37% from $22.2 million ($2.23 per share) in 1975. Revenues were up 15% to a record $494.1 million. Time Inc.’s major lines of business, publishing and forest products, generated the lion’s share of the income, the firm said.

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New line. Magnavox CATV Division, Manlius, N.Y., is offering new 4-M Microline main station series for small CATV systems seeking to expand plants. It is intended for use outside densely populated areas and can be used for trunk, bridging or distribution service. As companion to Magnavox MX-404 main station, it is available with variety of voltage and gain characteristics including either manual or automatic gain control.

First? San Diego attorney John W. Witt has filed cable theft-of-service complaint against Vornado Corp., owner of Two Guys Department Stores. Charge is that Two Guys’ salesmen were illegally intercepting the demonstrating Optical Systems Corp’s Channel 100 pay cable programs. According to Optical, this is first such criminal complaint filed under new California law passed in January of this year.

Building Birmingham. American Television & Communications Corp. has selected Scientific-Atlanta Inc. to build first 300-mile segment of Birmingham, Ala., CATV system. Work is scheduled to be completed by summer 1977. Birmingham system is expected to total 1,000 miles of cable plant.

Point, counterpoint. National Cable Television Association has denied charges of sex discrimination made by former NCTA political coordinator Carol Seeger-Risher (Broadcasting, May 31). In response to civil suit filed at U.S. district court in Washington, NCTA made counter-claim, charging that Ms. Seeger-Risher admitted destroying NCTA records in her possession day she was discharged.

Warner Cable Corp’s income figures skyrocket

Warner Cable Corp. reported pretax income for the first six months of 1976 rose 595% to reach $2,543,000, as compared with $366,000 a year ago. Operating revenues for the period also reached a new high, rising 36% from $18,374,000 in 1975 to $24,988,000 this year.

Pretax income for the second quarter was put at $1,511,000, up 417% from a year ago, on operating revenues of $12,855,000, up 37.8%. Gustave M. Hauser, chairman and chief executive officer, said the company, which operates more than 140 cable systems in 30 states, serving nearly 550,000 households, has recorded six consecutive record-breaking quarters since the first quarter of 1975, when pretax earnings were $74,000.

Schorr’s thoughts on leak inquiry

He reaffirms his position against cooperating with House ethics committee; doesn’t attend hearings

After interviewing more than 400 people and spending $150,000, the investigation of the leak of the House Intelligence Committee’s report on the Central Intelligence Agency to CBS correspondent Daniel Schorr has failed to find the source. Mr. Schorr is not going to tell the investigators where to look.

Mr. Schorr, suspended in late February from all reporting duties at CBS, was not in Washington last week for the first of two weeks of hearings before the House ethics committee on the events of last winter that led to the publication of the suppressed document in the New York weekly, Village Voice. Mr. Schorr admitted that he had been the medium through which the report travelled to the Voice, after he had reported its contents on the CBS evening news.

But as the ethics committee’s chief investigator, David Bowers, testified that his staff’s four-month search has yet to bear fruit, Mr. Schorr was vacationing at a rented home in Aspen, Colo.

“I’m having a good time,” he told Broadcasting in a telephone interview. He said he was playing tennis, swimming, “seeing more of my children than I ever have before,” seeing friends, attending lectures. “If the state of limbo means the state of Colorado, that’s not bad.”

On Thursday he made a speech to the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies, his fourth in as many years, in which he had composed an answer to the question: “Why are you talking in Colorado while an investigation in which you seem to be a key figure is going on in Washington?”

“The short answer is that talking here is nicer,” he said in his lecture. “The longer answer is that while obviously concerned and curious about the hearings being held by the House ethics committee, I have no intention of cooperating in that venture. I am not willing by my uncommanded presence to associate myself with an investigation whose purpose I deplore and can only be chilling to a free press.”

Mr. Schorr has already declined one request to talk with the ethics committee’s investigators. He had this to say about his future stance:

“In the current hearings I shall not appear unless subpoenaed. If subpoenaed, I shall not give any testimony about the source of the House Intelligence report or the source of any other information.”

By that last statement, he did not intend to sound defiant or uncooperative, Mr. Schorr said. Rather he wants “to avoid any possible misunderstanding on what to me is a vital principle. If one reporter,