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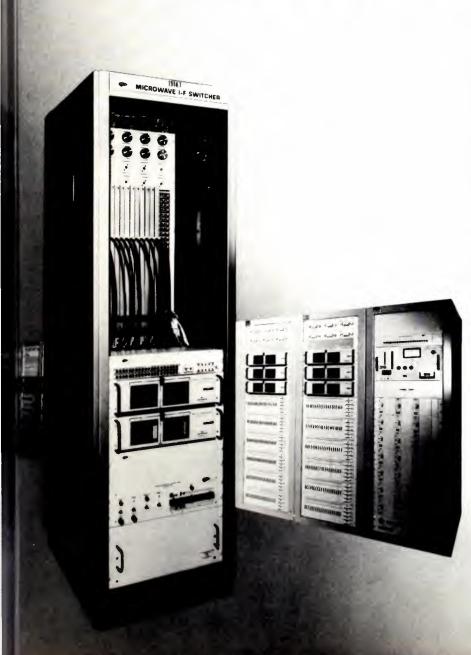
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# BROADCAST INDUSTRY

#### Pay Cable: For and Against

The main adversaries in the stiffening argument over relaxation of some of the restrictions on pay-television (including pay cable) all had their say before the ECC in a series of hearings on November 5 to 8, and most tended to dig furiously into already plowed ground.

The broadcasters, through President Vincent T. Wasilewski, again

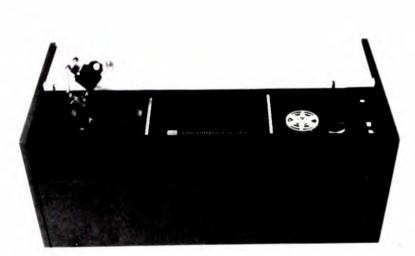
charged that the pay cable industry would take over programs now available "free" to TV watchers and force the public to pay for them.

David Foster, president of NCTA, charged that the real issue was the public's right to have the choice of a new communications and entertainment service. He said the cable industry is not, and does not, wish to be a threat to adver-

tiser-supported television, but would offer alternative fare, not now available. He said that, without viable pay programming, big-city cable would be unable to make it, thus depriving the public of a valuable service.

Jack Valenti, president of the Motion Picture Association of America, said Hollywood needed continued on page 8

#### New Super 8 Sound Camera and Ultra-Fast Processor Announced by Eastman



New Kodak Supermatic 8 processor for Ektachrome film.



Super 8 camera with 200-foot cartridge attached

At a New York press conference on November 1, Eastman Kodak Company showed for the first time two new products aimed at advances in an important sector of the image recording battle a new Super 8 single-system sound camera (above right) loadable with both 50- and 200-foot cartridges, and a new ultra-fast processor for the new Kodak Ektrachrome SM 7244 film (above left). The processor, called the Supermatic 8, takes in film in the 50- and 200-foot cartridges and also in 400-foot darkroom loaded cartridges, and has a dry-to-dry time of about 812 minutes.

Kodak underscored the relevance of the new units to operations requiring fast retrieval of recorded images by recording an interview with one of the guests shortly before the conference, playing it back from the finished film in mid-conference. The demonstration emphasized the automation of operation in both the camera and the processor. The camera has automatic gain control in the sound system, automatic exposure control (if wanted), has

230-degree shutter opening for available light work, view-finder coupled with the zoom lens (an Ektar f/1.2-f/36); the viewfinder also has a corner marker for safe television action.

The processor requires only loading with a cartridge of exposed film, attachment of processing chemicals in containers with matching and non-interchangeable connectors, loading in a take-up reel, and pushing the start button.

The quality of the color recording shown at the conference seemed in the top bracket of what might be expected for 8mm Ektachrome, and if this proves to be the long-range benchmark for the system, it could win a lot of territory in education, industry, and perhaps cable television, all of which the system is avowedly intended for. Acceptability for news gathering in television broadcasting will remain an open question until substantial try-out has been completed.

Eastman said that the new products would be commercially available by about June 1974.

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#### **NEWS**

the additional box office that cable offered. The theatre owners, however, said theatres would close. Sports owners supported free TV. but would like to sell rights to games not televised. Importation, however, worries home clubs.

Alfred R. Stern, chairman of Warner Cable Corp., pointed out that the non-availability of enough variety in movie fare was the overriding reason for cancellation of pay subscriptions on the Warner systems, with pay penetration dropping from an initial 30° to about 20° ... He concluded that the "two- and ten-year rule" on movies seriously damaged the chances of success with pay cable, and called relief essential. He ridiculed the broadcasters' claims that pay cable would hurt them, reporting polls that show only 25", of cable subscribers overall are now interested in pay cable.

The bickering between NAB and NCTA on pay cable was condemned by W. Bowman Cutter, executive director of the Cable TV Information Center, saying it had not "advanced one step our ability to make policy which is in the public interest." He said that, in his personal opinion, the development of pay television would be in the public interest and was necessary to advance the FCC's policies on cable.

There were suggestions for various trial rules to see how pay cable would work out. However, there was a consensus that experience with pay cable would not be significant until many more subscribers, in more cities, signed up; estimated national total right now is about 40,000. The FCC is expected to rule on the pay cable questions in a few months

#### U.S. Research Ahead Savs NAE Report

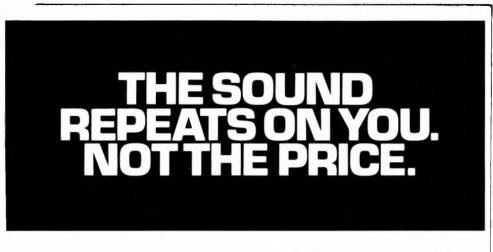
The National Academy of Engineering has released a study of telecommunications research in the United States and in selected foreign countries, prepared by a special panel headed by Henri Busignies, chief scientist of ITT, which finds U.S. research in general ahead of that in the other countries studied. However, the report holds that research should move faster into products, to help the U.S. balance of trade escape the "red ink" of recent years. The full two-volume report costs \$10 from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Va. (order number PB 222 080).

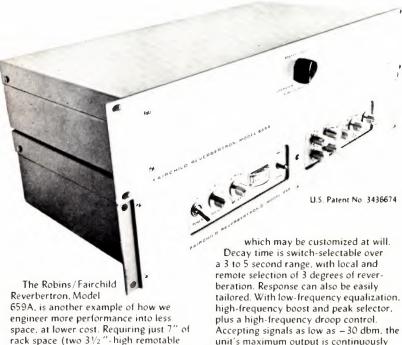
#### Radio Spot Sales In Crisis, Gallagher Holds

The widely-read fierce critic and Dutch Uncle of the media, Bernard Gallagher, reports in a recent issue of his newsletter that radio spot sales are in a squeeze that is catastrophic for many smaller stations and stations in smaller markets. He calls the national rep industry "inadequate" to handle present rising costs and fragmented markets, with many rep firms dropping smaller stations they can no longer afford to service. Gallagher's solution (he always has one): alteration of anti-trust rulings so a rep firm could handle more than one station in a market (but with different salesmen), and with stations grouped along audience and format lines for efficient group selling.

#### New Quad Encoder. Decoder Chip, From Sansui

The Sansui Electric Co. is continuing very active development of their quad matrixing system, announcing a new continued on page 10





space, at lower cost. Requiring just 7" of rack space (two 3½"-high remotable units), Reverbertron is a full-featured reverberation system priced at only \$979.

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#### **NEWS**

encoder designed specifically for FM broadcasting, and an IC chip for an improved decoding system, both scheduled to be ready in quantity in January 1974.

The new encoder, QSE-5B, will sell for about \$800 and will allow FM stations to broadcast matrixed quad from discrete four-channel recordings or from four-channel live pickups.

Sansui says the new decoding system has improved separation and moreover will decode either the Sansui QS or the Columbia SQ, at the throw of a switch.

Sansui moved closer to CBS, too, by taking out an SQ license: Sansui receivers will carry the SQ as well as the QS designation. In a demonstration for BM/E, the new decoder did appear to produce exceptionally clear and definite separation among the four channels, although direct comparison with other systems was lacking.

#### Auto FM Jingles Ready At NAFBM

"Driving with FM," a series of recorded jingles aimed at increasing au-

toists' use of FM radio, has been prepared by the National Association of FM Broadcasters. The tape holds several versions of the jingle, designed to fit into various program formats, and in both mono and stereo. It is free to NAFMB members, \$7.50 to others, from NAFMB at 420 Madison Avenue, New York 10017.

#### Ampex Has New Long-Life Coating for Magnetic Disks

A new coating for plated magnetic disks has greatly enhanced the life, performance, and reliability of such disks, according to an announcement from Ampex Corp., the developer. The critical head-to-disk interface in digital recording had created a serious wear and reliability problem, said Ampex, which has now been solved by the new coating.

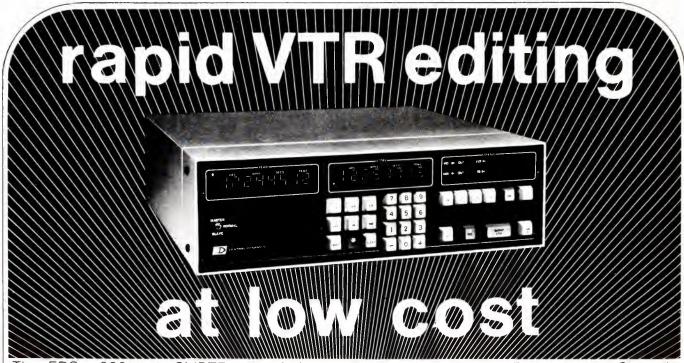
#### Burch Asks for Program Quotas

In a talk to the International Radio and Television Newsmakers Society in New York in September, Chairman Dean Burch of the FCC came out as personally in favor of percentage requirements applied to broad program categories, to put broadcast license renewal on a fair basis. He contended that the renewal process was in serious disarray, with too much depending on Commission decisions on quality, which he held to be impossible—and wrong. "I'm seeking a go/no-go system of broadcast license renewals," he said. "Let the FCC establish well defined guidelines—and then let the FCC get out of the way."

#### Kodak Gets Esquire Ad Award

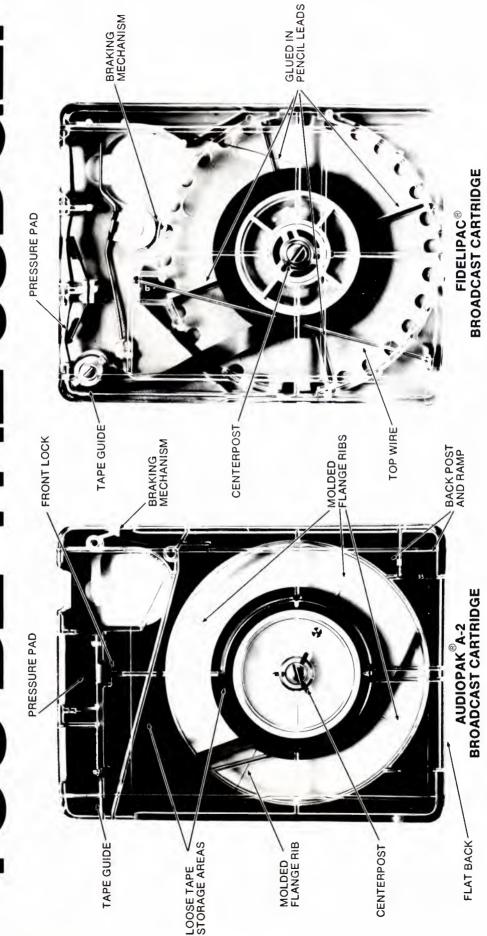
Eastman Kodak Company was one of 20 firms named winners in the first annual Corporate Social Responsibility Advertising Awards Program, instituted by Esquire Magazine. The Kodak ad that won an award was captioned "Pictures talk. Some little boys don't." and it told how a camera project had helped inner-city youngsters, "turned off" by their environment, to gain interest and self-respect, so they could begin to learn. Arnold Gingrich, publisher of Esquire, said that the winning entries effectively work "to improve our environment both physical and social as well as the quality of life in America." How about some prizes for socially-responsible broadcast ads?

