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Cellular Sites Must Protect AMs

by Thomas Pear

WASHINGTON The FCC recently adopted a set of rules that require Public Mobile Service licensees—specifically cellular and paging system operators—to correct any interference that new or modified towers cause to AM broadcasters.

Cellular and paging operators must now prove they will not interfere with AM signals before they construct a tower, a significant victory for AM station owners and operators, who, without advanced notice, have increasingly found their signals disrupted rapidly by paging and mobile phone cell sites.

Crawford Broadcasting Engineering Director Cris Alexander said the rules should help to solve the increasing problem of cellular interference to AM signals.

Traditionally, AM towers were located on the outskirts of the markets they serve. But over the last decade, cellular operators constructed transmitting towers closer in to the suburban areas that they served, Alexander said. In some cases, the closer-in cellular and paging signals sometimes interfered with the AM signal.

In some instances, cell sites totally prevented AM signals from reaching certain listeners in their licensed contours,

National Association of Broadcasters Engineer Dave Wilson said. A loss of listeners can mean a loss of advertising revenue, he added.

"I can't tell you how many times I built an AM array thinking this is way out in the country, and three years later they were building housing across the street, Alexander noted. "Then, later, cell sites were installed in those areas to accommodate that populace."

Although the rules have been around for a number of years through an FCC Public Notice, writing the policy into the

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Some Fees Increase, Decrease Under Proposed FCC Schedule

by Thomas Pear

WASHINGTON A set of FCC proposed user fees hikes, recently released in the form of a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), could mean significant variations in the amounts broadcasters would have to pay.

Broadcasters had until Feb. 13 to file comments for or against the NPRM. At press time, the deadline had not yet closed. After that, procedurally, the commission will consider the comments and then issue a report and order that will finalize the new fees. Broadcasters were first hit with the user fees in 1994 as part of a federal government push to help agencies offset regulatory costs.

If the FY 1995 fee schedule is

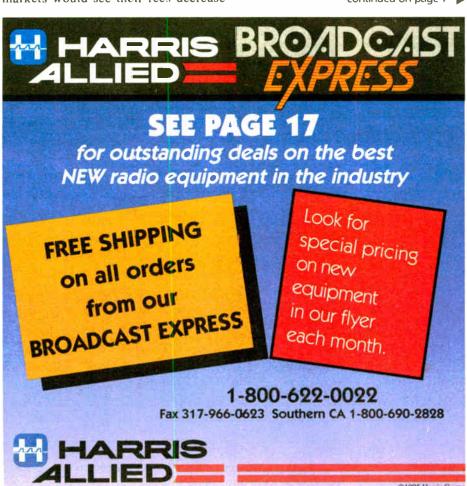
approved, Class A AM stations in Arbitron markets would see a 69 percent increase over the FY 1994 fee. In actuality, the fee would jump to \$1,525 from \$900. Class B AM stations in Arbitron markets would see an approximately 70 percent fee increase, from \$500 in FY 94 to \$850 in FY 1995.

Some stations, however, would see a fee decrease. Class A AM stations in non-Arbitron markets, for example, would see their license fees drop from \$900 to \$565, a decrease of approximately 37 percent.

In other cases, the difference is slight. Although Class C AM stations in Arbitron markets would see a 70 percent increase in regulatory fees, the actual amount is only raised to \$340 from \$200. Class C AM stations in non-Arbitron markets would see a decrease of approximately 38 percent in the fees between the two fiscal years-from

The fees also would increase for Class D AM stations in Arbitron markets and decrease for Class D stations in non-Arbitron markets. Class D stations in Arbitron markets would see their fees rise from \$250 to \$425, a 70 percent increase. Class D stations in non-Arbitron markets would see their fees decrease

from \$250 to \$155, a 38 percent decrease. FM stations would see the same or similar changes in their regulatory fees. continued on page 7



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Quello to Retire At Term's End

WASHINGTON Commissioner James Quello said he will likely retire from the FCC when his current term expires June 30, 1996. Quello told RW of his future plans in a recent interview that will be published in the next issue.

"I will not seek reappointment at age 83," said Quello who is currently approaching 81 years. He said he may remain at his post until a replacement is found.

Quello, a lifelong Democrat, was appointed to the commission by three republican presidents. President Nixon appointed him to serve his first term as commissioner in 1974 and he was reappointed by both Presidents Reagan and Bush.

The height of Quello's tenure on the commission came about two years ago when President Clinton asked him to serve as the FCC's interim-chairman until Reed Hundt was appointed to the position permanently.

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commission, he intends to accept a chair, a type of teaching position created and funded in honor of the person whom the chair is named after, at Michigan State University.

Although revenue derived from the chair would be use to fund a full-time professor. It would provide him with lecturing and opportunities in academic circles.

"That chair means quite a bit to me," Quello said.

The chair, however, is not a complete certainty. "It still has to

be funded," said Erwin Bettinghaus, the Dean of Michigan State's communication school.

"It (the chair) is likely," Quello said, "not a certainty, but it's likely

If funding does comes through, The chair would most likely be a telecommunications management chair, because of Quello's station management background as manager and vice president at Detroit's WJR.

Previous attempts to name a chair after Quello were thwarted because federal law prevents a sitting FCC commissioner from

accepting a such a position during his or her tenure.

"We put the whole thing on hold until he steps down," said Bettinghaus.

FCC General Counsel's Office Reorganized

WASHINGTON The FCC recently reorganized its General Counsel office, "to make it more efficient and to reflect more accurately its current mission," according to an FCC news release.

The commission recently

merged the office's adjunct division into its administrative law division, which will now be responsible for advising the commission on legal matters, adjudicating cases and interpreting statutes affecting the FCC.

The Office of General Counsel now consists of an immediate office, comprised of General Counsel Bill Kennard and two deputies; a litigation division; an administrative law division and a competition division.

Claudy Named NAB Senior VP of Science and Technology

WASHINGTON The NAB has named Lynn Claudy as its

new senior vice president of NAB's Science and Technology Department. Claudy formerly was vice president of science and technology.

Claudy succeeds Michael Rau as the leader of the nine-person science and technology department. Rau resigned last year.

Claudy joined NAB in 1988 as a staff engineer. He also served as director of advanced engineering and technology prior to being selected vice president in

Claudy holds a BA in music from Oberlin College, a BS in electrical engineering from George Washington University and an MS in electrical engineering from Illinois Institute of Technology.

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End of 1995 Likely Timetable For Completion of DAR Tests

by John Gatski

WASHINGTON The primary issues facing the National Radio Systems Committee (NRSC) are the completion of digital audio radio transmission system testing and completion of high speed data subcarrier standard by the end of 1995.

National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) and the Electronic Industries Association (EIA) members comprise the NRSC, which develops industry technical standards.

NAB Director of Technical Conferences John Marino, the NAB's

The DAR process has taken longer than original estimates of late 1994.

liaison to the NRSC, said the lab testing of the five proponent digital audio radio systems is expected to be finished by April, but that field testing may not be finished until late 1995.

The digital radio task force and the appropriate subcommittees are still wrestling with the test plans and parameters for the field testing of the five systems: USA Digital Radio, AT&T, AT&T/Amati, MUSICAM and NASA/VOA.

Marino said the process has taken longer than original estimates of late 1994. Considering the process is "something brand new," Marino added, it as moving as "fast as possible."

The NRSC, which is primarily focused on the in-band systems, such as USA Digital and AT&T Amati, has selected

San Francisco as the field test location, but the procedures will not be finalized until later this spring, Marino explained. "They should certainly should have all the details worked out by the NAB spring show," he said.

As for the lab testing that is being conducted at the NASA/Lewis Research Center in Cleveland, few details have been released, either officially or unofficially, about how the systems have fared.

New band proponents have previously said that in-band, on-channel broadcasting is extremely difficult under the real world conditions of FM broadcasting.

The in-band proponents said that digital technology has advanced far enough to allow an in-band system to work.

"They (lab officials) have been very careful not to leak any information," Marino said.

The NRSC's work on a high speed subcarrier standard is on schedule to be finished by the end of the year. The NRSC's goal is to enact a standard that would be compatible with the 1,220 bps RDS standard already in place since 1993.

High speed systems would operate at speeds up to 20 kps and fit anywhere from 60 kHz to 100 kHz on an FM carrier and could provide much more data intensive services than RDS. However, high speed is considered a somewhat more-in-the future technology than RDS, which already has acceptance by 250 broadcasters nationwide.

As with RDS, high speed subcarriers providers and equipment manufacturers will have to wait until the consumer industry produces receivers that the public can buy.

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Services (NARRS) is preparing itself for its 21 annual convention here in Salt Lake June 1 through June 3.

The convention will be held in the Olympus Best Western, and broadcasters and equipment manufacturers should start making reservations now. The show will teach stations how to establish a radio reading service, a subcarrier audio signal that broadcasts newspaper, magazine and book readings to the blind and physically challenged.

Room rates are \$60 and \$70 for single and double rooms respectively. Reservations should be made at least two weeks prior to the start of convention.

For more information, call Steve Terry at 901-725-8833.

New Communications Act Drafted

WASHINGTON As promised, the Senate Commerce Committee introduced comprehensive telecommunications reform that would encourage competition in the industry.

"America is ready to tear down the anti-competitive barriers that keep consumers from having all the choices they deserve," Committee Chairman

Senator Larry Pressler said (R-S.D.) in a written statement.

Although Pressler's goal for passing the bill is July 4, the powerful committee chairman hopes legislation passage will come as early as April.

Broadcasters would not be directly affected by the bill, according to Senate staffers, but there are other bills forth-coming, which would have more of a broadcasting impact.

Representative Michael Oxley (R-Ohio), for example, recently proposed legislation that would repeal the anti-foreign ownership clause of the 1934 Communications Act (see RW, Feb. 8).

FCC's OET Moves

WASHINGTON The FCC's Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) recently relocated it's offices. It's new street address is 2000 M Street, Washington D.C. 20554. This is just across the street from its previous 2025 M Street location. OET staff is located in suites 230 and 480.

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Ribbon-cutting Ceremony Launches New Era

DALLAS Flanked by James Arcara, president ABC Radio, on his left and David Kantor, executive vice president, ABC Radio Networks, on his right, Bob Callahan, president, ABC Radio Networks, officially opened the network's sparkling new headquarters here in Dallas.

Grand opening ceremonies were held on Feb. 16. ABC welcomed a couple hundred guests

couple hundred guests that night, both from the radio and the advertising community. I was in town covering the Radio Advertising Bureau annual conference and dropped by to see the state-of-the-art facility firsthand.

Champagne and assorted beverages flowed freely, and yours truly and The Radio World Magazine Editor. Chuck Taylor, got a tour of the facility from none other than Lee Abrams himself.

The shot of the atrium I've included does not do justice to the building. The building was originally built by an oil company as its corporate headquarters during the boom years. When ABC took over the facility, the building needed extensive modifications, but before that happened, ABC had all the interior wood paneling. flooring and moldings removed. After the facility was technically ready. ABC put all the wood back. The final effect is one of warmth and sumptuousness that really invites.

Tom Joyner, ABC's morning star, was scheduled to appear but got a last minute invitation to the White House (yes, that one) for a confab with his good friend President Bill Clinton. A good time was had by all though, and I enjoyed seeing some of radio's finest all gathered under one roof, including Gary Fries, RAB president and CEO, Paul and Julie Fiddick (from Heritage Media just down the road) and John David, NAB senior vice president of radio.

We also ran into Margaret Bryant, former chief engineer at Group W's WMAQ in Chicago and now the head engineer for the Dallas facility. Many of you may remember seeing her byline from time to time in RW.

Timing the event to happen while the RAB gathering was in town was probably a good idea. RAB '95 was a good gathering, coming on the heels of the RAB's release of last year's revenue figures.

Radio advertising grew at a rate of 11.3 percent in 1994, to an

estimated \$10.65 billion, up from \$9.568 billion in 1993—its fastest rate of growth, says RAB, since 1985 when industry revenue grew at 11.5 percent.

National spot revenue grew an

unprecedented 14.8 percent for the year, the largest increase in more than 50 years for that category! Locally placed radio advertising, the category that accounts for more than three-quarters of all radio advertising, increased 11.2 percent for a combined spot figure of 12 percent.

Last year was very important to radio in many other ways as well. For starters, 1994 is marks the first year-end radio advertising revenue total to break the \$10 billion mark. In May 1994, you may recall, for the first time ever, radio ad revenue totaled more than \$1 billion for a single month.

The Radio Advertising Bureau figures are based on that association's radio revenue index of more than 100 markets—radio network ad revenue is compiled by the Radio Network Association as reported by Miller Kaplan Arase & Co.

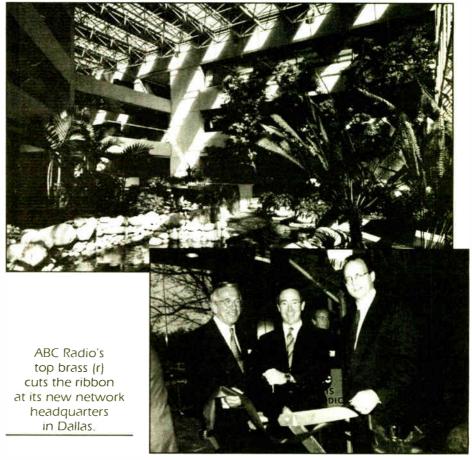
I'm delighted, of course to have such good news to report. The credit for all this success goes directly to the radio folks in the trenches and to the associations that serve radio. And it was encouraging to see this year's RAB gathering break all attendance records—up from

1700 registrants or so last year to 2002 this year (including 200 international attendees)

The RAB has much to offer a radio station and a radio sales manager—maybe it is time to consider joining the RAB if you don't belong already.

One of the most eye-opening events at the convention was the keynote address phone) will read you the day's headlines, based on your preference for news stories. You can ask it to read you a story if a particular headline catches your attention.

In this world of his, we will all live as "electronic tribes," no longer joined by our geography or our ethnicity, but rather by the people who share our interests on-



by Don Peppers, If what this man envisions—a world where interactive radio rules and anyone with a telephone and a tape recorder can be a broadcaster—really does come to pass, life is sure going to change both personally and professionally for all of us.

In his world, we will move beyond niche marketing to one-to-one marketing. In other words, as you drive to work, your two-way radio (or cellular teleline. People we may never meet in person—only via PC. On the one hand, reaching out to new people and a community for like-minded individuals sounds fun, but are we driving ourselves into physical isolation here?

Anyway, in this world, Don Peppers sees radio broadcasters jumping on the interactivity bandwagon to survive. It seems to me you had better at least look into it



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Dear RW.

In your Dec. 28, 1994, issue on page 16, you ran the article "Editing Made Easy with SAW for PC." Unfortunately there was no direction of Innovative Quality Software given. I would appreciate very much if you please could be so kind and give this direction so we can contact these people.

