday that that hearing will be postponed until March 11.

There were no changes made in the membership of the Communications Subcommittee (see Broadcasting, Feb. 3). Two members, Representatives Timothy Wirth (D-Colo.) and William Brodhead (D-Mass.), had contemplated moves to other subcommittees (Broadcasting, Feb. 24), but they were permitted to take on the additional assignments they sought without having to give up their seats on Communications.

Hill likely to kill facilities-funds cutback

Congress last week took the first steps toward rejecting President Ford's request for a $10 million cut in education facilities appropriated for fiscal 1975 for educational broadcasting facilities.

For the proposed rescission to take effect, both houses would have to legislate it, but last week the Senate Appropriations Committee and the House Appropriations Subcommittee, in separate votes, killed the TV portion over the appropriation both rejected it. The next stop in the House is the full Appropriations Committee, which is expected to follow the subcommittee's recommendations. Any further initiative to enact the educational facilities rescission would have to come by way of amendment to an over-all rescission package, and that too, observers say, is unlikely.

If no action is taken on the President's proposal, the educational facilities appropriation will remain at $12 million, the figure passed last year. The President had asked a $5-million reduction.

Sanctuary seen in new FCC rules on crossownership

Decision on WSYR-TV suggests end to attacks on media combinations that are in accord with regulations

Broadcasters facing petitions to deny applications for renewal of their licenses on grounds of concentration of media control were breathing easier last week after reading the FCC's opinion in a case involving WSYR-TV Syracuse, N.Y. The opinion suggests that the commission's order adopting new media-crossownership rules provides a refuge for broadcasters with multimedia interests against such attacks as those the Justice Department has made on newspaper-related broadcast properties.

The FCC on Feb. 12 rejected a petition to deny WSYR-TV's license renewal, filed by a local citizen group, the Syracuse Coalition for the Free Flow of Information in the Broadcast Media (Broadcasting, Feb. 17). The coalition had listed a number of allegations in urging the FCC to set the renewal application for hearing, and the commission rejected them all — including one that the S. I. Newhouse family, with ownership of AM and FM stations as well as the two daily newspapers in Syracuse, has a concentration of influence in the Syracuse area. The coalition asked the commission to consider the antitrust implications of such holdings.

But the text of the commission order dismissing the petition, which was released last week, made it clear that, in view of the commission's new cross-ownership rules, the mere assertion of a concentration of control will not persuade the commission to designate a renewal application for hearing.

The order noted that the commission has "elected to deal with the problem of concentration of control of media via rulemaking." Four years ago, the commission said, it adopted rules barring the formation of new radio-TV combinations in the same city. And last month, it added, it adopted rules preventing the formation of newspaper-broadcast combinations in the same city and requiring divestiture in cases of media monopolies (Broadcasting, Feb. 3).

While that rulemaking was pending, the commission declined to act on specific allegations of concentration of control that were based on "common ownership of media without a showing of specific abuses. "This approach," the commission said, "was approved by the Court of Appeals."

And now, it adds, in the order incorporating the new crossownership rules, parties may raise concentration issues in connection with renewal applications but "absent a showing of economic monopolization that might warrant actions under the Sherman Act, it would not be [the commission's] view that such arguments would raise valid issues necessitating the designation of renewal applications for hearing."

Accordingly, the commission said in reference to Newhouse's ownership of WSYR-TV, since ownership of the station is in compliance with the commission's multimedia ownership rules, as acquired petitioners have neither alleged any specific abuses flowing from the common ownership of WSYR-TV and other media nor made any showing of economic monopolization to warrant action under the Sherman Act, no issue of concentration of control has been raised.

This provision of the commission's order is seen by observers as likely to become the kind of standard language that can be expected in commission orders disposing of the nine petitions to deny pending at Justice. In none of the cases has the department alleged the kind of economic monopolization that would warrant action under the Sherman Act.

The department is expected to attempt to counter the commission's order in the crossownership proceeding.

Court decides station buyer may depreciate personal contracts

But they must be part of assets for which values may be assigned

Sonderling Broadcasting Corp., has prevailed over the Internal Revenue Service in a dispute as to whether Sonderling could depreciate the value it placed on five service contracts—four of them with disk jockeys — that it acquired with KFOX-AM-FM Long Beach, Calif., in December 1961.

A three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Claims, in an opinion reversing most of the conclusions of a trial judge of the court, said the contracts of the four country-and-western personalities and the station manager could be treated separately from "good will" for tax purposes and could be amortized over a number of years.

A key point of the Sonderling's argument was based on the particular facts of the Sonderling case. But the opinion is certain to be studied by tax lawyers of those who are interested in acquiring broadcast properties in the future.

Sonderling purchased the AM-FM combination from Bing Crosby interests in December 1961 for $878,666 after two conditions Sonderling set were met. One was that the four disk jockeys and the station manager be placed under two-year contracts, renewable at the option of the station and containing a clause prohibiting them from working for

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competing stations. For the five—Carl (Deacon) Moore, Tom Brennan, Charlie Williams, Biff Collie and the station manager, Dick Schofield—were credited with having turned what had been a money-losing operation into a profitable one in a matter of months after the talent joined the station in 1960. The other condition was that the Crosby interests obtain a more favorable lease of the AM transmitter site.

Subsequently, Sonderling, in its tax returns, depreciated the contracts on the basis of a value of $400,000—$250,000 allocated to the talents' contracts, $150,000 to the manager's. The write-off on these and other items was based on an allocation of the purchase price among the station's assets. The allocation was made by Blackburn & Co., which had brokered the sale, at Sonderling's request.

But IRS, after an audit, disagreed with Blackburn's analysis. It disallowed most of the allocations; as for the contracts, it held that they were intangible assets that were inseparable from the concept of "goodwill" and, as such, nondeductible. It held that "the goodwill and FCC license" had a value of $564,895, or almost 64.4% of the over-all purchase price. Blackburn had allocated only $95,766 to goodwill.

As a result, Sonderling found itself owing $254,704 in back taxes and deficiency interest. (The amount might have been higher but for the fact that IRS found itself forced by the statute of limitations to permit Sonderling a depreciation deduction for the first year it owned the station, of $68,182 on the artists' contracts and $40,909 on the station manager's.) Sonderling paid, but filed a claim for a refund. And when it was not forthcoming, Sonderling sought relief in the court of claims. The trial judge found in favor of IRS on virtually all counts, so Sonderling filed exceptions.

The issue involving the five service contracts was the only one on which the court overruled the trial judge. And the key issue was whether or not the contracts were separable from the concept of "goodwill" and, therefore, deductible.

The court said Sonderling had presented "clear evidence" showing that the contracts "had significant and measurable value independent of their direct contribution to the value of the plaintiff's goodwill and its FCC broadcasting licenses." The court referred to Sonderling's showing that the station's profitability was tied to the artists and the station manager and to the importance Sonderling and Blackburn attached to the non-competition clause in the contracts.

The contracts, the court said, "provided nothing to KFOX's institutional goodwill inasmuch as radio or television audiences are not loyal to a particular station so much as an individual star or format . . . Should these stars move to another station, the audience in all likelihood would move also."

The court also said the contracts are "amortizable," since, in general, the cost of an intangible asset which can be shown to have a limited useful life is recoverable through a depreciation allowance over that asset's lifetime." Furthermore, the court said, IRS has in the past recognized that the depreciation allowance it had previously deducted in service contracts "may include renewal options."

The evidence supporting Sonderling's case was sufficient to overcome the "pre-supposition of validity" the IRS enjoys in any dispute with a taxpayer. "The record in this case is replete" with evidence indicating that the contracts are worth what Blackburn said they were worth, the court said, adding that the government had presented no evidence in opposition, that it had relied instead on legal arguments the court was striking down.

The court said Sonderling is entitled to a refund of the taxes and deficiency interest that is attributable to an increase in the depreciable basis of the five contracts. The amount to be recovered, which would also include a minor item relating to the AM tower, will be determined in a separate proceeding.

Sonderling might have been able to write off the contracts without undergoing litigation if it and the seller had assigned values to the various assets. For the court noted that when the parties to a sale explicitly allocate the purchase price to the assets involved, the value they put on each asset will usually be accepted for tax purposes "so long as the parties have opposing tax positions, have acted without collusion or fraud and the allocation is not so disproportionate as to be unreasonable."

But in the Sonderling case, the court said, the taxpayer had failed to sustain the burden of proof necessary to overcome IRS's contention that there was no mutual agreement to allocate the purchase price of KFOX-AM-FM. The court said the testimony given the trial judge was "ambiguous" and "conflicting."
remaining broadcast properties areWLW-(AM)-WLWT(TV) Cincinnati, WLWC(TV) Columbus and WLBW(TV) Dayton, all Ohio; wlcw(TV) Indianapolis; XYA-AM FM San Francisco and WRTH(AM) Wood River, Ill. Buyer, 20th Century-Fox, is film producer and distributor and is in real estate, music publishing and recording. Through a subsidiary it owns KSMT TV Minneapolis, KX7O-TV is an NBC affiliate on channel 4 with 100 kw visual, 11.2 kw visual and antenna 1,476 feet above average terrain. Broker: Edwin Tornberg & Co.

Approved

Sales approved by the FCC last week include:

* KUMA(AM) Pendleton, Ore., and WIXC(AM) Fayetteville, Tenn. See page 62 for details.

A warning on freedom is heard amid praise for a pioneer

Loevinger urges support of Proxmire bill at ceremonies in New York honoring WCCO

Any broadcaster who regards broadcasting as "more than a mere means of making money" must fight for the bill (S-2) sponsored by Senator William Proxmire (D-Wis.) to confirm the First Amendment's applicability to radio-TV. Lee Loevinger, Washington attorney and former FCC commissioner, told the Broadcast Pioneers' 15th annual Mike Award banquet in New York last Wednesday (Feb. 26).

Mr. Loevinger, principal speaker at the ceremony honoring WCCO(AM) Minneapolis-St. Paul, said the fight for the Proxmire bill would be "extremely rough and difficult," with "a certainty of difficult, bitter resistance and political injury" and "no guarantee of early success." But, he said, "in fighting for principle the ultimate risk is small. You have nothing to lose but your wealth; you may preserve democracy and you shall save your soul."

In urging support for the Proxmire bill, Mr. Loevinger cautioned that the establishment of First Amendment freedom for broadcasters will not be an unmitigated blessing. It will expose them to private pressures and demands against which they may have some measure of protection today, and it will result in political and legal pressures for economic changes and, above all, for more and new forms of competition. Whatever the difficulties these possibilities may involve, I think that broadcasters, particularly those who assume the proud title of "broadcaster," must be prepared to bear the risks."

Lawrence F. Haeg, president of Midwest Radio-Television Inc., licensee of WCCO-AM-FM-TV, was presented a gold microphone honoring WCCO "for distinguished contributions to the art of broadcasting and in recognition of dedicated adherence to quality, integrity and responsibility in programming and management."

The presentation was made by Edwin Pfeiffer of WPRF-TV Providence, R.I., president of the Broadcasters' Foundation.

Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) paid tribute to radio generally and WCCO specifically in a speech strong on Minnesota radio nostalgia. "I think I learned more out of radio than from any educational media," the former Vice President asserted.

Other featured speakers included FCC Commissioner Abbott Washburn, also a Minnesotan, who presented Mr. Haeg a copy of WCCO's original certificate for operation, issued by the U.S. Commerce Department and dated Sept. 26, 1924, and Sol Taishoff, editor of Broadcasting.

FCC Chairman Richard E. Wiley and Senator Walter Mondale (D-Minn.) sent congratulatory messages. Robert B. Ridder, chairman of the WCCO licensee, presided.

In the presentation ceremony Mr. Pfeiffer also recognized M. H. Shapiro, long-time organizer of Broadcast Pioneer affairs, as the one "without whom it just wouldn't happen."

Jackson settlement sanctioned by FCC

The FCC has approved $50,000 as settlement in the dispute between Lamar Life Broadcasting Inc. and Communications Improvement Inc. over the amount of net profits of WLBT(TV) Jackson, Miss., to be impounded and paid to CII for the period of April 17 through June 14, 1971. Lamar had been stripped of its license for the station in 1969 after the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington reversed an FCC action renewing Lamar's license. And on Sept. 3, 1970, CII received interim authority to operate the station while the commission conducted a comparative hearing among several applicants (including Lamar) for the facility involved, channel 3. Effective date of the interim grant was April 17, but because action awarding the interim authority was under judicial review, CII did not begin operating until two months later. The commission held that impounding profits from the effective date of interim authority would permit the station to continue serving the area but would not permit Lamar to profit from that operation. CII had disputed some of the expenses deducted by Lamar from the profits of the station. But last week, the commission said it approved the $50,000 agreement that the parties had reached as full settlement and final discharge of all of Lamar's obligations to CII for the period involved.

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Small-market TV's get feisty over code subscription, eight-week surveys

And the NAB's secondary-market committee gives itself a new name

The National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) secondary market television committee last week attempted to rekindle a smoldering controversy, voting a resolution that restates the committee's strong objections to the television board's decision to require all NAB TV members to subscribe to the TV code.

The committee went on record as opposing the requirement last September (BROADCASTING, Sept. 30), but the TV board reaffirmed its stance at its January meeting in Palm Springs (BROADCASTING, Jan. 20). An NAB spokesman who was present at the meeting in Washington last week said the committee holds out hope that the decision will still be reversed. If the plan is implemented, mandatory code subscription for all television members will take effect April 1, 1976.

The committee also voted to shock its old name out of disuse for connotations of second-class status as "primary" channels, a label they saw in the description "secondary market." Its new name is the Hundred-Plus Market TV Committee.

Further, the committee stated its objections to the A. C. Nielsen Co. proposal to expand its four-week surveys to eight weeks (BROADCASTING, Feb. 17). The committee discussed the proposals with representatives of Arbitron and Arbitron last week and then adopted the following recommendations: (1) that all television stations oppose the eight-week measurement plan, (2) that the stations make their objections known to Arbitron and Nielsen, (3) that the stations receiving the questionnaire recently mailed by ARB, asking for reaction to the idea of eight-week surveys and the addition of a July book respond in favor of four-week surveys and a July book.

The Hundred-Plus Committee opposed the Nielsen plan as costly without adding to the information already available from the four-week survey.

NAB takes a new whack at FCC's latest fees

It calls some fees exorbitant, questions computations of costs; others' petitions for stays denied

The National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) has petitioned the FCC to take another look at its decision to include hearing costs "the recoverable" expenses in its recently revised fee schedule and to reassess its formula for fees covering applications for antenna or transmitter changes.

The NAB submitted that hearings involve "protective services rendered the public" and therefore should not be charged to the broadcaster. And even assuming that the ultimate grant of an application justified the fee, the NAB noted, the commission cannot anticipate which broadcast requests set for hearing will be granted or denied.

The NAB added that the FCC's fees to cover antenna and transmitter changes "exorbitant." In particular, the NAB was concerned that broadcasters who are forced to make such changes, as a result of zoning laws, expiration of a lease or the emergence of some obstacle to the station's signal, should not be charged one-half the filing fee for a construction permit for a new station, as the commission proposed. Mitigating factors that cause antenna or transmitter relocation, the NAB noted, the NAB, often entail financial problems for a licensee and should not be coupled with high filing fees charged by the commission.

The NAB's most recent move on the fee issue followed an earlier petition that sought redress of the FCC's decision to deny refunds of annual fees paid by broadcasters under a schedule that was found illegal by the Supreme Court. That petition was denied, and the NAB currently has an appeal pending in the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington (BROADCASTING, Feb. 17).

Meanwhile the FCC has denied several petitions for a stay of the March 1 effective date of its revised fee schedule, but it noted that fees collected under the new rates would be refunded if the FCC lost the court appeals that have been filed.

The assurance of refund was directed to the National Cable Television Association and Lamb Communications Inc., which had claimed, in their petition for stay, that "irreparable" injury would result if, in the present economic pinch, cable operators were required to pay fees that were later found illegal.

Electronic Industries Association, the third petition, had requested a stay of the whole fee schedule, rather than just that part that was concerned with cable annual fees.

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Lacks facts. Starr Broadcasting Group Inc. has filed opposition with FCC to petition to deny brought by Black Citizens for Media Access over Starr's proposed purchase of KRKY(FM) Houston (BROADCASTING, Sept. 9, 1974). Starr called group's allegations of misconduct "totally without merit or factual support" and noted petitioner did not include any affidavits to support its claims against Starr.

On board. WYWW(AM) Erie, Pa., joined CBS Radio effective March 1, becoming network's 248th radio affiliate. WYWW, WERC Inc. property, will add full program service of CBS Radio. Station is on 1260 kHz with 5 kW.

Input. National Black Media Coalition has asked FCC to guarantee "full participation of the Afro-American community in planning the U.S.'s position on international telecommunications issues at 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference." Chief concern of group is development of "sufficient TV, radio and microwave frequencies" for developing nations.

Puerto Ricans lose challenge to WNET(TV)

But FCC's Ben Hooks dissects, with accusation that whole system of noncommercial television is rigged to favor white elite

The FCC has dismissed allegations of discrimination in programing and employment by noncommercial WNET(TV) New York over a vigorous dissent by Commissioner Benjamin Hooks. The majority of six members rejected a petition by the Puerto Rican Media Action and Educational Council.

Mr. Hooks, however, denounced WNET and the noncommercial system for catering to "cultured white cosmpolites" to the exclusion of Puerto Ricans.