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#### Jampro Asks FCC for FM Antenna Rules Change

Redefinition of radiated power for antennas with beam tilt, to eliminate the present ERP penalty on stations using tilt, and eight other changes in the FM antenna rules, have been requested in a petition filed with the FCC by the Jampro Antenna Co. Peter Onnigian, president of Jampro, says that the changes are aimed in general at bringing the FM antenna rules into

line with current engineering art. Some of the other changes asked: reduction of two ERP values to one on licenses when tilt is used; circularity specs of ± 4dB (there are none at present); maximum of 15 dB for directional antennas; make circular polarization the standard, rather than horizontal.

#### People

Richard Schoch, a senior vice president of Compton Advertising, Inc., New York, and resident of Princetown, N.J., was appointed to a five-year term on the board of the New

Jersey Public Broadcasting Authority
... Paul Lancaster became chief engineer of Delta-Benco-Cascade ... Bud
Cole has rejoined Trans-World Communications as director of programming.

Andrew R. McMaster was named director of engineering for KETC-TV, educational station in St. Louis, Mo. . . New director of marketing for Continental Cablevision is Thomas P. Willett . . . Jac Holzman, founder and for 23 years president of Elektra Records, became chairman of the planning committee and senior vice president of Warner Communications, Inc.

Fred La Cosse, news director for KNTV, San Jose, Calif., won a "personality of the month" designation from TV Picture Life Magazine ... Ward McCarthy will direct promotion and public relations for WSNL-TV, only commercial TV station on Long Island.

Charles M. Powell became vice president of operations and finance for Tocom, Inc. . . . New engineering manager of Ameco. Inc. is Robert H. Wilson . . . Warren Burtis is field engineer for AEL Broadcast Division.

John S. Scanlan joined TelePromp-Ter Corp. as director of corporate marketing . . . John H. Martin won promotion to the position of manager, product administration, for Jerrold Electronics Corp. . . . Phil D. Cook was promoted to supervisor. CATV products sales and service, for Anaconda Electronics.

E.C. Oldfield Jr. was named treasurer of Telecable Corporation ... Justo Caffi is the new manager of American Cable Television's system in Napa Valley, Calif. ... Daniel Denham is vice president of the 3M Company, in charge of a newly-formed division, the Recording Materials Group.

Ivan D. Barton became Southwest regional sales manager for Philips Broadcast Equipment Corp. with head-quarters in Houston . . . Alain Onesto was appointed program director of Empire State Cable TV Co. in Binghamton, N.Y. . . . Phyllis Thompson joined the sales staff of Anaconda's Systems Wire and Cable facility in Phoenix.

Richard C. Gall is the new technical director of development laboratories for Oak Industries . . . Fletcher R. Smith won promotion to the position of director of engineering for Triangle Broadcasting Corp. to supervise both the radio and cable operations of that company.

#### **Briefs**

Magnavox is supplying cable distribution equipment worth over \$3 million to CATV of Rockford, Inc. . . .

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Apart from the above, Canon has available TV zoom lenses for 3" or 4-1/2" image orthicon cameras and can also build special lenses to fit your requirements.

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#### **NEWS**

CBS Radio will begin in January a nightly hour-long mystery drama; series will be produced by "Hi" Brown, who put on many of the bestknown radio dramas of the 1940s and 1950s . . . RCA will install in the newest class of large U.S. naval vessels, Landing Helicopter Assault Ships, interior voice communications systems which have dual stored program processor control units, either of which can take over if the other is knocked out.

JVC Industries, Inc. opened a new midwestern sales office at 3012 Malmo Drive, Arlington Heights, Ill. . . . Television Bureau of Advertising reports local TV ad sales up 24% in the first half of 1973, to \$349 million Panelgraphic Corp. of West Caldwell. N.J., has agreed with Thorn Electrical Components, of Enfield, England, to form a joint company for European production and marketing of electronic display products.

Texas State Network, in a recent massive audience study by ARB. emerged as the largest radio influence in that state, by a wide margin . . . Avantek microwave relay equipment will be sold throughout Canada by Northern Electric of Montreal . . . Marconi Electronics reports the sale of

more than 100 of their i.f. modulated TV transmitters, or about one a week since introduction of the units two years ago.

WHOO Radio, Orlando, Fla., won a Golden Award for specialty advertising in 1972 from Specialty Advertising Association International . . . Telemedia, Inc. of San Diego, video program producer, formed an educational division to produce teaching programs . . . Collins Radio Co. announced the purchase of Spectrum Analysis and Frequency Planning, Inc., recognized for microwave frequency planning, from its parent, MCI-Communications Corp.

Thomas C. Seger Associates is a new firm in Pittsburgh which will supply consultation on any phase or form of video programming, particularly corporate sales, training, and information programs ... Quad/Eight Electronics became West Coast distributor for tape recorders and recording consoles of MC1 ... Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. will supply amplifiers and headend equipment worth over \$1 million to Hawkeye Cablevision, franchisee in Des Moines, Iowa.

General Cable Corp. will build a new \$14 million plant in central Kentucky for manufacture of plastic insulated telephone cable ... American Technical Ceramics announced appointment of Technical Sales, Inc. of Chicago as sales agent in Illinois, Indiana, and Iowa for their capacitors.

Mobile Color Productions, Inc. has installed a complete production and post-production videotape facility in Dallas, to supplement their facility already operating in Houston . . . Ampex Corp. has sold to the Korean Broadcasting System video and audio production facilities totalling \$2.1 million, including VTRs, audio recorders. video cassette equipment.

Hewlett-Packard will supply about 130 cesium beam frequency standards to the U.S. Navy Electronics Systems Command, for about \$2.8 million . . Ceramic Magnetics has appointed Underwood Sales Corp. to sell the full line of ferrite components in New England . . . AKAI color video cameras are used for live cable pickup and for recording at the new World Championship of Tennis arena near Austin, Texas.

Kalart Victor Co., veteran supplier of 8mm and 16mm editing equipment and other motion picture and television specialties, celebrated in October its 50th year under its founder, Morris Schwartz ... Century Strand Inc. reported a realignment of corporate relations with their parent, the Rank Organization, for full access by Century to Rank research and development resources.

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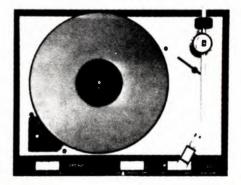
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#### VATION/SANSUI MBARK ON MAJOR ROMOTION CAMPAIGN

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cross the country thousands dealers will be involved in a massive educational program, eng the public what is special abut Sansur's OS. They will extend that only records encoded in the country of the capacity to give visional sources from any area win a 360° sound field and that enverse with vario matrix offer me realistic 4-channel than any fit decoding system.

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sui in terms of national advertising with Ovation artists and Sansui 4-channel incorvers and amplifiers. The entire Ovation and Black Jazz catalog which includes such artists as Bonnie Koloc, Heaven & Earth, and Willie Dixon, is recorded with the QS encoder Ovation is the only record manufacturer exclusively producing 4-channel discs.

Other aspects of the campaign will feature dealer 4-channel clinics and seminars, promotions with banners and demonstrations of 4-channel showing 2-channel and mono compatibility. In-store demonstrations will be supported by attractive posters both of the Ovation artists and new posters created especially for Sansur's 4-channel campaign. Buttons will also form an integral part of this ambitious marketing concept.

## International acclaim has also been accorded the QS vario matrix Britain's famed Hi Fi News described its impression this way in its May, 1972, issue "Undoubtedly the most convincing and interesting demonstrations"

"Undoubtedly the most convincing and interesting demonstration was the Sansui, who had arranged comparison between QS Mark II [vario matrix] and QS using special recording. The QS II [vario matrix] system seemed effective, unanomolous discrete rear images, somewhat spreadened but definitely behind, were consistently detected."

Julian Hirsch, director of the famed Hirsch-Houck labs, in his September, 1973 Popular Electronics article on QS vario matrix, said:

"Having listened to a demonstration of the system in operation both at the Audio Engineering Society, N.Y convention and elsewhere, we can testify that the Sansur OS Vario Matrix appears to provide a fully discrete sound character, with no evidence of the side effects sometimes experienced with gain-controlled matrices."

And *Billboard* magazine's Claude Hall was quoted in June, 1973's *BM/E* as saying

"SQ with logic is 500 times better than stereo and the QS with vario matrix is 700 times better than stereo."

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Nw York, N.Y.—Vox Productions is joined the growing list of cord manufacturers producing acs encoded in QS. The cominy is set to release a famous ix Box of The Complete Chopin isic for Piano and Orchestra informed by the Utah Symphony der Maurice Abravanel; the set If carry Vox catalog number /B 5126.

According to a company lokesman, several dozen other aw albums in QS are scheduled release over the next six onths. One of the most antici-

pated is likely to be the Complete Tchaikowsky Symphonies. Vox has joined over 30 other companies around the world, including 18 in the United States, who utilize Sansur's OS matrix to produce records with the greatest creative freedom for the artist and recording engineer and that can be enjoyed by more home listeners than any other 4-channel system.

Other manufacturers producing OS encoded discs include ABC/Ounhill, A&M, Audio Lab, Audio Treasury, Barclay, BASF, Black Jazz, Bluesway, Blue Thumb, Canyon, Command/ABC, Crown, French Decca, Impulse/ABC, Jockey, Kilmarnock, King, Longines Symphonette Society, Minoruphone, Ode, Ovation, Project 3, Pye, Quad Spectrum, RTV/ERA, Teichiku, Telecast Marketing, Toho, Tokuma-Onko, Tumbleweed, and Toshiba-EMI.

# QS Regular Matrix (RM) First in Hardware First in Software

New York, N.Y. The QS/RM 4 channel matrix can be found on more pieces of high fidelity equipment than any other 4 chainnel system. Over 58 manufacturers are now making more than 242 models with QS or BM decoding positions.

To match the hardware story OS has surpassed all other 4 channel systems in record production as well Over 30 companies around the world have produced over 496 albums in OS. That includes over 166 records manufactured by 18 companies in the United States U.S. artists represented by these companies include such names as Carole King, Joan Bacz B.B. King, Bonnie Koloc, SunRa, Willie Dixon, Beverly Stills, Gato Barbiert, Enoch Light, Dick Hyman, Pharoah Sanders John Coltrane Court Basie. Tony Mottola and 101 Strings More and more manufacturers are using the QS matrix because of its unique engineering freedom and the fact that more consumers can buy more equipment capable of decoding OS Regulai Matrix.