Please also give the manufacturers address in all articles you publish in your magazine so they can be contacted. Thank you very much.

> Rudolf H. Rahn FM-92, Miami, Fla.

Editor replies: Eagle-eyed readers can find that information in the product capsule that ran with the story. Innovative Quality Software can be reached at 702-435-9077

Unfair comparison

Dear RW.

Fread with great interest the Oct. 5. 1994, article titled "Alpha-Cor's Flat Cable" by Rich Rarey. I was heartened by the use of Belden cable as a comparison.

However, I am not sure it was a fair comparison. The resistance of the flat cable, listed as 0.0022 ohms/ft (equivalent to 2.2 ohms/1000 ft.) is approximately equivalent to 13 1/2 gauge wire. I am not surprised that you could tell the difference between 13 1/2 and 16 gauge Belden 8471, as that is a doubling of resistance.

Would it not be fairer to compare it to Belden 14 gauge wire such as 8473 or 9717? I would be glad to provide you with whatever length you require to test.

There also must be a misprint on the

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Next Issue of Radio World March 22, 1995 capacitance: "0.600nF/Ft." This is the same of 600pF/Ft. This is a huge amount of capacitance for a cable and would cause severe roll-off of high frequencies. In a 4,000 ft, run, audio would be 3 dB down at 442 Hz! Maybe they mean 60pF/Ft., or even 6pF/Ft.?

Thanks for your excellent newspaper.

Stephen H. Lampen Advanced Technology Marketing Manager Belden Wire & Cable, Richmond, Ind.

Dinosaur era over

Dear RW.

Let me add my voice to that of Brett E. Miller (RW, Jan. 25) on the protection of clear channel stations. It is time that we realize that the dinosaurs are extinct. The 50 kW clear channel AMs no longer play an important role in the broadcast industry. In fact the only role these stations play is that of spoiler. They are not generating revenue from advertisers 300 or 400 miles away.

Yet local stations that serve their local communities are faced with constant interference from these dinosaurs. During the winter months, when the community needs information on storms, school closings, and so on, these local stations cannot get on the air soon enough in the morning to provide this service, with January sign-on times of 7:30 a.m., for daytimers.

If we are serious about reducing the amount of interference on the AM band. then we must power down the dinosaurs. If these stations reduced their power to 10 or 20 kW they will amply cover their market areas; suffer no loss of revenue, and even save on their electric bills. Small stations such as ours would have the opportunity to provide our community with the service to which it is entitled.

The FCC has prohibited the high power Class C FM stations from the densely populated areas; AM stations should be limited to 10 kW in these same regions. The small "hometown" AM stations are the outlets that provide substantial amounts of community programming. It is imperative to their survival that they be allowed to continue providing service to their listeners.

Gene Boyd, President Tri-State Radio Inc. WCHE(AM) West Chester, Pa.

Dear RW.

I must wholeheartedly agree with the letter from Bob Bittner in the January 11th issue of RW. If you put something good and interesting and right on the air. and nurture it with hard work and, in our case, prayer, it will work and be successful-yes on AM. I am talking music, 24 hours a day, and Christian Contemporary music at that. No block programming, even a top 10 countdown music show that I produce in our studios. We are commercial advertiser supported, and they stay with us because we get results for them.

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FCC Guards AM Band

Interference has always been an enemy of AM broadcasting. From natural interference from lightning, man-made noise such as fluorescent lights, and station-to-station interference, the country's oldest commercial band has always taken it on the chin.

With that history in mind, the FCC's recent string of actions to reduce such interference is commendable. The latest action has strengthened a

policy that, until now, had merely encouraged cellular phone and paging companies to safeguard against interference to AM broadcasts.

To put some teeth in its policy, the FCC codified the anti-interference decree, stipulating that if cellular or paging services interfere with AM signals, the services must correct the cause at their own expense. And, when these services put together their construction plans, they must avoid potential interference to area AM stations.

Although the FCC's old policy said that Public Mobile Services (cellular phones, pagers, etc.) had to protect AM broadcasts, radio industry observers said that the old policy was weak and lacked the authority of the new regulation.

With the FCC strongly enforcing the regulation, cellular/paging companies will have to take into account AM broadcasts, and AM stations that do suffer interference should be able to resolve the problem quicker. This is a positive step that stems, in part, from the AM Improvement docket that was approved in 1992 to reduce station-to-station interference as well as reduction of other out-of-service interference.

AM broadcasts are inherently susceptible to various kinds of natural interference and noise. However, the cellular/paging interference is a recent phenomenon brought about as a result of cellular and paging towers being located closer to cities and suburbs. Although AM stations may have their transmitters located further away from those communities, they still have had their signals interrupted by the closer-in, strong paging/cellular transmissions.

Many of the U.S.'s 5,000 or so AM stations are having a tough enough time trying to stay solvent in light of declining listenership (and as a result, revenues), lost to FM stations. They should not have to endure unnecessary interference from other services that further alienate their listeners.

--RW

allowing them on air unless they pass the rigid trust and dependability factors outlined by the Crawford Broadcasting Company. We do not deliver listeners to advertisers related to an "arbitrary ratings system." We deliver advertisers worthy of listeners' trust to the listener. I personally know and visit the advertisers on my afternoon show once a month, we don't just send a salesperson to "get accounts" on the air. We send a salesperson and a writer to scrutinize and find out why these people are worthy of our listeners' trust.

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Scanning history

Slow-scan television probably no longer lives on any radio station, but it positively thrived on one in Michigan's Upper Peninsula from 1975-77.

That's when I was project director of the system that used two of Houghtonlicensed WGGL-FM's SCAs to carry thousands of hours of educational programs to students from kindergarten on up to Northern Michigan University Education majors.

WGGL-FM's then-station manager, Read Burgan, says in the January 11th article "Farly Innovation Using FM Subcarrier," no money was committed and nothing happened after some 1974 engineering trials

In fact, I had funding from the Michigan Dept. of Education, U.S. Office of Education (now the Dept. of Education) and HEW (now the Dept. of Health and Human Services) and other sources that allowed my staff of 10 to produce and broadcast about a dozen programs.

We served scores of schools through four cable systems, including WGN and TelePrompTer, plus a handful of rural schools with their own receivers. Many schools got their only meaningful instruction in music, fractions, the metric system and teacher "inservice" training from my Hancock-based Slow-Scan Television Project.

We got a lot of media attention for successfully broadcasting TV on the radio. Broadcasting magazine, the Detroit Free Press and the New York Times did stories on us, as did the local paper and the Marquette, Mich., CBS affiliate, so I'm particularly surprised Read's memory slipped.

Slow-scan TV seems quaint from a 1995 perspective, but it was a pretty big deal to lots of students and teachers 20

> John Kircher Director-Corporate Marketing Department WGMS(FM) Washington, D.C.

USA Digital to Headline in 'Vegas

by Alan Carter

LAS VEGAS, Nev. When USA Digital Radio goes on air at the 1995 NAB convention in April for the first public mobile demonstration, the AM program will be direct from the exhibit floor while the FM will simulcast a Las Vegas station.

"We're going to go completely digital on AM from the studio to the receiver," said Jeff Andrew, project manager for USA Digital Radio.

The FM signal will be carried from an existing station—which Andrew could not identify at press time because the final agreement was not signed—by digital microwave to the transmitter. The final signal will be 20 kHz stereo.

Live from NAB

The AM demonstration will be a mixture of live and automated programming from a digital studio organized and set up by Harris Allied in the Radio Hall. The 15 kHz stereo program will be broadcast on the expanded AM band at 1660 kHz during exhibit hours on April 10-13.

Disc jockeys from Gannett, Group W Radio and CBS, the three radio groups that comprise the USA Digital Radio consortium, will rotate air shifts using the Radio Systems DDS digital audio system in the live-assist mode, with the remaining time operating under automation. Other source material will be from the Audiometrics CD 10E single-play CD player with Orange Book capability.

The AM studio also will include a digital radio mixer, according to Jim Woods, director of product distribution for Harris Allied. While Woods declined at this time to identify the U.S. manufacturer of the console, he said the unit is fully digital with mixing in the digital domain and AES/EBU outputs.

"There are only two places (the demonstration) will be analog," said Dave Burns, studio product manager at Harris Allied, "That is the voice of the DJ and when people hear the sound."

Harris Allied is extensively involved in the transmission end of the demonstration, too.

The AM broadcast will use a Harris DX 10 standard transmitter with "a couple of minor modifications," said Harris Allied AM Product Line Manager John Delay.

The FM setup will use the Harris DAB 2000 transmitter, which is based on the Harris Platinum TV series, "This is a product we've conducted extensive tests with," Delay said, "The system is very straightforward."

Mobile tour

As part of the presentation, USA Digital Radio will have a half-hour bus tour around Las Vegas to demonstrate the effects of multipath and how USA Digital Radio holds up under mobile conditions.

Listeners will be able to make a four-

The AM program will be direct from the exhibit floor while the FM will simulcast a Las Vegas station.

way comparison among digital AM, analog AM, digital FM and analog FM.

In addition, the tour will include a stop at the AM transmitter site just south of the famous Las Vegas strip where broadcasters can examine the set up. Organizers are concerned about including an FM visit because the site at the main Las Vegas transmission point on Black Mountain is more difficult to reach.

"There is nothing complicated on the RF side," Delay said.

And that is exactly the point USA Digital Radio developers want to make with the demonstration.

"This system can be implemented very quickly." Andrew said, "We're talking about adding a digital exciter that could cost between \$10,000 and \$50,000."

Developers just are not sure about the cost of the exciter, Andrew admitted.

This is the first public mobile demonstration of USA Digital Radio. The group held demonstrations by invitation on AM in Cleveland, Ohio, and on FM in Chicago and also has presented video and taped audio programs.

Similar to '91

The 1995 demonstration is very similar to what the developers of the European Eureka-147 DAB system did at NAB in 1991.

Eureka-147 had a DAB and standard FM transmission broadcast at 30 W ERP from atop the Las Vegas Hilton. The FM signal was broadcast on 94.9 MHz and the DAB was broadcast at 479 MHz, with a transmission bandwidth of 3.5 MHz. The program included two different DAB chan-

nels, although the DAB actually broadcast eight separate—CD-quality channels. A FW gap filler was installed atop the Golden Nugget hotel.

That same year, USA Digital Radio had a DAT tape fed to a MUSICAM encoder.

For those wanting to make a comparison between USA Digital Radio and Eureka-147, Andrew maintained listeners will hear no difference. USA Digital Radio is using a ISO/MPEG MUSICAM encoder at 256 Kbps on FM, the same as Eureka, he said.

"We're providing mirror coverage," Andrew said, "no more, no less,"

As USA Digital Radio developers have said, the current system is designed for the American market. But Andrew suggested it can be adapted for other countries and he said there have been discussions with "two major international networks."

"Everyone believes the issue tof adapting the system) is solvable." Andrew said, "You have to take one step at a time.

"We're broadcasters protecting our own interests in the beginning."

FCC Rule Protects AM Radio

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Federal Code of Regulations solidifies the rules. Because the policy statement was not an official regulation, cellular owners could sometimes get away with constructing interfering cellular towers, leaving AM station owners with little recourse.

"It was difficult to enforce the statement," Alexander said, "It didn't have any teeth in it." Once cell sites were up and running, he noted, it was extremely difficult to have them removed.

But Public Mobile Service licensees will now have to assure their signals do not interfere with AM signals before constructing a cellular tower. And when they do interfere with AM signals, cellular operators must pay the cost of having the interfering signal corrected.

Specifically, the new rules read: "Public Mobile Service licensees that conduct or modify towers in the immediate vicinity of AM broadcast stations are responsible for measures necessary to correct disturbance of the AM station antenna pattern which cause operation outside of the radiation parameters specified by the FCC for the AM station, if the disturbance occurred as a result of such construction or modification."

Whenever a cellular tower is scheduled to be located within a kilometer (.621 miles) of a non-directional AM antenna, the cellular licensee must give the AM station advanced notice of the planned construction.

The new rules also require Public Mobile Services to take measurements to determine whether or not a particular site construction would affect an AM station's antenna pattern. The rules then hold Public Mobile Service licensees responsible for the installation and continued maintenance of de-tuning equipment "necessary to restore proper non-directional performance of the AM station tower."

The same rule applies if a cellular operator also plans to make a tower modification within a kilometer of a non-directional AM antenna.

In the case of directional AM stations, the rules are a little more stringent. If cellular tower construction or modification is planned within three kilometers (1.8 miles) of a directional AM broadcast signal, the cellular licensee must again notify the AM station in advance and cellular operators must again take measurements to determine whether or not cellular construction or cellular tower modification would affect the AM station antenna pattern.

The burden again falls on cellular operators to install and maintain the necessary de-tuning gear to restore the proper performance of the AM station's signal.

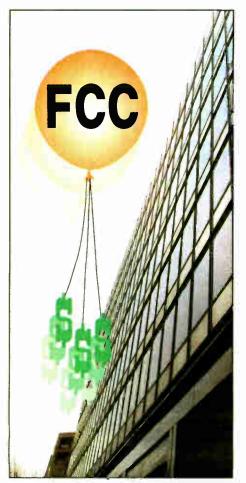


Proposed FCC Schedule Adjusts Fees

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FM Class A, B1 and C3 stations in Arbitron markets would see their regulatory fees jump from \$600 to \$1.025, an increase of almost 71 percent, FM Class A, B1 and C3 stations in non-Arbitron markets would realize a decrease of approximately 38 percent, from \$600 to \$375.

For FM Class C, C1, C2, B stations in Arbitron markets the fees would increase



The FCC is considering changes in regulatory fees.

from \$900 to \$1.525, about 69 percent, and for the same class station in non-Arbitron markets the fees would decrease from \$900 to \$565, or about 37 percent.

The commission also plans to increase its fees for new station permits. The proposed permit fee for constructing an AM station would be raised to \$120 from \$100, and the proposed permit fee for constructing FM stations would be raised from \$500 to \$595.

The proposed permit fees are assessed by dividing the 1995 fiscal year cost requirements for permits by the number of stations applying for permits, according to the text of the FCC's NPRM. In the case of AM stations, the revenue requirements are \$9,480 divided by 79 permits. In the case of FM, the cost requirement is \$418,285 divided by 703 FM construction permits.

Broadcasters react

Despite a decrease in many fees, the National Association of Broadcasters still objects to what they see as an unfair system that makes broadcasters finance the cost of running the FCC.

"We think they (the fees) are arbitrary head taxes." NAB Spokesman Doug Wills said. "We don't think the FCC should be financed off the backs of radio and television stations."

Wills noted that although the broadcasters would not be hit too hard by the pro-

posed fee increase, the notion of increasing fees has the association concerned.

Broadcasters agreed with the NAB's assessment.