"Public television without the legal or moral right to do so," said Commissioner Hooks, "has become the caucusian intellectual's home entertainment game."

The time has come for a "showdown," he added, to break up the current pattern of "establishmentarian" dominance in public television.

In particular, the commissioner disputed the majority's statement that programing responsive to the needs of the community in general is sufficient.

Commissioner Hooks called the majority's statement an "unfortunate distortion" of settled commission policy and law. In a seven-page dissenting statement, Mr. Hooks outlined previous FCC and court cases, including the denial of renewal of the Alabama Educational Television Commission's license (BROADCASTING, Jan. 13), to argue that although a licensee's response to the competing needs of its service area is largely within its discretion, it cannot flatly ignore an expressed need.

And, according to Commissioner Hooks, WNET's failure to provide more than what he called token programing efforts directed at the Spanish-speaking
minority constituted such an abdication of responsibility.

The majority did not agree; they concluded that the Puerto Rican group had provided no statistical evidence in support of its assertion that New York's Hispanic population is growing and therefore communications officials are therefore no "promise versus performance" question was raised.

As to employment discrimination, the FCC said the group had failed to show that the number of Spanish-surnamed persons employed at the station was so low as to fall outside a "zone of reasonableness" in proportion to the population of WNET's service area.

Heavy on business at AWRT's 24th

The schedule is set for the American Women in Radio and Television's 24th annual convention, April 23-27 at the Continental Plaza hotel, Chicago.

The opening ceremonies: Then and Now (Let Chicago Show You How) is designed to offer broadcast nostalgia, a present-day update and preview of things to come for 3,000 professional women members.

Among speakers and panelists scheduled to attend are FCC Chairman Richard E. Wiley; Lionel J. Monagas, chief of FCC's industry equal-employment unit; D. Thomas Miller, president, CBS TV Stations, New York; Thomas Frawley, president, Radio Television News Directors Association, Washington, and Cox Broadcasting vice president; Elaine R. Pitts, vice president-corporate affairs, Sperry & Hutchinson Co., New York; Nancy Boyer, national sales manager, WPSA, Hartford, Conn.

The agenda:

Wednesday, April 23—morning tour of Art Institute, afternoon tour of Frank Lloyd Wright homes, hosted reception.

Thursday, April 24—advisory council meeting, morning luncheon and keynote speaker (TBA), four workshops, hospitality suites, 24th annual banquet and program, president's reception for convention first-timers.

Friday, April 25—hosted breakfast, five workshops, AWRT business meeting, luncheon and speaker (TBA), general program and speaker (TBA), hospitality suites and rap sessions.

Saturday, April 26—five workshops, general program session and speaker (TBA), luncheon and program, Educational Foundation business meeting, Sunday, April 27—business meeting, adjournment.

Workshop topics to be offered include: children's programming, responsibility in broadcast news reporting, broadcast standards and practices, affirmative action, improving station rep effectiveness, analyzing the radio audience for programming and sales, new careers and the business side of the business.

Cablecasting

It takes two to tango on cable regulation

And law firm tells FCC it should take strong lead with New Jersey to keep state in step with commission

The FCC has been warned that its authority and policies in the field of cable television are being threatened in New Jersey and that it should assert its jurisdiction there by declaring a number of provisions of state law and regulations governing cable "inoperative."

The practical effect of doing nothing, the commission was told, is to condone "incredible delays" facing cable systems attempting to start or expand operations and to invite challenges to its authority over cable in other states.

A Washington law firm with cable clients in New Jersey—Pittman, Lovett, Ford & Hennessey—sounded the alarm and requested the rulings—13 in all.

The subjects of the firm's concern are a 1972 state statute providing for the regulation of cable systems, a 1973 state amendment and regulations taken under it by the Office of Cable Television of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners of the Department of Utilities.

The statute provisions and regulations of concern to the law firm require the state to regulate technical standards, access channels and rates for nonregular, nonsubscriber services and to approve foot-by-foot extensions of service within a community for which a system has already received state and federal clearance; they also permit the state and municipalities to charge a total fee of 4% of gross operating revenues (the commission's prescribed ceiling is 3% of gross subscriber revenues), and prescribe "special CATV services," such as educational and pay cablecasting.

The law firm attempts to take some of the edge off its petition by complimenting the state on its efforts to draft and implement a cable-regulation statute. It's not the state's fault, the firm says, that the commission's 1972 rules and statement in 1974 clarifying those rules followed the state's CATV act. Similarly, the firm says it is not the fault of the state staff charged with administering the law that it has only seven members.

But, the petitioners' declaratory ruling says, the duplications and conflicts in state and federal regulations are blocking cable development in the state. It notes that the commission will not process a cable system's certificate of compliance application until all nonfederal approvals have been obtained. And in New Jersey, the firm adds, "after the CATV applicant has undergone the tortuous, costly and often protracted proceedings before the municipality, he must face even longer delays (and in some instances expensive hearings) before the state."

Accordingly, "the specific problem of New Jersey cry out for relief from the commission." The commission is considering the problem of duplicative federal and nonfederal regulation in a rulemaking. But the firm says the commission should not await its conclusion before acting on the situation in New Jersey. It says the commission has the legal authority to declare nonfederal regulations "inoperative to the limited extent" that they contravene commission rules and policies.

However, the firm also says that if the commission feels it lacks that authority and can impose its will only through the certification process, it should award certifications contingent upon the modification of state law and regulations alleged to be in conflict with federal rules and policy.

Failure to do either, the firm says, will create serious problems for the commission. It will "invite and inspire potentially cavalier disregard of the commission's CATV rules and policies."

Stew over Sterndent is over

Sterndent Corp., the Mount Vernon, N.Y., dental equipment maker and supplier of precision tools which has been the subject of a take-over bid by Cable Funding Corp., New York (BROADCASTING, Feb. 24), last week announced that it had agreed to merge with the Dictaphone Corp., Rye, N.Y.

Martin Dubilier, Sterndent chairman, said the company had considered several merger offers since the announcement of the Sterndent tender and had come to terms with Dictaphone, which itself was the object of a take-over bid last year by a Bell Canada subsidiary.

Following the Sterndent announcement, Cable Funding, which is 45% owned by the Geneve Corp., a New York venture capital firm whose owners include the Kuwait Investment Corp. and several prominent American Jewish law firms, said it approved the proposed merger and would return any Sterndent stock already acquired.

McFall wants a stall on cable and sports

He introduces bill to prevent FCC from dealing with distant-signal games before Congress decides finally on its antiblackout law

A resolution to restrain the FCC from further consideration of carriage of professional sports events by cable television was introduced last week by Representative John McFall (D-Calif.).

Specifically, Mr. McFall's resolution states that the FCC should refrain from action aimed at restricting cable carriage of professional sports until Congress has had a chance to review its own sports blackout law, which expires next Dec. 31.

Consideration of distant-signal importation of sports events by cable has been
The FCC has expanded authority of Cable Bureau chief. He may now dismiss or deny certificates of compliance applications and waive rules on network program exclusivity, leapfrogging, minimal signals and distant signals. Commission said it would continue to rule on applications for review from bureau actions. Reshuffling of authority is to reduce commission’s workload of routine matters.

**Network axes hang over 18 programs**

Most drastic changes loom at ABC, with NBC next; here’s how the fall line-up in prime time is shaping up

Industry observers are counting seven hours’ worth of prime-time programming as almost certain to be canceled by ABC-TV, which expects the network’s television network number three position in the national Nielsen's. NBC-TV figures to drop at least four and-a-half hours, these observers said, and CBS will cut at least three-and-a-half hours. These forecasts again are roughly consonant with the season ratings (Sept. 9, 1974, to Feb. 23, 1975), which give CBS a 20.8 rating, NBC a 20.3 and ABC a 16.5.

The endangered series are:

- NBC: The Smothers Brothers Show, Adam-12, Lucas Tanner, The Mac Davis Show, and Movin’ On.
- CBS: Gunsmoke, The Friday Comedy Special, The CBS Friday Movie.

Analyzing the prime-time picture night-by-night: On Monday, CBS, although it will probably cut Gunsmoke adrift because of the show’s weak demographics, has consistently finished number one with its pair of successful sitcoms, Maude and Rhoda, both of which fairly consistently place among the top 15 or so shows each week. These programs have handed big lead-in audiences to Medical Center (10-11 p.m.), which was presumed to be on its last legs but which has been averaging solid mid-30’s shares in its sixth season. ABC on Monday has the hit show, The Rookies (8-9 p.m.), which may provide a good audience flow for its two new second-season action programs, S.W.A.T. (9-10 p.m.) and Caribe (10-11 p.m.). S.W.A.T. picked up a good sampling during its official debut Feb. 24, with a 23.2 rating and 34 share, and Caribe, although showing some slippage from the previous week, still managed a respectable 18.2 rating and 30 share on Feb. 24. If these two shows succeed, ABC could end the season in fourth place in the TV ratings. ABC on Monday has the hit show, The Rookies (8-9 p.m.), which may provide a good audience flow for its two new second-season action programs, S.W.A.T. (9-10 p.m.) and Caribe (10-11 p.m.). S.W.A.T. picked up a good sampling during its official debut Feb. 24, with a 23.2 rating and 34 share, and Caribe, although showing some slippage from the previous week, still managed a respectable 18.2 rating and 30 share on Feb. 24. If these two shows succeed, ABC could end the season in fourth place in the TV ratings.

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Mondays on NBC, The Smothers Brothers Show (8-9 p.m.) plunged to its lowest Nielsens of the season on Feb. 24, with 15.0 rating and 22 share. NBC’s Monday Night at the Movies (9-11 p.m.) has been hovering around a less-than-impressive 30 share in the season-to-date, but a highly placed network source says that NBC’s commitment to producing dozens of two-hour made-for-TV movies, plus what he regards as a solid backlog of theatrical movies, makes it a good bet that the network will again go with three movie nights next season on Mondays.

On Tuesday, CBS is in the driver’s seat, with Good Times, M*A*S*H, Hawaii Five-O and Barnaby Jones all firmly entrenched. Barnaby Jones is hobbled by a ratings’ skew towards old, rural and low-cable viewers, but that drawback is compensated for by the show’s 34-share average in the season-to-dates.

NBC will have to find a Tuesday replacement for Adam-12, which after a good daytime run, has stumbled into a mid-20’s share average, and the network will be moving its adult-slanted World Premiere Movie (8:30-10 p.m.) out of the 8-to-9 p.m. family hour, but its 10 o’clock Police Story continues to chalk up 33 shares and good demographics.

Despite weak NBC competition, ABC’s Happy Days (8-8:30 p.m.) on Tuesday has averaged only a sub-survival 27 share. ABC’s Tuesday Movie of the Week (8:30-10 p.m.) has also averaged a 27 to 29 share, but it has been against tougher competition and will probably be retained due to the network’s oft-stated commitment to the made-for-TV-movie anthology format. Like NBC’s World Premiere Movie, though, it’ll most likely be pushed back to 9 or 9:30. Marcus Welby’s rating performance on ABC (10-11 p.m.) is pretty much tied to the lead-in it gets from the Movie of the Week, but its 30-share average, plus its continued strength among women 18 to 49, should give it an excellent base on which to build.

CBS’s Wednesday prime-time line-up of Tony Orlando and Dawn (8-9 p.m.), Cannon (9-10 p.m.) and Manhunter (10-11 p.m.) should remain intact. After a slow start, the second-season Tony Orlando and Dawn has come up with four 32-share weeks in a row and is providing a better lead-in to Cannon, now in its fourth season and its strongest. NBC will toss out Lucas Tanner (9-10 p.m.) because it’s squandering 10 share points from The Little House on the Prairie lead-in and is weaker both in ratings and in demographics than its two competitors in the time period. NBC’s Petrocelli (10-11 p.m.) has built gradually after an erratic fourth quarter and is now racking up regular low-30’s shares. ABC will probably retain its Wednesday Movie of the Week (8:30-10 p.m.), which delivers a consistent 27 share and has its largest following among the 18-to-35-year-olds. But ABC’s That’s My Mama (8-8:30 p.m.), struggling with mid- to high-20’s shares in recent weeks (and third in its time period among women 18 to 49), and Get Christie Love (10-11 p.m.), which has gone above a 10 share in its last five telecasts, are ticketed for demolition by the network.

CBS has the fifth highest-rated show in the country, The Waltons (8-9 p.m.), as its Thursday lead-in, and its Thursday Night Movies (9-11 p.m.) have averaged a respectable 33 share. ABC hasn’t been

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No new from N.Y. The New York Cable Television Association recently passed resolution opposing provisions of proposed copyright bill (S. 22) that would require cable systems to pay royalties for carrying broadcast signals. State association is third, along with Oklahoma and Kentucky, to approve such action.

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able to get off the ground against The Waltons with its sitcoms, Barney Miller (8:30-9 p.m.) and Karen (8:30-9 p.m.), but its 9 o'clock Streets of San Francisco harvests higher ratings than any other regularly scheduled show on the network. Streets has made a survivor out of the show that succeeds it at 10, Harry O, which has averaged slightly more than a 30 share in the season-to-date.

Thursday is probably NBC's worst night of the week. The network will try to put a dent in The Waltons with two new sitcoms that begin this Thursday (March 6), Sunshine (8-8:30 p.m.) and Second Start (8:30-9 p.m.). They're replacing The Mac Davis Show, which moves to Thursday at 9 later this month after a tepid 28-share ratings performance and sub-par demographic breakdowns. NBC's 10 o'clock show, Movin' On, has been averaging close to a 30 share but finishes a consistent third in its time period among both men and women 18 to 49.

However, NBC's Friday-night line-up of Sanford and Son, Chico and the Man, The Rockford Files and Police Woman is so devastating that when the season's accounts are toted up, it's expected that all of the competing shows on ABC and CBS will have been scrubbed from the schedule, with the possible exception of the sitcom, We'll Get By (CBS, 8:30-9 p.m.), which makes its debut March 14. CBS's The Frisky Comedy Special (8:30-9 p.m.) which also kicks off March 14, is merely a catch-all half-hour the network will use to showcase the sitcom pilots it's looking at for the 1975-76 season. And Fred Silverman, CBS's vice president for programming, is already on record as saying that the CBS Friday Movie (9-11 p.m.), which is averaging less than a 30 share, may well be eliminated in favor of the kinds of weekly series with continuing characters that are responsible for the network's number-one position in the ratings. The only ABC series on Friday that has shown any promise, Norman Lear's controversial second-season sitcom, The High Life, started off with respectable shares but has faded badly in its last three telecasts.

CBS over the past few years has fashioned an almost invincible comedy line-up on Saturday night. Right now that line-up consists of All in the Family, The Jeffersons, The Mary Tyler Moore Show, The Bob Newhart Show and The Carol Burnett Show. NBC has carved out respectable competitive ratings through canny counterprogramming, with Emergency (8-9 p.m.) and Saturday Night at the Movies (9-11 p.m.) each averaging solid 35 shares for the year. The ratings of ABC's Kung Fu (8-9 p.m.) have been almost invisible (its recent 13-share average is lower than any other regularly scheduled prime-time show on the air), but the network's last two Saturday movies (9-11 p.m.) came up with big numbers. "The Summer of '42" on Feb. 15 hit a 21.6 rating and 36 share and "Hustling" on Feb. 22 rolled up a 24.5 rating and 41 share.

The Wonderful World of Disney (NBC, 7:30-8:30 p.m.), which is traditionally the highest-rated show on Sunday, may be seriously undercut from now until next September (when it moves up to 7 p.m.) if Cher's first two weeks are typical of what can be expected of it in the future. After an impressive 23.0 rating and 35 share on Feb. 16, Cher (CBS, 7:30-8:30 p.m.) came back with a 24.9 rating and 39 share on Feb. 23, compared to Disney's 17.9 rating and 28 share and The Six Million Dollar Man's 16.8 rating and 26 share on ABC. The NBC Sunday Mystery Movie (8:30-10:30 p.m.) finishes a consistent first over the course of its two hours, but there's enough audience left over for its competitors: The ABC Sunday Movie (8:30-10:30 p.m.) and CBS's two action shows, Kojak (8:30-9:30 p.m.) and Mannix (9:30-10:30 p.m.). Sunday thus has the distinction of being the only night of the week in which all the currently scheduled prime-time shows are expected to survive cancellation.

ABC's Pierce wants more time to build next season's shows
But CBS and NBC say they'll stick with early-September introductions

A delay in the start of the 1975-76 season until the third or fourth week of September was proposed last week by Frederick S. Pierce, president of ABC
Television, in a talk before the Association of National Advertisers' television workshop in New York.

Mr. Pierce said that more time than usual is needed to assess the impact of new prime-time programs introduced at midseason, and that pilots will be delayed because of program development for the new "family viewing hour." He also said it would be four to six weeks until a "final ruling" was made on the FCC's new prime-time access rules—presumably an allusion to an anticipated opinion from the U.S. Court of Appeals which has the rules under review.

"Two or three additional weeks of preparation could help us insure products of higher quality for the fall premiers, which all the production companies would welcome and would be in the best interests of the industry," Mr. Pierce contended.

A spokesman for NBC said the network would start its fall season as planned, in the second week of September. A CBS official did not specify a starting date for the television network's fall schedule but said CBS-TV anticipates no obstacle that would delay the normal premiere week.

"The main thrust of Mr. Pierce's speech was on television of the future. He predicted there would be a stronger accent on sports programming, more re-enactment of historical events and a growth in live, onstage performances.