#### KLOS GOES QUAD

Los Angeles, Calif. — KLOS-FM, ABC's top rated station in Southern California and a national leader in the 18-34 market, has just completed its first series of regularly scheduled 4-channel broadcasts

The 13 week series sponsored tontly by Pacific Stereo and San sur Electronics Corporation has impact far beyond the high expectations of the sponsors or the producers. The impact was so great that a second 13 week series is planned starting in the next few weeks.

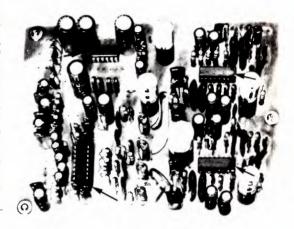
KLOS used a QS encoder and ran all their programming for the quadraphonic segment through the encoder. This included all types of tapes and discs. The listener at home with a mono set received the FM signal with no change and no dilution of quality, while the FM stereo listener actually got a program with an enhanced stereo effect and the listener with a QS or other decoder had FM 4-channel sound with all its nuances and subtleties brought into his listening room.

Response to the series was enthusiastic. KLOS reported phone calls and letters requesting information on 4-channel and 4-channel broadcast, while local audio dealers reported a noticeable increase in traffic through their stores and specific increase in interest in 4-channel products by

#### SANSUI INTRODUCES IC CHIP QS VARIO MATRIX 4-CHANNEL DECODER

Woodside, N.Y. Sansur Electronics Corporation has an nounced a major breakthrough in 4-channel audio technology. After years of experimentation and development, the Sansur QS variomatrix decoder has been reduced

not be en one decoder that could adequately handle more than one system. The new IC chip QS zamo matrix can and does. It provides a full 20dB separation in the QS mode and excellent separation on all SQ records.



to three different IC chips. Two of the three chips are currently in production and available while the final chip will be available in quantity by early February. 1974. The IC chips will be manufactured in Tokyo by Hitachi.

Sansui is aggressively pursuing a two-stage licensing policy of the chips and vario matrix decoder. Step one is giving chips information and technical assistance to any audio manufacturer requesting them. This is intended to aid the industry in experimentation with what Sansui believes to be the greatest single advance in 4-channel technology since the introduction of the OS matrix itself in 1970. Step two is licensing of commercial production of QS vario matrix decoders.

The IC chip version of the vario matrix decoder is a huge stride for a number of reasons. The concept of IC's provides tremendous economy in terms of simple component costs, but also in adjustment and "tuning" costs. Conventional discrete component decoders had to be adjusted for maximum performance, the current IC chip OS vario matrix is set to operate at peak performance from the time of manufacture.

Economy is one major aspect of the new IC units. Universality is the second major area of importance. With the proliferation of several matrix systems, there has

Another exciting aspect of the new vario matrix technology is the synthesizer Previously so-called synthesizers added ambient sound available on most conventional stereo records to the rear channels and created a 4-channel effect. With the new IC chip vario matrix decoder a 2 channel signal is fed through its own encoding process and then de-coded. The resulting signal is a surround effect with real directionality on three sides. Music is no longer just enhanced instruments are spread around a panorama, but appear to be fixed and have position and direction. Since a majority of record collections are still primarily stereo, and since many 2-channel discs will never be released in 4-channel the new development adds a new dimension to 4 channel rather than being just a large technical leap

With the new IC chips plus associated discrete components, a manufacturer can build a Universal decoder and synthesizer for less than \$12 which means that a decoder could be available to the consumer at a price anyone interested in 4-channel can certainly afford

Since Sansui incorporated the vario matrix in its ORX receiver line in January 1973 sales have risen dramatically and consumer response has been overwhelming

all manufacturers

WSHE in Miami Florida, the leading rock station in the Miami-Ft. Lauderdale area, has just purchased a OS encoder and plans to go 24-hour Quad by mid-November "We believe 4-channel

is the most exciting broadcast development in many years and the wave of the future." commented WSHE's owner, Gene Milner "We're looking forward to being the first in our market with

### Payola and Plugola

By Frederick W. Ford and Lee G. Lovett Pittman, Lovett, Ford and Hennessey Washington, D.C.

The specter of payola and plugola scandals has again risen on the horizon of the broadcast industry. Federal officials are investigating allegations of substantial cash pay-offs to radio stations in exchange for over-the-air record exposure. Some record industry executives have resigned or been fired. Investigations continue and indictments are possible. No one is yet certain just how pervasive this latest wave of payola and plugola activity has been.

The Communications Act and the Commission's Rules and Regulations contain explicit sections defining payola and plugola, and specifying when and how sponsorship announcements are to be made. A review of the relevant Rules follows. To facilitate the broadcaster's understanding of whether or not broadcast matter is "sponsored," hypothetical illustrations are also included.

#### **Announcement of Sponsored Programs**

All matter broadcast by any radio station for which any money, service, or other valuable consideration is directly or indirectly paid, or promised to or charged or accepted by, the station so broadcasting, from any person, shall, at the time the same is so broadcast, be announced as paid for or furnished, as the case may be, by such person . . . <sup>1</sup>

The general rule emanates from the rule-making proceeding which followed on the heels of the payola scandals of the late 1950s. This rule requires licensees to exercise reasonable internal procedures to assure that they announce that they have received money, gifts. consideration, etc., which influences their choice of programming. This rule applies to standard broadcast (AM). FM, and television licensees. The purpose of the rule is simple. The public interest dictates that the broadcast audience has the right to know when and what programming is being presented by a sponsor in order to avoid being unconsciously influenced to the benefit of the sponsor (i.e., to enhance the sponsor's product or service). For example, XYZ Records, Inc. pays a radio station \$500 to play one of XYZ's records a certain number of times. The radio station plays the record. as agreed, and, in addition, the disc jockey says prior to each play, "This is my favorite record and it is sure to become a hit." If no sponsorship announcement is made, the broadcast station is clearly guilty of receiving payola (receiving payment in consideration for playing a record without a sponsorship announcement) and plugola (promoting a record to influence record sales without announcing that the broadcaster is promoting the record in consideration of a cash payment).

The prior rule applies to payment by sponsors to licensees. The Communications Act was amended subsequent to the payola and plugola scandals of the late 1950s to include payments, gifts, etc., I. by a sponsor to any station employee and 2. by a sponsor to any person connected with the production or preparation of any program matter.

Thus, if Airline A pays a television producer \$5000 to include shots of A's airplane prominently featuring the corporate logos, the station licensee must make a sponsorship announcement before or after broadcast of the program. However, this poses a problem. How can the licensee reasonably be expected to know whether or not a member of the program production staff or one of the licensee's employees received payment in consideration for plugging a sponsor's product or service? To alleviate this dilemma, the Commission has promulgated a rule requiring I. an employee receiving payment in consideration of plugging a sponsor's product or service to report same to the licensee, and 2. a member of a program production staff receiving a similar payment to report such payment to either the payee's employer or the program producer. In either case, the licensee is then obligated to make an announcement of sponsorship.

#### Exception to the General Rule

Service or other valuable consideration shall not include any service or property furnished without charge or at a nominal charge for use on, or in connection with, a broadcast unless it is so furnished in consideration for an identification in a

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broadcast of any person, product, service, trademark, or brand name beyond an identification which is reasonably related to the use of such service or property on the broadcast."<sup>2</sup> (Emphases supplied.)

The sponsorship announcement requirement does not apply if the service or property is furnished without charge or at a nominal charge for use on a broadcast. Thus, a licensee need not announce that a record company has supplied it with several copies of a newly released record prior to each airing. Moreover, the licensee may broadcast the record's title and the artist's name because such announcement is not beyond an identification which is reasonably related to the use of such property on the broadcast.

On the other hand, were a record supplier to furnish 100 or 200 copies of the same release, with an agreement by the station, express or implied, that the record would be used on a broadcast, an announcement would be required because consideration beyond the matter used on the broadcast was received.

There are two further exceptions to the general rule that the licensee must announce both the identity of the sponsor and the fact that program matter is paid for. Such required announcements are waived with respect to the broadcast of 1. "want ad" or classified advertisements sponsored by individuals, and 2. any other cases in which the Commission determines that the public interest, convenience or necessity does not require the broadcast of such announcement.

Examples of the former are quite familiar and need no further illustration. A recent example of the latter waiver of sponsorship identification requirement involved announcements advertising and promoting an independent organization supported by the federal government and industry designed to provide job training for disadvantaged youth. A major oil company bore production expenses of the announcement but was not identified in the finished announcement. Having determined that the public interest did not require a sponsorship announcement waiver, the Commission granted a waiver.3 Although sponsorship announcements may be omitted, the licensee is required to maintain a list showing the name, address, and telephone number of each sponsor. This list is to be attached to the daily program log and must be made available to any public citizen having a legitimate interest in obtaining information contained in the list.

#### Political or Controversial Issue Programs

An announcement that program matter is furnished without charge or at a nominal charge as an inducement to the broadcast of the program is required for all political and controversial issue discussion programs. As such, this is an "exception to the exception to the general rule," i.e., political programming provided even free of charge must include a sponsorship announcement. The purpose of this rule is to insure that the listening or viewing public is kept aware of who or what organization or interest group is promoting the particular political or controversial issue viewpoint being espoused in the broadcast. The public is thus assured that they will not be subtly or unconsciously influenced by the sponsoring organization's or interest group's position on a particular issue.

#### Sanctions

For violating these Commission Rules, a broad range of sanctions may be imposed, including *I*. Commission continued on page 21

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demand for letter of explanation, 2. license revocation proceedings, 3. fines, and/or imprisonment.

The Communications Act provides that a station employee or program production employee's failure to disclose payments of the type described above, is subject to a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment of not more than one year, or both, for each violation. Numerous fines have been imposed by the Commission.

#### Conclusion

Commission attention has again been drawn to the issue of payola and plugola violations by broadcasters. Commission rules regarding announcement of sponsored programs, announcement requirements of political or controversial issue programs, and exceptions to the announcement rule have been reviewed and accompanied by illustrative examples.

In summary, the broadcaster must exercise reasonable diligence to conform to the Commission's sponsorship announcement rules. Reasonable diligence includes affirmative licensee efforts to determine whether or not program production personnel or station employees have accepted payments for inclusion of material in

programming.

Broadcasters should exercise a high degree of care in avoiding payola and plugola violations and should not hesitate to consult with their communications counsel should questions arise.

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<sup>1</sup> The Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. § 317 (a)(1).

<sup>2</sup> Regulations, §73.119(a).

<sup>3</sup>National Broadcasting Co., Inc. 24 RR2d 130 (1972).



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- 45. One to 21 dubs in one load.
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- 64. Machine can preview cart sequence to make sure they're in correct order
- 65. Preview the entire cart sequence at the touch of a button.
- 66. After preview, one button recues the
- 67. It interfaces with and cues other VTRs and film equipment.
- 68. The TCR-100 switches video automatically.
- 69. To dub a cart, push only 4 buttons. No shuffling or cueing.
- 70. Makes possible all-tape station break.
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- 72. You get dependable tape handling. No vacuum used.
- 73. There's no need for repeated color-bar checks throughout the broadcast day.
- 74. You use less tape because color-bar leaders, clapboards are unnecessary.
- 75. To program, just place carts in magazine, dial the number onto sequence register
- 76. Smooth cartridge operation minimizes
- 77. Tapes stay untouched by human hands.
- 78. With the Cart Machine, stations are able to get into more local production.
- 79. Machine setup takes only 10 to 15 minutes at start of broadcast day.
- 80. One man can control the entire station
- 81. It's easy to substitute a paying spot for a nonpaying one at the last minute
- 82. Drastically cut headwheel cleaning time. Do it once at the beginning of the day.
- 83. If you receive just one film spot to run on a heavy schedule, the Cart solves the problem.
- 84. The Cart simplifies adding several different dealer tags to the same commercial.

