

family members, is publicly owned. Gross Telecasting stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange.

Vote on the WKBT sale was 6-to-0 with Commissioner Kenneth A. Cox abstaining. WKBT is a channel-8 CBS-TV affiliate with 316 kw visual.

## Sale of WINA stations is approved by FCC

The sale of WINA-AM-FM Charlottesville, Va., from Donald G. Heyne and others to Laurence E. Richardson was approved last week by the FCC. However, the deal has not been consummated because the selling group has not yet indicated it will accept the condition the commission imposed on the grant.

The condition was the reduction of the \$409,600 sales price by \$55,000—an amount equal to expenses incurred by the licensee, Charlottesville Broadcasting Corp., in obtaining the construction permit for WINA-TV (ch. 29). The CP had been part of the deal, but neither the buyer nor the sellers wanted it, so the commission cancelled the CP when it approved the sale of WINA-AM-FM.

Charlottesville Broadcasting, which had held the CP since 1965, said it did not intend to construct and had been unable to find a buyer. Mr. Richardson,

former president of the Post-Newsweek Stations who is buying 95.8% of WINA-AM-FM, told the commission he did not want the CP but that the sales contract required him to pay for it. He said he also had been unable to find a buyer for it and intended to surrender the CP at the time of closing.

The vote was 6-to-1 with Commissioner Nicholas Johnson dissenting. The FCC also made the sale subject to the outcome of its one-to-a-customer rule-making proceeding.

## Changing Hands

### Announced:

The following sales were reported last week and will be subject to FCC approval:

▪ KHMO(AM) Hannibal, Mo.: Sold by Jerrell A. Shepherd and others to Don Dailey and others for \$600,000. Buyers own KGBX(AM) Springfield, Mo. KHMO is full time on 1070 kc with 5 kw day and 1 kw night. Broker: Hamilton Landis & Associates.

▪ WKHM-AM-FM Jackson, Mich.: Sold by Mrs. Nellie M. Knorr and others to Edward A. Wheeler and others for \$470,000. Mrs. Knorr controls Jackson Television Corp., permittee of WKHX-TV (ch. 18) Jackson. Mr. Wheeler has in-

terest in WEAW-AM-FM Evanston, Ill., and KMO(AM) Takoma, Wash. WKHM is full time on 970 kc with 1 kw; WKHM-FM is on 106.1 mc with 20 kw and antenna 180 feet above average terrain.

▪ WCNL(AM) Newport, N. H.: Sold by Chester C. Steadman Jr. to Sam Bronstein, Herbert Miller, Phillip La-Moy and James Fokas for \$90,000. Buyers own WOTW-AM-FM Nashua, N. H. WCNL is a daytimer on 1010 kc with 250 w. Broker: Hamilton-Landis & Associates.

▪ KYET(AM) Payette, Idaho: Sold by H. F. Matthews, H. A. Beal, Clinton H. Bellows, John Gatchell and Kim Henry to Richard L. and Ramona D. Swan for \$65,000. Mr. Swan is a salesman for KYET. KYET is full time on 1450 kc with 250 w.

### Approved:

The following transfers of station ownership were approved by the FCC last week (for other FCC activities see "For the Record," page 76).

▪ WKBT(TV) La Crosse, Wis.: Sold by Lee Enterprises and others to Gross Telecasting Inc. for \$4.9 million (see page 48).

▪ WJRJ-TV Atlanta: Sold by Jack M. Rice and others to Turner Communications Corp. in a stock transaction worth an estimated \$3 million (see page 51).

▪ WEBB(AM) Baltimore: Sold by Norman Fischer and others to James Brown and associates for \$700,000. Mr. Brown, a rhythm-and-blues singer, has controlling interest in WJBE(AM) Knoxville, Tenn., and WRDW(AM) Augusta, Ga. WEBB is a daytimer on 1360 kc with 5 kw.

▪ KBNO(FM) Houston: Sold by Jerry R. and Robert E. Daniel and others to Culligan Communications Corp. for \$360,000. Matthew J. Culligan is president of Culligan Communications, which owns WHIM-AM-FM Providence, R. I., the Westport (Conn.) Town Crier and KEIR(FM) Dallas (see KEIR below). KBNO(FM) is on 93.7 mc with 25 kw and an antenna 560 feet above average terrain.

▪ KEIR(FM) Dallas: Sold by William Robert Elkins to Culligan Communications Corp. for \$205,000. For interests of Culligan, see KBNO(FM) above. KEIR is on 102.9 mc with 9.7 kw and an antenna 200 feet above average terrain.

▪ WINA-AM-FM Charlottesville, Va.: Sold by Donald G. Heyne and others to Laurence E. Richardson for \$354,600 (see this page.)

▪ WDVH(AM) Gainesville, Fla.: Sold by Thomas R. Hanssen and Robert A. Vaughn to Raymond Danner and Larry

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