"And next season at ABC we are even inaugurating a weekly variety series on a live basis, a quiet and reverential hour with Howard Cosell, featuring in-person appearances by the world's greatest stars, some from stages in other parts of the world and relayed here by satellite," he said.

Mr. Pierce said this wide range of programming offers advertisers "exceptional opportunities," providing "mass audiences with sharply delineated buying habits." He ventured that cost-per-thousand would increase over the next five years between 5% and 10% annually, depending on the law of supply and demand.

Turning to the subject of audience measurements, Mr. Pierce said there would be modifications and improvements, and added: "Ultimately, we hope to have all ratings, local as well as national, recorded by meter. Whether this will ever be a practical possibility for all size markets is doubtful. In the meantime, however, we can certainly improve diary techniques."

**Networks detail efforts for the Bicentennial**

**ABC, CBS, NBC and CPB present a resume of programming set for the national celebration**

State and private sector delegates to the National Bicentennial Conference in Washington last week were treated to a Bicentennial programming preview by the three commercial networks and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

The presentations were distinctly separate, the programming less so, but NBC's spokesman crossed lines with one proposal. William Storke, vice president, NBC, took the opportunity, "since we're not allowed to talk to each other except on such occasions," to propose to the other networks that a cassette base be established "to preserve the terribly significant things" coming out of the Bicentennial celebration.

ABC's Bicentennial effort, with the theme "The American Spirit," is under the direction of a national committee headed by Eimer W. Lower, vice president-corporate affairs, ABC Inc., with members James E. Duffy, president, ABC-TV Network; Edwin T. Vane, senior vice president and national program director, ABC Entertainment; William Sheehan, president, ABC News; Richard O'Leary, president, ABC-Owned TV Stations; Roone Arledge, president, ABC Sports; Harold L. Neal Jr., president, ABC Radio; Peter Ellis O. Moore, vice president, public relations, ABC Inc.

Messrs. Duffy and Lower outlined for the conference the network's special programs in development. Beginning with a prime-time special in September 1975, ABC's Bicentennial observances will run through the end of 1976, "with special Independence Day telecasts chronicling the national celebration coast to coast."

An ABC Sports special will document 200 years of sports in America; ABC News will treat scientific America, ethnic minorities and the ethical goals set by the founding fathers on the Directions series, beginning next month with a program featuring historian Henry Steele Commager. In children's programming, ABC After-School Specials will carry the Bicentennial theme. New animated educational segments will be incorporated into America Rock in the Saturday morning schedule and Make A Wish will be devoted almost exclusively to Bicentennial-related material.

Other shows in development by ABC-TV include a miniseries, That Zenger Woman, the story of the wife of Peter Zenger, who was imprisoned in colonial days for seditious libel; "Powhatan's Daughter," a Movie of the Week about Pocahontas; a 90-minute special on the 200th birthday of the U.S. Marines, and a presentation, "Children of Pride," about the Civil War years in the South. CBSTV, according to Bob Markell, executive producer of the current "Bicentennial Minutes," has been celebrating the Bicentennial for 20 years now and our philosophy is to try and do the unusual rather than attack the subject head-on. The American Parade, a projected total of 13 one-hour specials (six have been aired to date), examines the Constitution and Bill of Rights as they influence American life. Under the direction of Burton Benjamin, the Parade is due to continue through 1976. The completed mini-series "Ben Franklin," used different actors for four 90-minute specials about the man and his two-hour series on Sam Houston is in the works, as is the "docu-drama" about immigrants from Austria, titled "To America." It is to begin in the middle of next season. The 48-second "Minutes" (over 700 of them), round out the network's commemorative programming with "200 years ago today" vignettes. Sponsored by Shell Oil Co. and promoted by Ogilvy & Mather, the spots began last year on July 4 and continue to July 4, 1976.

William Storke, vice president, NBC, outlined that network's special programming that will reach a peak with a "spectacular" 16 consecutive hours of Bicentennial-related programming July 4, 1976. NBC-TV makes Abe Lincoln the subject of six one-hour programs starring Hal Holbrook, backed by ABC's Carl Sandburg. A mini-series that will be shown over a year starting next July 4, was created by novelist/historian James Michener and traces a family history from the 1800's to the present time. NBC-TV's Today program has created a Bicentennial unit to research and develop 52 weekly salutes to cover the 50 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. territories. Vernon Hixson, executive producer, news special projects, WNBC-TV New York, will head the unit and expand it.

In an interview with the BBC, "to show there are no hard feelings"—NBC will develop a two-hour special on The Inventing of America. And correspondent David Brinkley will narrate three specials focusing on Thomas Jefferson, titled Liberty, The Pursuit of Happiness, also beginning July 4.

Go, the Saturday children's series, will feature an adaptation of the Thomas Jefferson documentary. For women, the network will offer three 90-minute First Ladies specials beginning with Michael Jackson. Two movies will be offered, as
adaptation of the stage musical, “1776,” and “Done With The Wind.” Of religious interest, NBC will carry A Gathering of One, both the Hallmark Hall of Fame and Bell Family Theater series will follow Bicentennial themes. The July 4 finale will follow the sun in a series of remotes to document Independence Day festivities across the country.

Henry Loomis, president of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, noted that his organization “likes to take a different approach where possible.” The Bicentennial celebration calls for “a dialogue between present and past,” which CPB plans to offer through The Adams Chronicles, Storm of Strangers (10 half-hour programs financed by the National Endowment for the Humanities), Decades of Decision, Wasn’t That a Time!, which takes the Brooklyn Bridge as its subject. The Nova series will look at archaeological finds at Williamsburg, Va. CPB has pilots ready and is seeking funding for The City, a series studying urban history and life in the nation; Looking Back, the first in which series treats Calvin Coolidge, George Washington Esq, a dramatic series, and a proposed musical series.

**Gulf backs Geographic series**

The Gulf Oil Corp. has agreed to sponsor the production of 12 National Geographic Society television documentaries to be distributed by the Public Broadcasting Service. The hour programs will be produced by the society and non-commercial WQED(TV) Pittsburgh at the rate of four per year for an anticipated total cost of $3.7 million. Gulf, which has its headquarters in Pittsburgh, has supported local efforts of WQED in the past, and the society series marks its entry into national public television. The first program is expected to be ready for broadcast next January.

**Is FCC in violation of its own standards?**

CBS, attacking PTAR III, says agency’s example of ‘Disney’ doesn’t fit exemption rules

In challenging the FCC’s creation of program exceptions to its prime-time access rule, CBS’s court appeal in that case (Broadcasting, Feb. 24) has taken a swipe at one exception in particular, the only one the commission mentioned by name: NBC’s Wonderful World of Disney. The FCC had cited it as representing “programs primarily designed for children that would qualify for network presentation during access periods. In a long footnote, the CBS brief asserts that:

* In the Oct.-Nov. 28, 1974, Niels
sen demographic report, Disney’s share of the available children’s audience was exceeded by three other prime-time programs (not specified).

In terms of total child viewers, it ranked second to one other program (also not specified) and “not significantly above several others.”

* “With respect to one of the criteria set forth by the commission for disting
ishing children’s programing—whether the advertising on it is directed to adults —our survey of third-fourth quarter 1974 ad
vertising on Disney] indicates that approxi
mately 25% of the commercials were for adult-oriented products (auto
mobiles, appliances, proprietary medica
tions and vitamins, etc.) as opposed to
26% for child-oriented products (games, toys, etc.) and 47% for products in whose purchase adults may play a role (food, toothpaste, etc.).”

* NBC’s own promotional material has characterized Disney as family entertain
ment, not children’s entertainment.

“Indeed,” the CBS brief adds paren
thetically, “if it were considered chil
ren’s programing, NBC might have run afoul of the code of the National Asso
iation of Broadcasters, which expressly prohibits the advertising of proprietary medicines and vitamins in programs de
signed primarily for children.”

“In short,” the footnote asserts, “the commission’s conclusion seems to be based more on its own elitist view of what children desire to watch—or should watch.” Not the actual program preferences of children and adults and the programing judgments of broadcasters.

**A syndicators’ voice**

New trade group would set up N.Y. headquarters, hire counsel

A legally constituted trade organization of syndicators has moved a step closer to reality.

At a meeting held in New York, a three-man committee made up of Wynn Nathan, a vice president of Time-Life Television; Keith Godfrey, executive vice president and director of sales for MCA TV, and Ken Joseph, executive vice president for worldwide syndication of Metromedia Producers Corp., suggested that the organization, the Association of Television Program Distributors, hire legal counsel for the incorporation procedures. If the full membership agrees to this proposal, headquarters will be set up in New York under an executive director and a small staff.

In a letter to the full membership, the committee also proposed a trade fair of syndicators that “would be under the control of the seller rather than the buyer” and that might include “panel discus
sions on subjects of interest to the industry.”

**Moss scrutinizes children’s TV**

Staffer is comparing yearly Nielsen and Arbitron demographics; senator denies he’s looking for any specifics

Senator Frank Moss (D-Utah) has had a member of his Consumer Subcommittee staff pouring through A. C. Nielsen Co. and Arbitron data for the past two months to examine how children’s television programs are changing.

The staffer said the senator is not out to prove anything, in fact does not know what he may find. But for now he has the aide trying to find out what age children are watching which programs at what hour. He is also researching ad
vertising aimed at children. Concentrating on demographic data, he will compare his findings for 1973 with those of 1972.

An A. C. Nielsen executive, in a speech...
at a television workshop of the Association of National Advertisers in New York last week, said that one set of data Senator Moss has requested was a list of current programs for which the child audience make up 50% or more of the total viewing audience (32 programs qualified, he said, the bulk of them Saturday morning shows).

"The supposition," James D. Lyons, executive vice president and manager of the media research division at Nielsen told his audience, "is that any such programs might well be candidates for controls of some sort regarding violence or over commercialization (see page 22).

But Senator Moss's aide said the senator has no plans to apply his findings in hearings or legislation at this point.

Special Report

Baseball's upward curve flattens a bit in '75

Price to broadcasters is up, but only $1.25 million, and stations report that getting that much was a harder sell then in years past

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Major-league baseball in 1975 will get a record $44,495,000 from the sale of its broadcast rights. But the ball clubs' soaring overhead, especially the high cost of the Catfish Hunters, will be little offset by the scant $1.25 million increase over last season's tab to radio and television.

Broadcasters, on the other hand, report that it has been one of the toughest years for selling baseball to advertisers. Nevertheless, they say they're matching—and in some cases surpassing—previous years' sales. The consensus: The buys are smaller, but the number is definitely greater. And the economic downswing that has turned off or discouraged customers from committing themselves to long-term buys through the summer has prompted broadcast salesmen to dig harder and deeper to uncover new prospects. Showing up with more frequency are sponsors in such categories as home and auto maintenance. Examples are Gabriel shock absorbers, Champion spark plugs, Delco, local car undercoaters, local building suppliers.

The 1975 radio and television money that the majors will receive breaks down this way:

* $26,495,000 to the individual clubs from local and regional sales ($14,670,000 in the National League; $11,825,000 in the American League).

* $18 million to the majors from NBC for nationally televised contests. It's a four-year agreement that ends this year.

* A good possibility that the kitty will be sweetened if Mutual Broadcasting System works out a deal with Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn's office to revive a game-of-the-week plan.

There will be some changes in the faces and prices of the game plan that NBC-TV has drawn up for the coming season.

The network will hold the line on prices for nonweekend World Series games at $130,000 per minute. The ratings of last year's Tuesday-through-Thursdays (Oct. 15-17) Series games (all at night), with a 41-share average, were down from 1973's low-50s shares, in part, at least, according to observers, because the 1974 series was moored on the West Coast (Oakland vs. Los Angeles) and was resolved in short order (Oakland won in five games).

The All-Star Game's rate-card price will set a new record, though, at $100,000 per minute (compared to last year's $95,000).

The network's 1975 baseball coverage will feature a new wrinkle. At least one, and possibly two, evening telecasts of the American and National League's divisional playoff games are planned. On Tuesday, Oct. 7, beginning at 8 p.m., NBC will cover both leagues' games on a regional basis, and if one or both of the playoffs go beyond that third game (in a best-of-five series), the network will also be on hand with coverage on Wednesday, Oct. 8.

A minute on the playoff telecasts will cost a sponsor $60,000, compared to the $35,000 he'll have to pay for a weekend playoff game (the same as last year's price) and the $20,000 he'll be billed for a weekday playoff (up from last year's $19,000).

The regular-season network-TV schedule starts Saturday, April 12, at 2 p.m.,...
WOR-TV and the Mets: Always number one!

Whether they're in first or last place, New York has always had a love affair with the Mets.

The Mets have delivered like champions in the ratings with an average of 10 over the last 5 years... while the Yankees have averaged only a 5 rating in the past 5 years.

Not only are the Mets No. 1 in ratings, they are:
- Tops in density of Male Viewers
- Tops in pull in the upper income homes
- Tops in bonus audiences through CATV systems
- Tops in commercial format – (uncluttered)
- Tops in audience...at lower CPM

The New York Mets. Always No. 1, on New York's Number 1 station for sports.

WOR-TV Channel 9.
with the Oakland Athletics vs. the Texas Rangers in Arlington, Tex. This contest marks the first of a full schedule of 25 Saturday-afternoon games, and, as in the past two years, the cost-per-minute will remain at $19,000.

Fifteen Monday-night games are again on tap, beginning with a Cincinnati-Los Angeles game from Dodger Stadium on April 14. This game, and the one on April 21, will cost sponsors $50,000 a minute. The five Monday-night games in June will be knocked down to $42,000 a minute, and the ones in July and August to $35,000, to compensate for the fact that over-all audience levels decrease markedly during the summer months.

On the subject of announcers, NBC will bring to an end its controversial Monday-night guest-celebrity feature to handle play-by-play and color. Instead the network will go on Monday with the team of Curt Gowdy and Joe Garagiola (and occasionally Tony Kubek). Mr. Kubek will do the color on all the Saturday games, with the play-by-play being shared on alternate Saturdays by Mr. Gowdy and Mr. Garagiola.

In addition, Mr. Garagiola will preside over Baseball World, a 15-minute lead-in to all the Monday-night games and all the World Series contests. A special hour-long edition previewing the new season will be aired Sunday, April 6 (3-4 p.m., NYT).

Sponsors that will buy at least 20 30-second spots during the course of the network baseball season include Sears, Roebuck & Co. (Footco, Cone & Beld-

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**Baseball’s ’75 opening line-up: the money, stations, games sponsors**

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### AL totals

$11,825,000

$10,825,000

Rights figures are BROADCASTING estimates of net prices. When team packages its own games, the figure is after talent, production and line charges. Not included is table is NBC’s payment for nationally televised games which this year amount to $18 million under four-year contract that started in 1972.

Regional network being negotiated.

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|            |             |             |                              |                               |   son (Burnett), Ford's motorcraft division for batteries (Kenyon & Eckhardt), Radio: Chicago Bulck Dealers (Post-Keyes-Gardner), Oak Park Savings & Loan (Conn-Pas-Sager), G. Heileman Brewing for Old Style beer (Campbell-Milhorn) and True-Value Hardware. |
| Montreal   | 1,000,000   | 950,000     | CBC (English) 43             | CFCF (English) 12             | TV: Tremco Inc. building supplies (Liggett), Outboard Marine (Foster), Caring-O'Keeffe Breweries (Caledon; Hayhurst), International Motors (Foster), Electric-Home appliances (Kelley), Gillette (McKim), Radio: PepsiCo (Thompson), Taxco (Ronalds/Reynolds), Switt (McCann-Erickson), Steinberg's supermarket chain (Grey), Leo Quebec (direct). |
|            |             |             | (French) 13                  | (French) 16                   |                                      |
| New York   | 1,500,000   | 1,500,000   | WOR-TV 25                    |                               | TV: Schafer Brewing (Summit), Manufacturers Hanover Trust (Young & Rubicam), Chevrolet Dealers (Campbell-Ewald). Van Wagener & Schick- |
|            |             |             |                              |                               |   heus transmitter (Etry), Radio: Household Finance (direct), Schafer, Gerry Oil (OKO), Dainleys (Barlow & Johnson), Astoria Federal Savings & Loan (H. L. Mile). |
| Philadelphia | 1,600,000   | 1,600,000   | WPHL-TV 3                    | WCAU 19                       | TV: Schmidt Brewing (Rosenfeld, Sirowitz & Lawson), Girard Bank of Philadelphia (Atikin-Kynett), American Motors Dealers (Cunningham & Wyal), Radio: Schmidt Brewing, Sun Oil (Wells, Rine, Greene), Tasty Baking (Lewis & Gilman), American Motors Dealers, MAB Paints (Rainell), Girard Bank of Philadelphia, Gino's restaurant chain (Young & Rubicam). |
|            |             |             |                              |                               |                                      |
| Pittsburgh | 1,200,000   | 1,200,000   | KDKA-TV 6                    | KDKA 49                       | TV: Pittsburgh Ford Dealers Association (Mel Richman Adv.), Ear N Park restaurants, Penn's Choice, Radio: Pittsburgh Brewing (Kitchum, MacLeod & Groove), Pittsburgh Ford Dealers, Union National Bank, Fast Feeds, Daily Juice Products, Ziebart undercoating. |
| St. Louis  | 1,000,000   | 800,000     | KSD-TV 18                    | KMOX 115-120                  | TV: Busch Bavarian Beer (Gardner), Lincoln-Mercury Dealers (Kenyon & Eckhardt), First National Bank of St. Louis (Gardner), Household Finance, American Airlines (DDB), Kentucky Fried Chicken (E. M. Metty & Assoc.), Radio: Busch Bavarian, General Finance, Chevrolet (Campbell-|
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| Cincinnati | 1,560,000   | 1,560,000   | WLWT 7                       | WLW 112                       | TV: Hudeplo (Brockton, West, Borkhardt), Trailers, Const oil (direct), Jake Sweeney Chevrolet (direct), Radio: Stroh Brewing (DDB), Marathon oil (direct), Fisch's Big Boy restaurants (Holman), First National Bank of Cincinnati (northern/Soth), Pepsi-Cola (Robert Acomb), Applejack chewing tobacco (Stuart-Ford), Kings island amusement com-
|            |             |             |                              |                               |   pany (J. Walter Thompson), Riverside Ford (direct), 
|            |             |             |                              |                               |   DELCO (Burnett), Champion Spark plugs, Gabriel shock absorbers (Post-Keyes-Gardner). |
| Houston    | 1,000,000   | 1,000,000   | KPRC-TV 21                   | KPRC 32                       | TV-radio: Texaco (Benson & Bowles), Chevrolet (Campbell-Ewald), Lone Star Beer (Glen), Fray meats (Jessel, Siegfreidt & Coeill), Champion Spark plugs, Gabriel shock absorbers (Post-Keyes-Gardner), Rainbow Baking, Nozaxa, Texas Commerce Bank. |
| Los Angeles| 1,800,000   | 1,800,000   | KTTV 15                      | KABC 15                       | TV: Schlitz Brewing (Burnett), Radio: Union Oil (Burnett), Farmer John meat products (Pacific West), Datson Dealers (Parker), Cali, Federal Savings and Loan (Jansen), 1/4 each. |
| San Diego  | 710,000     | 710,000     | XETV 15                      | KGO 15                        | TV: Arrangements with XETV is being negotiated; sponsors TBA, Radio: Schiltz (Burnett), Culligan Soft Water Dealers, Mission Cable Co., Champion Spark plugs (J. Walter Thompson). |
| San Francisco | 1,100,000 | 1,100,000   | KTVU 15                      | KSFO 15                       | TV: TBA, Radio: Standard Oil of Calif. (BBDO), Chevrolet (Campbell-Ewald), each 1/9, Budweiser (D'Arcy-MacManus & Masul), United Airlines (Burnett), each 1/9, U.S. Steel (Compion), Commercial Credit (Doner), Champion Spark plugs (J. Walter Thompson), each alternating 1/9. |

