

with his son, G. David Jr., KTYD-AM-FM Santa Barbara, Calif. Buyer publishes *Quincy* (Ill.) *Herald-Whig* and owns 88% of WGEM-AM-TV Quincy and 100% of WGEM-FM there and WSJV(TV) Elkhart-South Bend, Ind. Ownership is in several family trusts. KROC-TV is NBC affiliate on channel 10 with 315 kw visual, 46.8 kw aural and antenna 1,260 feet above average terrain.

■ WHEN(AM) Syracuse, N.Y.: Sold by Meredith Corp. to Park Broadcasting Inc. for \$2 million. Meredith publishes *Better Homes & Gardens*, *Successful Farming* and California newspapers, and owns KPHO-TV Phoenix; WGST(AM) Atlanta; WNEM-TV Bay City, Mich.; KCMO-AM-TV and KCEZ(FM) Kansas City, Mo.; WOW(AM)-KEZO(FM) Omaha, and WHEN-TV Syracuse. Roy H. Park is sole owner of buyer which also owns WBMG(TV) Birmingham, Ala.; KRIS(AM)-KFMX(FM) St. Louis Park (Minneapolis), Minn.; WUTR(TV) Utica, N.Y.; WNCT-AM-FM-TV Greenville, N.C.; KWJJ(AM)-KJIB(FM) Portland, Ore.; WNAX(AM) Yankton, S.D.; WDEF-AM-FM-TV Chattanooga; WJHL-TV Johnson City, Tenn.; WTVR-AM-FM-TV Richmond and WSLS-TV Roanoke, both Virginia, and KEZX(FM) Seattle. He has sold WEBC(AM) Duluth to keep his AM broadcast portfolio within FCC limits (BROADCASTING, May 10). WHEN is on 620 khz with 5 kw day, 1 kw night.

■ WLOB(AM) Portland, Me.: Sold by Adams-Russell Co. to Michael E. Schwartz and Donald L. Wilks for \$600,000. Seller (Gerald J. Adams, president) is publicly traded and owns WYTV(TV) Youngstown, Ohio, and cable systems in Maine, Massachusetts, Arkansas and Missouri. Buyers own WTYM(AM) East Longmeadow-WAQY(FM) Springfield, both Massachusetts; WRQK(FM) Greensboro, N.C.; WRQN(FM) Westbrook, Me., and have interests in WPET(AM) Greensboro. WLOB is on 1310 khz with 5 kw full time.

■ KRMH(FM) San Marcos, Tex.: Sold by Advance Inc. to Pioneer Broadcasting Co. for \$440,000 plus \$86,000 noncompetition covenant. Seller is owned by R. Miller Hicks who also owns KIXL(AM) Austin, Tex., and has interests in KJOW(AM) Shreveport, La., and KIKN(AM) Sinton and KTRM(AM) Beaumont, both Texas. Principal in buyer is Wendell Mayes Jr. who has interests in Texas stations: KCRS(AM) Midland and CP for new FM there; KNOW(AM) Austin; KSNY(AM) Snyder and CP for new FM there, and various Texas cable firms. KRMH is on 103.7 mhz with 97 kw and antenna 530 feet above average terrain.

■ WTUX(AM) Wilmington, Del.: Sold by Port Frere Broadcasting Inc. to Radio Station WJBR for \$500,000. Seller is owned by Gordon K. MacIntosh and Howard R. Robinson who have no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by John B. Reynolds Sr. and John B. Reynolds Jr. who also own WJBR(FM) Wilmington. WTUX is 1 kw daytimer on 1290 khz.

■ Other sales approved by the FCC last week include: KSUN(AM) Bisbee, Ariz.;

WVLN(AM)-WSEI(FM) Olney, Ill.; WMTL-AM-FM Leitchfield, Ky.; KCLU-AM-FM Rolla, Mo.; WSCV(AM)-WSLE(FM) Peterborough, N.H.; WKOL(AM) Amsterdam, N.Y.; WRHY(FM) Starview, Pa.; KNIE(AM) Cheyenne, Wyo. (see page 75).

Legislation sought by FCC makes strides on Capitol Hill

Proposals on FCC fines, translator origination and common-carrier rate hikes are passed by Senate Commerce Committee; latter two also meet House Communications Subcommittee approval

Three bills requested, in fact drafted, by the FCC received action from committees in the House and Senate last week.

Topmost among them is one that would give the FCC authority to fine cable systems for violations of FCC rules. It would also double the maximum fine the FCC can levy on broadcasters, common carriers and cable operators to \$2,000 for a single offense and \$20,000 for multiple offenses. For nonbroadcast radio sta-

tions—land mobile and citizens band, for example—the maximum fine for multiple offenses would be raised from \$500 to \$5,000.

The forfeiture bill (S. 2343) was voted out of the Senate Commerce Committee last week. From there it goes to the Senate floor. It has received no action in the House.

Another of the bills is one that would permit broadcast translators to originate a minimal amount of programing and commercials and would allow FM radio translators to be run without licensed operators.

The limit on program origination by translators is not specified in the bill (S. 2847 in the Senate, H.R. 9689 in the House); that would be left to the FCC. But what is envisioned is the kind of programing now permitted on UHF translators: solicitations and acknowledgements of financial support running no more than 20 seconds per hour.

The translator bill passed both the Senate Commerce Committee and the House Communications Subcommittee last week. The House subcommittee, in the first hearing presided over by new Chairman Lionel Van Deerlin, heard testimony in support of the bill from FCC Chairman Richard Wiley and the National Translator Association. The Association of Maximum Service Telecasters Inc.

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