

Harry Maizlish to Metromedia Inc., for approximately \$440,000. KRHM is on 94.7 mc with 58 kw.

▪ **KLAC-FM Los Angeles:** Sold by Metromedia Inc. to Robert E. Short, Francis T. Ryan and Dr. Milton Seifert, for \$125,000. KLAC-FM is on 102.7 mc with 8.3 kw. FCC waived rule to allow KLAC-FM and KRHM to exchange call letters (see above). Effect of assignments is to change the present programming of the stations. Commissioner Bartley abstained from voting.

▪ **Wwco Watterbury, Conn.:** Sold by Herbert Bloomberg and associates to Merv Griffin and associates, for \$300,000. Mr. Griffin is radio and TV personality. Wwco is on 1240 kc with 1 kw day and 250 w night.

▪ **Kwba Baytown, Tex.:** Sold by Iva Lea Worley to John M. Camp, for \$240,000. Mr. Camp has interest in WPOW New York. Kwba is on 1360 kc with 1 kw.

▪ **KAHU Waipahu, Hawaii:** Sold by Harry En Chu and associates to George M. Mardikian, B. Floyd Farr and George Snell, for \$129,500. Messrs. Mardikian, Farr and Snell own KCVR Lodi, Calif., and KVEG Las Vegas, and have majority interest in KEEN San Jose, Calif. KAHU is on 940 kc with 10 kw.

▪ **KRRR Ruidoso, N. M.:** Sold by Quenton K. Crandall to Edward D. Hyman, for \$100,000. Mr. Hyman is advertising consultant for David Miller Enterprises, San Antonio, Tex. KRRR is on 1340 kc with 1 kw day and 250 w night.

#### COMMUNITY TELEVISION ANTENNA

▪ **Newhouse Broadcasting Corp.** bought Oneonta Video, New York, which includes that city and systems in Sidney, Delhi, Carthage and Ogdensburg, plus Eastern Microwave Inc., for a consideration understood to be in the neighborhood of \$2.5 million (see page 124).

▪ **Journal Co. (Milwaukee Journal-WTMJ-AM-FM-TV)** bought 80% of Wausau Cablevision Inc., Wausau, Wis., serving 3,000 subscribers. Price: \$600,000 overall (see page 124).

#### New TV stations

As of March 18 there were 104 television construction permits outstanding for stations not yet on the air. Of these 20 were commercial VHF's, 59 were commercial UHF's, 4 were educational VHF's and 21 were educational UHF's.

New TV station going on the air last week:

**WMFE-TV (ch. 24) Orlando, Fla.**

Florida Central East Coast Educational Television Inc., licensee, went on the air March 15 with program test granted March 10. Address is c/o A. F. Edmunds, director of educational television, Box 271, Orlando. WMFE-TV goes on the air with 255 kw visual and 136.2 kw aural with an antenna 829 feet high. Florida Central East Coast ETV is using General Electric transmitters and antenna.

#### Taft proposal on AM's is adopted by FCC

The FCC has partially granted a Taft Broadcasting Co. petition to amend the commission's new AM-FM allocations rules relating to the assignment of new and changed AM facilities.

However, two other petitions for reconsideration, submitted by the National Association of Broadcasters and the Greater Indianapolis Broadcasting Co., were denied. They had sought changes in the new rules concerning nighttime assignments.

In adopting the Taft proposals, the commission amended its AM rules to

provide that an application for changed facilities will be accepted where a net decrease in area of "prohibited overlap" would result, even though some new overlap area would be created. The one exception, however, is for changes in frequency.

The commission also amended two other parts to provide that "prohibited overlap" will not apply where the overlap area is entirely over sea water, and it liberalized in some respects the rules relating to overlap with foreign stations.

At the same time, the commission clarified its FM rules by noting that noncommercial educational FM stations operating on FM channels reserved for education are exempted from the AM-FM duplication limitation. However, noncommercial educational FM stations on commercial FM channels are not exempted but are subject to the 50% nonduplication condition.

The commission's new FM rules, which go into effect Oct. 15, will prohibit any FM station from duplicating more than 50% of the programming of a commonly owned AM facility in cities of 100,000 population or more (BROADCASTING, March 15).

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