"It's just another attempt by the government to tax business to support government," said Dan Kelley, operations director for group owner J. Thomas Development of New Mexico, Inc., which operates KKFG, KDAG, KCQL and KPRZE, "It's just another attempt at sending a tax our way to raise funds as opposed to cutting programs and cutting waste."

Others in the broadcast industry are afraid the FCC is setting a bad precedent

with fee increases

Jeremy Lansman, an engineering con-

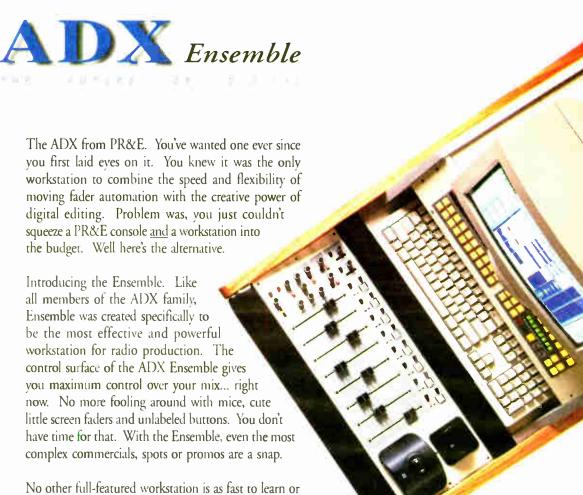
Some radio stations would see a fee decrease, others an increase.

sultant for KRUA in Anchorage, Alaska, said the fee hikes may result in a vicious circle of annual increases and the subsequent hiring of more staff to administrate the hikes.

"If the FCC can increase fees, it can increase regulations every year and hire new people, and, thereby." he said, "increase the fees again each year as the cycle continues."

Lansman, who is also the owner of KYES-TV in Anchorage, feels that the FCC's system of assessing fees is unfair. He said that other types of communication services like cellular phone services and cable television providers are assessed by the size of their customer bases.

Broadcasters, on the other hand, he said, are assessed a flat fee that could prove more burdensome to locally owned stations than to corporate-owned stations.



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FCC Foresees New EAS As 'Hot' Topic in 1995

by Whitney Pinion

AVON, Colo. Addressing an attentive audience at an FCC open forum at Cassidy's Hole-in-the-Wall restaurant, FCC Representative Jon Sprague predicted that 1995 will be a "hot issues" year for the commission and for broadcasters. Some of those issues are likely to be the new Emergency Alert System (EAS) and reworking of fines.

The first evening of National Supervisory Network's (NSN) Ski and

Sky Summit, Jan. 26-29, Sprague and Nikki Shears, both from the Denver FCC Field Office, outlined these specific issues, some controversial, and fielded questions.

At the top of Sprague's list was the changeover from the Emergency Broadcast System (EBS) to the Emergency Alert System (EAS) in radio. Sprague said that he expects EAS expansion into cable in 1996, and, eventually, into paging companies.

Of particular interest to radio broadcasters



An FCC open forum was part of NSN's Ski & Sky Summit, set in the Rocky Mountains.

at this forum was the issue of unattended operation of broadcast stations. "With

technology that can self-correct," Sprague said, "stations don't need 24-hour attention." Although unattended operation has not yet been approved and approval could take time, Sprague forsees the transition, and that it's "not just talk."

Another concern addressed by Sprague was the recently announced hike in regulatory fees for broadcasters. The new fee schedule is out, and Sprague said that broadcasters might as well "break open the pocketbooks, 'cause it's gonna happen." He added that this money doesn't get funneled directly to the FCC but goes instead to a general fund.

Sprague also discussed the FCC's role as disciplinarian. "Wrongs used to equal dollars," Sprague said. With the prodding of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), the whole concept of the FCC's issuing fines is being scrutinized by the Court of Appeals to determine whether or not it's constitutional.

As a result, he said, some fines may be reduced from a many-thousand-dollar amount to "a slap on the hand, a written warning," he said. Not that broadcasters won't still be expected to comply with regulations, he added.

Another issue facing the FCC is the review of Part 73 and Part 74 to determine if the rules in them are necessary, or if they need to be modified or rewritten. The commission is open to suggestions during this review process.

The FCC also is rewriting, in its entirety, Part 17, which deals with the ownership of towers. The commission wants to "turn the whole ball of wax over to the FAA," Sprague said.

"There are a lot of unnecessary rules out there," Sprague said. "The government wants to eliminate superfluous rules." According to Sprague, the FCC is attempting to slim itself down somewhat, to be less of the bureaucratic creature as it has come to be perceived. To make ordering forms faster and easier, the FCC has established a toll-free number, 800-418-3676, for form orders.

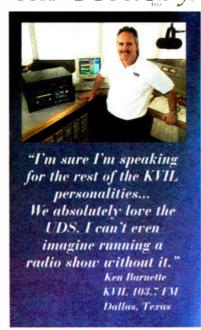
Besides complaints about bureaucracy, another gripe voiced to the FCC by radio broadcasters is telephone and TV interference, according to Sprague. In fact, Sprague said, interference generates the greatest number of complaints and, thus, comprises the biggest area of enforcement for the FCC.

"This problem is 50 or 60 years old," Sprague said. He added that standards to minimize interference caused by telephones should be in place soon. Otherwise, and as is the case with other issues facing the FCC and broadcasters, there are "no easy answers."



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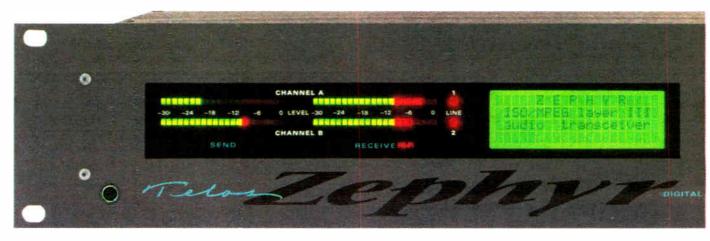
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Pushing DAB Envelope in Canada

MONTRÉAL Normally a quiet country willing to go along with the standards of others, Canada has been relentless in championing L-band for both terrestrial and satellite Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB) using the Eureka-147 system.

Still, what is most surprising is this research was not generated by a giant well-funded organization but a team of three staff engineers based at the publiclyowned Canadian Broadcasting Corp. (CBC) in Montréal: François Conway. Brian Sawyer and Michel Fortin.

Since the early 1990s, it has been their job, with the support of engineers from Industry Canada and the Communications Research Centre, to see if the Lband at 1500 MHz could provide 40 MHz of spectrum well suited to both terrestrial and satellite broadcasting.

'We were the experimenters," said Conway, who is supervising engineer of broadcast spectrum for CBC Engineering. "We were the ones doing the experimental work, setting up the facilities, doing the first test... finding the equipment and debugging the equipment.

It was a very ad hoc arrangement with the team not so much being formed, as just happening as they shared responsibilities among themselves, according to Sawyer, supervisor of standards and methods in CBC Engineering. "We just did everything that required doing," he said. "There was no name (for the project) that we referred to.

The first part of their job came in planning for the 1992 World Administrative Radio Conference, when Canada was developing its position for DAB spectrum allocation. On paper L-band looked like it could do the job, but the possibility also raised a number of questions.

To answer them, the CBC group staged what Conway referred to as "pure propagation tests" in Ottawa and Montréal. Using a minivan equipped with an L-band antenna, a Hewlett Packard 8591A spectrum analyzer and an IBM clone computer, the researchers monitored the propagation of a carrier wave transmitted on 1500 MHz.

Just gathering propagation data was not a simple task, given that the wavelength itself was only 20 centimeters and that eight readings were needed per wavelength to generate meaningful numbers.

'We gathered close to 53 million points," Conway said, "but still, in terms of propagation measurements required to establish propagation models and planning, it was relatively limited.

However, the data generated by the Ottawa/Montréal propagation trials in the summer of 1991, plus a subsequent Eureka-147 test broadcast in Toronto that measured signal reception and sound quality along a north-south urban/suburban line, convinced the Canadians that L-band could deliver propagation performance similar to the TV-UHF band, at a cost comparable to broadcasters comparable to conventional FM.

The endorsement of L-band by WARC -albeit with some reservations to recognize continuing U.S. in-band effortschanged life for the CBC engineering team, somewhat,

"We were still alone with our L-band," Sawyer said, "but now we had a real allocation, so we said, 'We might as well try to use it and plan for it,' so in order to plan

In the fall of 1992, those measurements took the form of a dual second-generation Eureka transmitter test. One unit was installed on the CN tower in Toronto; 2 kW ERP with the antenna height at 320 meters. The other site was 80 kilometers north at Barrie, Ontario, where the transmitter was tested at 97 and 230 meters above ground level, with respective ERPs of 6 and 17 kW.

This test measured the feasibility of establishing Single Frequency Networks (SFN) using multiple DAB transmitters, and, like the earlier Ottawa/Montréal trials, it made the grade. The Eureka system provided coverage in the L-band at a rate comparable in cost and performance to FM.

After a whirlwind trip to Mexico City. where a demonstration DAB station was established to coincide with the April 1993 meetings of the Inter-American Telecommunications Conference, the CBC group next conducted measurements up to 200 kilometers from a transmitter based in Trois Riviéres, Québec. Afterward they turned their attention back to Montréal for the next big step: a three-transmitter coordinated network.

With a main third-generation Eureka transmitter based on Mount-Royal, the main AM/FM/TV transmitter site in Montréal, and two others located about 50 kilometers away, the L-band team began further tests in SFNs and coverage extenders with the two remote sites being fed off-air by the

Mount-Royal transmitter. They also set up a "permanent" experimental station in Toronto for further tests.

For the CBC team of Conway, Sawyer and Fortin, L-band has proven itself to be a medium worthy of study. "It more than exceeded our expectations," Conway said. "We were hoping that L-band would be a feasible band, that it would not be too expensive. As a result of our measurements now, we feel that it is more than feasible; in fact, there may be ways to design that it will be practically the same cost as

Equally satisfying for Fortin, senior engineer in broadcast spectrum at CBC Engineering, is the support the efforts of the team have won for L-band from other WARC members. "At one point we had a meeting of all these countries in Montréal," Fortin said, "and they were given a tour of the network here. Most of them could not believe what

Of course, the work is not over yet for the CBC, but as Canada approaches its goal of achieving DAB before 2000, it is safe to say they are now in "the home stretch."

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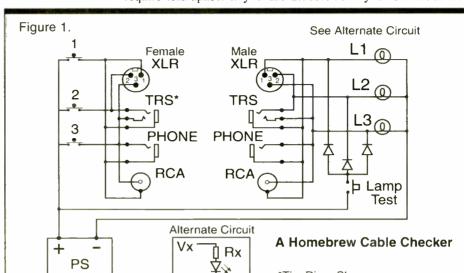
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so important, a lamp test switch will identify any burned-out bulbs.

Using LEDs rather than bulbs will eliminate the lamp test circuitry, and will require less space. If you use diodes, be



Calculating the values is easy. See the insert box in Figure 1. All you need to know is the terminal voltage (Vx) and the current rating of the LED. Most LEDs operate between 20 and 40 mA. Use Ohm's law to determine the resistance, allowing about 1.5 volts for the diode. If you remember from an earlier issue, the

ohms/volt value is 50 for a 20 mA string. Calculate the series resistor by multiplying the terminal voltage by 50, then subtract about 75 ohms.

Voltage

Assume the voltage source to be 12 volts. If you wish to limit the diode to 20 mA, the value of the series resistance would be: Rx =Vx-1.5 / I. Substituting, Rx = (12 -1.5) / .02 = 525.16

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by Naomi R. Inman

SANTA BARBARA In the early morning hours of January 10, radio-news teams for two California county, primary EBS stations awoke to find themselves in unfamiliar territory: guiding their communities through what the weather service calls a 20-year flood.

In Santa Barbara and Ventura counties, heavy rains dropped up to an inch of water per hour. By 6 a.m. flood warnings were in effect and reports came in of flooded homes and cars just blocks from radio station KTMS in Santa Barbara.

"(The recent flooding) shows how radio is the one that people turn to when they need to know what the hell is going on," said Peter Bie, news anchor and reporter at primary EBS station KTMS-AM in Ventura. KTMS was part of a three-station group (including KLITE-FM and KHPY-FM) to simuleast 10 continuous hours of commercial-free flood coverage and several days of follow-up coverage, in Santa Barbara county.

The flood

The biggest disasters happen when there are no rating periods," said Rich Gualano, news director at KVEN (AM) in Ventura, in discussing the culmination of his station's 16-hour performance during the flood. KVEN is the primary EBS station for Ventura County.

Without hearing the official word, anchor

Peter Bie knew something was up during his commute to KTMS at 4:30 a.m. on January 10 for the routine 6 a.m. news coverage. "By five-ish I thought we'd better get on the air and start talking about it," Bie said. At the direction of the weather service, KTS broadcast the EBS signal at 6:05 a.m.

"Our whole effort from that point on was to tell people not to wait-to get out now. People were still trying to carry on the normal routine," Bie said.

Santa Barbara's last serious flood occurred in the 1960s. That, according to Bie, does not leave most of the public with a longtime memory on what to do, including radio people. In the local radio community, stations said that January 10 was the first time they had run an actual EBS signal.

Although Bie boasts a general sense of satisfaction with KTMS news coverage during the flood, he shared one significant frustration. "I was a bit disappointed, in those early hours, about the general confusion of who knows what, what is their phone number and how can we talk to them," he said.

He said emergency planners also admitted the need to work out a better game plan. Emergency services were not always clear on who in the media to call.

Throughout the day, KTMS kept the public informed for 10 straight hours. Their coverage included live reports, and up-to-the-minute information from the county flood patrol, police, fire, the Red Cross, FEMA and the weather service.

"In one day, many of our crew-and our listeners-became experts in new terminology. Everyone learned what 'doplar radar' means," Bie said.

Doing it right

South of Santa Barbara, local stations and Ventura county officials pointed to KVEN (AM) as the one to turn to during the disaster, By 6 a.m., KVEN had broadcast the EBS signal and had four reporters stationed in problem areas throughout the community.

We got on the scene of every major problem before it happened," News Director Rich Gualano said. "We knew where problems were likely to occur because of past history and from scanner traffic.

KVEN had a problem with its emergency generator that failed at 9 a.m. and left the station dark for a half-hour. Throughout the day KVEN's coverage was three-fold: live reports from the scene of problems, official information from government agencies, and information from private individuals and other agencies.

During disaster coverage, one of the most important strategies is to sort out rumor from fact, Gualano warned, "It's important to have a filter for the information you get, and we don't report anything unless we are seeing it ourselves, or it comes from a government agency.

Overall, Gualano feels his station was admirably prepared. He points to room for improvement, however, in having enough staff to sort through information before it goes over the air.

"With any event, no matter how much you prepare," Gualano said, "you do a good job and in some things you do a bad job. It's a pretty messy business. The way we cover disasters, our listeners are listening to us gather the news, not just report the news

In both cases, KTMS-Santa Barbara and KVEN-Ventura reported an overwhelming response from their surrounding communities. In the form of letters, phone calls and day-to-day social contacts, they heard what the ratings could never tell them. Not a single life was lost in Santa Barbara County, the hardest hit by the flood.



