

the commission are (for ABC): Simon B. Siegel, executive vice president, and Thomas W. Moore, president of ABC-TV; (for ITT) Hart Perry, executive vice president-finance and treasurer, and Ted Westfall, executive vice president and director; and Marcus Cohn and Taggart Whipple, counsel. In addition, KOB Albuquerque, which is engaged in a 25-year-old dispute with ABC involving WABC New York, will be represented by its counsel, Frank Fletcher.

## New York counties get 12 translators

The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Third Supervisory District of Delaware, Greene and Schoharie counties in New York has received FCC approval of its applications for 12 new TV translator stations. The eight UHF and four VHF translators will carry the programming of noncommercial, educational TV stations WMHT (ch. 17) Schenectady, and WCNY-TV (ch. 24) Syracuse, both New York, and WNDT-TV (ch. 13) Newark, N.J.-New York.

The Board of Cooperative Educational Services received a grant of \$354,850 from the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare to develop an integrated educational system within the state. The translators, the FCC said, will be a primary factor in the board's proposed Rural Supplementary Educational Center.

The UHF translators will operate on channels 71 and 79 to serve Stamford, channels 73 and 83 to serve Andes, channels 75 and 81 to serve Bloomville and South Kortright, and channels 76 and 82 to serve Jefferson.

The VHF translators will operate on channels 3 and 7 to serve Margaretville and Fleischmanns and on channels 4 and 8 to serve Gilboa, Pratts-ville and Roxbury.

The commission also stated that it waived certain rules so that taped programs could be used for delayed broadcast.

## Manhattan Cable begins limited CATV service

Manhattan Cable TV Services started its New York City CATV operation last week, nine months after winning off-the-air cable-service authorization from the city.

The company announced hook-ups to two hotels and an apartment house but does not expect to begin active solicitation of customers until November when, it's anticipated, necessary con-

verter units will be available in quantity.

Manhattan Cable is a division of Sterling Information Services. One of its principal stockholders is Time-Life Broadcast.

Sterling's Manhattan division exhibited good quality reception over its wires last week at a special demonstration of its service at the Plaza hotel. Sterling showed 12 channels in operation: seven VHF signals available in the area, two UHF channels, channel 6, (Sterling's Teleguide closed-circuit service covering New York happenings) and news and weather channels.

Sterling's authorized area of CATV operation in New York covers the southern half of Manhattan, south of 86th Street on the East Side and 79th Street on the West Side.

Teleprompter Manhattan CATV Corp., which was awarded the CATV franchise for upper Manhattan, demonstrated its first cable installations last summer in a single apartment house.

A third New York cable operation authorized last December, CATV Enterprises, has installed approximately eight-and-a-half miles of cable, according to its head, Theodore Granik, and might hook up customers in two months.

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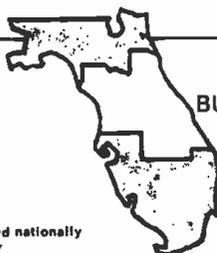


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