- 85. Headwheels are interchangeable with those of TR-60s, TR-61s and TR-70Cs.
- 86. When time-shared with a TR-60, TR-61 or TR-70C, the reel-to-reel machine has separate video output for loading and cueing.
- 87. Cart dubs can be edited during dubbing.
- 88. The TCR-100 can be slaved to RCA TR-60s or TR-70Cs you already own.
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- 90. It's the lowest-priced 2" quad cartridge
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# Remodeling a Studio For Comfort and Convenience

By Arthur A. Avery

WGN rebuilt a "talk and disc" studio for top operating efficiency, as well as comfort for guests and operators.

Are you remodeling a studio or building a new one to serve your audience? We at WGN have lately completed a comprehensive remodeling project. The highly rated telephone talk show, "Extension 720," a daily noontime farm program, many taped radio shows and radio commercials were scheduled to originate in the remodeled studio. This article will describe how we went about it

"Dedicated to serve" was the theme for design and construction of the remodeled studio. All facilities were aimed at the most convenient service to talent, engineering, building maintenance and guests. Constructed in this way, it was believed the studio could best serve WGN's audience.

We were remodeling a studio which had served for ten years, therefore our limitations of space were known and fixed. All arrangements and construction were designed to best utilize this available space. Our first step in the remodeling program was the drawing of plans to achieve our goals. We believed that the pre-planning phase of such a project would be the most influential factor in its success, therefore, representatives of all departments who would be involved in the studio's use were called upon to present their requirements and ideas. Personal representatives of engineering, production, building maintenance, management, and interior design met in the studio area to develop an agreed-upon set of pre-plan decisions.

The station management and production department set goals and described intended uses for the studio. Engineering presented methods to apply state-of-the-art equipment to accomplish the goals set. Building maintenance presented the problems of physical maintenance as they related to the facilities proposed. Management weighed costs of each idea and evaluated their productive worth.

Our interior designer, Robert Stebbins, then drew up a preliminary sketch of the agreed-upon arrangements of the studio. This plan recognized that all anticipated alterations would comply with two basic criteria. The original studio had been constructed as a dual-suspended room-within-a-room to minimize entrance of external sound and vibration. Our remodeling had to carefully maintain this valuable feature. The second requirement was to establish an acoustical criterion to complement and utilize today's state-of-the-art pickup equipment which could and would be enhanced when necessary by

varied electronic means.

When the plan had reached its final form, a bill of materials for construction was placed on order.

Our studio was designed basically as a circle in which personnel could communicate visually with one another. You will note from the floor plan, opposite, that every person involved in the operation can conveniently view all others. Operating positions consist of three separate announcing positions, four guest-performer positions, two production positions, a transcription playback position, and an engineering operation position.

In addition, there is seating for six non-performing guests. The studio area is furnished as a comfortable living room, providing a warm, friendly atmosphere for



View over engineer's shoulder in control room includes disc-playing position, at right, and interview table, with gooseneck mikes for each position, in left background.

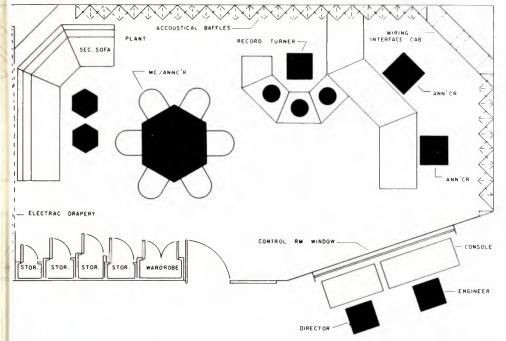
Random-select control panel, at engineer's right in control room, allows him to inject into the program recorded material from any cart on a three-part machine holding up to 165 carts.



Mr. Avery is engineer-in-charge, WGN, Chicago.



Interior view in studio shows announcer position, foreground, disc position, right mid-distance, and table with mikes for talk shows, left background.



Floor plan of new WGN studio for talk shows and disc programs shows relation of facilities for the various shows, with comfortable seating for guests and observers beyond "talk table."

nnouncers, talent, and guests. The decor includes careted floors, living green plants, and adjustable lighting suit the needs of the operation in progress.

As previously mentioned, the primary uses of this sudio were to serve announcers, the air playing of disc canscriptions, a daily telephone talk show including our performing guests and, at times, small live musical roups. With this considerable number of persons in the tudio at one time, it was anticipated that sounds which hould not be reproduced would be created by talent and guests.

To help in keeping these sounds off the air, cardioid nicrophones are used for all positions. You will note hat mikes are placed so that each user works six to eight nches from his assigned microphone. Each operating position and each microphone is placed so as to take dvantage of the cardioid pattern, thus assisting in the control of unwanted noise and reducing the effect of commacoustics. The circle arrangement lends itself admirably to this placement of personnel and microphones.

The studio walls are constructed to provide a slight

liveliness, which enhances good communication within the studio. But, since we work close to the microphones, the acoustics of the studio have a minimum effect on our end-product. Our walls, ceiling, and floor treatment provide comfort and appeal, more than acoustic control.

However, we can liven the studio, if desired, by opening the drapes which extend over one end. This is rarely required. The strength of external building sounds and vibrations which enter the studio are successfully controlled by the dual wall construction and other insulating techniques. For example, the studio entrance to the corridor is by way of a double set of doors and a sound lock. Altogether, our new studio provides a comfortable, pleasing environment for all to work in. The floor plan locates all furniture, equipment, and operating positions.

Electronic facilities used in the studio will now be described. In the control room are two manually operated cartridge machines, which may be utilized by the audio operation engineer for news cartridges and as a backup for the remote-controlled cartridge playback system. A cartridge-delay machine, used as a backup for the reel delay required for telephone participation

shows, is also in the studio control room. A reel tape machine used to record the studio output or play a tape through the studio's facilities is located near the studio operator.

The audio control console shown is a custom unit which was modified by the station engineering staff to accept the additional input studio facilities; it provides two channels. One channel is used for on-air, and the other for tape-delay programming, or auditioning of selected facilities.

As will be noted in the studio floor plan, there are seven microphone positions in the studio. Each appears on a separate mixer in the audio console. A 12-key selector is available to permit the mixing of remote facilities into studio programming. Three record playback turntables may be mixed through two console mixers. A telephone system is available which gives production personnel the ability to pre-screen telephone calls before use on telephone-participation shows. The output of this system is fed to a console mixer. Talkback services for the audio engineer and control room producer provide communication to the studio, supplementing the local battery telephone services.

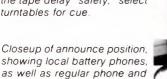
A random-select cartridge machine, located in our

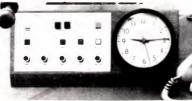


Studio in use, with announcer in front, disc jockey in middle ground, interview group at table in background.

Control panel in front of each announcer allows him to set volume in headset, actuate buzzer in control room, institute talkback to control room, edit the tape delay "safety," select turntables for cue.

plug-in cueing headset.







master control room and remotely controlled from the studio control room, has three parts. Each part may be loaded with 55 cartridges, and any unit of the three may be run, one following another in random order. Thus, a total of 165 cartridges can be loaded and played without reloading. At WGN, most commercial and public-service announcements are aired through this machine to guarantee a consistent high quality of presentation on the air.

As we turn to the studio, we find there are three announce positions, each equipped with a control panel, a microphone, a local battery telephone, telco phone instruments and headsets. Each control panel permits the announcer, through the use of push-button switches and gain controls, to control volume to his headset, actuate buzzer in the control room, originate talkback to the control room, edit a tape delay show to eliminate undesired comments from the air and select turntable output for cue purposes. Indicator lamps on the unit show studio on air, desire of control room to gain announcer's attention, and warning to announcer to give station identification call letters. Each announcer's position is served by a convenient-to-view clock controlled by the station's master clock system.

You will note that the studio floor plan provides a position for a transcription operator with three record playback turntables. This operator is provided headphones for cueing and a desk area for paper work. A local battery phone provides communication to the control room from the transcription operator.

Our hexagon table serves a telephone talk show host and up to five guests. The host is equipped with an announcer's control panel and a telephone switching panel. All performers at this table are provided with headphones to hear outside telephone callers. Our talk shows are often of two hours' duration. Guests and moderator require space for texts, fact sheets, and reference documents, and these needs are served through the use of the hexagon table. Microphones, one for each guest, are adjusted before each show. Persons performing on a typical two-hour show respond to the many questions from the telephone caller on the "Extension 720" program. You may note that participants are provided with comfortable chairs, which are a must for the success of a continuous two-hour performance.

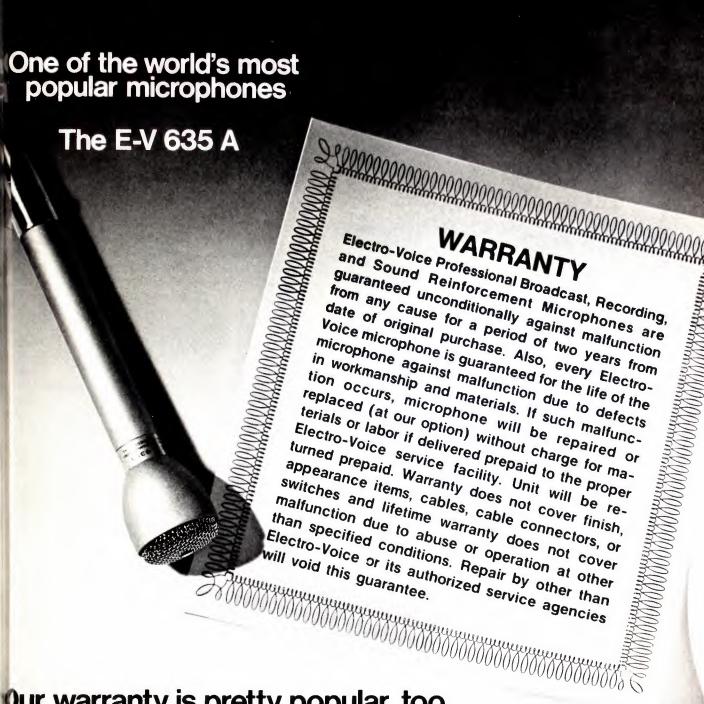
Often performers bring other guests to our studio. These guests are accommodated in the seating area partially circling the hexagon table. Headphones are provided so that they may hear the outside telephone callers

Cabinets and closets are available for cable storage and the other sundry items which are occasionally used in

Practically all wiring is concealed. To facilitate fast emergency replacement of defective equipment, a wiring interface cabinet is located in the studio. This wiring cabinet is the interface between electronic equipment in the studio and the control room.

Our new studio is effectively serving WGN's audience. We believe the key to its success is its convenience for all who work within its pleasant environment. This was the assignment our management gave us in the remodeling of the studio, and it was carried out by station personnel and the outside contractors who worked together on the job. We at WGN wish you well as you proceed to build and use your new radio studio.