NL total $14,870,000 $14,420,000
Maj. league totals $26,495,000 $25,245,000
WCCO Radio outpulls
At WCCO Radio, we are starting our second 50 years of broadcasting in great style. With a tradition of delivering bigger average quarter-hour (AQH) audiences than any television station in the Minneapolis-St. Paul market. Fact is, this is the seventh consecutive year we’ve done it — this time topping TV in 15 out of 16 points of comparison.

That’s a lot of muscle in a strong market like the Twin Cities. But it’s to be expected when you have strong arms pulling for you. Like WCCO Radio’s lineup of talented personalities presenting full-size, complete programming. It’s the kind of radio that attracts and holds the widest possible audience rather than appealing only to some narrow segment.

How strong are we? Here’s a few highlights from our show of strength in the 1974 ARB averages:

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Baltimore Orioles

Despite questions as to who will own the Baltimore Orioles and where they will play some of their home games, broadcast rights-holder National Broadcasting Co. has not altered its radio-TV plans for 1975. Among the several syndicates making offers to Jerold Hoffberger, owner of the Orioles and whose other holdings include National Brewing Co., are two groups that would play a portion of the home schedule in Washington, the nation's seventh largest TV market.

The uncertainty has not deterred WBAL (AM) Baltimore from setting up a regional network of at least 25 affiliates. Under its new one-year contract with National Broadcasting, with options to renew, WBAL will cover the regular season plus 10 to 13 exhibitions, starting March 8.

Chuck Thompson and Bill O'Donnell will be back for both radio and TV. Adjacency packages for pregame and postgame shows are still being sold, according to James P. Fox, WBAL general manager, who said that ingame sponsorships were five-sixths sold out by mid-February (see page 3B), describing the selling as "a little better than last year." WJZ-TV Baltimore, the television outlet since 1964, plans to carry at least 52 games with more than half in prime time. More may be added, contingent on the Orioles' position in the pennant race. Four stations are being lined up on a regional network.

Arthur Kern, general sales manager of WJZ-TV, indicated that while actual signings have been a bit slower this year, there were more sponsors negotiating for time in the TV line-up.

WJZ-TV has entered into a new multiyear contract with National Brewing, holder of the broadcast rights.

Boston Red Sox

WHDH-AM-FM Boston, in the final year of a three-year contract with the Red Sox, will broadcast 10 preseason and 162 regular-season games. An additional 50 or so stations throughout the New England area will carry the games.

Ned Martin returns for his 14th year as Red Sox play-by-play man, and Jim Woods will handle the color. Mr. Martin will conduct a 10-minute pregame Dagout Interviews, and Mr. Woods will handle the postgame Baseball Extra. The station is still negotiating with sponsors for these sideshows.

WSBK-TV, a UHF station in Boston, will replace WBZ-TV Boston as the key station of the Red Sox, having won the rights after a lot of intense bargaining, according to informed sources. It will offer five preseason and 10 or so regular-season games (compared to the 70 games WBZ-TV telecast last year). WSBK-TV will also network these games to six (or probably seven) stations in the New England area.

The new announcing team will be Dick Stockton (play-by-play) and Ken Harrelson (color). No pregame show is planned, but Tom Larson will be host of a postgame Red Sox Wrap-Up, which could run as long as 30 minutes. No sponsors have yet been announced.

Cleveland Indians

WWE(AM) Cleveland will carry all 162 regular-season games in the last year of a three-year agreement for the team's radio rights, with a network of 18 Ohio and Pennsylvania stations also carrying a full schedule. The station's announcing pair of Joe Tate and Herb Score, former Indians pitcher, will return.

WWE already is bidding to lead the league in pregame and postgame shows, with six separately sponsored programs scheduled. Four five-minute pregame shows, It Happened in Baseball, Tribe Talk, Inside Baseball, and Clubhouse Confidential, will be aired weekly, along with Dagout Interviews, a 10-minute capsule. The last, sponsored by Household Fixtures as the only sponsor, is placed in the pregame sponsorship. 10th Inning, a 10-minute postgame broadcast, will also return.

WJW-TV Cleveland enters its 11th year with the Indians. Television rights have been contracted on a year-to-year basis. The station will carry 50 Indians games, and again will feature Harry Jones and Jim (Mudcat) Grant (another former Indians pitcher) as play-by-play announcers. No pre- or postgame shows are planned, and no other TV stations will pick up WJW-TV's telecasts.

Both WJW-TV and WWWE reported ingame and special program sales are holding up well in the face of economic pressures.

Detroit Tigers

WJR(AM) Detroit will enter its 23rd year with the Tigers and the fourth of a five-year radio rights agreement. The station will carry all regular season games on a network estimated at 50 stations.

Ernie Harwell and Paul Carey will be back to handle the play-by-play chores.

The Tigers begin a five-year TV contract with WWJ-TV Detroit, after a long association with WJBK-TV there. The station, which will handle all TV sales, will telecast at least 46 games in 1975. In previous years, the Tigers retained the rights, doing their own selling. Forty of the TV games will be carried on a regional network of five stations, while six Sunday games will be broadcast in Detroit only, the first time Sunday games have been telecast there.

Veteran Tiger announcer George Kell will be joined by WWJ-TV's Don Kremer for home coverage, while road games will feature Mr. Kell and Larry Osterman of WKZO-TV Kalamazoo, Mich.

The station also acquired pregame and postgame rights, and will carry a 15-minute pregame and five-minute postgame show with each game. No sponsors have been announced.

Milwaukee Brewers

WTMJ-AM-TV Milwaukee will take over as rights holders to Brewers coverage in 1975 under a one-year contract. WTMJ-AM-TV originated the games last season, but the rights holder was the broadcast division of Jos. Schlitz Brewing Co.

WTMJ will offer 172 games (10 pre-season) and will have a 24-station region- al network. Merle Harmon and Bob Uecker will return as the broadcast team. Schlitz (through Leo Burnett) has bought a postgame show on the radio network.

Appa Hank Aaron Show has been picked up by Magnavox, for whom the all-time home-run leader, is spokesman.

WTMJ-TV will teleshoot 30 games (16 prime time, 14 day) and will feed four

American League-East
other stations in Wisconsin. Jim Irwin and Gary Bender will do the TV play-by-play and color.

Michael McCormick, vice president and general manager of the stations, last week said that radio and television are 45% sold out with a substantial number of further signings expected to be announced this week.

**New York Yankees**

WMAQ(AM) New York will begin a three-year contract to carry 162 regular and 10 pre-season games of the Yankees. The radio rights to the games were acquired late last year by Manchester Broadcasting Productions Inc., New York, which is producing and selling the broadcasts. Manchester has set up a regional radio network of about 40 stations to carry the Yankee coverage.

Announcing duties on both radio and television will be handled by Phil Rizzuto, Frank Messer and Bill White. Participating this year on the radio coverage will be Dom Valentino, a vice president of Manchester Broadcasting. Mr. Valentino will also host on a 10-minute pregame show, *Warm-Up Time*.

WPIX(TV) New York, beginning its 25th year of Yankee coverage, is in the third year of a three-year contract. Two pre-season and 68 regular games will be televised this year. The games will be fed to approximately 10 stations. No pregame or postgame telecasts have been scheduled.

**American League-West**

**California Angels**

For the 15th season KMPC(AM) Los Angeles will carry the California Angels. A regional radio network of 17 stations is being set up. Don Drysdale and Dick Enberg will handle the play-by-play and Dave Niehaus will do the pregame and postgame programs. Pregame and postgame sponsors include: Champion spark plugs (J. Walter Thompson), J. C. Penney Co. (Penco), Household Finance Corp. (Needham, Harper & Steers), and Disneyland (Vista Advertising) for both the *Angels Warm-Up* and *Angels Report* segments; Midas muffler (Wells, Rich & Greene) for *Angel Hot Line*; Winbells' Donut House (Wilshire Newport), for *Angels Clubhouse*; American Bakers for Langendorf and Barbara Ann bread (A/Ka). Other sponsors on participating basis: Arrowhead Puritas Water (N. W. Ayer-Jorgenson-MacDonald), Pacific Telephone and Telegraph (BBDO), Carl's Jr. (Chorane Chase), Fotomat (General Media Services), and Day and Night Air Conditioning (N. W. Ayer-Jorgenson-MacDonald).

KTLA(TV) Los Angeles will telecast the Angels for the 12th year. No regional network is planned for four pre-season and 26 regular-season TV dates. Messrs. Drysdale, Enberg and Niehaus will also handle television.

Gene Autry, chairman of the board of KMPC and KTLA (Golden West Broadcasters) is also chairman of the Angels.

**Chicago White Sox**

WMAQ(AM) Chicago will cover nine pre-season and 162 regular games of the Chicago White Sox. WMAQ is in the first year of a two-year contract. No decision has been made on a regional network.

Harry Caray will be the principal announcer, assisted by Bill Mercer. No sponsors have been cleared yet for Mr. Caray's 10-minute pregame program and Mr. Mercer's 10-minute postgame show.

Mr. Caray also will handle the Sox telecasts on WSN(TV) Chicago (the ball club holds the TV rights and does the selling). Assisting Mr. Caray on TV will be J. C. Martin.

WSNW will carry 125 regular season games, feeding 10 out-of-the-area TV stations. Mr. Caray will conduct a 15-minute pregame and Mr. Martin a 10-minute postgame show. Sponsors are not yet set. Production of games is handled by a unit of WGN-TV Chicago.

**Kansas City Royals**

For the first year of a new three-year contract, WDAF(Kansas City), KCTV and KMPI(TV) Kansas City will take over to carry the Kansas City Royals' regular schedule plus pregame and postgame shows that will be fed to a network of 50 radio stations. Sponsors for the pregame and postgame segments are to be announced. Announcers will be Bud Blattner, Denny Matthews and Fred White.

For the fourth consecutive year, KBBM-TV Kansas City, will carry the Royals' games. A network of eight stations, same as last year, and 35 road telecasts are planned. Sponsors for pregame and postgame shows are to be announced. In addition to Messrs. Blattner and Matthews on play-by-play, Gene Osborne will be on the TV postgame *Scoreboard* show.

**Minnesota Twins**

WCCO(AM) Minneapolis-St. Paul is setting up business as usual for the Twins radio coverage under the station's agreement with Midwest Federal Savings and Loan Association there. Midwest will be in the third year of its seven-year contract for radio-TV rights of the baseball club.

WCCO will broadcast the full regular season with some exhibitions to be announced. It will feed a network of 35 other stations with the majority carrying all the games. Herb Carneal will be back for play-by-play with the second announcer to be named.

WCCO is offering spot announcements within the Twins play-by-play, the announcer's pregame broadcast and the *Scoreboard Show* after the games. Commercials rotate throughout all three and are being sold in 30-second and one-minute lengths.

The radio station is also intensifying its merchandising-promotion support of sponsors by establishing a Twins ticket-allowance plan, setting up a VIP sponsors box at games and offering a World Series excursion.

The Twins' television will be returned this season to WTCN-TV Minneapolis-St. Paul after a two-year stay at WCCO-TV there. WTCN-TV will televise 46 away and four home games, most in prime time. Twelve stations are being contacted for a regional network.

WCCO network sportscaster Ray Scott, who has joined the station as associate sports director, will do TV play-by-play with Larry Calton, who worked on both the radio and television sides during the 1974 season, doing color.

WTCN-TV is considering the addition of some terrestrial telecasts and is working on two postgame shows, one by Mr. Scott from the stadium and a scoreboard program from the station.

**Oakland Athletics**

KEEN(AM) San Jose, Calif., in the Bay area, will carry the Athletics' full schedule for the fourth year this season, as well as 20 exhibition games including two with the San Francisco Giants, March 19 and 20, and a "World Series" competition with the Los Angeles Dodgers April 3 at Mesa, Ariz. (This A's defeated the Dodgers last fall for the world championship). Radio announcers will be Monte Moore and Jon Miller. Pregame and postgame broadcasts are locally sponsored on each network radio station. A postgame show on KEEN will
be sponsored by Hayward Dodge.

For the third year, the A’s will be carried by KPIX(TV) San Francisco, which, in turn will feed a four-station network in California and Nevada. Plans are for 37 telecasts. Announcers will be Messrs. Moore and Walter. Sponsors for pregame and postgame broadcasts are to be announced.

**Texas Rangers**

As the Rangers’ fortunes turned upward on the field last season, so has the radio-television outlook for 1975.

WAP(AM) Fort Worth-Dallas will be back to cover 172 games in the exhibition and regular season, feeding 21 other outlets in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and Oklahoma. Also returning will be Dick Rienshouwer to handle six innings of each game and Bill Merrill to do three innings.

Kexas-TV Fort Worth-Dallas will cover 23 away games. Last year, as WAP-TP, the station was the Rangers’ TV originator. Mr. Rienshouwer will handle all the TV play-by-play. A color man is to be selected.

Pregame and postgame programs on radio and television will be sponsored on alternate games by Coca-Cola and Dr Pepper and by the Dallas County Chevrolet Dealers and Tarrant County Chevrolet Dealers.

The City of Arlington, Tex., through a separate corporation, holds the broadcast rights to the Rangers under a 10-year agreement that commenced with the franchise switch from Washington to Texas in 1972. From a ragged start in the franchise’s first year, the Rangers’ broadcast picture has improved in the last two seasons. This was underscored last week by Roy M. Parks, sales manager-public relations director of the City of Arlington Entertainment Division.

“Our package this year is priced exactly double that of the 1974 package. And at least three categories we have had competing sponsors battle down to the wire for a sponsorship position. We have not lost a sponsor yet that we had last year, despite the increased costs.”

**Chicago Cubs**

WGN-AM-TV Chicago is entering the last year of its five-year contract for radio and television rights to the Cubs games. On radio, WGN will broadcast 10 preseason and all 162 regular-season games, serving as the linchpin of a 24-station network in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Missouri.

Returning will be Vince Lloyd to do the play-by-play, and Lou Boudreau the color. Mr. Boudreau will provide the dugout interviews on a 10-minute pregame Leadoff Man, and Mr. Lloyd will do the honors on the 10-minute postgame Scoreboard. The latter show still hasn’t yet been taken by sponsors, but part of Leadoff Man’s tab will be picked up by La Margerita, a local restaurant (La Raza Advertising, Chicago). Station sources reported that business is slower than usual this year because some prospective advertisers are voicing reluctance to make the extensive commitment that a full season of baseball would require.

WGN-TV Chicago has lined up 15 stations in Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Iowa and Nebraska for 37 Cubs games. Twenty-one will be Sunday games, 13 will be night road games and three holiday contests are scheduled. For Chicago-area viewers, WGN-TV will teletech 148 of the team’s games, including all 81 home games.

Jack Brickhouse (play-by-play) and Jim West (color) are the announcers again this year, with Mr. West as host of the 10-minute pregame Leadoff Man and Mr. Brickhouse doing the 10-minute postgame The Tenth inning. Danley lumber (Rocklin Irving Associates) has bought into Leidoff Man and Household Finance Co. (Needham, Harper & Steers) has signed for The Tenth inning.