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World Radio History

ROOTS OF RADIO

Bergen, McCarthy Banter a Natural for Radio

by Read G. Burgan

LAKE LINDEN, Mich. If you look up "ventriloquism" in Volume 22 of the 1972 Encyclopaedia Britannica, you'll find the following: "Ventriloquism—the art of 'throwing' the voice; i.e.: speaking in such a manner that the sound seems to come from a distant source other than the speaker.... A figure or dummy is sometimes used by the ventriloquist to assist in the deception. The ventriloquist animates the dummy by moving its mouth while his own lips remain still, thereby completing the illusion that the voice is the dummy's, not his...."

Instructive, but pretty dull stuff. The short article goes on to discuss ventriloquism's ancient roots. What it fails to mention is the greatest ventriloquist of the twentieth century: Edgar Bergen.

Before you close the book, look very closely at the parenthesis at the end of the article. That's right, at the three letters: "E.J.B." What do they mean? They're the initials of the article's author. In this case they stand for... Ah, you guessed: "Edgar John Bergen."

In the beginning

Edgar Bergen was born on Feb. 16, 1903 of Swedish parents. His original family name was actually Berggren. His early boyhood was spent on a farm near Decatur, Mich., his adolescent years in the Chicago area. He discovered his facility for ventriloquism quite by accident at the age of 11. One day as he called out to a friend walking down the street, he noticed the boy directed his answer elsewhere.

Bergen soon discovered that he had a talent for vocal misdirection. Before long he was entertaining classmates and frustrating his parents and other adults with his newfound skill.

A 25-cent book on ventriloquism helped hone his skills. Harry Lester, a famous ventriloquist reluctantly agreed to give the eager Edgar three months of ventriloquism lessons. Bergen also learned sleight of hand skills and magic routines.

A serious ventriloquist needs a dummy. Bergen had one specially carved of white pine material by a bartender named Theodore Mack at a cost of \$35. The face of his dummy was modeled after an Irish newsboy Bergen had seen on a nearby street. Bergen himself carved the body.

Before long, Bergen was a hit at school assemblies and parties. Even his school teachers recognized he possessed an extraordinary talent to entertain.

Bergen entered Northwestern University as a pre-med student. To pay expenses, he performed as a combination ventriloquist and magician at various private parties. Summers were spent earning even more money on the Chautauqua and Lyceum circuits.

Paying some dues

He never finished college. From 1926 until 1936 he and his dummy, Charlie McCarthy, traveled over several continents playing the vaudeville circuits and perfecting his craft as an entertainer. His travels included Iceland, Sweden, England, Russia and South America where he even entertained at a leper colony.

It was a hard life. Long miles and low

pay. Eventually both his pay and his stature as an entertainer grew until he became a



Edgar Bergen with Charlie McCarthy

headliner. Bergen considered his first performance at the New York City's Palace Theatre in 1930 as his coming of age.

Six more years passed before the entire country would become his audience. In the fall of 1936 he played a private party in New York City where he came to the attention of Rudy Vallee. At that time Vallee had one of the most popular network variety programs in the country. Vallee asked Bergen to appear on his Dec. 16 broadcast on NBC. Bergen gratefully agreed.

But soon after both men had second thoughts. A ventriloquist on radio? Ridiculous. They each concluded that it was a bad idea. In the end, Rudy Vallee decided to risk it and persuaded Bergen to appear.

Bergen and McCarthy were an instant success. Vallee paid him \$150 for that initial appearance and invited him back repeatedly to the increasing delight of his audience.

In May of 1937. Betgen and McCarthy came into their own. Chase and Sanborn signed a contract with them for a weekly one-hour radio program on NBC. For years to come, the Charlie McCarthy and Edgar Bergen program ranked at or near the top of the ratings.

W.C.Fields was featured as Charlie McCarthy's foil during the first few months of the program. It was a marriage made in radio heaven. Their running radio feud evoked the nastiest barbs that radio censors would allow. The audience loved it. Here's a sample of their running dialogue:

Early radio repartee

CM: Mr. Fields, is that your nose or a new kind of flamethrower? WCF: Quiet you termites' flophouse!

CM: Why you bugle beak! Why don't you put helium up your nose and rent it out as a balloon?

WCF: Quiet you animated hitching post or I'll sic a beaver on you.

CM: No wonder Mr. Fields nose looks like a flame, he's an alcohol burner.

WCF: I'll saw his leg off and beat the sawdust out of his head with it!

CM: You won't say that when I grow up.

WCF: When you grow up I'll string telephone wires on you.

CM: I've never seen my father, Mr. Fields. WCF: Go out and look in my woodshed.

Bergen played the straight man to Charlie McCarthy. Charlie was radio's original bad boy. Bergen kept his age at fourteen. He was cheeky, sneaky, mouthy, clever, outrageous and much more. Although he actually had many costumes, his most familiar included top hat, tails and a monocle.

Radio's bad boy

He was also a womanizer. Over the years Charlie's leading ladies included Dorothy Lamour, Mae West

and Marlyn Monroe. His Adam and Eve skit with Mae West elicited thousands of letters from offended listeners, caused the FCC to threaten to pull the licenses of stations carrying the program and incurred a 15-year network ban against Mae West.

Charlie stood 38-inches high and weighed 40 pounds. Ultimately there were several Charlie McCarthy's, consisting of several heads and nearly half a dozen bodies. While the later creations provided Charlie with a variety of moods and appearances, none matched the original which Bergen insured for thousands of dollars and kept in its own private bedroom.

In the late '30s and early '40s, Bergen added two more dummies to his stable of characters. Mortimer Snerd joined the cast in 1939. He was an oaf—a farm fellow with buck teeth and pieces of straw sticking out of his hat. Mortimer and Charlie were dead opposites. Mortimer was as dumb as Charlie was smart. A psychiatrist said that the reason people liked Mortimer, was that he made them feel more secure then before they heard him because he was so stupid.

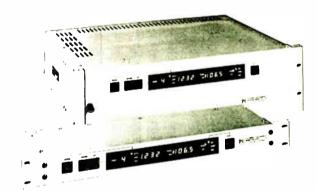
Effie Klinker, a man-crazy old maid was added in 1944. While Bergen experimented with other characters, these three were the survivors, and Charlie remained the most popular.

How did Bergen parlay a ventriloquist act into a successful radio series? Why did people embrace a dummy they couldn't even see? Sam Pierce was the producer for the Bergen-McCarthy radio series for many years. He concluded, "The reason

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Club DJs May Need Production Polish

by Alan Peterson

HARRISBURG, Pa. For CHR radio stations, hiring a club DJ to jock a dance show is often a shrewd idea. The jock knows how to mix seamlessly, is very in tune with what is hot, and has a built-in following from his or her club gigs. A hot club DJ can make your station sound exciting.

When you ask a club DJ to pull some production time, however, you may find out your shining diamond will need some additional polish.

Serious work

It has been my experience that radio production done by some (not all) clubintensive jocks is in need of serious repair: levels are on the moon, mic technique is deadly, interpretation of the message is nonexistent and the spot is either drowning in unnecessary sampling or was power-mixed with a dozen beat-matched music cuts.

Should your console have EQ, your client's precious message will also have enormous amounts of bass boost. Levels to cart or hard drive go past the red and enter the infrared region. To summarize, not whatchacall your station's best effort.

Why are these conditions mostly common to club DJs? Many club sound sys-

tems use huge limiters, so jocks depend on them for smooth segues each time regardless of settings. Jocks have to climb inside those \$80 cheeseball dynamic mics just to be heard in the

clubs; they'll do the same thing to your RE-20 or Senny 421 strictly from habit.

Sampling and power-mixing is hip, but not always necessary (florists and luxury car dealers should avoid such approaches). The

low end is over-EQ'd to simulate bazooka bass "so it doesn't sound wimpy." but it only slams the compressor in the production room and ends up muddy.

Sure, it sounds cool in the production room at 100 dB with the door open (so the bass waves have somewhere to go), but over the air, down the phone to the client or on a spec cassette, it just plain sounds bad.

EQ'ing excitement

As engineers and/or production directors, we need to help translate a DJ's style and the excitement he or she cre-

ates into a marketable and airable prod-

First step is to explain why none of that big fat bass makes it to the air: everything way down there hits a brick wall as

Many club sound systems use

um, not one that is read. Finally, show him what's going on behind the words: obviously an Acura car commercial requires a different read than an alternative club night spot. A home security

alarm company needs emotion; an auto speedway needs nitro-methane mixed with testosterone. Breaking away from clubfloor vocal technique is a big step and he or she may not latch onto it right away. Nurture this approach and

have him or her work at it.

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it passes through processing before being STL'd out the door. Better to strive for a balanced sound, one where all frequencies blend in a harmonious manner. Let him or her hear a sample of a similar spot produced by another jock at the station for reference and perhaps inspiration.

A primer in mic technique should be the first practical lesson in the studio. The first time someone stops "swallowing" the mic, he will be amazed at the amount of power and clarity that comes with a high-end unit (always say "no" if he asks if he can borrow it for the club... and he will ask too). Show him proximity effects: the airiness they achieve with moderate distance and the intimacy of close-miking with a low voice. Use your ear to find an EQ curve on the mic processor that is his or her signature.

Now that he can work a mic, give him a basic taste of how to interpret a piece of copy. Put extra spin on the emotional adjectives: new, crunchy, sexy, shiny and the like. Show how a lift in pitch towards the end of a phrase gives it a positive feel. Teach him to ignore commas in the copy; radio is a spoken medi-

Adjusting the levels

This leaves you time to help him or her with levels. The easiest way to understand it? Bypass the studio compressor/limiter. Plain and simple, if the mix sounds well-balanced without compression, it will still sound good with it. Hearing an uncompressed mix allows the ear to "microscope" the subtleties of it and make good decisions. Unless a very specific effect is aimed for (such as classic limiter breathing), fade down the laser blasts and reverb return levels, turn off the sampler for now, and don't allow the limiter to take control of the mix.

Finally (and be diplomatic with this one), music choices. Not every spot requires beat-to-beat mixes of several songs. First, it may sound too close to a station promo; program directors are fierce when it comes to differentiating commercials from station image. Second, it's mostly being done for the jock's ego: "Man, I sound as good on this sixty as I do in the club." Lastly, not all clients require this approach, and many a demo will be sent back for a re-cut with the note "change music" attached.

Your protégé

Instruct your new protégé that part of interpreting the copy includes visualizing ("auralizing"?) what sort of music is appropriate for the message. Then guide him or her through the station library and teach him or her how to use the cross-reference directory.

By no means, however, curtail his or her creative edge. These guys may have had access to recording gear much more sophisticated than yours and can coax some phenomenal performance out of your production room. If you have MIDI, watch him take to it like a pigeon to popcorn. Allow him time to rehearse, practice and do mixes, and in turn he will probably redefine what your room is capable of doing.

Lastly, be ready to watch him or her do his or her thing in the room, and get ready to learn some new techniques from what he may have brought from the clubs. None of us know all the tricks, so everybody gets better and the station gets richer.

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Manufacture Your Own PC Boards

by Jim Somich

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laser printer? It's almost that easy with the toner transfer system of creating pc boards. The system is simple and foolproof and much quicker and easier than photographic techniques. It is also faster and easier than laying out artwork directly on clad boards.

Excellent etch resist

The common toner used in copiers or laser printers is comprised of about 50 percent pulverized plastic. This toner makes an excellent etch resist for the creation of printed circuit boards. The problem has been how to transfer the toner image directly to the circuit board.

To understand the process of transfer-

ring an image, we need to take a quick look inside a copier or laser printer. Without getting into the details of how these printers create the image, suffice it to say that the initial image is nothing more than carefully arranged toner dust particles. If you were to stop the process here and pull the paper out of the machine, you could blow on the image and it would fly away. To make it a permanent image, the toner image must be melted into the paper fiber.

Just before the paper emerges from the printer, it makes contact with a very hot 'fuser" roller. The toner instantly melts into the fibers of the paper, making a

permanent image. These paper fibers act the same way as steel does when used to reinforce concrete.

Toner transfer paper, available from several sources including Digi-Key, has a special water-soluble coating on one side of a loose-weave, lightweight paper. The coating acts as a barrier to prevent the toner image from locking onto the fibers of the paper. Because this coating is impervious to heat, it's completely safe to run this paper through any laser printer or copier.

The key to this process involves a "double-fusing" technique. The first fusing is from the printer to the paper as already discussed. The toner transfer paper is now placed face down over the cleaned circuit board. The second fusing takes place as the back of the paper is subjected to high heat and a little pressure. The source of this heat can be a common household iron set to "cotton." The toner image remelts and bonds to the copper surface. The board is then placed into a tray of water, where after about a minute or two, the paper will slide off, leaving a perfectly transferred image.

Imaging methods

Two imaging methods are normally used for creating the pc board layout representation.

• Personal computer with a laser printer: Option A-Design your layout on the computer screen

Option B-Using a scanner as an input device, capture the artwork from a maga-

There are many commercial and shareware programs available for pc board layout. I use a program called SmArtwork from Wintek. SmArtwork includes a simple auto-router, block editing functions and a library of pads, dips and sips.

Photocopiers

This method would be used if you only have a dot matrix printer for output or you are fabricating a board from a magazine construction article. If a magazine's artwork is not printed clearly, you can correct the deficiencies by making a good copy of the pattern on regular paper and then using a bottle of correction fluid and black pen to make necessary touchups. You can then reprint to the transfer paper.

After the transfer process is completed, it is wise to go over the image and re-touch with an etch resist pen where necessary. If part of the image did not adhere to the copper, either you did not use enough pressure during heat transfer or the board was not perfectly clean. You can clean the resist off the board with acetone and start over.

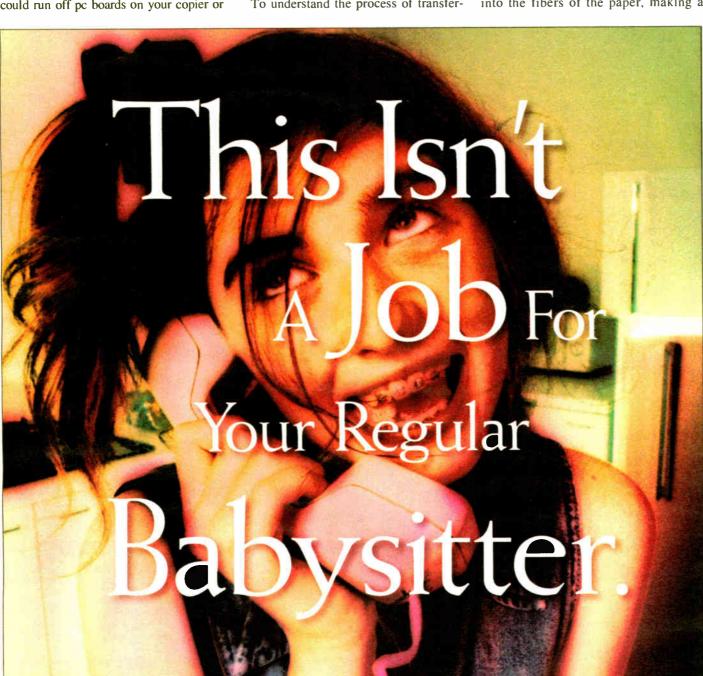
Place the finished board in a tray of Ferric Chloride etchant for about 15 minutes (less time if you heat the solution and agitate constantly).