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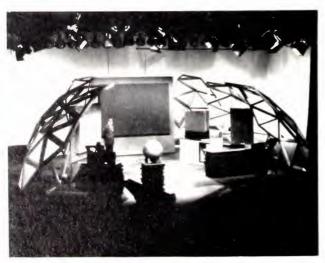
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### WHA Radio and Television Envy of Many

The impressive studios and equipment of WHA Radio and WHA-TV—part of the University of Wisconsin Extension Telecommunications Center—are helping the electronic media serve both students and the public at large, on and off campus.



Ground floor entrance to Vilas Communication Hall, home of WHA Radio and TV.



Set used in Studio A

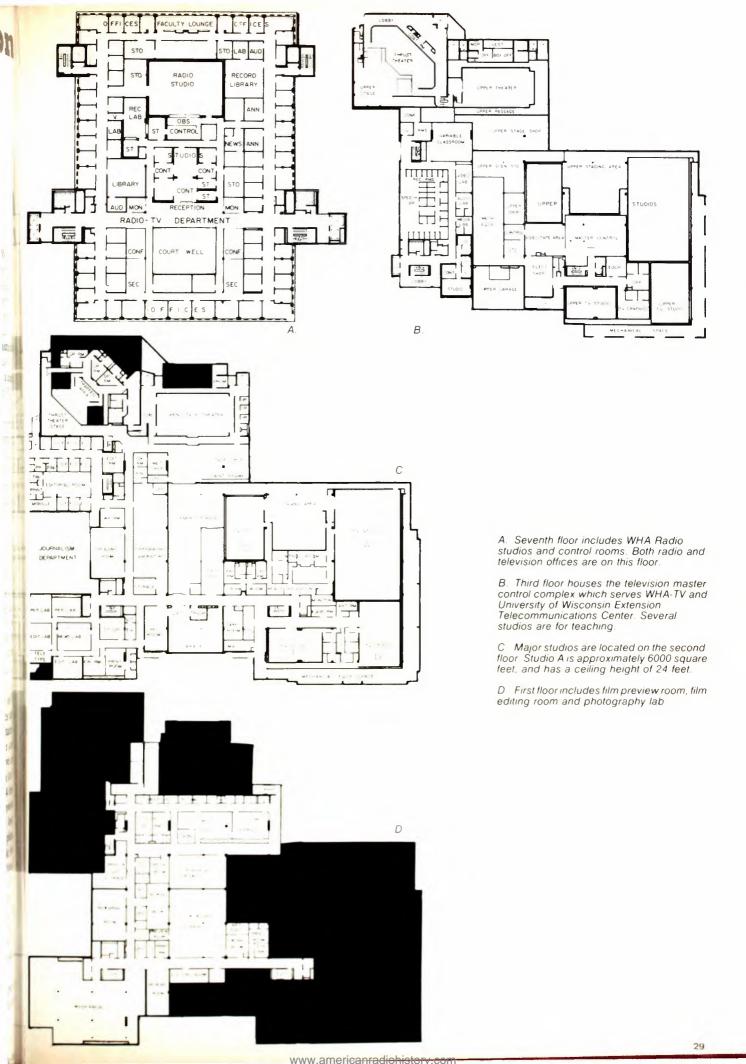
WHA traces its beginnings to a University of Wisconsin physic lab workbench. That was in the pioneer days of 1917. In 1919 it began scheduled broadcasts licensed as an experimental station 9XM. These dates permit WHA (call letters acquired in 1922) to lay claim to being the "oldest station in the nation." Today WHA Radio, with its eight studios, is located in the Vilas Communication Hall, as modern a telecommunications facility as one can find anywhere. Only two of these studios serve a campus radio station. WHA is really a University Radio Center.

This center produces programs for broadcast over University stations and other educational and commercial stations within the state and, through nationwide interconnected networks, serves other educational radio stations. It is a major central production facility for all types of educational audio for use by the University, by other educational institutions in the state and across the country, and by special professional groups, adult education projects, and families in their homes.

WHA-TV, Channel 21, became the fourth non-commercial TV station in the U.S. when it went on the air in 1954. Back then it put out 11,900 watts (ERP) from a transmitter and was called the University of Wisconsin Television Laboratory. Today it has an effective radiated power of 754kW emanating from a 1250 foot tower. Service area ranges from 40 to 60 miles. Like WHA Radio, the TV counterpart is part of a state network (Wisconsin Educational Television Network) and its programs reach now (or soon will) the entire state. Its equipment and studios dominate three floors of Vilas Communication Hall. Its administrative offices are located on the seventh floor, which also contains the offices and studios of WHA Radio. The master control complex on the third floor is as impressive a nerve center as you can find anywhere. So is Studio A, with its floor area of 6000 square feet, and ceiling height of 24 feet.

Many a commercial station would be very envious of the WHA Radio and WHA-TV facilities, but, lest the reader surmise from a quick look at the floor plans on these pages that all area is devoted to over-the-air broadcasting, we hasten to add that Vilas Communication Hall serves others too. It is the home of the Madison Campus Department of Communications Arts and School of Journalism and Mass Communications. Actually, WHA Radio and WHA-TV are a part of the University of Wisconsin Extension Telecommunications Center Facilities and therefore are used for teaching, research, and public service as well as broadcasting.

Two of the four TV studios, for example, are operated by the Department of Communications Art for teaching television production.





Production switcher in Studio A.



Lighting control in Studio A



Audio control console in Studio A

The building also includes a thrust theater, an open-stage theater, and a Parliamentary Room, all having broadcast capabilities. A pedestrian bridge across University Avenue, which connects the Vilas Communication Hall with the Humanities Building, includes audio/video cables which add the Humanities Building performance halls and the Elvehjem Art Center as additional broadcast-capable locations.

#### Radio production facilities

WHA Radio production facilities include eight custom designed studios. These range from mini talk studios to the nearly 2000 square feet of Studio One.

Master Control, which feeds the state FM network and operations of an AM transmitter when it is in simulcast, incorporates a 16-input, six-output McCurdy Custom Audio Console, SS-5200 Series. Master controls include six Ampex AG-440 recorders, three ITC cartridge play-back-only tape recorders, and two EMT turntables. The monitor system is made up of two Crown D-150 stereo power amplifiers feeding four Sentry I speakers. There are two channels for programming and two channels for auditioning. Three studios are available to Master Control, two of which are talk studios and a third is large enough for panel discussions.

The talk studios have AKG C12 condenser mikes. Their pattern can be changed from the control room. There is also a back-up second mike line. The large studio has a six-mike capability from the control room, and a second mike line is available.

The production control center for Studio One is called Control One and includes a 24-input and eight-output audio console custom-built by Audio Designs. Control One also contains one MM-1000 Ampex eight-track recorder, two AG-440B record/play two-track, and two mono recorders, plus one G-440B four-track Ampex. Two stereo AKG-BZ20E reverb units are included.

Another McCurdy SS-5200 audio production console with 12 inputs and four outputs is found in the recording service production area. This studio includes one

General view of Studio A audio-video control room. Audio console is to the right. Through the window is the lighting control room.





Camera control units and video processing section in master control.



Master control console for WHA-TV





Master control console controlling Educational Communications Board programs.

View of the videotape room.

Fairchild reverbatron, two EMT turntables, and three Ampex AG-440 record/play tape recorders as well as a monitoring system.

The recording service console has access to two studios, one equipped with eight microphones and the other with four. The recording line feed area consists of the audio console, which is an Altec 250-T3, with 12 input channels and three output channels. There are stations for five tape recorders. In the duplicating area there is a Pentagon C-1400 reel-to-reel cassette recorder and a cassette-to-cassette duplicator capable of duplicating four at a time is found in the duplicating area. There is also an Ampex AD-15, reel-to-reel, duplicator capable of three at a time, and an Ampex CD-2000 cassette-to-cassette high-speed duplicator.

WHA also boasts an unusual electrosonic studio for

experimentation and special effects. It contains an Audio Designers console, one MM-1100 Ampex 16-track recorder, a Scully reel-to-reel two-track and a Scully reel-to-reel mono recorder. Key to this room is a Moog Synthesizer.

When not simulcasting, WHA has a separate AM control room. It uses a McCurdy SS-4396 dual channel audio console with 12 inputs and two outputs. Input devices include three Ampex recorders, two ITC cartridge recorders, and two EMT turntables. The WHA Radio operation includes some portable equipment which is used in-house.

#### Television production facilities

WHA-TV began its life in the basement of Chemical Engineering. It still has two studios at its command in a

campus building, but most of the action takes place at Vilas Communication Hall. Studio A offers 6000 square feet of usable space, and Studio C, 1850 square feet.

WHA-TV has six RCA TK-44Bs and two TK-630s. It also has access to four TK-630s and three TK-60s which are part of the UW Department of Communication Arts complement. WHA-TV's TK-630s are standard cameras, and the TK-44B chains include four 10X1 lenses and two 15X1 lenses. The latter also include chroma comp for tech matching. Six cameras may operate in Studio A and four in Studio C.

Telecine islands include two RCA TK-28s and one TK-27. (UW Department of Communication Arts has a TK-610A and one TK-22 for black-and-white.) The videotape recording complement includes: three RCA TR-70Cs, one TR-70A, one TR-60, and one RCA TR-4HB quad machine. The Wisconsin Educational Communications Board, which shares Master Control space for its network transmission, has two RCA TR-70Cs. All except two are capable of electronic edit-



WHA Radio control room.



Audio console in WHA Radio studio.

ing. There are two Ampex 5800 one-inch helical machines, two Panasonic 3130 one-half inch units, and 12 Sony-Wollensak three-quarter inch cassette VTRs.

Master Control switches consist of two CDL Model 830s, one of which has a 17-event pre-set (PTS120). A CDL film and VTR delegations system assigns film islands, tape machines, pulses, and machine control to all studios and two master control positions. All audio mixers are McCurdy, with the major unit being a custom-built model 6200. Audio inputs include three ITC cartridge machines and one RCA reel tape player.

Studio A Control is equipped with a CDL type VSP-870 which is the major production switcher and includes assignable dual effects, chroma key, dual background generators, auto-transition, and quad split. There is a Vidifont titling system and a McCurdy mixer. Within the studios two Fisher Booms are available—Model 2-100 with 3-100 perambulator.

The major portion of WHA-TV's lighting equipment was purchased from Mole-Richardson. This equipment package includes 5Ks, 2Ks, nook lights, century stands, floor stands, inkies, 3-circuit 12 light and 2 light floor cyc lights. Top lighting for the cyc is done with Century and scoops, three color. The lighting control systems were designed by Kliegl Brothers. Studio A has 90 dimmers and a 5-scene preset board. Studio C has 36 dimmers and a 3-scene preset board. Dimmers are either 7kW or 12kW. In addition, Kliegl provided 2K pattern projectors and cabling 20 amps and 50 amps in various 10-2550 foot; there are also 2 fers and 3 fers.

The scene shop is fully equipped. All sets and background flats are designed and built in the WHA-TV shop.

#### Mobile capabilities

WHA Radio has no specific mobile unit as yet, but it does have equipment used for remote recording. There are two Ampex AM-10 stereo mixers and three Shure M-67 monaural mixers. Three tape recorders are available: a Sony TC-770, an Ampex 602, and a Uhuer stereo recorder.