**Montreal Expos**

CFCF(AM) Montreal will be the originating English-language station for the Montreal Expos games on radio, with a network of 17 affiliates, including five American stations. Key outlet for the French network will again be CKAC(AM) Montreal, with 16 affiliates. Most radio affiliates will carry all 162 regular-season games, along with a 15-minute pregame and a 10-12-minute postgame show for most games. No television pre- or postgame coverage is planned.

The radio announcing line-up, like its television counterpart, is unchanged from 1974: French-language play-by-play will be handled by Jacques Doucet and Claude Raymond, while the English stations will feature Dave Van Horne and Russ Taylor.

CBF begins an exclusive six-year-television rights agreement with the Expos this season, and will televise 20 games, most on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Those games will be carried by 43 English and 13 French stations in Canada.

Both the English and French-speaking television announcing teams will turn intact this season, with Dave Van Horne and Duke Snider, and Guy Ferron and Jean-Pierre Roy handling the respective languages.

Sales for Expo baseball have been generally good, but the CBC sales staff said tight money has been principally responsible for a slight slowdown. Most painful has been the loss of American Motors, a major sponsor in past years.

Network research has shown that 40% of the average Expos audience is female, a statistic that is beginning to help expand sales possibilities somewhat. A spokesperson points out that the team’s French-language outlets have generally done better than its English stations, as the team’s principal support has remained in Quebec.

**New York Mets**

WNEW(AM) New York will start a three-year contract with the Mets, replacing WHN(AM) New York as the originator of Mets broadcasts. WNEW will broadcast nine preseason and 145 regular-season games including those at night and on weekends (WNEW has arranged for WRVR(FM) New York to carry the remaining 17 day contests). The Mets will have a regional line-up of about 25 stations in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine, West Virginia and Maryland.

Play-by-play announcing on radio and television will be Lindsey Nelson, Bob Murphy and Ralph Kiner.

WOR-TV New York will start its 14th season of Met telecasting in 1975. The station will be holding TV rights in the
second year of a three-year contract. WOR-TV plans to carry three preseason and 120 regular-season games. The station will carry a postgame Kiner's Korner program but has no sponsors.

Philadelphia Phillies

Going into the third year of a three-year contract, WCAM(AM) Philadelphia will broadcast 16 exhibitions and 162 regular-season contests. The Phillies will have a regional radio network of 19 stations in New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

The announcing duties again will be performed by Saam, Harry Kaiaia and Richie Ashburn. There will be pregame and postgame programs but details have not been set. The radio team also will provide the TV coverage.

WPIL-TV Philadelphia is entering the final year of its three-year agreement. The UHF will telesport two preseason and 68 regular-season games. Three other Pennsylvania stations will pick up the TV coverage. The radio team will handle the television play-by-play and color.

There will be a 15-minute pregame Richie Ashburn Show and a 10-minute Tenth Inning program spotlighting Bob Bradley.

Pittsburgh Pirates

The Pirates will set sail again with KDKA-AM-TV Pittsburgh under an agreement between the club and the rights owners. Pittsburgh Station Co. (one-third) and Westinghouse Broadcasting (two-thirds), licensee of the stations. It's the second season of a three-year rights contract.

KDKA will broadcast 15 exhibitions and the regular-season schedule. Coverage will be fed to a regional network of 49 other stations. It will once again be Bob Prince on play-by-play and Nellie King on color.

Pregame sponsorships have been sold to Joe Ziockind (general manager, sports, home repairs), State Farm Mutual Insurance and Household Finance Corp. Other adjacencies have been taken by Gabriel shock absorbers and Homelite Products.

Warren L. Maurer, general sales manager of KDKA, said that selling this year has been more complex by economic uncertainties. "There is a reluctance on the part of sponsors to commit themselves to six months' time," he added. "There seems to be more sponsors, but the buys are smaller."

KDKA-TV plans to cover one preseason game and 38 regular-season road games. The network will once again include four other stations in western Pennsylvania and West Virginia. The Prince-King combination is on the announcing.

KDKA-TV said that the number of TV dates will be expanded if the Pirates come on strong in the stretch.

St. Louis Cardinals

KMOX(AM) St. Louis will stay on as the originator of the Cardinals' radio coverage with plans for 25 exhibitions, starting next Saturday (March 8), and all regular-season games. The regional radio network is again expected to be between 115 and 120 stations in 10 states. Perennials Jack Buck and Mike Shannon will do play-by-play and color, respectively. Bob Starr, of KMOX, will be in the radio booth when Messrs. Buck and Shannon double on the home side.

KSD-TV St. Louis will return for the 14th consecutive year to do one exhibition and 30 regular-season road telecasts. Eleven are Sunday dates, 19 are to be in weekday prime time. An 18-station regional network is being set up for many of the games. KSD-TV Sports Director Jay Randolph will handle play-by-play and will be joined by Mr. Buck and former Cardinal Shannon.

Adjacency programming on KSD-TV includes pregame and postgame interview shows by Mr. Randolph and another pregame broadcast by KSD-TV sports-caster Ron Jacobs.

Tony Bello, general sales manager of the TV outlet, reported a return on investment of 39 percent and said that KSD-TV expects confirmation soon of buys by an oil company and a local utility.

The Cardinals are under the same ownership as Anheuser-Busch, a major sponsor of the Cardinals' broadcasts.

Atlanta Braves

WSB(AM) Atlanta will be back for the 10th year, covering Dixie like the New with an exhibition as part of the full regular season of the Braves. The games will be fed to a 60-affiliate network.

Returning for play-by-play and color will be Milo Hamilton and Ernie Johnson. Mr. Johnson is director of broadcasting for the Atlanta Braves Inc., which retains the radio rights and does its own selling. WSB enters the first year of a new five-year contract in which it handles the broadcast end.

Last year's principal sponsors of pregame and postgame radio programs, Atlanta Beverages and General Finance Corp., will continue in that role. The Braves' television rights are held by WTCO(TV) Atlanta, which goes into the third year of a five-year contract. The independent UHF's formula last season must have worked well; it will be reapplied in 1975. Two preseason and 52 season games will be carried. All will be road dates and 30 will be in prime time. The station will also work the TV side. The Atlanta Braves TV Network will number 30 affiliates.

Ten of the TV dates will have pregame programs; 42 will carry postgame shows. Final details of those of the adjacencies' sponsorships are still being negotiated, according to Sidney Pike, vice president and director of television operations, Turner Communications Corp., WTCG licensee.

Cincinnati Reds

WLW(AM) Cincinnati, in the second year of a three-year contract, will be the key for a 112-station Reds' baseball network reaching 85 markets, including Indianapolis and Terre Haute, Ind., both new this year. The five states covered will be Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia. WLW will broadcast all 25 and 162 regular-season games again this year.

Marty Brennaman (play-by-play) and Joe Nuxhall (color) are the announcers. Mr. Brennaman and Sparky Anderson, the Reds manager, will collaborate on the five to two preseason shows, The Main Spark. The second pregame show, Turf Side, features Mr. Nuxhall in dugout interviews. Two postgame shows are also on tap: Star of the Game, with Mr. Nuxhall again doing the interviewing, and Scores and Comments, conducted by Mr. Brennaman.

The four shows run 10 minutes each.

Rotating sponsors in the pregame and postgame programs are Security Moving and Storage Co. (Yeck & Yeck, Dayton, Ohio), Dace's Roofing Co. (Cincinnati (BBDO), Chrysler-Plymouth dealers (Young & Rubicam), Cincinnati Milk Sales Association (Midland), Blue Cross/ Blue Shield of southeast Ohio (Oppenheim/Herminghausen/Clarke), The Cincinnati Enquirer (Stockton West Burbank), Burkhardt's men's store (J. Freedman), Jamboree sporting goods (direct), International Harvester trucks, tractors and mowers (Holland Co.), Mutual of New York (direct), West Shell realtors (Midland), Gabriel shock absorbers (Post-Keyes-Gardner), Carrier air-conditioners (direct), Firestone Tire and Rubber (direct) and Applejack chewing tobacco (Stuart Ford Inc., Richmond, Va.).

WLWT(TV) Cincinnati, also in the second year of a three-year contract with the Reds, will serve as feeder station for a 12-station network in Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia and Kentucky. This year's TV schedule calls for one preseason game, three exhibition games and 32 regular-season away games. A TV play-by-play announcer is still to be selected, but Woody Woodward will do the color. No postgame show is planned, but Mr. Woodward will host a studio program that will be aired only before Saturday and Sunday afternoon games, and will be sponsored by Brewer Cote, a blacktop sealer (direct).

Houston Astros

KPRC-AM-FM Houston will be back for the fourth year offering a Texas-size serving of Astros baseball.

The club, as Houston Sports Association Inc., retains its radio-TV rights, packaging and selling the broadcasts. The new director of broadcasting and marketing for the club is Gary Rollins, prior to a 16-month association with the parent Astrodome Corp., was with McCann-Erickson for 13 years.

KPRC will cover 182 games, including 20 exhibitions, and will key a radio network of 33 stations in four states. Gene Elston and Loel Passe will return for
both radio and TV play-by-play.

KPRC-TV will telecast two exhibitions and 28 regular-season games. A new wrinkle will be that 16 of the 30 dates will be in prime time in Houston. The remaining 14 TV games will be weekend games that will be beamed to the other 22 stations in two states that are in the Astros' TV line-up.

Los Angeles Dodgers

The Los Angeles Dodgers for the second consecutive year will be carried by KABC(AM) there, which will also feed the games to a 15-station network. Announcers for the play-by-play and the pregame and postgame shows will be Vin Scully and Jerry Doggett.

Pregame sponsorship will be split between Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Los Angeles (Brown, Clark, Elkus & Moses) and Schlitz Brewing Co. (Leo Burnett). Postgame sponsors will be McDonald's (Davis, Johnson, Mogul & Columbato and Union Bank (Weinberg), each one-half.

For the 17th year, KTTV(AM) Los Angeles will carry the Dodgers games as well as exhibitions. Pregame sponsors are the same as those for KABC. For the postgame show, KTTV has McDonald's and Sears, Roebuck & Co. (Star Advertising) in place of KABC's Union Bank.

San Diego Padres

KOGO(AM) San Diego will be back for the seventh year to cover the regular-season schedule plus 22 exhibitions of the Padres. Announcers again will be Jerry Coleman and Bob Chandler.

Pregame and postgame sponsorships will be alternated by PSA airline (Clinton Frank) and Pepsi-Cola (BBDO). The Padres again are late in setting up their TV for 1975. It was indicated just last week KXTV(TV) Tijuana, Mexico-San Diego would be back for TV.

San Francisco Giants

For the 18th season, KSFO(AM) San Francisco will carry the Giants regular-season schedule plus 10 training games. KSFO again will feed the games to a regional network of 15 stations. Announcers for the play-by-play and pregame and postgames will be Al Michaels and Art Eckman.

Pregame and postgame sponsors are Alpo dog food (Weightman Advertising), Langendorf bread (A/Media Ltd.), and Marine World (Pritikin & Gibbons).

KTVU(AM) Oakland-San Francisco will carry the Giants for 22 games, including two preseason, in the final year of a six-year contract (renewal of which is in negotiation). Sponsors are to be announced. TV announcers are to be Gary Park and Al Michaels.

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**FCC: 'Pensions' ruling didn't break new ground in fairness**

Commission answers briefs filed in appeals court last January; unusual alliances are being formed by groups opposing decision

"Despite all the attention it has attained," the FCC says of the NBC *Pensions* case in a brief filed with the U.S. Court of Appeals, "this is not an unusual case, save for the fact that the commission rarely rules against a broadcaster under the fairness doctrine."

The pleading was filed as a reply to briefs that NBC and its backers had submitted in January in connection with the rehearing the full bench of the D.C. circuit has granted in the case (Broadcasting, Jan. 16).

A three-judge panel of the court last September, by a 2-to-1 vote, had reversed a commission decision holding that NBC had erred in asserting that *Pensions: The Broken Promise* did not raise a fairness issue. The court agreed to reconsider the matter on a petition filed by Accuracy in Media, the original complainant in the case.

To the commission, the case does not represent the breaking of new fairness doctrine ground. NBC had argued that the standard of determining reasonableness on the part of a licensee is different in the context of investigative journalism—which the *Pensions* documentary was from that in other areas of programming. But the commission, in its brief, said there is and always was only one fairness doctrine that applies to all areas of programming: "the need for balance in presenting viewpoints does not diminish because the program involves investigative reporting."

The major point on which NBC relies, and on which the appeals court panel overturned the commission's decision, was the assertion that the commission substituted its judgment for the licensee's rather than applying the test of reasonableness. But the commission said this is not what it did.

NBC argued that the program does not raise a fairness issue since it deals only with "some problems of some pension plans." And the commission conceded that the program does that; but it said that the program does more—that, as AIM contends, it also dealt with the over-all performance of the private pensions system, and from a particular point of view. NBC, the commission said, did not undermine the program presented such a point of view.

The case has forged what seems to be strange alliances, with citizen groups lining up with the FCC and the conservatively oriented AIM. And both AIM, in its brief, and the United Church of Christ, is a friend of the court brief, were as one in disputing the argument of NBC and its supporters, including the Society of Professional Journalists, the *New York Times*, and Radio Television News Directors Association. That, that a court decision affirming the commission's ruling would deal a serious blow to broadcast journalism; the danger, they said, runs in the other direction.

"A ruling adverse to the commission in this case will not only precipitously result the fairness doctrine was intended to prevent," AIM said. "It will place in the hands of private parties control over the public's right to know. All to encourage broadcasters to perform a function which it is their duty to perform."

UCC said it views the case "as an attempt by NBC to so expand the area of licensee discretion as to destroy the fairness doctrine in all but name."

In place of "the objective tests" the commission uses to determine whether a fairness doctrine issue has been raised (Is the issue substantial? Controversial?) "NBC would substitute the subjective judgment of its executives as to what is 'newsworthy,'" UCC said. "A perfunctory reference to opposite viewpoints could replace the healthy competition of ideas which the First Amendment demands."

**Group set up to study fair trial-free press**

**Twentieth Century paneellists will extend 1967 findings published by Friendly, Goldfarb**

A panel of journalists and legal scholars has been appointed by the Twentieth Century Fund, a New York-based research foundation with a special interest in public-policy issues, to study the problems of assuring fair trials for defendants without imposing unconstitutional restrictions on the freedom of the press.

The fund has in the past sponsored substantial similar research in this area, which culminated in 1967 with the publication of *Crime and Publicity*, by Alfred Friendly and Paul Goldfarb, which studied the issues of fair trial and free press. The newly commissioned study will examine developments since the previous effort, and will begin its work with a background paper being prepared by Alan Barth, former editorial writer for *The Washington Post*.

The Task Force on Justice, Publicity, and the First Amendment, as the group will be called, is to be headed by Abraha s. Goldstein, dean of the Yale Law School, and will include Stephan Barnett, professor of law, University of California at Berkeley; Joseph A. Califano Jr., attorney, Washington; Lenora Carter, editor and publisher, *Forward Times*, Houston; Stanley H. Fuld, former chief judge of the court of appeals of the state of New York; and president of the National News Council; Stephen Hess, The Brookings Institution, Washington; C. K. McClatchy, vice president and executive editor, McClatchy Newspapers, Sacramento, Calif.; Abraham D. Solzer, professor of law, Columbia University Law School; Carl Stern, NBC News.

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The report of the task force, with Mr. Barth’s background paper, will be published by the Twentieth Century Fund.

At Ways and Means
it’s all or nothing at all

Committee votes unacceptable string to admission of TV: total coverage

The House Ways and Means Committee, which had voted two weeks ago to permit radio and television broadcasts of hearings beginning today (March 3) on an energy-tax package, closed the door again last week when the networks refused to submit to the committee’s restrictions.

In a brief meeting with representatives of the commercial networks and NPACT, the Public Broadcasting Service’s news and public affairs arm in Washington, the committee insisted on three conditions to television coverage of the 10-day hearings: (1) that the broadcasters use cool lighting, (2) that the commercial and public networks share a single camera and (3) that the coverage of the hearings be live and continuous “from gavel to gavel.”

William Lord, evening news producer for ABC in Washington, and coordinator of the network’s Capitol Hill pool for the first three months this year, said none of the networks deemed the hearings “sufficiently important” to justify two weeks of live coverage. The news value for television would dwindle after the first two days, he said. And the cost was another factor: at least $75,000, he said, for one camera for two weeks.

What the networks wanted, Mr. Lord said, was the “normal, unilateral coverage,” each network operating its own equipment with the option of going live or editing for nightly newscasts.

The committee, which has never before permitted radio and TV coverage of its hearings, did not close its doors for good. Representative Al Ullman (D-Ore.), chairman, took under advisement a suggestion that an ad hoc committee be formed to explore the possibility of broadcasting future hearings.

February 17, was news director of that station and also anchor man on its evening news before being elected governor in 1966 and serving for eight years. He also had been a news analyst on KONI-TV Portland.

Like father, like daughter. Maureen Reagan, daughter of former California Governor Ronald Reagan, has launched One Woman’s View, daily, 60-second commentary, for syndication. Miss Reagan, whose commentaries are said to tend toward middle-of-the-road conservatism, for more than year was hostess of her own radio talk show on KABC-AM Los Angeles and was co-host on AM Los Angeles on KABC-TV there. Her father, who remains active in conservative Republican politics, also is in radio, syndicating his American Viewpoint now in over 200 markets. Syndicating younger Reagan is Creative Radio Shows, Los Angeles.