I use a high-speed Dremel tool in a drill press stand to drill my finished board accurately. Carbide-tipped drills in pc sizes are available from several sources, including Digi-Key. The pc drills have a 1/8-inch shank so they can be used in almost any hand tool or drill.

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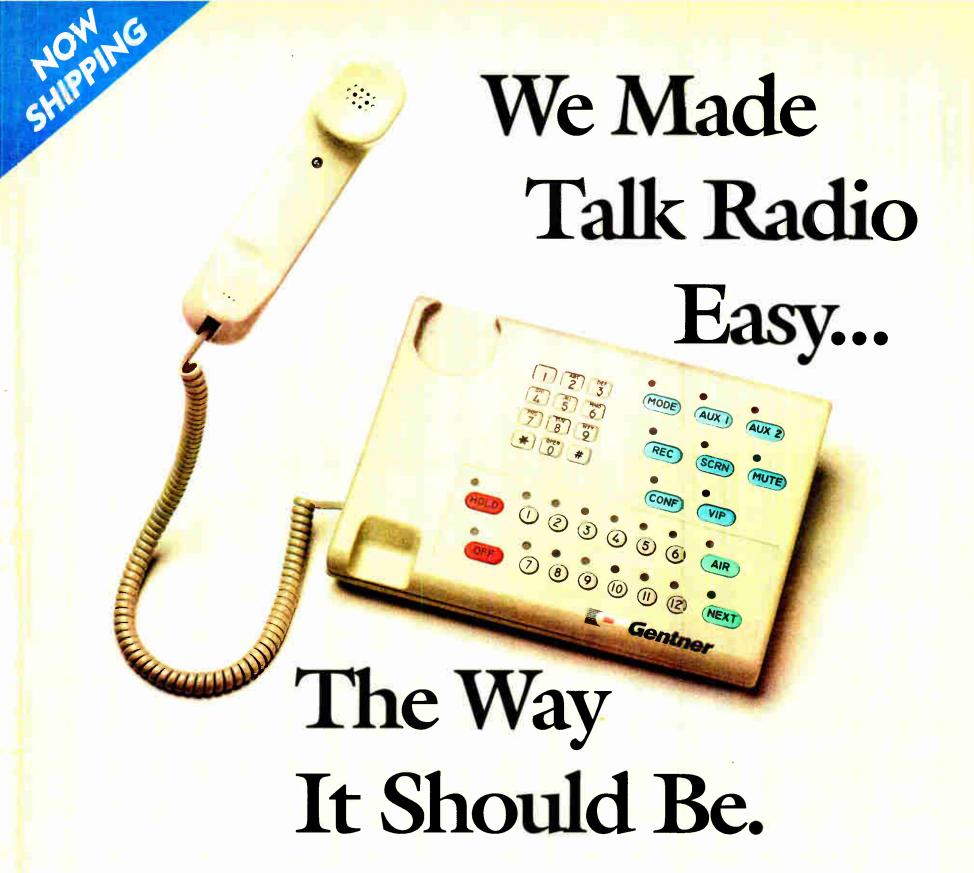
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Updates on Expanded Band, Towers

by Harry Cole

WASHINGTON As we careen into 1995, the FCC has given us all a number of things to think about. In this column we'll take a look at a new proposed revisions in the way the Commission regulates towers.

But first, a clarification of an item we covered a month or two ago. In response to our column about the AM expanded band proceeding, the switchboard at the Cole's Law "Smash or Trash" Reader Hot-Line lit up like a Christmas tree. Of the four calls we got, two thought the column was a smash, and two thought it was trash.

At least one of the two who disagreed with our somewhat skeptical view of the expanded band matter happened to be one of 79 licensees anointed by the FCC to venture forth into the expanded band. He wanted us to know that he and others in his position are excited about the possibilities and very upbeat about moving up the band ASAP.

Expanded band radios

He (and one other caller) also wanted us to be sure to let everybody know that, contrary to a suggestion in our column, expanded band receivers are in fact readily available in the marketplace, and have been for some time. As evidence, he pointed to a listener who had recently bought a new car, only to discover that the radio did not extend into the expanded band. After complaining to the car dealership, the listener was given a new radio.

(Of course, in addition to demonstrating that such radios are available, this anecdote also illustrates that there may still be some, er, practical impediments to getting them into consumers' hands right away.)

So much for the old business. On the new side, the FCC is proposing to require tower owners (as opposed to each indi-

vidual applicant proposing to use a tower) to register their towers with the Commission. The idea is that each tower would be given a unique registration number. That number could then be used to keep track of the tower's coordinates, height, lighting/marking specifications, etc., in the FCC's records.

The tower owner—as opposed to the owner(s) of each of the antennas on the tower—would then be under a continuing obligation to notify the FCC of any changes in any of that information. And if an applicant proposes to use a particular tower, it would only have to reference the tower's registration number.

The motivation for this proposal comes in large measure from the fact that, under the Commission's existing regulatory approach, when a tower with multiple tenants is modified, each of the tenants generally ends up having to report the modifications (if not request authority to make them).

Tower regs

That means a hefty amount of unnecessary duplicated effort on the Commission's part. So what the agency is trying to do is to separate out the mere structural aspects of towers, which will be the same for all users of any particular tower, from the RF-based licensing considerations which will vary from user to user.

This proposal seems to be reasonably good news for broadcasters. While it may create some additional administrative chores for those of you who own your own towers, it should make life easier when it comes to preparing applications. Theoretically, instead of having to fill in a bunch of information about your proposed tower site, all you would have to do would be to list the tower's registration number.

It may also make life easier in dealing with the FAA. It appears from what the FCC has said so far about its proposal that the FCC views the FAA as being interested only in purely structural aspects of towers; i.e., how tall they are, how close they are to airports, etc. This may be significant because it suggests that the FAA may no longer be interested (at least as far as the FCC is concerned) in electromagnetic interference ("EMI").

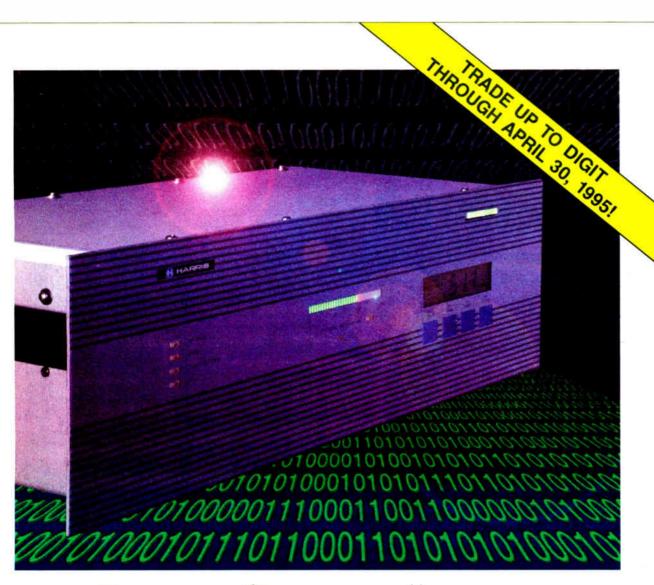
As some of you FM operators may recall, several years ago it was exceedingly difficult to get many upgrade applications approved because the FAA objected to the possibility that the upgraded operation might cause EMI to navigation systems. More recently, the FAA has revised its computer programs so that it seems to be seeing fewer potential EMI problems.

The one somewhat negative aspect of the FCC's proposal is that all tenants of a tower would still be responsible, albeit on a "secondary basis," for compliance with applicable tower rules. That means that broadcast licensees who are merely renting space on a tower could still be responsible for checking tower lights, assuring compliance with marking requirements, and the like.

It also means that, if a tower is way out of compliance, the Commission could conceivably fine the tower owner as well as all the tenants—meaning something of a windfall for the government in the way of fines.

On the whole, the FCC's tower registration proposal seems to be a rational and, ideally, useful approach to the problem confronting the FCC.

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Edgar was loved so, is because people believed the dummies. They really did believe the dummies, because on radio you didn't see them. Even the audience in the studio believed them."

Credibility factor

Just how believable were Bergen's dummies? Sam Pierce recalled an almost unbelievable example: "I was doing a series of spots with Edgar Bergen and the dummies at CBS one afternoon. All the cast were there. Edgar had completed two or three spots that we put on tape, and asked, 'Do you need me any more, Sam?' I seriously said, 'No, I don't think so, Edgar. I've got a couple of little things I'm going to do with Charlie and one I've got to do with Mort. So I don't need you. You can go.'

"He picked up, walked out of the studio, and out to his car in the parking lot. And I swear he knew exactly what he was doing; he just sat down in his car and waited for me. Pretty soon I said, 'Mort, let's do the Mort stuff....' And all of a sudden I realized what I had done. I had sent the voice of Mortimer and the voice of Charlie right out into the parking lot. I believed in them so much!"

With Bergen's abilities to create such believable characters, you'd assume that he was a consummate ventriloquist. Sam Pierce remembers, "He wasn't that good a ventriloquist as far as moving his lips. Oh sure, he was better than the average. But half the jokes in the show were Charlie's saying, 'Your lips are moving, Bergen.' And then we'd do a whole routine on his lips being moving. We made something of it."

On the radio programs, Charlie McCarthy's witty responses were razor sharp. His seeming adlibs came so fast and furious that listeners readily concluded that Edgar Bergen was the master of the quick comeback.

"Not so," says Sam Pierce. "Edger Bergen was a very quiet man who would have loved to have had the command of the adlib, but who really didn't. You see the writers had never written anything funny for Edgar; he was the straight man. Even though Edgar got big laughs because of being a foil with Charlie and Mort, he was lost with out something having been written that he could remember. He had a great memory. With the dummies he was bright and brilliant. He could really wow them. But alone, without them, he was lost. It was an odd thing to see."

Lost without the dummies

Pierce recalled a vivid example of this: "One year we were back in Chicago. Edgar had been appearing in person in a nightclub. We had done the radio show there. We had some spare time, so we decided to take the train instead of flying. We went back to the club car on the train. There were five or six young girls who were just wild because they recognized him. He began talking to them, trying to quip and make them laugh. But he got lost, He was struggling and the girls were looking a little disappointed.

"Finally he said, 'Look Sam, hang on a minute and I'll be back. Buy the girls a drink.' He was back in about five minutes and had brought Charlie and Mort back with him in the suitcases. He pulled them out and sat Charlie down on his knee. Then he started adlibbing with Charlie. In two minutes he had the place

in hysterics. He had the place falling down with laughter, because he had Charlie sitting on his lap. Then he pulled Mortimer out, started talking with Mortimer, and the same thing happened. It was a graphic example to me, that here was a man who depended on this combination, the wizardry of these dummies."

During the '30s and '40s, Bergen and Charlie starred in several movies, including: You Can't Cheat An Honest Man (1939); Charlie McCarthy: Detective (1939); Look Who's Laughing (1941); and Fun And Fancy Free (Walt Disney 1947). None of these films were particularly memorable, but they did serve to enhance the illusion of Charlie McCarthy being a real person. In the movies, it was easy to create scenes in which Charlie alone was featured with Bergen nowhere to be seen.

Master of innuendo

By the mid 1940s, Bergen was paid \$10,000 a week for his radio show, earned \$150,000 per motion picture and received yet another \$100,000 a year on royalties from Charlie McCarthy dolls and toys.

Over the years Edgar and Charlie received numerous accolades. In 1938 the Motion Picture Academy awarded Bergen a special wooden "Oscar" for the comedy creation of 1938. The most unusual award was when Northwestern

University gave Charlie an honorary degree: The Master of Innuendo and Snappy Comeback. The citation read: "Prince of parasites, violent in company, churlish in behavior, acid in conversation, wooden faced in all relationships, and thus in many respects a typical product of higher education in America."

Bergen's radio program ran from 1937 until 1956. When it ended, he continued to play nightclubs and theaters, but gradually faded into near obscurity as ventriloquism faded in popularity.

In the summer of 1978, Edgar Bergen called a press conference to announce his retirement. For one last time he began a three week engagement in Las Vegas. His friends and family, who knew his health was fragile and that his failing memory often left him in confusion, attended the opening night with trepidation.

As Bergen and McCarthy flawlessly worked their way through the old routines, the years seemingly melted away. When the program ended, Bergen and McCarthy quietly listened to an audio montage of assorted clips from their old radio shows. The audience applauded with a standing ovation.

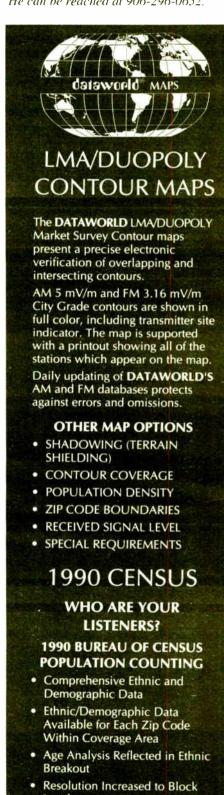
Bergen and McCarthy repeated the act for two more nights. On the morning of the fourth day in Las Vegas—10 days after announcing his retirement—Bergen and McCarthy never awoke. Today, Charlie McCarthy resides in the Smithsonian Institution.

During the Golden Years of radio, Edgar

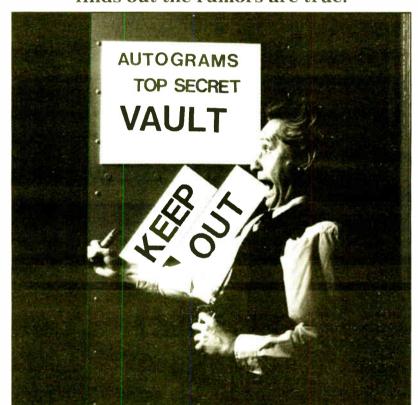
Bergen proved himself the ultimate ventriloquist by throwing his voice across an entire nation through the medium of radio. In his death, he shows an even greater ventriloquistic prowess. Each year more and more compact discs and cassettes are being issued bringing his unusual talent to a new generation— proving that Edgar Bergen is truly the world's greatest ventriloquist: throwing his voice forward into time and back from the Great Beyond!