WHA-TV's mobile unit is used primarily for oncampus courses and instruction. The unit is a redesigned version of a 22-foot motor home housing two RCA TK-630 cameras with an additional camera control unit which will permit the use of a third camera. In addition to normal technical equipment there is an RCA TS-51 production switcher, Dipole audio mixer, quad and helical VTRs and a Telestrator unit.

#### The cost

Expenditures for radio and television equipment in Vilas Communication Hall totalled nearly \$3 million. An additional \$700,000 was allocated for upgrading of the TV transmitter and tower facilities. The combined operation of the UW-Extension Telecommunication Center cost the UW \$1,200,000 for fiscal year 1972-73. As part of Extension, both radio and television have the responsibility for partial self-support which totalled \$300,000. This is achieved through "chargebacks" for services on a cost reimbursement basis. Grant funds in television production and activities generally match state appropriations and radio matches about 60% of its UW support. In 1969-71, these grants totalled \$343,000 for radio and \$1.2 million for television; in 1971-73, the figures reached just about a half-million for radio and a million BM/E dollars for television.

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### Gutsy "VOX" of New York' Westchester County Gets a Proper Home

WVOX, nationally admired for its blend of forthrightness and community service, leaves cellar and office building stands behind for good.

Some radio stations are born into new, properly-designed plants. Many adapt or enlarge their plants to match enlarging or shifting objectives and needs.

WVOX, in New Rochelle, N.Y., serving the mighty New York suburban county of Westchester, was a successful, highly individual, nationally-known radio voice before it had anything approaching a plant designed from the ground up. The station grew up in a small block building at the transmitter site, in an office building in downtown New Rochelle, and over a restaurant in the town.

Late last summer WVOX got its own plant, one that houses its activities to perfection and makes the station a county showcase. The new transmitter-studio-office building is the result of a long and careful search by the management for the facilities design that did the most for the station technically, administratively, and in its fervent relation with its community.

That relationship is, by intent of the management, the central fact of the WVOX operation. The 100-horse-power drive of President William O'Shaughnessy, since he took over the station some eight years ago, has been to make it the voice of the community in literal truth and in as many ways as possible. As it has worked out, O'Shaughnessy's determination took the station into a multitude of local involvement and community service activities, into strong editorial stands on controversial issues, into stance as a "soap box" for the most diverse viewpoints and into an astounding variety of general-interest programs:

- Local and regional news, with stringers in every part of the country.
- Arlene Francis in comment;
- Regular comment from Washington by Senator James Buckley;
- A live Wall Street report;
- A regular high school quiz program:
- · Gardening tips;
- Albany reports:
- Irish (and Italian, German, Polish) music:
- · U.N. reports:
- Rap sessions (and rock music) for teenagers:
- Classical music:
- The 40-Plus Club (for senior citizens):
- Movie reviews;
- Ski reports;
- Soccer scores from Italy and Ireland;
- Weekly reports from the County Administrator;
- Larchmont Race Week (a yachting classic);
- Golf tournaments:

- A Westchester Arts program;
- . . . and scores more.

The narrow "format" idea was smashed to bits at WVOX, and a literally-followed "vox-populi" idea erected in its place.

The station's willingness to take on unpopular causes testifies most clearly to the breadth of O'Shaughnessy's concept. Westchester is a Republican stronghold that furnishes bedrooms and well-manicured lawns for hundreds of executives of national corporations and for very highly-paid professionals in advertising, etc., but it has its pockets of poverty, its racial ghettoes, and, from time to time, its corruption in government. WVOX has mounted attack after attack on discrimination, malfeasance in office, and other ills of the county.

The program "Open Line" taps community feelings directly by putting telephoned comments on the air. The station campaigned strongly for CBS's right to free speech when the program "The Selling of the Pentagon" ran into trouble with the Administration in Washington. And the station proved its really straight view of free speech by defending a local college under heavy attack because of a scheduled lecture by Eldridge Cleaver, the black activist.

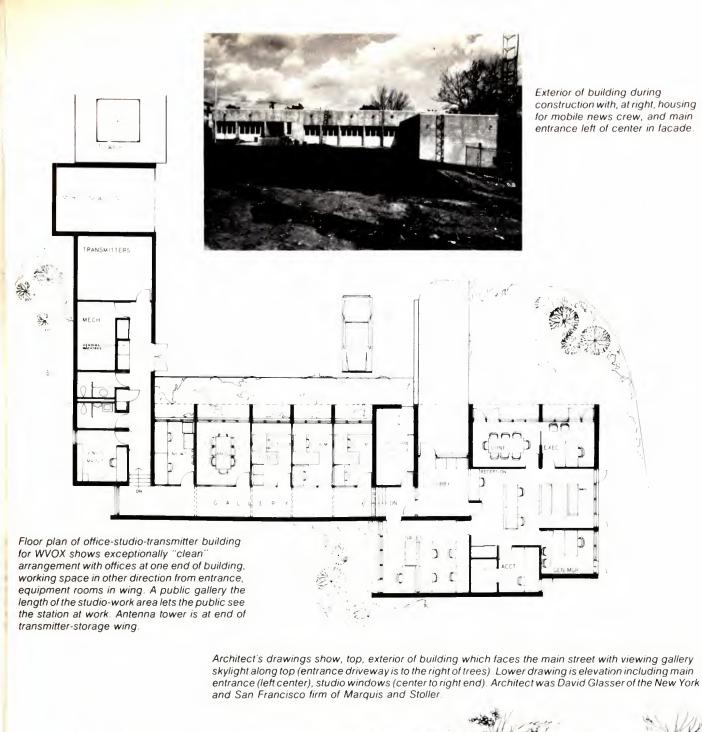
All this, and much, much more, reflects the special energy of O'Shaughnessy, who was called by John O'Connor, in the New York Times, "part cool sophisticate, part gutsy street fighter." O'Shaughnessy has gathered a high-energy news staff who see eye to eye with him, headed by news director Steve Oshorne. Senator Jacob Javits of New York said: "The attractive and dedicated young men at WVOX are real pros. I've never heard another station quite as concerned about the interests of the people they serve."

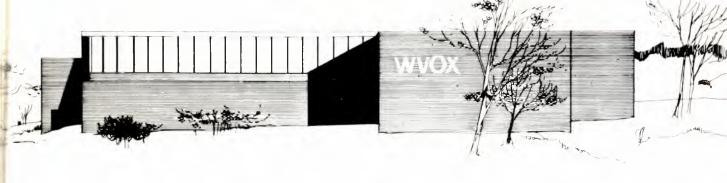
O'Shaughnessy himself writes and delivers most of the editorials, with a rich and vigorous style both in the writing and the delivery.

How is this working out at the box office? WVOX is strongly in the black; it is one of the favored advertising outlets in the county. Billings are well above the \$500,000 line, a profit area for a station of this size. WVOX has, in fact, become the national prototype of the suburban station that succeeds by integrating with local "gut" issues.

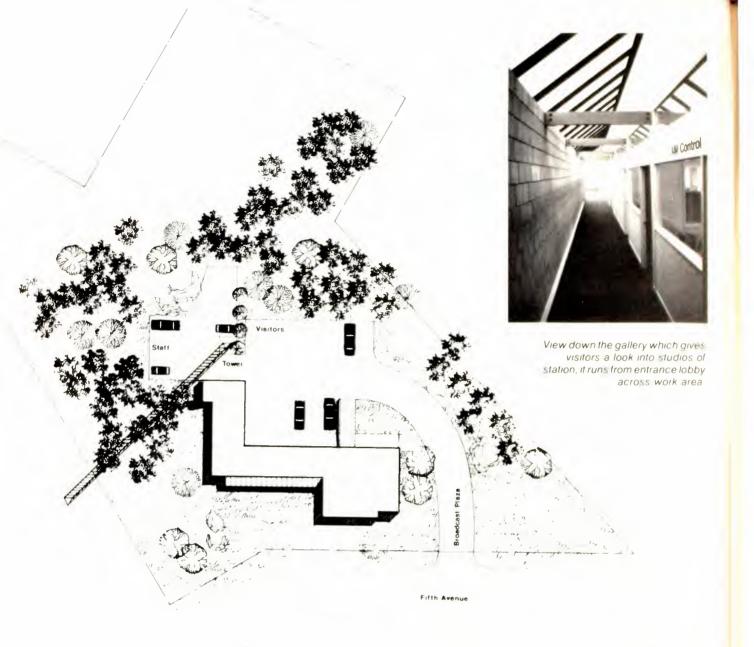
On the technical side, WVOX is a combined AM/FM station: 500 watts AM by day, and 3 kW FM, day and night. Its signals cover the county and adjacent sections of New York City.

The new building, as the illustrations show, is arranged for efficient operation of a news-talk-recordings station.









Site plan shows how architect Glasser made the most of difficult lot shape with handsome exterior facing street. Parking, entrance, are away from street side.



Rocky site added to construction effort, but variations in level were turned to advantage by architect, to give building a commanding position

There is a control room, with disc playing equipment, for AM and a separate similar one for LM so the transmitters can be programmed separately most important programs go over both during the day. The LM transmitter is a Bauer and the AM transmitter is RCA.

The news room includes Collins cart recorders and playback equipment and a Gates console telephoned-in news is recorded on earts for use at convenient times. The two air rooms have RCA consoles and Gates tuntables. The production room has two RCA 16 inch turntables, inputs for the recording equipment.

Micro-Trak tone arms are used throughout, with Stanton 500F pickups in the production room and Shure Hi Track in the air rooms. Microphones are AKG D120 and D19.

Chief engineer Cliff Mills likes especially the result coming in with the new UPLI xtell impact printer for news printout

The gallery that runs the length of the on an working rooms, to give the public a close view of station operation, has become a popular excursion objective of the community. Its success fits splendidly into the "community voice" ideal that has made WVOX a stand out station.

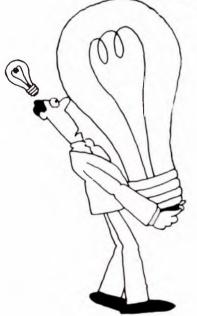
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# GREAT IDEA

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After years of being unhappy about this lack of circulation for front-line engineering experience, BM/E decided that one way to improve matters would be a contest which would stimulate engineers to send us their ideas for publication. In addition to the recognition, we'd give a significant prize for the idea that readers vote the best. But our primary objective is not to winnow out a few "best" ideas. We think publication of a substantial volume of good ideas is the important thing, both for the advancement of the industry and for the satisfaction of justified pride on the part of their creators.