Suggestions invited. Questionnaires soliciting views that may help National News Council develop recommendations for improving format of Presidential news conferences have been developed by council’s Freedom of the Press Committee for distribution to members of White House press corps, bureau chiefs, regional reporters, press critics and past and present White House news secretaries. Study of White House news conferences was launched late last year (Broadcasting, Dec. 9, 1974).
Networks say they can live with Comsat rates

They see no need for big reduction that FCC staff has proposed

The three network companies—ABC, CBS and NBC—have no quarrel with existing charges they pay for television transmission by the Communications Satellite Corp. But they feel no increases are warranted. If the FCC orders a cut in Comsat rates, however, the savings should be "flowed through" to the ultimate users, including themselves.

The networks expressed those views in a joint brief filed in response to the FCC's request for proposed findings and conclusions in the on-again, off-again hearing it has been conducting over the last 10 years on Comsat rates.

The extremes among the parties on the issues are represented by Comsat and the commission's trial staff.

Comsat says its charges should not be modified. It projects an annual rate of return of 11.01% for 1974, 13.49% for 1975, and contends that these are not expected to produce "excessive revenues," since they are less than Comsat's current cost of capital.

The trial staff, on the other hand, as it did in an earlier phase of the hearing (Broadcasting, June 3, 1974) recommended a whopping reduction in charges—46.5%—and said the saving should be passed on to the ultimate customer, not retained by the carriers that serve as links between Comsat and the users of the service.

The trial staff believes the company's over-all rate of return should be limited to 9.42%. Applying that rate to a base that would, under the trial staff's proposal, be stripped of a number of items Comsat would include, would produce the 46.5% cut in charges.

The network companies took no position on the rate-base, expense and rate-of-return issues. But they said the present rates for television service are not unfair or unjust to any person or class of service. They also said that the rates should not be raised above present levels. Furthermore, they said, if the commission orders a cut in over-all revenue requirements, television service should share in the reduction. And the rate reduction should be "flowed-through to the ultimate users of the television service."

Television does not represent a large item on Comsat's books. Comsat says 1.5% of the revenues it receives under its tariff come from television—an expected $1,780,000 in 1974 and $1,700,000 in 1975. However, the flow-through argument received support from a major user—the Department of Defense. And, like the trial staff, it would cut Comsat's rates by reducing the rate base. Comsat, DOD said, "should be instructed to develop an appropriate capital structure resulting in the lowest feasible cost of capital to the company."

Schlafly, Button set up new technical venture

Two former Teleprompter executives, Robert E. Button and Hubert J. Schlafly, have formed Transcommunications Corp. to provide consulting services for program supply, system technology and user applications in efforts to link communication satellites with terrestrial distribution systems.

Mr. Button, president of the new company, was director of satellite studies for Teleprompter, and Mr. Schlafly was a co-founder of the cable TV concern, and had served as its vice president and chairman. In an announcement about the formation of Transcommunications, Mr. Button said that while there are numerous existing and planned satellites, "ground station installations have been restricted to a few high density common carrier locations. We want to put together groups that have immediate need for national distribution in order to hasten the day when every community has a satellite port of entry." The new company is based in Greenwich, Conn.

Administration backs bill for networking social service

Nonbroadcast satellite system would be aim of $35-million test

The Office of Management and Budget last week sent to Capitol Hill the draft of a bill that is regarded by members of the newly formed Public Service Satellite Consortium as their main hope for initial financing of the distribution of health and educational programming by satellite.

If passed, the bill is expected to open the way to approximately $35 million over a five-year period of grants and contracts to demonstrate the use of satellites, cable television and other nonbroadcast means of disseminating social service information.

The Public Service Satellite Consortium took formal shape two weeks ago at a meeting in San Diego (Broadcasting, Feb. 24), with about 30 educational and health institutions applying for charter membership. H. Rex Lee, former FCC commissioner and chairman of the consortium; Donald Quayle, vice president of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and vice chairman of the consortium, and Jack M. Campbell, president of the Federation of Rocky Mountain States, are scheduled to incorporate the satellite organization as a nonprofit institution in Washington within the next three weeks.

At the San Diego meeting, the consortium's 11-member steering committee was named to be the organization's board of directors, to be joined by another 11 members soon. At the same meeting about $50,000 was raised in dues and pledges. The consortium wants to open an eight-person office in Washington.

The 200 delegates who attended the San Diego meeting heard a report by Kenneth Lokey of the Federation of Rocky Mountain States, a prime contractor for the educational experiments on the ATS-6 satellite, indicating that the consortium's satellite service could use a total of seven satellite transponders to distribute education and health programming and to provide networking services for the Public Broadcasting System.

Whether PBS will continue as a member of the consortium is an unanswered question. PBS is reportedly leaning toward a satellite system that would require the member stations to purchase their own $175,000 ground stations. Those could be built out of PBS's cur...
rent federal appropriations for network purposes, about $7 million.

PBS's plans are still being shaped by negotiations it is currently carrying on with several satellite builders and by a Ford Foundation-sponsored study of satellite networking being done by Myron Curzon, of the Washington law firm of Arnold & Porter. In addition, PBS membership in the consortium may also hinge on whether 2.5 ghz is selected as the frequency for the service, in which case the FCC would have to decide whether public television could use a frequency reserved for educational institutions.

The satellite consortium is reportedly preparing a variety of financing proposals for presentation to foundations and government agencies. Preliminary discussions have already been held with several foundations and the nonprofit National Science Foundation and the Lilly Foundation.

The San Diego meeting also drew a number of representatives from private industry, including Control Data, ITT, Bank of America, BFA Educational Media (a CBS subsidiary), Boeing, Martin Marietta, RCA, Westinghouse, Fairchild, Hughes Aircraft, and GE.

**AMST, Cullum fight any increase in number of call boxes**

They say FCC proposal would mean more interference to television

The Association of Maximum Service Telecasters and A. Earl Cullum Jr. & Associates, a Dallas engineering consultancy, filed objections last week to the FCC's proposed rule amendments to allow an unlimited number of radio call boxes to operate on any given system in the 72-76 mhz band.

The contention of both groups was that the burden of proof as to whether additional call boxes (devices for emergency communication, as on a highway) would cause undue interference to TV reception on adjacent VHF frequencies (channel 4 and 5), has been put on the wrong shoulders—theirs.

The existing limitation of 250 call boxes per system was adopted in 1970 to avoid such interference, noted AMST. At that time, the commission acknowledged its experience with radio call boxes was limited and suggested any change in the rule should be based on new evidence regarding the interference potential.

But according to AMST, the petition for rule-making by Solid State Technology Inc., which initiated the present amendment proposal, failed to present the data called for by the FCC.

Solid State had contended that since there was an absence of reported complaints regarding interference, the 250 unit limit should be abolished.

But AMST and Cullum both claimed that an absence of complaints means little, since few viewers would know how to relate observed interference with call box operations. Furthermore, Cullum

Associates, after conducting a survey of some 54 stations that operate on channel 4 or 5, said the lack of complaints may be the result of the lack of call box systems in communities where broadcast stations operate on adjacent channels.

Cullum noted that call boxes presently can operate in the 450 mhz band without any limitation and advised that the 72-76 mhz space be put to more efficient use. Its plan, an iteration of one advanced in 1952, would set aside the four mhz of spectrum together with two additional mhz—gained from shifting existing low-band VHF channels upward or downward—to provide a new VHF channel for educational use.

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**Island Interconnection.** Indonesia's decision to go to satellite communications system to tie together its 3,000-mile archipelago was made last week with announcements that Hughes Aircraft and ITT had received contracts totaling $231 million to build nation's telecommunications system. Hughes is in line for $23.6 million to build two satellites and $47.5 million to build master control station near Jakarta and nine other earth stations. One of ITT's contracts is $130 million for computer-based telephone exchanges. Another $30 million contract for ITT is to build 15 satellite earth stations.

**Introducing.** McMartin Industries Inc. has developed TBM-1100R dual conversion FM receiver and B-1100T FM transmitter designed for use in remote pickup broadcast service (148-174 mhz range). Receiver is priced at $450 and 35 watt transmitter sells for $750. McMartin also has announced BF-3.5K 3,500 watt FM broadcast transmitter. Unit features automatic recycling, memory type station identification and an output reflectometer. Sale price is $11,500. Another development from company is EBS-2 emergency broadcast system monitor unit designed to comply with emergency two-tone signal coding system required by FCC for all AM, FM and TV broadcast stations by Jan. 15, 1976. Price: $99.50. 4500 South 76th Street, Omaha 68127.

### The Doobies: harbingers of a little loosening up of top-forty formats?

A hit by progressively oriented band sends Warner out to promote FM-type sounds at pop stations

The arrival of Black Water in the top spot on the "Playlist" signals the return of the Doobie Brothers to success on popular radio, and, perhaps more important, indicates a willingness on the part of a record company and a top-40 radio station (both traditionally cautious) to go out on a limb with a record that both believed in.

Black Water was not an overnight success. It began receiving its first contemporary airplay five months ago and built gradually to become the nation's most-heard single.

For the Doobie Brothers, the timing was opportune. Their three previous single releases had enjoyed only limited success. Black Water's immediate predecessor, Nobody, went nowhere. It barely made the charts despite a commercial structure and instrumentation that Warner Brothers Records thought would make the song a hit. The group's latest album, entitled What Were Once Vices Are Now Habits, had, as did two earlier albums, sold well. Jeff Baxter, a critically acclaimed guitarist most recently with Steely Dan, had joined the group. But the hit single which makes a potential gold album into a potential platinum LP was as yet missing.

Before Nobody had been released from the album, a Roanoke, Va., station, WROY(AM), began playing Black Water as an LP cut several times each evening. The Doobies had had great past success in Roanoke in sales, and were, along with Elvis Presley, the only act ever to sell out the city's coliseum. Black Water
These are the top songs in airplay popularity on U.S. radio, as reported to Broadcasting by a nationwide sample of stations that program contemporary "top-40" formats. Each song has been "weighted" in terms of the FM broadcast audience ratings for the reporting station on which it is played and for the party in which it appears. ( ) indicates an upward movement of 10 or more chart positions over the previous "Playlist" week.
Tracking the 'Playlist.' Mandy's five-week stay atop the "Playlist" ends as a new Barry Manilow release (see "Breaking In," page 54) begins to make its mark and the Doobie Brothers' most unusual Black Water takes over the first position.

Close behind and making large gains is Olivia Newton-John's Have You Never Been Mellow, firmly in first on MOR charts and about to achieve similar pop status.

Much of the balance of the top 20 is fairly static, with the prime movers among them being Labelle's Lady Marmalade, which climbs to 12; Minnie Riperton's Lovin' You, still gaining at 15; Joe Cocker's You Are So Beautiful, an intense Billy Preston composition which has re-established Mr. Cocker in the pop ranks after a lengthy absence, bolted at 18; and Sugarloaf's Don't Call Us, We'll Call You (at 19), another comeback group which continues to add pop stations. The solo Beatles are once again climbing the chart: Ringo Starr's The No-No Song is bolted at 22, with the flip, Snookeroo, entering the chart bolted at 62. John Lennon's remake of Stand by Me is on in its first week after being added as an album cut at WABC(AM) New York. And a new single from Paul McCartney is due out this week as well. Among the singles by artists whose previous success has been with FM progressives, several make strong gains this week: Phoebe Snow's Poetry Man moves to 24; Dan Fogelberg's Part of the Plan makes one of the week's most impressive showings in climbing to a bolted 26, and the Electric Light Orchestra's orchestral Can't Get It Out of My Head rises to a bolted 29. In the middle range of the chart, the Sweet Sensation's Sad Sweet Dreamer is bolted at 36, with B. J. Thomas's (Hey Won't You Play) Another Somebody Did Somebody Wrong Song moving to 41, and the Charlie Daniels Band's The South's Gonna Do It rising to 46.

Singles beginning to make rapid strides several weeks after their release include David Gates's Never Let Her Go, bolted at 51; Leo Sayer's Long Tall Glasses, bolted at 53; and Jackie Blue by the Ozark Mountain Daredevils, bolted at 59.

Strongest among new additions to the chart is Barry White's What Am I Gonna Do With You, added at WABC(AM) New York immediately after its release, and Rufus's Once You Get Started. These two are bolted at 56 and 57 respectively. Also making first "Playlist" appearances are Bertha Butt Boogie by the Jimmy Castor Bunch, Shaving Cream by Benny Bell (a "sleepy" with several stations reporting heavy requests), Neil Diamond's I've Been This Way Before, and Harry Chapin's latest singe from the Mervs and Balderdash LP, entitled I Want to Learn a Love Song. Looming on the airplay horizon: Elton John's Philadelphia Freedom, dedicated to Billy Jean King, and her World Team Tennis franchise, backed with a remake of the Beatles' I Saw Her Standing There.

appealed to music director Chuck Holloway: it abounded in the lyrical "hooks" programmers look for, including a chorus which repeated the phrase "Funky Dixieland" before breaking into a one-minute a cappella closing that featured vocal harmonies seldom heard on pop radio.

Two weeks after the song's Sept. 11 addition as an album cut, it was at 15 on wroy's playlist, solely on the basis of requests and album sales. "No one was requesting anything else. And it was selling 600 albums a week in stores which usually sell only about 600 singles a week," Mr. Holloway says. In another three weeks, when the song had finally come out as a single, it was number one. Another Virginia station, wqsk(FM) Newport News, had begun playing it heavily, and the song received its major-market break in Minneapolis-St. Paul, where Buzz Bennett, then program director of kwna(AM), reportedly received a call from an elderly woman requesting "that Dixieland song," and he knew she had a hit on his hands.

At Warner Brothers, the national promotion director, Gary Davis, was apparently the principal force behind the label's decision to release Black Water as a single. Mr. Davis detects a trend in contemporary radio toward a more progressive sound, as artists whose previous success has been chiefly on FM rock stations begin to pick up top-40 airplay on their single releases. His reasons for Black Water's pop success are twofold:
TM Programming's "Stereo Rock" and WGFM in Albany – Schenectady – Troy have the largest share of audience, 12-34, of any FM station surveyed in the top 50 markets of the U.S.A. according to the Oct/Nov ARB: a staggering 35.7 share of teens, 17.5 share of adults, 18-34, in a highly competitive 21 station market.*

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*Oct/Nov 1974 ARB Ft. Wayne, 6 a.m.-12 midnight, M-S, avg. ¼ hr. shares metro.
"Stereo Rock" consulted by George Burns.
PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Town of Enfield, in Tompkins County, New York, hereby invites applications for a cable television franchise.

A formal request for proposals is available from the Town Clerk, Mrs. Mabel Purdy, 248 Enfield Road, Ithaca, N.Y. 14850—Telephone 607-273-1229.

All applications for the Franchise must be submitted in writing in the form and manner specified in the "Request for Proposals" and must be received no later than thirty days from the publication of this notice.

All applications will be made available for Public Inspection during normal business hours, at the Town Clerk's Office.

Town Board
Town of Enfield

“First, people are getting more sophisticated in what they want to hear. And second, the top-40 stations are more aware of FM competition” — and are giving a more receptive ear to progressively oriented artists as a result.

The enthusiasm which has been accorded Black Water is still echoing through Warner Brothers Records. The label, which has a reputation as an “album company” with singles a secondary priority, is moving to take advantage of the detected “progressive trend” in pop radio. Fourteen label executives have left their Burbank, Calif., home office to visit important singles markets around the country, become acquainted with national leaders in contemporary radio, and boost the label’s most hopeful new singles, by Leo Sayer, Commander Cody, and Wet Willie. (The only result so far reported is that Mr. Sayer’s Long Tall Glasses—a bolted 53 on the “Playlist”—has been added at wQXI(AM) Atlanta on the heels of a Warners visit there.) While it is unlikely that major-market program directors would be swayed by the appearance of a vice president, Warner Brothers hopes that the communication begun by the visits will benefit both sides in the future.

That future, for Warner Brothers and other album-oriented labels, holds much promise for top-40 success, as the gates opened by the Doobie Brothers and other artists seem likely to stay open and broaden the range of material heard on pop radio. And for the Doobies themselves, the status attained by their best-selling single, Listen to the Music, two years ago has been regained and has reestablished them in the unsteady world of audience acceptance.

Breaking In

L-O-V-E (Love)—Al Green (Hi) * The man who was a principal force in creating the softer, “Philadelphia” sound in soul— in contrast to the hard-edged styles of Otis Redding and Wilson Pickett—has been making something of a comeback of late. Al Green’s Sha La La (Make Me Happy) achieved hit status at the beginning of this year, and his recent appearance on television’s Soul Train series reportedly even impressed the show’s jaded regular dancers. His latest release continues in the mellower vein he has popularized and features introspective lyrics rare in contemporary pop-soul hits. L-O-V-E has been added by WBBQ(AM) Augusta, Ga.; WSON(AM) Birmingham, Ala.; wTOP(AM) Winston-Salem, N.C.; and WFM(AM) Marietta, Ga.