Author's Note: The quotations from Sam Pierce are from a one-hour recorded interview made by the author at the Voice Of America studios on March 24, 1975.

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Re'an Organizes Patch Bay on Computer

by John Bisset

FALLS CHURCH, Va. If you have ever visited a network or large studio where patch bays rule the equipment racks, you may have been awed by the neat designator strips that identify each jack.

You may have experimented with your own patch bay designator labels using your word processor. Unless you have a lot of time, it's not easy to print out designator strips like the "professionals" use.

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Another avenue for patch bay IDs is Re'an PatchLabel software. The \$100 software package greatly simplifies the preparation of patch bays. The software was developed as an efficient alternative to labeling patch bays with two or three lines of text in a quarter-inch wide strip. The PatchLabel runs on Windows, requires at least an IBM 386 with hard disk drive (at least 600K available), VGA or SVGA color monitor, a mouse and inkjet or laser printer operating in the landscape mode.

With this software package, Patch bays can be customized quite easily. The program takes into account the number of sockets and their diameter, to insure properly proportioned labels. Changing the patch bay layout, or for that matter, the designations strips, is as simple as clicking the mouse. The program has the layouts for over 15 types and brands of patch bays, further simplifying the process.

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Re'an has built and wired professional audio and video patch bays, jacks, and cords for the professional audio and video industries. The company also manufactures knobs for many of your favorite pieces of gear.

This software packages their expertise in an inexpensive yet useful way, putting an end to smudges and hand-inked patch bays that no one can read. For more information, circle **Reader Service 163.**

Speaking of computers, in a recent publication from Dolby Labs, their presence on the Internet was announced. The most extensive presence is the Dolby Audio/Video Forum on America Online. Downloadable files of most of the major Dolby publications are provided, including technical papers. One of the most popular areas of the forum is the "Ask Dolby" message board, for questions addressed to Dolby's technical staff. You can access the forum by using the key word "DOLBY."

Bob Hawkins, a contract engineer in Indiana, recently encountered a problem with the plate current meter on his Harris FM-10H3 at WIFE-FM in Connorsville, Ind. Specifically, static would cause the plate current meter to wander.

Anti-static spray helped the situation for readings near zero, but was not a cure. Mid-level meter indications were unpredictable. In his travels to other stations, Bob noticed that the Modutec meter used in the CCA FM 20,000DS transmitter

was physically the same size—including the mounting studs—and it never acted strange.

After checking that the movement for the two meters was the same, Bob ordered one. The new meter cured the problem. The replacement meter cost a little over \$100, and made final tuning and adjustment a breeze. Jason at CCA can fill your order. Call him at 404-964-3530.

If you plan to exchange other meters, keep in mind that the measuring components must match. Some meters may have the same physical size, but a different full scale movement. The meter sensitivity is usually printed in small lettering somewhere on the meter scale faces in place.

Although not always a static problem, errant transmitter meters can run you in circles. During a maintenance session, it's a good idea to check the values of the meter multiplier resistors (make sure the transmitter is off and properly discharged!). Usually, sudden drops or improvements in efficiency—where no other symptoms are noted—can be traced to these resistors changing value.

Remote season will be upon us before you know it. If you haven't taken advantage of college interns to assist your remote setup, now is a good time to contact your local college or tech school. In exchange for college credit, the interns will perform on-the-job skills through a learn-as-you-do program that you and the college instructor can develop.

The legwork required to set up a program is worth bundles in duties that can be assigned to someone other than

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Like it or not, the better

Like it or not, the better weather is coming, and with that weather comes the influx of remotes. In a past Workbench, we outlined a scheme of labeling mic cables to simplify choosing the correct length. Belden wrote and suggested using different colors to represent different lengths. Another good idea.

you. Your management should appreci-

ate your initiative and resourcefulness.

But how about getting rid of the cables altogether/ Well, almost. Topham Audio in Orlando is selling a neat new device that turns any mic into a wireless mic. Manufactured by Lectrosonics, the wireless cube comes in three models. There are VHF narrow band and UHF narrow band versions for ENG use, and a UHF wideband model with high definition audio quality and full-function metering.

Each plug-in cube is about the size of a wall-wart power pack. The cube has an XLR female jack on one end, and is powered by a 9 Volt alkaline battery.

You simply plug in your favorite mic, and it becomes "wireless." Topham Audio publishes a production sound catalog that is full of useful products and accessories. For a copy, circle Reader Service 99.

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By Charles Anton

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ble new device that lets you use a stereo receiver to get that same surround sound in your home.

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Wins over critics. Gary Reber, editor and publisher of the most authoritative magazine on home theater systems, Widescreen Review, stated, ...passive matrix decoders such as the new Chase HTS-1 work great as Dolby Surround™ extractors, and sound exceptionally natural when used for soundtracks and music."

signals in stereo soundtracks. Because the circuit was patented, it was only available on expensive Hafler products. Now

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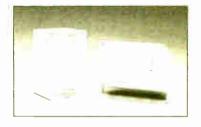
surround sound and producer of Audiophile Audition, a nationally syndicated radio program for audio

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Time Machine Travels with '60s Sound

by Alan Haber

DALLAS The sound is awfully familiar, and, well, comfortable, like a pair of old slippers or a well-worn bathrobe. Of course, you cannot wear the sounds that barrel out of the mists of time, thanks to Ricky the K's Solid Gold Time Machine, but you can be transported back to a time when music was something altogether different than it is today.

Nostalgia? No. Oldies? No. again. Richard Kaufman, the aforementioned Ricky the K, who pilots the Solid Gold Time Machine, a program he is gearing up to distribute by satellite, does not use those words. He simply invokes feelings as he recreates the sounds of sixties radio that tug at the heartstrings of many baby boomers.

Latent nostalgia

While on the air on Saturday nights with the first incarnation of the Solid Gold Time Machine at KOMA(AM) in Oklahoma City, Kaufman said he discovered that a lot of people care about sixties radio and really miss it. Ricky the K. in fact, missed it, too.

He loved radio as a kid, growing up in

Engineering The Time Machine

Kaufman said the audio chain for his Solid Gold Time Machine program authentically recreates the sound of mid-sixties WABC(AM) New York, but with CD-quality audio. The dense, warm sound of the show is made possible because of what is in the audio chain: each channel has 31-band equalization with a unique EQ curve, plate reverb, and vacuum tube compression and limiting.

An RCA 77-DX ribbon microphone helps complete the audio picture. Kaufman said that, when developing the engineering scheme for the Solid Gold Time Machine, he put an equalizer in the microphone processing chain, and gave it a 2 dB boost at 9,000 cycles and a 4 dB boost at 12,500 cycles. This gave the RCA microphone, which already exhibits a warm bass response, some high end that the microphone itself does not inherently have. For compression, Kaufman is using a pair of capacitor-refitted Teletronix LA-2A compressor limiters, which were made between 1964 and 1969.

Livingston, N.J., where he was friends with the son of Nick Massi, bass guitarist and bass singer in the Four Seasons. He was surrounded by musical signposts as a



Ricky the K pilots the Solid Gold Time Machine.

kid—songwriter Irwin Levine, who wrote "This Diamond Ring" for Gary Lewis and the Playboys and "Tie A Yellow Ribbon Round the Old Oak Tree" for Tony Orlando and Dawn, lived in Livingston. Then there was Carole King, who lived about a mile and a half from Kaufman on a street in West Orange, N.J. called Pleasant Valley Way, where she wrote (with Gerry Goffin) a song for the Monkees called "Pleasant Valley Sunday."

Kaufman loved, and continues to love, music—just about any hit record released between the years 1955 and 1971. And do not forget his favorite radio stations—New York's WMGM, WINS, and, of course, WABC and WMCA, "Probably my earliest influence was listening to Ted Brown and the Redhead doing morning drive on WMGM," he said, What really "made it for me," he added, "was Dan Ingram," the legendary WABC (now WCBS-FM in New York City) disc jockey.

Ingram had the qualities that Kaufman counts as "critically important... For me to like a disc jockey, he has to be uptempo, happy, and be able to do humor. And he has got to be able to do the humor... quickly, and keep the elements moving."

Kaufman's other big influence, in addition to hearing Rick Shaw on WQAM in Miami during Christmas trips there with his grandparents, was the man whom he says taught him radio, Barney Pip on WCFL in Chicago.

Well-traveled road

Kaufman's radio career is not unlike that of many disc jockeys who have toiled on the airwaves. He worked at a small station in Indiana, and at WFOM in Marietta. Ga. He also worked at WNUE in Fort Walton Beach, Fla., an experience he remembers fondly because, among other plusses, the station was running reverb on the air and PAMS jingles (as were several of the other stations at which he worked).

The process of redefining Kaufman's Solid Gold Time Machine as a satellite-distributed program began when he left KOMA in 1992. He said he used KOMA

"as a laboratory for two and a half years, figuring out how to recreate sixties radio, whether you could actually do it and do it without a board engineer, do it as well as WABC did, and I figured out that you can."

Around 1983. Kaufman said he and his partner began the process of "obtaining the rights" to the PAMS copyrights, trademark and tracks. For Kauf-

man, the PAMS jingles he had come to love helped to define the sounds of sixties radio epitomized by the Solid Gold Time Machine. Since then, Kaufman's company, PAMS Productions, has been producing recreations of the original PAMS jingles, sung by many of the people who sang the original incarnations, for oldies, big band and pop stations around the world.

These stations include WCBS-FM in New York City; WHAS(AM) in Louisville, Ky.; KOMA in Oklahoma City; CHUM in Toronto: Viking Radio in London; and Downtown Radio in Belfast, Ireland.

Kaufman is currently working with marketers to shop the Solid Gold Time Machine, which is designed to air four hours, five nights a week, to stations looking for a unique show targeted to listeners who love great music and the sound of sixties radio. A digital Ku-band satellite uplink has been installed at the PAMS Radio Network studios in Dallas by NSN Network Services that also will be offering receiver packages to stations that need them. Stations that pick up the show can expect to pay "a small monthly fee," according to NSN.

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Top 10 Questions for Promotion Hires

by Mark Lapidus

WASHINGTON When he told me he was "too busy" for an assignment, I knew I had hired the wrong person for the assistant promotion director position. He should have known better; he had held the job for several years at another radio station.

He was lacking an important key to success in radio promotion: constant adjustment of priorities. Could this person be taught? Possibly. However, had I conducted the job interview by posing the proper questions, I would have discovered this flaw and

addressed it prior to hiring him.

Although this article is written for those who do the hiring of promotion people, I urge those on the job to consider these elements against their own performance. Here's a top ten list of questions for potential promotion hires.

• What is the most successful promotion you have been involved with and what made it so terrific? The answer should reveal exactly what the person interviewed thinks was important about the promotion.

I recently had a candidate tell me the most exciting promotion she was involved with was an Aerosmith concert.

She thought it was great because she met a member of the group and the show was sold out. How did the station benefit? She replied that it sounded great when the DJs talked about the show.

Get the point?

As I questioned her further, she revealed that the station had no signage at the concert, gave away no tickets on air, had no presence on stage, and conducted no interviews with the band. She was not even certain if the station had carried commercials for the concert.

Obviously she had not learned that if a

promotion does nothing to generate ratings or revenue, it does not count for much.

Radio lingo

• Can you explain cume and time spent listening? OK... if you are hiring a promotion assistant to hang up banners and drive the van, this question may not be vital. However, you have hit a large pothole if a promotion director candidate does not know what the terms mean. Even an assistant promotion candidate should have at least heard the terms and be interested as to how they affect ratings and revenue.

• Pretend our budget is unlimited. How would you suggest we increase listening to the station? Probe for two basic concepts: promotion outside the station using TV, billboards, print, direct mail; and

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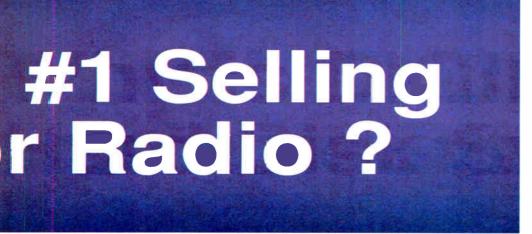
















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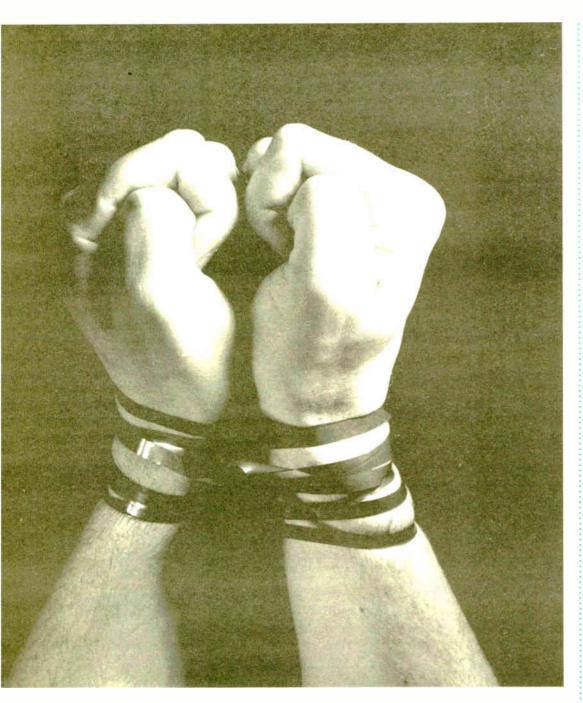
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would need to be $P = 12 \times Rx$, so $.022 \times 525 = .21$ watts. Because the LEDs are used intermittently, a quarter watt unit will suffice.

Any box or housing will work fine. The one I built has a wooden frame and a masonite front panel. I used XLRs, two and three-circuit phone plugs, a bantam, longframe, and phono, all in parallel. My layout has a line of connectors down one side, the switches and lamps in the middle, and an identical layout—with the exception of the XLR genders—down the other side.

Can't get into it this time, but we can learn some capacitor operation by looking at our multivibrator circuit. If you placed an oscilloscope on the base of one of the transistors, which of the waveforms of Figure 3 would you expect to see?

If you selected C you are absolutely right, and you are dismissed. Otherwise, read on.

Generally, there are two stages of any oscillator or multivibrator. I call them the startup stage and the running stage. At startup, for our circuit, both transistors are provided forward bias by R1 and

up interval is always shorter than the running interval; the first capacitor is uncharged, and has only to begin charging from zero instead of -9 later in the cycle.

So the charging and discharging continues, lighting first one LED then the other. The cycle is determined by the time constants of C2-R1, and C1-R2. You can make this RC anything you want. With the values shown, our circuit alternates about each 500 milliseconds.

By installing Q1 in a male XLR connector, it can be plugged into one end of a suspected cable, and the rest of the circuit, in a minibox, into the other.

Attached testing

This, as I stated earlier, makes it easier to check a cable whose ends are far apart.