Subjects can touch on just about every facet of station technical operation and design. The following list is *suggestive only*, to show the breadth of the acceptable field:

	Α	particularly	efficient	way	of	using	telco
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- ☐ Preventive maintenance of tape recorders, etc.;
- ☐ Simplifying directional antenna measurements:
- ☐ Modifying existing equipment for higher quality, greater flexibility;
- ☐ Simplifying the monitoring operation;
- ☐ Giving news announcers the best technical backup;
- ☐ An ideal studio layout for . . .;
- ☐ Getting top performance from . . .;
- ☐ Automatic switching without a full-blown automation system;
- ☐ Assuring top quality throughout a stereo audio chain:
- ☐ Efficient control unit for remote news pickup
- ☐ Solving the ground loop problem in audio equipment:
- ☐ Protective measures for antennas and transmission lines:
- ☐ Equipment and procedures for maximizing station security;
- ☐ Simplifying proof-of-performance measurements;

<ul> <li>□ Practical methods for improving studio lighting;</li> <li>□ Chasing an elusive noise source;</li> <li>□ Smart ways of meeting FCC requirements.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Material Accepted for Publication: BM/E editors will make all decisions regarding acceptability for publication. If duplicative or similar ideas are received, BM/E editors will judge which entry or entries to accept. A \$10 honorarium will be paid for each item published.</li> <li>Voting. Every reader of BM/E is entitled to rank the ideas published. This can be done on the ballot in the magazine or by letters or cards sent to the BM/E office. A reader can judge one or all ideas published. Readers must assign a point score to each idea on a scale of 0 to 10: e.g., if you think an idea is excellent, score it 10; if you think it is without merit, score it 0; if you like it but want to</li> </ol>			
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Prizes and awards				
There will be one winner in each of four categories: AM (5kW and below); AM (above 5kW); FM; and TV. The prize for each of the winners will be a six-day Windjammer Cruise in the Caribbean for two. (See rules for locations and dates.)	*Between months of May to November, choice of cruises: Bahamas, Virgin Islands, West Indies. Deck Cabin accommodations. Travel to and from port cities of Miami, San Juan, or Virgin Islands not included. Authors of top-ranked items will receive Windjammer Cruise information in November 1974.			
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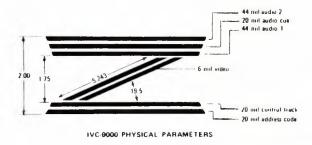
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The IVC 9000 segmented-scan helical broadcast recorder offers equal or better performance than quadruplex recorders.

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Format of the two-inch tape used in the segmented-scan helical recorder

Its been known for some time that IVC was perfecting a helical scan system as a viable alternative to the venerable quadruplex VTR which has served the industry well for the last 17 years. The new concept was described in London at the International Broadcasting Conference in the fall of 1972. This last spring IVC revealed more in a private seminar at the NAB Convention. In May it demonstrated its first units—both a PAL version and a SECAM version—at the Eighth International Broadcasting Symposium, Montreux, Switzerland.

At Montreux, it was very clear that IVC's totally-new concept was going to make an impact. Indeed, to head off what might have been an avalanche of order commitments, RCA announced it was developing Quad II, a modified quad machine that hopefully would do as much as that claimed for IVC 9000—and still play standard quad (with minor adaptations). Ampex, too, said it felt quad could be modified to use ferrite heads and run at much lower tape speed. (See BM/E, September 1973, page 39.)

Just how good the IVC 9000 is at handling NTSC was demonstrated in New York in October at the 114th SMPTE Technical Conference. Visitors were impressed. They saw a no-compromise system priced under \$100,000. Tape speed was 8 ips—a feature that cuts tape costs in half. The unit uses ferrite heads, another feature that promises lower operating costs—through reduced head replacement (at least 1500 hours is claimed). On top of this, IVC said that wear on the tape itself was less because of a gentler system. Another important feature—one most vital to Europeans—was two full quality and audio tracks.

During the technical sessions at SMPTE, IVC engineers presented four papers describing in detail design objectives and performance characteristics of the IVC 9000.

### Why segmented scan?

The new segmented scan system adopted by IVC represents a careful balancing of several facts according to the paper delivered by B.E. Guisinger. Ferrite heads were desirable since they were longer wearing. But they cannot be used readily in transverse scanning equipment because of their brittle nature and the high impact between tape and head encountered in that scanning method. Thus transverse scan was ruled out. Of the three choices for a helical scan format—360° wrap, one head, one field/pass; 180° wrap, two heads, one field/pass; 180° wrap, two head, segmented field—IVC chose the

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# KYW—A Reserved But Contemporary Facility

KYW-Radio and KYW-TV (Westinghouse Group W stations) keep a low profile, but inside the handsome new home of these stations are found the latest innovations.



The striking KYW building faces Independence Mall Architect was The Ballinger Co of Philadelphia

Photo courtesy Ballinger



Inside the lobby at KYW

KYW Radio and KYW-TV moved into 5 Independence Mall in 1972. With a setting in Philadelphia, and with Independence Hall but a block-and-a-half away, one wouldn't expect to see something all glassy or flashily aluminum. But we do see authority and style in the three-story, dark red-brown brick structure (with wire-cut texture and complementary color mortar joint), with an interplay of line and recessed spaces. The deeply recessed fenestration with sloping sills and recessed headers and vertical pier also give spaciousness and height to the building, which cost something over \$4 million (floor area is 80,000 sq ft.).

Once past the lobby and into the administrative areas, the decor is efficiently white all partitions, walls, etc. The white contrasting with the dark brick walls comes off as both reserved and contemporary. It might be sterile, except for flower decals and a little pop art here and there that secretaries have pasted up. There's nothing bizarre to be found, not even in the sets or scene design with exception of the dressing room of Group W star Mike Douglas. It boasts a chambered nautilus fibreglass shower.

And while KYW has some custom-designed consoles that look very contemporary, only tried and true components have gone into this equipment. Cautious designing is particularly apparent in KYW Radio quarters. KYW has three air studios designed for its all-news programming format. Each studio is nearly equally equipped with custom-designed audio consoles from Electrodyne. Flexibility and redundancy are the key words: Each studio and its associated control room are physically integrated capsules (acoustically slanted fibreglass walls with double and triple glass windows), but any studio can be fully operated from any of the three consoles. Interconnections can be switched in through internal wiring or, if faults occur, they can be patched in. All consoles, distribution amplifiers, and terminal panels have such dual input/output features.

Upon entering the KYW Radio engineering area, one at first suspects something new in layout concept. Master control appears to be entirely in a passageway. In fact, it is. On the opposite wall are the three studio control rooms. Engineers and technicians are within only a few feet of everything. This layout is far from ideal, however, and more space would be desirable. The studio control rooms are also too small. There's a limit to equipment that can be included (such as reel-to-reel recorders), and access to the console for maintenance is difficult.

The individual studios themselves are not large but, from an engineering point of view, it would have been preferable to allocate a few more square feet to the control area. *BM/E* didn't talk to the news director, but



Master control room at KYW-TV. CRT terminal input to automated switching equipment as at far right. Between it and switcher is video monitor displaying upcoming events.



Girl in Traffic entering the program schedule into automated switcher computer. This step will be eliminated shortly; central computer will feed data directly to switching computer.



Computer terminal in Sales Service is connected to central computer. Raw sales data goes in and program schedule comes back. High speed printer provides print-out.



View of studio control room which handles the Mike Douglas show.

we suspect the studios, while adequate for KYW's own newsmen, are uncomfortably small for visitors (most call for standing). On the other hand, KYW doesn't need to assemble newsmakers in a studio. Its capability for remotes via phone and mobile radio are outstanding and ever-expanding. We hope to present an article on these facilities in a future issue.

The KYW-TV engineering area, unlike Radio, doesn't suffer from lack of space. It has the entire mezzanine floor (half a floor) to accommodate master control, the VTR area, and the telecine area (four islands). The major distinguishing feature of the KYW master control room is the automation system. To the right of the master production switchers is the CRT Display Terminal and the Scheduled Events monitor which displays such real-time operations as starting machines, switching, and mixing that will be performed automatically.

The automation system uses the Central Dynamics APC-610 which gets its input directly from the Traffic Department. Technical operations are performed as indicated once proper machine assignments (VTR, telecine, or SC) are made. (And if a machine is not properly loaded and assigned, the event line blinks.)

As one looks about the technical area, a few other distinguished features come into sight: An Ampex ACR-25 video cassette machine, an Ampex RA-4000 editor, a machine delegation station in front of the telecine area. One also spots a digital display mechanism on top of machines. This is the digi-key unit which, when set as the traffic schedule indicates, tells the computer system it's ready to roll.

As one walks through the station, it's apparent that KYW is where the Mike Douglas Show is produced. One of the two large studios has the permanent Mike Douglas set in it. Both studios are equipped with theatre seats and both have semi-circular cycloramas.

Other eye-stoppers are the Traffic and Sales Service areas on the third floor. In the former, one sees two more CRT display terminals, which are part of the APC-610 system, and a hard copy printout unit. Here two girls enter data into the computer from the approved schedule. In Sales Service, two other CRT Display Terminals are used for communication with a large central computer located in Milford, Conn. There's also a high-speed printer nearby. Into these units goes sales data and back come rough schedules and variance reports. After adjustments are made, final schedule pages are spewed out. The day BM/E visited, Traffic took this schedule and re-entered it into the APC-610 keyboard. If we had been there about a week later, we would have seen data produced by the central computer feed directly into the APC-610 system. KYW should soon be the most fully automated station in the nation.

One other attention-commanding location is the office of Charles Blair, KYW's director of engineering. Facing Blair's desk are two 25-inch CRTs. One is a monitor reporting the next 14 upcoming events that will be automatically switched to the air. Blair has confirmation at all times that master control is ready and working smoothly. The other CRT is in the TV set which is connected to the RF distribution system described in the accompanying article.

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Distribution system of KYW Radio is literally in a hallway.





KYW Radio has three announcers' studios in a row. One can look from one into the other two. Control rooms are on right side.

Consoles in radio studios are custom designed to stress flexibility and redundancy.

Far right is view of announcer's studio looking in from the studio control room.





# Miniature 12-Channel Cable TV System Feeds KYW Monitors

By Bert Wolf

How do you get 12 video channels (six off the air, one the station's own signal, and five internal CCTV signals), plus an FM channel, to video monitors throughout a large studio-office-transmitter complex? Any monitor must be able to choose any of the 12 at any time.

It might occur to you to use a "headend" and a fairly typical 12-channel CATV distribution system. That is what KYW-TV in Philadelphia did, using a dual system worked out with the Jerrold Electronics application engineering department. The assignment went to Christopher Payne of the KYW engineering department (he is

Mr. Wolf is manager, Jerrold Electronics, DSD Division.

chief engineer of KYW radio, but does TV jobs as well). KYW's TV chief, Robert Fields, also contributed: for example, it was his idea to put all the internal channels on odd numbers and the external ones on even numbers.

An A/B switch on the back of each monitor lets the user choose even or odd channels. The rundown of channels carried on the system looks like this:

Anyone interested in watching another station in town can set the A/B switch to the "B" position, while those interested in internal channels can set their switches to the "A" position. With the switch in the "A" position, the viewer can easily flip through the channels to see the Mike Douglas Show being rehearsed in Studio

A; a film being previewed; the network news from NBC; a computer readout of the automatic switcher showing a list of coming events; and the program being telecast to the viewers of KYW-TV—all might be on the system simultaneously

### RF vs video

Because TV studio engineers are more familiar with video, they tend to avoid RF. However, it would not be economically feasible to distribute 12 channels of video to the hundreds of outlets at KYW. The station obtained 50 Sony Color Trinitron receivers via a trade-off deal. It would have been impossible to get 50 video monitors through tradeoffs.

Thanks to the Trinitrons and the RF distribution system, every salesman, engineer, and executive at KYW has a color TV receiver on which he can monitor all 12 channels.