It’s a Miracle—Barry Manilow (Arista) * For his second single sensation from the Barry Manilow II album, the multifaceted performer has chosen to go after the disco audience with an energetic dance number popular on FM stations for several months. It’s a Miracle recalls much of the fast-paced male-group soul of the mid- and late sixties, and is apparently garnering pop radio and disco play at a rapid rate. The single has been added by WPFG(AM) Morningside, Md.; WSON-

(AM) Birmingham, Ala.; KTLK(AM) Denver, and WYSL(AM) Buffalo, N.Y.

Reach Out I’ll Be There—Gloria Gaynor (MGM) * Miss Gaynor’s success testifies to the strength of the disco audience, and her choice of successful recordings similarly testifies to the lasting appeal of danceable soul music. Her Never Can Say Goodbye was a top-10 item although it was the third version of the song to be released as a single, and the enthusiastic reception which her remake of the Four Tops’ classic Reach Out I’ll Be There has been given seems to be reinforcing the disco-goers’ demand for solid dance music of whatever vintage. Although Gloria Gaynor’s scheduled coronation as “Queen of the Discos” at a New York performance this week may be a bit premature, this second single will likely establish her popularity for some time to come. It was added in its first week by WHYY(AM) Montgomery, Ala.

Extras. The following new releases, listed alphabetically by title, are making a mark in Broadcasting’s “Playlist” reporting below the first 75:

- AMIE, Pure Prairie League (RCA).
- BEFORE THE NEXT TEARDROP FALLS, Freddy Fender (ABC/Dunhill).
- CHANGES, Loggins & Messina (Columbia).
- DICK & JANE, Bobby Vinton (ABC/Dunhill).
- HOW LONG, Ace (Anchor).
- HUSH/I’M ALIVE, Blue Suede (EMI).
- I BELONG TO YOU, Love Unlimited (20th Century).
- I HAVE A DREAM, Denny Osmond (MGM).
- I WON’T LAST A DAY WITHOUT YOU/LET ME BE THE ONE, Al Wilson (Rocky Road).
- I’M HER FOOL, Billy Swan (Monument).
- IT’S A MIRACLE, Barry Manilow (Arista).
- LEONA, Wet Willie (Capricorn).
- LIKE A SUNDAY MORNING, Lana Cantrell (Polydor).
- LIVE YOUR LIFE BEFORE YOU DIE, Pointer Sisters (Blue Thumb).
- LOVE CORP., Hues Corp. (RCA).
- LOVE FINDS ITS OWN WAY, Gladys Knight & the Pips (Buddah).
- MY ELUSIVE DREAMS, Charlie Rich (Epic).
- NO LOVE IN THE ROOM, Fifth Dimension (Arista).
- RUNAWAY, Charlie Kulis (Playboy).
- SATIN SOUL, Love Unlimited (20th Century).
- SWING YOUR DADDY, Jim Gilstrap (Roxbury).
- TANGLED UP IN BLUE, Bob Dylan (Columbia).
- THANKS FOR THE SMILES, Charlie Ross (Big Tree).
- TURN TO STONE, Joe Walsh (ABC/Dunhill).
- WALKING IN RHYTHM, Blackbirds (Fantasy).
- WE MAY NEVER LOVE LIKE THIS, Mau- reen Mc Govern (20th Century).
- WITH SORRY NOW, Marie Osmond (MGM).
- YOU ARE YOU, Gilbert O’Sullivan (Mam).
ABC nears $1 billion in its best year yet

Profits too are up for 1974 though fourth quarter suffered from new-season show failures

ABC Inc. achieved record revenues and income from continuing operations in 1974, though fourth-quarter earnings dropped by about $1 million from the same period of 1973. Leonard H. Goldenson, chairman, and Elton H. Rule, president, attributed the fourth-quarter decline primarily to write-offs of the cost of unsuccessful network prime-time series introduced during the period. Earnings amounted to $11,091,000, down from $12,094,000 in the 1973 final quarter.

Earnings from continuing operations for 1974 climbed by 10% to $49,945,000 ($2.92 per share) on revenues of $986,040,000, as compared with $45,470,000 ($2.69 per share) on revenues of $880,505,000 in 1973.

"In radio, both our owned AM stations and our radio network declined in profits," they reported. "Our FM stations, reflecting the unique growth potential of the medium, showed higher revenue gains and their reduced loss was in accordance with our projections for the division."

The ABC television division and the company's recorded music operations showed gains in both sales and revenues, while farm publications showed rising revenues but flat profits.

WHDH pulls down Blair

John Blair & Co., New York, reports 1974 earnings from continuing operations declined 31% to $2,393,000. The rep firm attributes the drop to WHDH Corp., operator of WHDH(AM-WCOZ(FM) Boston, whose acquisition Blair completed in January 1974. Net earnings including the effect of discontinued operations were put at $743,000 as compared with $3,189,000 in 1973. Revenues from continuing operations increased from $686,919,000 in 1973 to $844,182,000 in 1974. Losses from operations that were discontinued in 1974 totaled $1,650,000 as against $269,000 in 1973. Revenues from broadcasting, representing 20% of the total from continuing operations, increased 22% from 1973's $13,800,000 (which consisted solely of commissions from station representation) to $16,810,000 (which included net time sales of WHDH Corp. as well as representation commissions).
Media

Stephen A. Marks, for past two years with Mutual Broadcasting System in program syndication and station relations, on March 1 joined WKOI(AM) Cocoa, Fla., as vice president and assistant general manager. He is 25-year-old son of Leonard H. Marks, Washington attorney and former director of United States Information Agency.

Gary J. Waller, director of programming and assistant general manager, KCPD(TV) Los Angeles, named VP-general manager, KVVU-TX Las Vegas.

Dick Morrison, general sales manager, KRLD(AM) Dallas, named general manager, KXOL-AM-FM Fort Worth.

Steve Berger, VP-general manager, KVOV(AM) Pittsburgh, named general manager, WPEZ(FM) Pittsburgh.

Jerry A. Moon, general manager, KJET(AM)-KWC(FM) Beaumont, Tex., named to same post, KAPE(AM) San Antonio, Tex.

Rosalie Wisniewski, manager, sales services, management systems department, CBS Television Stations, New York, named manager, broadcast operations, KNXT(TV) Los Angeles.

Rie Allen, former music director and assistant program manager, CFGO(AM) Ottawa, named operations and program manager, WLEQ(AM) Bonita Springs, Fla.

Charles R. LeGette, sales manager, WQHT(AM) Jeffersonville, Ind., named general manager.

Norman W. Williams, VP-assistant general manager, May Broadcasting Co., Shenandoah, Iowa, elected to board of directors.

Thomas Schattenfield, with Washington law firm of Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn, named general counsel for National Association of FM Broadcasters, New York.


Newly elected officers, Idaho State Broadcasters Association, Boise: Dale Peterson,
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John B. Maraffi Jr., VP-account supervisor, Compton Advertising, New York, elected senior VP, Ketchum International, subsidiary of Ketchum, MacLeod & Grove, Pittsburgh.

Robert L. James, president of The Marschalk Co., New York, named to additional post of chairman and chief executive officer, succeeding Willard C. Mackey Jr., elected president of McCann-Erickson Worldwide, New York. Both agencies are part of Interpublic Group of Companies Inc., New York.

Dave Murphy, national sales manager, KJTV-Los Angeles, named general sales manager of station.

Jack Hansen, national sales manager, WCCO-TV-Minneapolis-St. Paul, named general sales manager, succeeded by Dick Aune, national sales coordinator, WCCO-TV, who is succeeded by Marilyn Scherf, national sales traffic manager, WCCO-TV.


Harry Rome, account executive, WLEQ-(AM) Bonita Springs, Fla., named general sales manager.


Gerald N. Moody, director of marketing, Petersen Publishing Co., Detroit, named to newly created post of VP-marketing services, Ross Roy Inc., Detroit.

Donald O’Connor, account executive, Harrington, Righter & Parsons Inc., Chicago, named blue team sales manager there.

Phil Scoggins, with WOWL-(AM) Florence, Ala., named sales manager, WXROR-(FM) same city.

Thomas L. O’Neal, account executive, KTAC-(FM) Tacoma, Seattle, named sales manager.

Charles F. Wister, president, WFJS-(AM) Valparaiso-Niceville and WPAS-(AM) Zephyrhills, both Florida, elected VP-director of sales, KVUU-TV Las Vegas.

Paula Gottschalk, administrator of radio sales promotion, NBC, New York, named director of information services, CBS Radio Spot Sales, New York. She succeeds Jerry Greenberg, named director of communications, WBBM-TV Chicago (Broadcasting, Feb. 24).


Mary Neilson, media planner, Bloom Advertising, Dallas, named media supervisor, Clinton E. Frank, Dallas.

David F. Kennedy and Anthony R. Micelli, art supervisors and Julie Strom, copywriter, Needham, Harper & Steers, Chicago, named creative supervisors.


Mort Stein, formerly with KSRF-(FM) Santa Monica, Calif., named creative director of Los Angeles Broadcasting Service Inc., independent broadcast advertising/service agency, Encino, Calif.


Programming


Patrick S. Stafford, coordinating film exchange and shipping department, NBC Television, Burbank, named manager, film services, West Coast.

Johnny Kaye, formerly with KGBS-(AM) Los Angeles, named program director, KINT-(AM) El Paso, Tex.

Bob Christy, assistant to national program director, Fairbanks Broadcasting Co. Inc., Indianapolis, named program director, WVB(FM) Framingham, Mass., a Fairbanks station.

Bill A. Brill, program director, KXFM-(FM) Santa Maria, Calif., named to same post, KVAN-(AM) Vancouver, Wash.

Bob Sherman, on staff, WPHM-(AM) Port Huron, Mich., named program director.

Theodore F. Kohl, former production manager, WFLD-TV Chicago, named program director, Nebraska Television Network, Kearney, responsible for KSNB-TV Kearney, KWNB-TV Hayes Center, KCNA-TV Albion and KSNA-TV Superior.

Robert E. Rice, WRAU-TV Peoria, Ill., chosen for the Abe Lincoln award for television.


Winners all. Eleven broadcasters were honored for outstanding service to the industry and their communities by The Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission (Broadcasting, Feb. 17).

Left photo: At the acceptance of the principal awards were (l-r) Herbert W. Hobler, WHWH(AM) Princeton, N.J., who won the top Abe Lincoln Award for radio; FCC Chairman Richard E. Wiley, keynote speaker at the Fort Worth banquet; Charles H. Crutchfield, Jefferson-Pilot Broadcasting Co., Charlotte, who received the first Abe Lincoln Railsplitter Award Industry pioneers; Dr. Paul M. Stevens, president of the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, and Robert E. Rice, WRAU-TV Peoria, Ill., chosen for the Abe Lincoln award for television.
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Richard Davis, Assignment America, public television named manager, motion pictures for Pervis Atkins, media programs, National Audio created position of WTOP WTMJ named Ill. headquarters in $50,000 was made possible by Mr. Fletcher’s radio broadcasting since 1939 founding of WRAL(AM) Raleigh, followed by WRAL-FM and WRAL-TV. Capitol Broadcasting is also parent company of Tobacco Radio Network, with headquarters in Raleigh. He stands with J. Allen Bailey, president, North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

Michael G. Anderson, program director, WOSH(AM) Oshkosh, Wis., named program director, WTFF-FM Rockford, Ill. Scott P. Henderson, announcer, WOSH, named program director there. Daniel R. Davis, announcer, WOSH, named music director.

Richard Collins, producer-director, WTMJ-TV Milwaukee, named TV production manager.

Steve King, formerly associate director, WTOP-TV Washington, named to newly created position of producer-director, media programs, National Audio-Visual Association, Fairfax, Va.

Pervis Atkins, actor, writer, and producer of theatrical motion pictures, named manager, motion pictures for television, ABC Entertainment, Los Angeles.

Carey Winfrey, executive producer of Assignment America, public television series, named to receive third annual Don Hollenbeck Award, given by New York University’s department of journalism for excellence in mass media coverage. Mr. Winfrey’s award is for his work in former post as executive producer of Behind the Lines, documentary series of noncommercial WNET-TV New York.

Broadcast Journalsm

Phil Morgan, former news director, KXOL-AM-FM Fort Worth, named news director, KODA(AM) Houston.

Paul Pryor, sports reporter, WRR(AM) Dallas, named managing editor.


Bill Zimmerman, ABC News correspondent in Washington, named chief of ABC News bureau in Beirut, replacing Peter Jennings, who is now co-host of ABC-TV’s AM America.

Mark Thayer, regional membership executive in Ohio and Michigan, Associated Press, named to same post for Southern California, succeeded by George Otwell, formerly AP regional membership executive in Tennessee and Virginia.

Charles Mulloy, newsmen, KRKA(AM) Iowa City, named news director. Richard Connell, formerly newsmen, KXIC(AM) Iowa City, named newsmen, KRKA.

Dow Smith, assistant news director and executive news producer KPIX(TV) San Francisco, named assignment manager, KNXT(TV) Los Angeles.

Lowell James, newscaster, WMAR-TV Baltimore, named co-anchorman, WWJ-TV Detroit.

Hugh Dermony, reporter-co-anchorman-assignment editor, WLWC(TV) Columbus, Ohio, named reporter, WCPO-TV Cincinnati.

Mary Lee Wieden, producer, WWYZ-TV Detroit, named weather broadcaster and newscaster, WTV(TV) Cadillac-Traverse City, Mich.

Mary Rastin and Patricia Henn, film editors, WBN(TV) Columbus, Ohio, named newstreel photographers.

Charlie R. Novitz, manager of news syndication (domestic) for ABC/DEF (Daily Electronic Newsfeed), New York, named adjunct professor, broadcast journalism, Queens College, City University of New York.

Cable


Equipment & Engineering

William J. Donovan, broadcast supervisor, broadcast operations control, NBC-TV West Coast, named supervisor, broadcast routine facilities, same location. Robert Packham Jr., manager, broadcast operations, NBC-TV West Coast, promoted to manager, broadcast operations control, same location.


James E. Patterson, national sales manager, BASF Systems, Bedford, Mass., named national accounts manager of audio bulk products.

Allied Fields

Richard A. Pereles, consultant to Data Automation division, FCC, joins Government Communications staff, Office of Telecommunications Policy, Washington.

Sydney H. Eiges, assistant administrator for communications and public affairs, American Revolution Bicentennial Administration, Washington, named assistant administrator for resource development. Mr. Eiges joined ARBA in May 1974 from NBC, New York, where he was VP-public information.

Andrew J. Nunziata, credit manager, WTVJ(TV) Miami, elected VP-administration, Institute of Broadcasting Financial Management’s Broadcast Credit Association, Chicago.

Larry B. Jackson, video center controller, Wilding Division of Bell & Howell, Southfield, Mich., named general manager of Wilding’s audio visual center, Romulus, Mich.


Bonnie Louvau, founder-director of Tele-
vicentro Films Inc., San Juan, P.R., and wife of Norman Louau, president of WAPA-TV Broadcasting Corp. there, named by Chamber of Commerce of Puerto Rico as Outstanding Lady of 1974 in film industry field.

Ron Werth, VP-marketing services, Avco TV Sales, New York, named director of TV services, Trendex Inc.'s media research division, New York.

Deaths

William B. Lewis, 74, former president and board chairman of Kenyon & Eckhardt Advertising, New York, died Feb. 24 in Sarasota, Fla. Mr. Lewis began with J. Walter Thompson, became VP-program director, CBS, and chief of radio division, Office of Facts and Figures, which became Office of War Information with Mr. Lewis as chief of domestic radio bureau. After World War II he returned to CBS, then joined K&L in 1944 where he was president in 1951-60 and board chairman until retiring in 1967 to become board chairman, American Cancer Society. He is survived by his wife, Sarah, one son and two daughters.

George E. Marshall, 84, director of more than 400 films, third director inducted into Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Hall of Fame, died Feb. 17 in Los Angeles. Among films to his credit: "The Goldwyn Follies," "Star-Spangled Rhythm," "A Message to Garcia," "How the West Was Won," "Incendary Blonde" and "My Friend Irma." More recently he directed episodes of TV series, Here's Lucy, The Dean Martin Show, and Daniel Boone. He is survived by his wife, Jeri, one son and one daughter.

Arthur Topol, 44, senior VP and associate broadcast director of Ogilvy & Mather, New York, died Feb. 24 after undergoing heart surgery at Mount Sinai hospital in New York. He joined O&M as media buyer in 1959. At his death, Mr. Topol's primary responsibilities were network broadcast for all accounts, syndication and program development. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis, and three sons.

Jesse Sandler, 57, TV film writer and documentary producer, died of stroke Feb. 22 in Hollywood, Calif. Mr. Sandler had been with Wolper Productions, Project 7 and Documentary Associates. At one time he was staff writer on NBC's Wide World. He is survived by his wife, Margot, and daughter, Freya.

Arthur R. O'Neill, 56, assistant to president of South Bend (Ind.) Tribune and in charge of Tribune's cable television interests in Indiana and Hagerstown, Md., died Feb. 25 in Memorial hospital, South Bend, where he had been under treatment for stroke suffered Jan. 17. Mr. O'Neill was former VP and general manager of company's WSBT-AM-TV South Bend. Surviving are wife, Margaret, and two daughters, Mrs. Katherine Miinch and Mrs. Constance Serafin.

Thomas J. Slowie, 82, secretary to FCC from 1937 until retiring in 1953, died Feb. 21 in Silver Spring, Md., after lengthy illness. Survivors include his wife, Kathryn, and two daughters.

Daniel Arthur Ray, 48, transmitter engineer for New Jersey Public Broadcasting, Trenton, died Feb. 14 in Middlesex general hospital, New Brunswick, N.J. Survivors include his wife, Helen, and two sons.