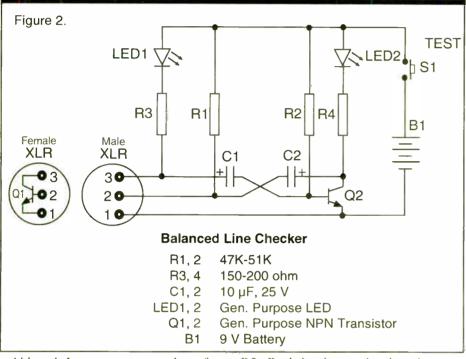
Be aware that lengthy cables will not check reliably in this circuit, since the multivibrator has a tendency to quit if too much resistance is inserted in the base and collector leads.

Otherwise, if the LEDs alternate, the cable is good. If only LED 2 is on, one or more of the cable conductors is open. If LED 1 is on constantly, one or more conductors are shorted together.

A 2-inch x 2-inch x 3-inch minibox provides ample room for the two LEDs, the test switch, an XLR connector and the 9V battery. After mounting the transistor in the XLR cable connector, the hole can be plugged with RTV or a grommet.

Toss this one in your toolbox and take a second to check each microphone cable as you lay it out for use. You'll be paid back tenfold for your time.

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Although I use a power supply, a few flashlight cells would make the unit handier and portable.

One of the drawbacks of this checker is that you need both ends of the cable at the tester. With loose cables, this is no problem, but in the case of bundled or hidden cables, the checker in Figure 2, albeit limited, might be more useful.

Capacitors

Multivibrators have been around almost as long as I have, and there are many variations on them, the simplest of which is shown in the schematic. This circuit has some intriguing features for being as simple as it is, and demonstrates a capacitor scenario which our young readers and those just learning electronic theory might find fascinating

Capacitors are one of the more impressive creatures in our electronic forest,

R2. Both begin conducting, but one always works a little faster, runs just a tad quicker, and beats the other to full conduction.

Suppose Q2 wins the race. C2's positive end, connected to the Q2 connector, is brought near ground, and this near-zero voltage is placed onto Q1's base, momentarily removing the bias from that transistor and turning it off. (Remember, an uncharged capacitor is equivalent to a short.)

How it works

Q2 is now conducting, LED2 is "on," and LED1 is "off," What is happening in the circuit at this time? Glad you asked. Well, C2 is charging (backwards) via R1 toward the supply. This means that soon the base potential at Q1 will be enough to break into conduction, and Q1 will turn on. When this happens, things get interesting. Keep in mind that when Q2

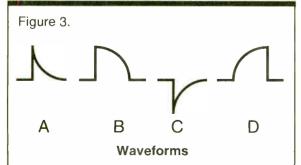
is conducting, C1 is also charging through R3, and takes on a charge of positive toward the supply.

Now, back to Q1. When Q1 gets enough base current, it turns on, and its collector voltage drops to near zero. This little move has the effect of essentially grounding the positively-charged end of C1. Relatively speaking, the other

plate of C1 becomes about -9V with respect to common. This turns off Q2 with a vengeance.

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promotion on your own air, using contests, hiring unusual talent or staging unique programming.

· Have you ever purchased (or traded) media to promote either radio or some other product? Those who say "yes" will talk about successes and failure These stories will permit further insight into their thinking. Those w should not be judged too harshly. It may be that previous compa budget for outside promotion.

If a budget did not exist, paint a scenario of unlimited money and f he or she would spend it on media.

· Here are several questions about our radio station:

What is our target demo? For assistant director candidates who been in radio, cut them some slack. Let them guess within a However, someone with any radio background should know your for age and gender.

What do you think are the most important events and activities for our fisteners in this city? Give him or her a "B" if he names your major annual promotions. Move him or her up to an "A" if he is able to name yours and add a few that you don't own, but should. Give him or her an "A+" if he also is able to steal or obtain a major event that you should be doing.

Can you name a few of our DJs? This will determine his or her previous level of interest in your station.

Do you have relationships with anybody in the market that will be helpful in this new position? This could be the question that breaks the tie between two good candidates. If answers are fairly equal on other questions, you'll want the person with the most contacts on your side. He or she may even throw a few names at you of people you know. This will help you go beyond a supplied list of references. The kind of contacts they think are important says a lot about their priorities.

Who are our two main competitors? What do they do better than we do?

Again, this indicates market awareness and personal focus.

Ask for self-assessment

· Do you consider yourself a creative person? Those who do should give examples of their creativity. Those who do not should explain how they function in what many people consider a "creative" position.

• How do you handle multiple priorities? Someone who does this well will tell

you about systems: compilation of lists, calendars, files and computer program Now is your chance to find out what he or she does when tossed an assignm that pushes his or her agenda over the edge. Does he readjust or "just say no"

 What do you want to be doing in two or three years? Long-term goals will
drive them in this job. It will help you determine whether or not they are selecting the right stepping stone to continued happiness

Finally, don't ignore the obvious. Tardiness, bad resumes and an inability to converse fluidly speak volumes. Those who follow up with thank-you letters, phone calls and support materials deserve a second look. And a note to candidates: don't wait for openings to be posted to express an interest in a position. You never know when you'll be in the right place at the right time... and perhaps you'll be just the one they're looking for!

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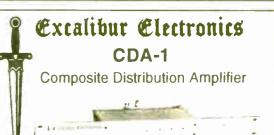
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MANAGER'S NOTEBOOK

Defining Workload Prevents Burnout

by Sue Jones

BURKE, Va. Do you know when it is time to hire another sales representative, additional support staff, or contract for additional engineering services? How many accounts do you expect a sales representative to handle comfortably and provide good service? How much overtime, after hours time, can your engineer handle before fatigue takes a toll? Are you fully aware of all the activities your traffic director, air staff, promotions director and business manager are handling this week?

Knowing these management statistics for your station and their impact are vital for running at optimum level. In duopolies or LMAs, the temptation to assign the work of two or more stations to one person may be an overwhelming burden to the staff member. Having a clear understanding of workloads and work capacity has many benefits.

Expanding and downsizing

Obviously they are important for decisions to hire new staff or to downsize. If a sales representative can comfortably handle 30 accounts, at what point do you hire another representative? When your

sales rep reaches 35 accounts? 40 accounts? or 45 accounts?

For engineering you should have established acceptable levels of response for various types of technical problems (i.e., off-the-air versus repair of a tape cartridge machine). If you are adding another station in the same area, will you expect your engineering staff to handle both stations?

If so, will the existing staff have adequate time to respond to immediate technical problems and handle the routine and preventative maintenance? If you have established the response times for various types of problems and you notice a decline in the response times, you need to investigate the reasons. In this situation, it could be that the staffing level is inadequate to cover all the tasks in the expected timeframe.

Performance evaluation

Could your business manager handle two separate budgets and the monthly accounting with both payrolls? It may be more cost effective to have one business manager and install an automated accounting system to maintain the records and automate the accounting function.

Defined work capacity provides the

framework for evaluating performance. If sales representatives are expected to handle 30 accounts successfully and one of your representatives cannot handle

more than 20, you have a yardstick for objectively evaluating that person's performance against expectations.

However, if all of your representatives carry a widely varying number of accounts and there is no defined expectation, there is no standard for measuring performance. Evaluations will be reduced

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Time Travels: '60s Sound

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The Solid Gold Time Machine, which will originate from the brand-new PAMS Satellite Radio Network Communications Complex in Dallas, will air on GSTAR 1, transponder 8, in the ComStream ISO/MPEG compressed CD quality digital format. The show will be peppered with several hundred of the resung PAMS jingles, played on 12 cartridge machines installed at the PAMS studio.

Kaufman feels there will be three groups of people who will listen to his show—those who think music began when the Beatles happened in 1964 and hate anything from 1955-1963, those who think music ended when the Beatles came, love the years 1955-1963 and hate 1964-1971, and those who like the entire 1955-1971 period. Kaufman is, predictably, an inhabitant of the last group.

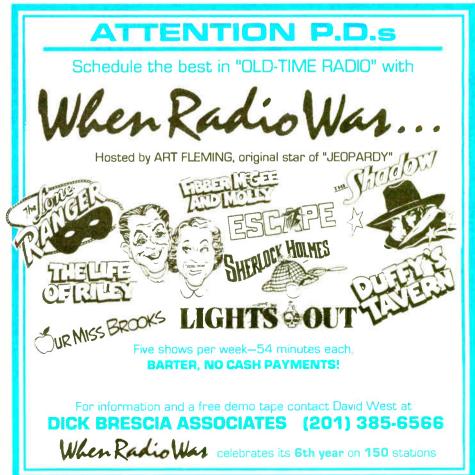
Ricky the K's fave sounds run the gamut from the Beatles and the Dave Clark 5 to doo wop, the Cameo-Parkway sound from Philadelphia, Phil Spector's Wall of Sound, and even such hits as "Israelites" by Desmond Dekker and the Aces (Count bubble gum music in there somewhere, too—White Plains "Love Grows (Where My Rosemary Goes)" is a particular favorite.

Kaufman will play only hit songs from a library of between 2,600 and 2,700 rec rds from the years 1955-1971. "No song will get played on this show more than once every 30 shows," he said, "to keep things fresh." In addition, only the "correct" ersions of songs will be played. "This has been a problem for many oldies stations who get their oldies music library from CDS—a lot of times they have the wrong version (of a song), and what I have done is, if the right version is on CD, I have taken (it) from the CD...If there's no right version on CD, then I'm taking it from the ori inal 45 or from the album, but I'm always using the original, hit version."

Ricky the K is looking forward to bringing his Solid Gold Time Machine to the satellite airwaves. And, if you hear 1967's "Open Letter to My Teenage Son" by Victor Lundberg, or 1963's "Dominique" by the Singing Nun, rest assured the modern day flag waver of sixties radio is playing these songs because they were hits. "I am going to play every hit between 1955 and 1971," said Kaufman, "and I figure if I hate it, somebody's got to like it."

For information on Ricky the K's Solid Gold Time Machine, call Richard Kaufman, PAMS Radio Network, at 214-271-7625, or Bill Sepmeier, NSN Network Services, at 303-949-7774.





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High-performance staff

Under-worked or over-worked staff create additional problems. Defining a comfortable and fair work load balance works for the employees and owners/ managers. Staff members should have enough time to complete their work in an organized manner rather than just responding to the most pressing problems. They can focus their attention on the work at hand instead of the distraction of undone and increasing/decreasing amounts of work. The bottom line is, the jobs get done with quality work.

Considerations:

Expecting staff to increase its workload without some compensating factor will create additional problems. The first problem will be the staff's attitude. How well you introduce the reasons to increase the work may divert or intensify a problem. Simply advising the staff they will be doing additional work because another station has been acquired will inspire no one.

The staff will view this situation in terms of fairness. They will be expected to perform one-and-a-half or double the workload in the same amount of time for the same compensation.

Consider some of these approaches to cover the workload without doubling the

• Offer additional compensation. It may not be doubling an employee's salary, but even half of the salary you would pay for another staff person is less than the full price of a new employee. Compensation may be in several forms: 1) salary increase, 2) trade items (membership in the health spa, furniture, cars, travel, or scrip), or 3) additional time off (a staff member's choice of two paid three-day weekends).

Freelance help

- Contract with another company to provide some of the work during peak loads, such as contract engineers or temp agencies, to assist the business manager for the end-of-the-month billing and payroll processing.
- Automate manual processing where possible. Get an automated accounting system for your business manager. Install word processing equipment with laser printers for the sales secretary to generate more proposals in the same amount of time instead of using an electric typewriter. Simulcast using the same format for more than one station, eliminating the need for your programming and air staff to juggle two formats at the same time.

If separate formats are required, consider PC-based commercial storage systems to eliminate labor-intensive dubbing of spots for both stations.

• Hire part-time staff. Your existing staff may be able to add to their existing work load with automated assistance. However, you may find that hiring a junior part-time person to handle the routine jobs will allow your full-time senior staff member to concentrate on the crucial areas requiring station and industry experience. An added benefit to this arrangement is the lower cost for a junior part-time person, quality work is delivered, and you are training and evaluating a

potential full-time staff member at the lowest financial and personnel risk to you.

There are several risks of not knowing the work capacity for each position at the station. 1) Determining when to hire additional staff is best-guess or hindered.

It could be that the staffing level is inadequate to cover all the tasks.

2) Performance evaluations are more subjective rather than objective. 3) Staff performance, work volume could be reduced. 4) Staff morale could decline, impacting performance.

One problem often feeds another. Low staff morale, due to increased workload, may be the incentive for your staff to find employment at your competition. Your increased staff turnover rate will require recruiting, hiring, and training activities from you and your managers at a time that is hectic for all.

Problem indicators

Overworked staff can mean fatigue and burnout. The quality of the work will decline. One indicator of this type of problem is staff reporting for work late and leaving early. Another clues include staff taking increasing amounts of time off, lack of enthusiasm for new activities/ideas, or unmet deadlines/deliverables

This is only a partial list of risks. Risks

can be minimized by establishing workload capacity for each position and continually monitoring performance against those expectations. Lower risk also means taking the appropriate actions to compensate for increased or decreased work loads. If you cannot list each position at your station and the standard performance expectations, get started on defining each of them today so that you do not have to crisis-manage them in the

Save your crisis management skills for those issues that you cannot control or predict.

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Bennett's Career Reflects Changes in Radio

by Alan Haber

SAN FRANCISCO 1969: Richard Milhous Nixon became the 37th President of the United States. Astronaut Neil Armstrong was the first man to walk on the moon. And Woodstock, the infamous four-day music festival, transformed the sleepy little town of Bethel, N.Y., into the site of perhaps the most cosmic counter-culture happening this country has ever seen.

And, Alex Bennett, consciousness raiser and talk show host, arrived at WMCA New York, where he covered the rumor of Paul McCartney's death in all its paranoid glory. He also covered Woodstock.

According to Bennett, WMCA would have been the only station at Woodstock "with a telephone line, and probably could have made a fortune. But, you know, they wouldn't listen to me. So I had to go to the Woodstock festival on a Saturday, during the day, and then I had to get back to the city that night to do my show. I just stayed for the beginning part of the festival."

A keen observer

Throughout his years on the air, talk show host Bennett has been a keen observer of the history surrounding him as our nation's political and societal timeline has grown. His radio career has been, and continues to be, a major cultural happening. The man, who counts two Jacks (Parr and Benny) among his heroes, and wore the crown of America's number one counter-culture broadcaster while at WMCA, began his career by traveling the small market station circuit, and spending two years behind the mic at the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service in Hollywood.

In 1964, while at "good music" KGMS(AM) in Sacramento, Calif., Bennett responded to a blind-box advertisement in a radio industry publication calling for an announcer sporting a "British style and accent." Transforming himself (Bennett was born and raised in San Francisco), he sent in a tape, and even created a fake biography for himself.