This tends to reduce traffic in and out of the control rooms. Before the system was installed, salesmen brought customers to stand beside a VTR to watch their commercials. Now, the salesman simply calls the control room and the customer watches the commercial in any Sales Conference Room.

### **Budget**

The decision to use a dual A-B cable distribution system was influenced by ease of operation, simplified maintenance, and low cost.

Other than two Kay modulators, which KYW already owned, all the headend equipment was to be purchased. Jerrold modulators, CCM-AB for internal programs and individual channel AGC amplifiers for external programs, were specified.

The original equipment budget approved for the RF distribution system at KYW was \$15,000. By doing the installation themselves and because of the careful design, they were actually able to bring the system in under budget. Chris Payne estimates that the extra cable, splitters, A/B switches, and tap-offs required by the dual cable system accounted for only about 10% or 15% of the job. This was more than compensated for by savings on headend equipment. Of course, installing two cables is no more difficult or time consuming than installing one cable.

### Patch panel maintenance

One of the requirements of the distribution system was that it be very easy to maintain. Chris knew that in a busy studio the RF system would have low maintenance priority. Therefore, he felt that troubleshooting time should be kept to an absolute minimum.

To meet this requirement, he designed a unique patch panel system. Patterned after video patch panels the system uses Jerrold 75 ohm plug-in "G" fittings with short lengths of cable.

The patch panel system provides instant access to, and test points at, every critical part of the system. For example, patches can be used to test the signal into and out of every amplifier and every head end splitter. Thus, troubles can be isolated to a single component or branch in a few moments.

With the system in operation almost a year, only one trouble has developed so far—FM interference on Channel 6. Using the patch panels, the trouble was quickly isolated to the FM trap used ahead of the Channel 6

### SWITCH POSITION A ODD (INTERNAL)

Channel 3 KYW-TV (Off Air)

Channel 5 Studio A FM FM (Off

FM (Off Air) Channel 7 Studio B

Channel 9 NBC (KYW is NBC Affiliate)

Channel 11 Routing Switcher from Master Control

Channel 13 Routing Switcher from

Videotape

### SWITCH POSITION B EVEN (EXTERNAL)

Channel 2 UHF Channel 17

Channel 4 UHF Channel 29

Channel 6 VHF Channel 6

Channel 8 UHF Channel 48 Channel 10 VHF Channel 10

Channel 12 VHF Channel 12

amplifier. Tuning the trap cured the problem quickly.

The solid state equipment used should provide trouble free service for many years, with minimal maintenance.

### How the system works

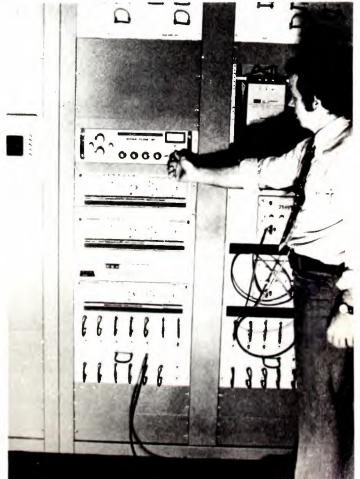
Figure I shows the headend of the KYW RF system. Five modulators accept audio and video to produce internally orginated channels.

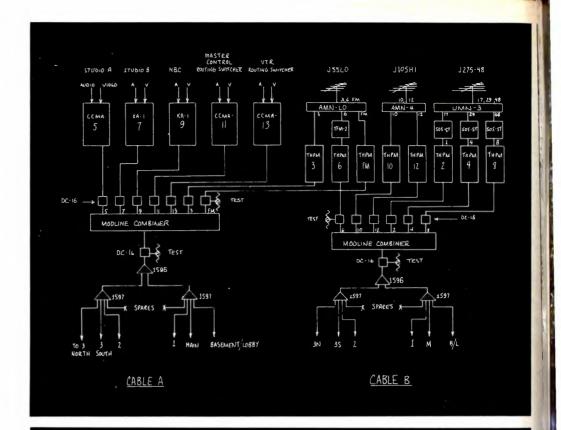
The routing switchers are wild cards, adding flexibility



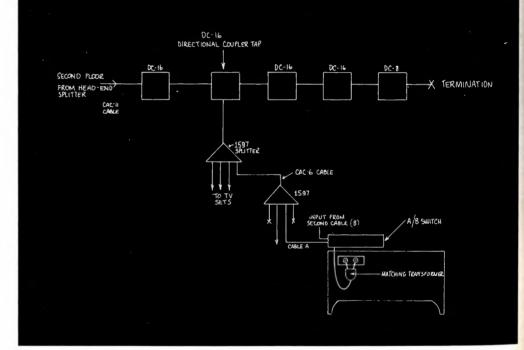
Left-A-B switch on TV set for selecting even or odd channels.

Below-View of fhe KYW headend.





Overall distribution system at KYW.



Typical leg of the distribution system.

to the system. For example, the master control routing switcher can accept the KYW line; network; color bars; sync; Studio A; Studio B; VTR 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6; Film A, B, C, D, E, or F; remote 1, 2, or 3; the computer readout of the list of coming events; tests; space; or the output of the demodulator.

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A and B cables feed into the A/B switcher mounted on top of each TV set. The output of the switch connects through a matching transformer to the antenna input of the TV set.

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Long Island, well covered by New York City stations, is getting its own first commercial TV station, Channel 67. It's located almost mid-center in the new Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area covering Nassau and Suffolk counties. Most programs will originate on Long Island in Channel 67's studios—or its OB van.

As this issue goes to press, WSNL-TV, Channel 67, will be going on the air as Long Island's first commercial TV station. It will be writing another page in the up-anddown history of independent UHF stations. Suburban Broadcast Corp., which holds the license, is sure it will be a story of success. It's starting with a number of things going for it. It has a clear vision of what its purpose is: to serve three million people in about 750,000 households in Nassau and Suffolk counties. Its programs will accent Long Island activities, now virtually ignored by New York stations. The market is rich; the area was recently designated as a distinct Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area, the ninth largest in the U.S. It is a market larger than Baltimore, Boston, Cleveland, Dallas, Houston, and Philadelphia, with \$6 billion in retail sales in 1972. Nassau County is the third richest county in the nation in terms of per capita income.



The OB (outside broadcasting) unit is used extensively. Here camera is being set up to shoot a scene for the soap opera, "The Fairchilds."



Local advertisers believe in the area and the station—125 had signed charter contracts by air time. Local investors believe in the area and the need for a station, as evidenced by the successful public stock sale. (See box, page 61.)

Suburban Broadcasting is also benefiting by past UHF history which teaches that high power is vital. It goes on the air with 3 million watts ERP; it will up that to 5 million as soon as the second 55 kW Gates transmitter is delivered in early spring. And, if that power doesn't provide parity with Vs, Channel 67 has another plus not always available to UHF in earlier days. It will be carried to over 100,000 homes by local cable TV systems.

And, perhaps more importantly than any of the foregoing, is an enthusiastic, youthful programming and engineering staff. They're out to make the very best use of their time, talent, and equipment.

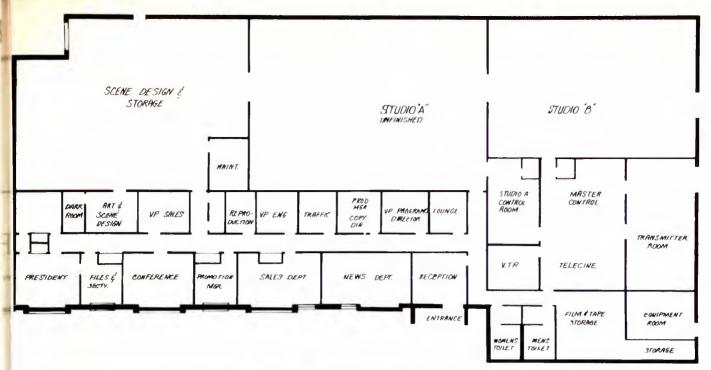
The local programming effort is impressive. Almost fifty percent of the programming schedule reflects local programs. Heavy emphasis, as might be expected, is placed on Long Island news—an hour-and-a-half a day. Its "least meritorious" program may be its own daily Long Island soap opera, "The Fairchilds," but in terms of counter programming strategy, it may be a brilliant tour de force. The setting is Long Island and local people, places, and problems will be dramatized in the story that will, as the promotion reads, "become part of you... part of your day... every day." Another major block of time focuses on Long Island women—one hour daily, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. Substantial segments are devoted to children's programs and sports, both syndicated and local.

Altogether, more that 50% of the initial 12-hour broadcast day is locally oriented and a lot of it live. Variety has implied that WSNL-TV would have had a rough time getting top flight syndicated material because of market exclusivity rights enjoyed by the nearby New York City stations. This is undoubtedly true, but it has not phased Suburban Broadcasting. It goes about its programming efforts as if local quiz, game, and variety shows were the only logical decision.

### **Facilities**

The first component of the station to be completed was the mobile van, the "OB" as WSNL-TV refers to it. This made it possible to get out on location while the rest of the station was being built to shoot scenes for the soap opera, "The Fairchilds." It also helped put in the can tapes for the Sunday program "Blue Light Brigade" (featuring firemen).

The OB has also already covered some of the doings of continued on page 60



Floor plan for WSNL-TV. Antenna tower is within a few feet of transmitter room.



Channel 67 will use the new AKAI portable camera to capture news. Recording will be done on IVC BCR 100s and 825 reel-to-reel units.



Most all locally produced programs will be played on IVC 960 helical recorders. Two quads are in the same room.



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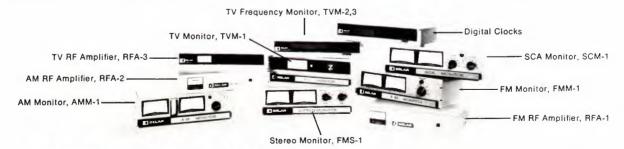
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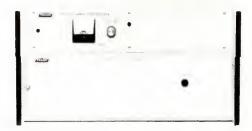
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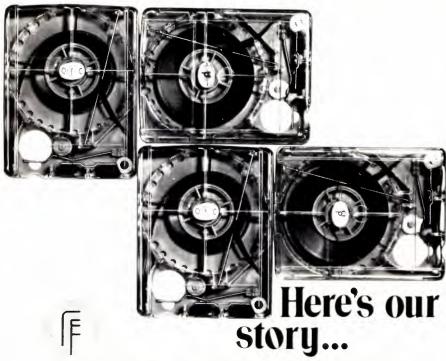
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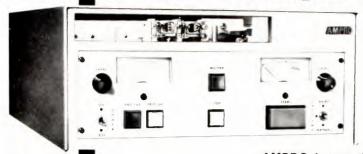
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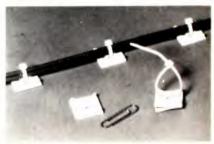
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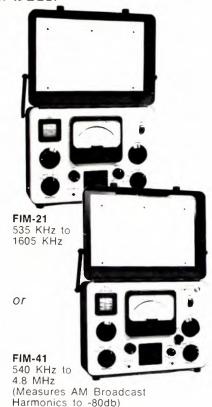


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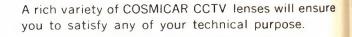
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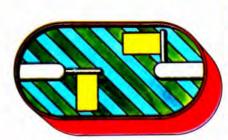
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