William Wightman Reilly, 53, former producer, director and cameraman in TV and films died Feb. 23 of heart attack in New York. Mr. Reilly was a founder and past-president of Local 15, Allied Film Craftsmen. He is survived by his wife, Lois, one son and three daughters.
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Feb. 20, 1981, in law suit against CBSD, board allegations in lawsuit were not sufficient in them- selves to support decision of issue. Action Feb. 12.


Joint agreement

Perry, Fla., AM proceeding: H. S. Hagan Jr. and His World competing for 1400 kHz (Docs. 33151-2)—Reuben Lozner granted joint request for approval of agreement; ordered payment by H. S. Hagan, Jr., to his World, Inc. $40,942.82, payment of $40,942.82 for 1400 kHz being un- paid in accordance with terms of purchase of Spar- ta transmitter, and granting joint request for present- ing one-half of his World's legal costs and ex- penditures of Washingtons Church of Christ was denied. Action Feb. 13.

Westbrook, Me., FM proceedings: Japan Inc. and Don East Broadcasting, competing for 100.9 MHz at Westbrook (Docs. 20003-5)—ALJ Lenore G. Ehrig granted joint petition by applicants; ap- proved agreement to merger; dismissed application of Don East and action of the Japan applying reflecting merger of two applicants. Action Feb. 13.

Review board decision

Banning and Yucaipa, Calif., AM proceeding: Bud's Broadcasting, Frederick Cote (Banning) and H & B Broadcasting Co. (Yucaipa), competing for 1490 kHz (Docs. 1979-9)—Review board granted application of Freder- ick R. Cote for new AM. Board denied compet- ing application of Bud's Broadcasting Co. for sta- tion in that community, and dismissed with prej- udice to failure to demonstrate competing applica- tion of H & B Broadcasting Co. for frequency at nearby Yucaipa. Action Feb. 14.

FCC decisions


Corpus Christi, Texas: AM proceeding: A. V. Bamford and Community Service Radio, competing for 991 kHz (Docs. 19809—FCC denied to re- view decision by Review Board denying request of A. V. Bamford for new AM. Board found defects in Bamford's application; scheduled an ascertainment and survey. Action Feb. 15.

Complaints

FCC denied to reconsider earlier ruling affirming broadcast and complaints by Roddick D. Driver charging network suppression of new events involving Kennedy. FCC denied de- mand that with the Supreme Court decision have shown topics were public and controversial issues at time of broadcast and that networks had pre- sented only one action. Action Feb. 16.

KNXT and KTVT, Los Angeles—FCC denied application by Sierra Club and National Council of Jewish Women for review of Broadcast Bureau ruling denying fairness doctrine complaint against KNXT and KTVT. FCC found Broadcast's ruling was correct in determining that licensees were not un- reasonable in concluding that broadcast of automo- bilist陷入了争议，没有和海运公司; did not present one side of controversial issue of public importance. Action Feb. 16.

Fines

KUXL Golden Valley, Minn., WJL, Niagara Falls, N.Y., and WSLR Akron, Ohio—FCC ordered licenses Universal Broadcasting Co. of Minne- apolis-St. Paul, Niagara Frontier Broadcasting Co., and WVON, Chicago, to pay $5,125.92, $4,125.92, and $2,000 each for violation of the sponsorship identifica- tion rules. Action Feb. 16.

Other actions

FCC denied request for reconsideration of ruling that turned down request by Ad Hoc Committee on Sug Sow to ban broadcasting of 1931 Sugar Bowl football game over American Broadcasting Company network and its New Orleans affiliate, WUEW(TV). FCC said First Amendment to Com- munications Act and commission policies prevented granting request. Action Feb. 16.


WVON, Chicago, III.—FCC denied request by Globoriter Communications for authority to keep WVON when it went for sale to group of defendants. FCC said no other public interest considerations had been demonstrated and that grant of extraordinary relief said by Globoriter. Action Feb. 16.

WSSY-TV Syracuse, N.Y.—FCC granted application of Newhouse Broadcasting Corp., for rev- iew of license, and ordered it to name a file. Request by Syracuse Coalition for Free Flow of Informa- tion in Broadcast Media was denied. FCC said it found no deficiencies in ascertainment and pro- gramming at charged by Coalition and that affirma- tive action laid before the new owner to improve employment prac- tices. Action Feb. 16.

KULFM(TV) Tulsa, Okla.—FCC granted applica- tion of Continental Broadcasting Co. for renewal of license. Objection by Office of Communication of Washington's Church of Christ was denied. FCC said there was no question raised to preclude renewal of license in light of its current and its New Orleans affiliate. Action Feb. 5.

WJH(FM) New Orleans, La.—FCC granted re- quest of Continental Broadcasting Corp. for waiver of filing and grant fees associated with application for new license in authorized facil- ities. FCC granted an unbuild UHF station WJQ(GTV). Action Feb. 16.

Allocations

William A. Brackney, Carrollton, Ohio—Seeks to assign ch. 292A to Jewett, Ohio.

William A. Brackney, Carrollton, Ohio—Seeks to assign ch. 292A to New Lexington, Ohio.

Michael Currier, Holmes, Kan.—Seeks to assign ch. 292A to Kiowa, Kan.


Triplet Broadcasting Co., Cherry Hill, N.J.—Seeks to assign ch. 292B to Ottawa, Ohio.

Applications

Broadcast Bureau requested supplemental informa- tion on application of WCBQ to change call for Bateros, Ohio.

Jerome, Idaho—Broadcast Bureau proposed substituting Class C ch. 275 for ch. 224A at Jerome was a recent move by the Bureau to grant a permit to KART Broadcasting Co., licensee of KARTAM(FM) (now operating on ch. 224A) at Jerome (Doc. 18779-33): Action Feb. 17.

Kentucky—FCC denied rulemaking petitions for assignments of FM channels to Elizabethtown, Iro- vine and Shelbyville WILAM(Elizabethtown) and WCND(AM) Shelbyville each requested assign- ment of ch. 521A to each city. FCC said the petitions were not meritorious. Action Feb. 17.

South Bend, Ind.—FCC denied license application for WSBV(AM) to continue broadcasting. Action Feb. 17.

Petitions


FCC reviewed its rules to comply with require- ments of Freedom of Information Act as amended by Congress Nov. 21, 1974. Rules apply to re- quests for inspection of records received by FCC on or after Feb. 19 and specify procedures for requesting records and acting on requests. Action Feb. 19.

FCC adopted schedule of fees to cover direct costs of searching for records requested under Freedom of Information Act. Schedule provides for fee of $5.00 per hour, and for any fraction of an hour, to be charged for recovery of direct costs of searching for requested records. There will be no charge if records are not located, records are located but not made available for inspection, or search does not exceed one hour in duration. Waiver of search fee will be granted on showing that it would be in the public interest. Action Feb. 19.


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**International Television Corp., Malone, N.Y.:**

**Garfield county, Utah:**
- Seeks ch. 46, rebroadcasting KSVT Salt Lake City (BPTT-2544). Action Feb. 3.

**KFAR Television:**

### Cable Applications

Following operators of cable TV systems requested certification of compliance, FCC announced Feb. 21. Stations listed are TV signals proposed for carriage.

**Cobble Valley Cablevision, Box 1374, Phoenix, Ariz.:**
- Seeks license for Bowie, Ariz. (CAC-4782).

**Florida Video, 107 N. Jefferson St., Perry, Fla.:**
- Seeks license for Perry, Fla. (CAC-4788: A8W UFW Gainsville, Ga.).

**Savannah Valley Cablevision, Box 1374, Ocala, Fla.:**
- Seeks license for Ocala, Fla. (CAC-4787).

**Stetson University Cablevision Corp., Box 615, Marquette, Mich.:**

**Maghina Cable TV, 3027 S. E. Loop, Tyler, Tex.:**

**Cablevision Services, Rt. 1, Haviland, Kan.:**
- Seeks license for Haviland, Kan. (CAC-4786: KCKT Great Bend, Kans.).

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Chief engineer needed who cares about maintenance, FCC regs, station sound. Who prefers adult work atmosphere. Who can handle class IV with remote control. Who looks for ways to improve operation. Most equipment new. Northeast medium market. $12,000. Resume and references to Box B-182, BROADCASTING.

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White House's Warren: held over in confidence

"Ernest Hemingway wrote the measure of a man is grace under pressure. E.H. would have been proud indeed of the way in which you handled intolerable pressure, Dean."

The message is written across a picture of former FCC Chairman and Nixon aide Dean Burch that, along with other pictures of administration figures, hangs on the wall of the outer office of President Ford's deputy news secretary, Gerald L. (Jerry) Warren. The inscriptions serves as a reminder, if one were needed, of Mr. Warren's service as the principal White House briefing officer for the White House for a period of over a year that ended last Aug. 9. He had stepped into that job when Ron Ziegler lost his remaining credibility in the cascading revelations of Watergate and was driven from the briefing room. And although Mr. Warren may not have aroused the same anger in White House correspondents as did his predecessor, who, they felt, had deceived them, it was his fate to function in the poisonous atmosphere that remained, to be forced to rely on information that was inadequate if not bad, and to serve a President who at best was suspicious of the media and who was exhibiting a bunker-like mentality as the tides of Watergate kept rising.

Life is more pleasant for Mr. Warren these days. From his office in the Old Executive Office building, across a narrow street from the White House, he directs an operation similar to the one his old colleague and former boss on the San Diego Union, Herbert G. Klein, ran under the grander title of White House director of communications. His contacts with the media—usually radio and television stations and newspapers west of the Potomac—are cordial.

Mr. Warren prefers to talk of his present mission. But he answers questions about the Nixon days, and in discussing them he agrees with Mr. Ziegler's assessment of the White House's handling of the Watergate story: "the worst public relations and press program in the history of the United States." He agrees, too, with Mr. Ziegler's observation that a White House spokesman is only as good as the information he is given. But he expresses no bitterness about the manner in which he was used.

In an unintended evocation of the rhetorical style of the former occupant of the White House, Mr. Warren said recently that, to express such resentment "would be the easy way." He wishes things had been handled differently. "You always feel bad when you're provided with bad information," But he does not feel he personally was victimized. "I was part of the system," he says, "and the system was misused."

Mr. Warren refers frequently to "the system" in discussing the job of the White House news secretary—the system developed to provide a line of communication between the President and the press corps. And whatever concerns and anxieties he experienced as a result of the increasing indications that the White House was not putting out accurate information were "sublimated" in view of his "belief in the system and the feeling it had to work."

Mr. Warren had one advantage when he stepped in as chief White House spokesman. He is a professional newspaperman, as Mr. Ziegler was not. He had been a newspaperman most of his life since his days at the University of Nebraska (class of 1952), where he edited the university newspaper and worked as a reporter for the Lincoln Star. After four years as a Navy pilot, he wandered out to California, worked briefly for a weekly, the Mill Valley Record, then settled in for what turned out to be a 12-year tour at Copley's Union; he moved up from reporter to city editor to assistant managing editor in 1968. After the election that year, a mutual friend suggested his name to Ron Ziegler, who was to be President Nixon's news secretary and was looking for a deputy.

Because of that background, the White House press corps seemed to accord Mr. Warren a measure of respect, and he built on it; he was far more available than Ron Ziegler for a comment or for help on a story. And the heat and hostility that were evident in briefings he feels were not directed at him personally.

And reporters who attended his briefings apparently agree. They speak of him with some warmth and sympathy as a decent man given an impossible job. "He was trying to be an honest man," said CBS's Bob Pierpont, "but it was damn difficult in the last year."

His reputation was sufficiently intact for the new Ford administration, which might have been expected to be extremely sensitive to the danger of picking up credibility problems along with Nixon hangovers, kept him on—through two changes in press-office leadership, as things developed. And the news secretaries who asked him to stay, first Jerry ter Horst and then Ronald Nessen, had both been White House correspondents.

Mr. Warren spends much of his time these days serving as White House and administration liaison with the media beyond the White House briefing room. He provides the media with the kind of background information that is routinely available to the White House press corps (he sent out 1,000 copies of a 40-page fact sheet that accompanied President Ford's State of the Union address to Congress), and tries to keep in touch with grass-roots thinking through the editorials that appear in newspapers not normally found on the White House doorstep. He helps coordinate the public-relations activities of cabinet officers (although the coordination is less than it was in the years when President Nixon felt the White House should exercise close control of the executive branch's activities). He will troubleshoot for a television producer having difficulty lining up an administration spokesman for an interview program. And he arranged the "media breakfasts" the President had with newspaper and broadcast executives in Atlanta and Houston in connection with speeches he gave in those cities.

Mr. Warren says he likes what he is doing. But the scars suffered in the cause of the "system," of providing a link between President Nixon and the media, are still evident. He admired Mr. Nixon, regrets the fate that befell him, and still has a "great fondness for him." And like others who had served Mr. Nixon to the end, he hopes the former President will write his memoirs; such a document might provide new justification for the affection and perhaps loyalty they still feel. But in the meantime, the only comfort and support they have is that which they give each other, as in the inscription on Dean Burch's picture on the wall.
No thanks

Liggett & Myers has a little favor to ask. It is producing a dozen one-minute film messages, and it wants TV stations to run them for a couple of years without charge. The messages are keyed to the U.S. Bicentennial, it says here, and are being offered as public service announcements. You know they are public service because they tell you so: "Presented as a public service by Liggett Group." That's what they say; what Liggett & Myers President Raymond J. Mulligan says is that the purpose of the messages is to promote—"enhance" he calls it—the company's new corporate identification, Liggett Group (Broadcasting, Feb. 24).

Well, now. Few broadcasters need reminding that Liggett & Myers was in the tobacco cartel that duped the Congress into thinking it was curing the nation of the smoking habit by outlawing the broadcast advertising of cigarettes. Having helped deprive TV of some $200 million a year in cigarette billings, the company now asks TV to run free a two-year corporate advertising campaign. It is hard not to be impressed by gall of that magnitude.

Liggett & Myers knows the value of TV advertising. Its Alpo dog food buys close to $10 million worth a year. So why doesn't the company buy time for these Liggett Group messages? If it doesn't think they're worth the minute rate, why should broadcasters?

Public's business

The British House of Commons voted last week to authorize radio broadcasts of its debates, a concession to contemporary life that the U.S. Congress has so far refused to make.

Some progress toward the admission of radio and television to House and Senate chambers was made last year. The project needs revival in the new Congress.

The aim ought to be for a Washington version of the audiovisual coverage that the United Nations has arranged for itself in its New York headquarters. All open sessions are conducted before live microphones and cameras. Broadcasters are at liberty to take the proceedings live, to tape them for use in news programs, or to ignore them—as news values dictate. Not the least advantage of such a system is the internal communication it provides. Adapted in the U.S. Capitol, it would enable congressional officials and staffs to monitor proceedings on the floor without leaving their offices.

The job of bringing the Congress into the 20th century ought to be high on the broadcasters' list of legislative goals.

Calling it too close

The AM facility formerly occupied by WVON Chicago has suddenly been put up for grabs by the FCC's rigid enforcement of its duopoly rules. Unless all precedents can be discounted, the vacant 1450 khz will be sought by a number of applicants, a comparative hearing will be held, and it will be years before a new licensee is chosen. Meanwhile, there will be silence instead of programming on the frequency, unless some sort of interim operation is eventually arranged. The question is whether this will serve the public better than an alternative proposal that was rejected by the FCC.

The 1450 khz facility was turned back by Globetrotter Communications Inc. when it assumed operation of WNUS-AM-FM Chicago, which it had purchased from the McLendon Corp. (Broadcasting, Feb. 10). Globetrotter requested, however, that it be given 90 days to sell the station to a buyer with which it was negotiating. The FCC turned it down.

It must be said that the FCC had some reason to deny the 90-day stay. It was not as though Globetrotter had been pressed for time to dispose of the WVON facility. It contracted to buy the McLendon stations in June 1973, knowing it would have to get rid of its existing property in the market. Not until a year later did it find a buyer for WVON, a chicano group that proposed to convert the station from the Globetrotter black format to Spanish. After extensive investigation the FCC decided a month ago that it could not approve the transfer without a hearing on the buyer's qualifications. That queued the deal. A second buyer was still in the wings when Globetrotter had to close with McLendon.

As matters now stand, Globetrotter has moved its billings, its format and its WVON call to the better facilities of WNUS, which is on 1390 khz with 5 kw, and has picked up a valuable FM facility in the nation's third market. The 1450 khz with 1 kw day and 250 w night that WVON used to occupy with a license in the Chicago suburb of Cicero is vacant—though it was worth $9 million to Globetrotter four years ago when it was acquired with its black format intact and already successful.

Globetrotter has emerged from the episode looking smarter than the FCC. The public would have been better served if the commission had imposed a reasonable deadline on Globetrotter to come up with an acceptable buyer.

Is or isn't it?

The Public Broadcasting Service is out of line in petitioning the FCC to reconsider the latest rendition of its prime-time access rule to exclude noncommercial stations from its restrictive provisions.

It appears PBS wants the best of all worlds. It wants sponsorship through underwriting of programing by such entities as Exxon, Hallmark, Xerox and IBM, the better to make it a "fourth network." But it also wants to be freed to counterprogram as it pleases without regard to what the old-line commercial networks may be allowed to carry.

The FCC made no mistake in including PBS in its "national network" criteria. It is simply a question of whether PBS and its affiliates can have it both ways.
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