Beginning in 1965, he would work for more than two years for radio legend Gordon McLendon at KILT(AM) in Houston, with the on-air moniker "James Bond."

When he heard that McLendon wanted to start a talk show on the station at night, Bennett said he wanted the slot. Viewing the emergence of the Drake format as "the end of personality radio." Bennett wondered how he could continue to be a personality on the air. The answer: talk radio.

Love to hate

Switched from mornings to a nighttime talk show at KILT, Bennett became known as "The Man You Love to Hate" as the ratings soared. (Bennett said McLendon had wanted a "completely confrontational inyour-face talk show.") Alex Bennett, talk show host, was on his way, although, at this point in his career, he said he "had no real politics going for me... You wanted (me) to be conservative, I'd be conservative. If you wanted me to be a liberal, I'd be a liberal. I had no morality either way."

The Vietnam war was going on at this time, and Bennett had talked about it on the air, although he said he "didn't even know about it... it was just a matter of being argumentative." Soon, he became

informed, and what he called the start of his "radicalization" began.

This "radicalization" was completed, he noted, "when I wound up in Chicago working for WIND and, like the first week I was there, the Chicago (Democratic) convention came to town, and I got tear-gassed and beaten. That completely radicalized me."

Prior to WIND, where he landed in 1968, Bennett spent six months of 1967 at all-talk WLOL in Minneapolis-St. Paul, which he left after a disagreement with management. Bennett remembered thinking he knew that, if he was ever going "to do talk again, it's got to be on a rock station, because they are the only people who would understand this."

Underground friends

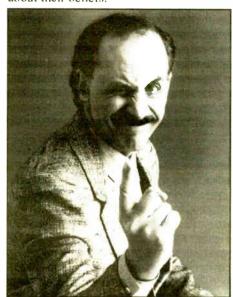
After WIND, Bennett descended on the Big Apple, landing at WMCA. At the time, the station spent half its broadcast day playing music, and the other half talking. Bennett settled into the overnight slot, four days a week (he also took over Barry Gray's Saturday mid-day slot from 11 to one o'clock). And then, Bennett started an alternative music show on Saturday evenings, taking over legendary disc jockey Murray the K's slot.

It was at WMCA that Alex Bennett, famous talk show host, became known as a friend to the counter-culture, having rock musicians and political radicals as guests on his show.

Interestingly, Bennett said that the counter-culture moniker was not thought out. In fact, he noted, "I do things by a certain amount of instinct....Instinct told me that, basically, the left had never gotten a free forum in this country. In other words, if you brought on somebody like Abbie Hoffman, you had to go out and get Congressman so-and-so to counteract him. And I often said, 'Well, if you had Congressman so-and-so on, would you ask Abbie Hoffman to come on?' And of

course, the answer would be no."

The first guest on Bennett's WMCA show was social and political activist Paul Krassner. Subsequent guests included "almost every major rock personality of the time," said Bennett, and people like Abbie Hoffman and Jerry Rubin. Bennett said his guests spoke frankly about their beliefs.



Talk Show Host Alex Bennett

Bennett was eventually fired from WMCA, because, it was said, the station was going to be broadcasting New York Yankee baseball games, and his show would have to be preempted. "Some people," Bennett remembered, "blamed it on the fact that I had certain radicals on, and certain sponsors did not want to advertise on a program that had those kind of views." Bennett said about 1,000 people showed up in front of the station to protest his firing, which was covered in the New York newspapers, and as far afield as the entertainment industry trade publication, Variety, with no less than four articles on one page.

After some soul-searching, Bennett put

the WMCA firing behind him, landing in front of the microphone in 1971 at New York's WPLJ-FM (the station had recently changed call letters from WABC-FM). Starting out doing a morning talk show, he soon gravitated to overnights, where he toiled for four years.

Off to Frisco

After briefly returning to WMCA, and racking up 11 years on New York radio, Bennett came home to San Francisco, where he's been ever since, but not before meeting up with the still-in-hiding Abbie Hoffman. Bennett, who had not seen Hoffman in five years, categorized his life at the time as being "pretty well in the toilet." He told his wife that he had to do something to change things. "I saw Abbie," he remembered, "and here's a guy who's on the lam from the law and living fine, you know. He's got everything going against him, and he's doing okay. I said, look, if he can do it, I can do it."

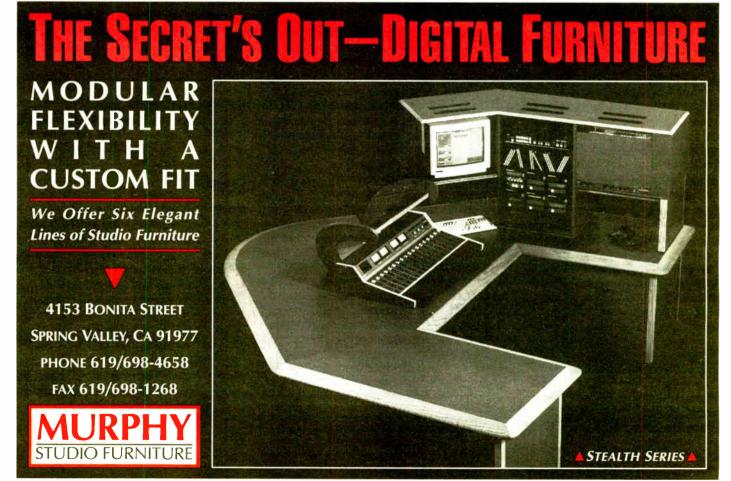
Bennett heard about a morning opening at KMEL in San Francisco, where he went to work in 1980. He offered to fly himself there on his own dime and work a week for scale to show he could do the job. "The first day, they did not like me," he said. "The second day, they tolerated me. The third day, they kind of heard something they liked, and, by Friday, they were offering me the job."

At KMEL, Bennett featured comedians on his music show during which he played about eight records an hour. The former Counter Culture King was now called The King of Comedy (he even hosted the PBS television program "Comedy Tonight" for six years).

Live 105

Bennett left KMEL for KQAK, The Quake, a new station that was powering up. At The Quake, comedians were once again an integral part of his show.

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Radio for Kids Expands to Network

by Bob Rusk

SEATTLE A mix of music ranging from selections by Kermit the Frog to "Weird Al" Yankovic, plus a little country, some classic rock, and lots of current hits might seem like a bizarre format.

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Going national

KidStar went on the air here in May 1993, and will soon beam its programming to stations in the Top 10 markets in the country as well.

Major national sponsors such as Nestle and Nike are part of the expansion, having already signed to advertise on the KidStar Interactive Network.

From the beginning, we developed KidStar to be a national network," said Jodell Seagrave, general manager and cofounder of KidStar. Seagrave isn't ready to announce who the KidStar affiliates will be, but she did say, "some of the network will turn on in April."

KidStar, currently broadcasting from 6:00 a.m. to midnight, also programs

news, sports, features, and contests of interest to kids.

"It's a full-service format for kids." added Seagrave, a 15-year veteran of local and national radio sales and management. "We also showcase a lot of audio that comes in from kids on the PhoneZone. That's one of the things that keeps them tuned in. At any time, there are about 90 ways for kids to get their

chores is "hot;" boring chores you have to do all the time is "not."

Other choices on the PhoneZone include "I'll Never Do That Again" safety stories; "One-to-One" tutoring; and the music request line. With several phone numbers covering the Seattle metro area, it is a free call for kids to reach the **PhoneZone**

KidStar has an estimated weekly cume



KidStar staff member Amy Shively consults with the experts during "test pilot" session.

voices on the radio. That is really important to six-to-11-year olds.'

There have already been more than one million calls to the PhoneZone, which is sponsored by a diverse group of regional and national companies such as McDonald's, Seattle-based Microsoft, and the upscale Nordstrom department

Kids interactive radio

Nordstrom sponsors the "What's Hot and Not" line, where kids call in and record what they think is cool. Among the latest results: Getting paid for doing

of 100,000 listeners between the ages of two and 11 in the Seattle market. In addition, 40,000 parents (mostly mothers) between 25-49 tune in each week. None of the programming, however, is specifically aimed at parents.

'The programming is completely kiddirected all the time," explained Seagrave. "We know that parents are part of the equation, but our goal is to engage the kids so listening is their choice—not a result of their parents' urging."

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continued from previous page school, and bedtime.

"In the hours before school, you hear Jimmy our morning host," said Seagrave. "He has a character called the Weather Squirrel, who helps kids know what kind of day they will be facing. There are also between eight and 12 songs an hour.

Contemporary hit radio

The music tends to be contemporary. The kids call the PhoneZone and vote on what music we play. There is a very high awareness among kids about music.

"We play a lot of the same artists that you would hear on a CHR station, but songs are screened for quality control. Every word is gone over. We make sure we aren't playing something inappropriate for kids."

During school hours, programming is aimed at preschoolers. When school is not in session, KidStar has different programming wheels. All on-air personalities are adults, and KidStar has no kids on staff, but young listeners are able to get a feel for what it is like to work in radio.

When President Clinton hosted leaders of the 15-nation Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation group in Seattle, for example, some preteen listeners accompanied the KidStar news director to the event and were able to ask questions. And the kids even received paychecks.

"We do pay for the work kids do when they are out reporting for us," said Tiffany Heston, KidStar client services director. "Kids who are interested in our news department can call our 'Scoop Smith' line and talk with our news director. We will create opportunities for kids who are interested in covering the news—if they are of the right age and are well spoken.

"Anytime kids show an interest in doing anything with the station, we try to open opportunities for them," Heston continued. "Most of the on-air activity with kids involves having them come in for interviews with on-air personalities to talk about things like their marble collections or Earth Day."

24 hours a day

With the network set to launch, KidStar is planning to expand its programming to 24 hours a day.

"You'd be surprised by how many kids are already listening from 10 p.m. to midnight," added Heston. Kids who can't sleep or are sick tune in during the late hours.

Children's Media, which owns just the Seattle flagship station, does not plan to own other stations in the KidStar Network.

"Seattle is the prototype market, in part, because many of our board members live here," said Seagrave, the general manager. "All of our investors during the developmental stages have been individual high-net-worth investors. Many of them are Microsoft executives.

"Another reason we started in Seattle is because we thought it was a good place to test everything. It is a top 25 market, but it's not like trying to start in New York, Los Angeles, or Chicago.

"We started about three years ago. We spent eighteen months doing nothing but research and development. One of the first things we noticed was that there was almost no data about kids and radio showing whether they would listen,

when they would listen, what they might listen to, and whether their parents would participate."

There was no data to convince advertisers, either. But KidStar's research has apparently paid off. Sponsors are buying advertising packages that cost from \$5,000 to more than \$1 million.

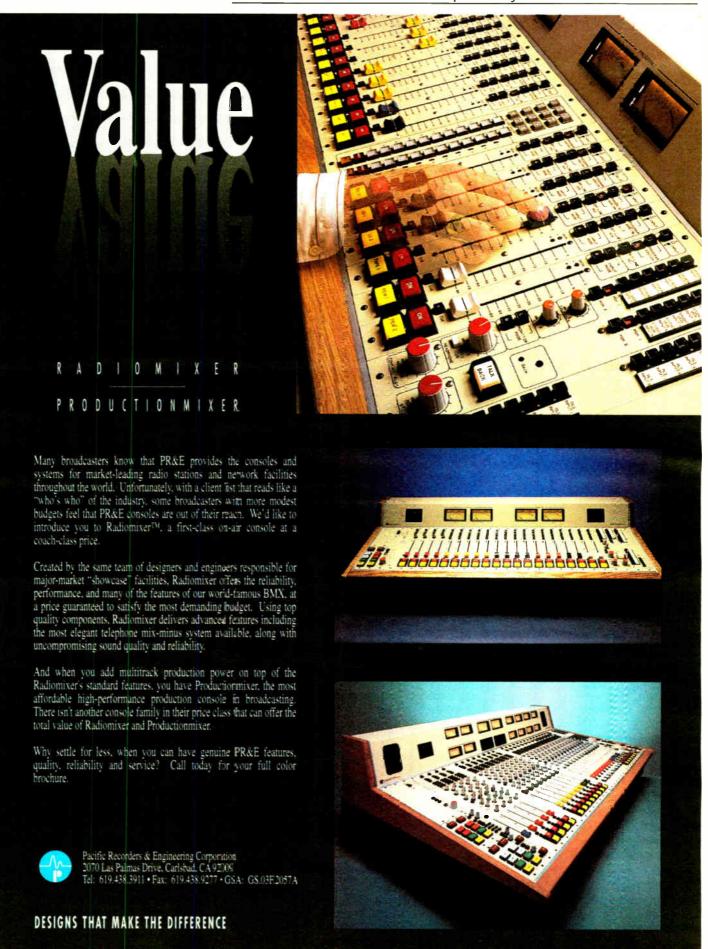
KidStar is not the first national network for preteens, however. Previouslylaunched networks for kids include Radio Aahs.

The KidStar Network expects initially to attract two million listeners. And Seagrave feels that number will increase significantly.

"We're already getting inquiries from broadcasters in other markets," she said. "I wish we were ready to expand beyond the top 10 markets."



Vanessa Gibbons, 12 (c), and Carter Yasutake, 10 (r), work with KidStar personality Annie Rae.



WTTM(AM) Focuses on Community

by Stacy Walbridge

TRENTON, N.J Mix a marketing professor who organizes cockroach races and holds class in a mausoleum with a Trenton, N.J., radio station finding its niche in community involvement programming and you have the ingredients for an increasingly popular radio show.

Host and creator of WTTM(AM) "Consumer Connection," Blaine Greenfield, is combining his business knowledge with curiosity and energy to move beyond marketing by cheering on the everyday worker and small business owner. While the show provides an outlet for Greenfield to test his marketing skills, WTTM is also realizing the benefits.

Located in the central part of New Jersey, WTTM operates in one of the most competitive markets on the East Coast. According to Station Manager Dan Shaw, Mercer County has more radio signals reaching it every day than any other county in the country. Not only is the station competing with signals out of New York and Philadelphia, but with stations located in Trenton and other towns throughout New Jersey and Bucks

"When you've got all this competition you've got to find some way to create a niche for yourself. And our niche is focusing on the local community," says Shaw.

The connection

Several years ago, upon finding itself without a unique personality, the station switched from a country western format to all news and talk. Increasing the coverage of local sporting events added to a steady gain in listeners when Greenfield first came to work for WTTM. "I've always wanted to have a radio show where I could interview local business owners and people who are involved with improving the community," said Greenfield.

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the "Consumer Connection" format is informal and casual. Normally, two guests are invited to appear for 30 minutes each. Before the show Greenfield takes 15 minutes chatting with each one to make them comfortable and to discuss what each would like to talk about. On the air Greenfield will keep the talk informal and make each guest sound like an expert. After their appearance each guest receives a certificate of appreciation as an honored guest and within two weeks Greenfield will mail them a tape of the show.

Real benefits

The benefits "Consumer Connection" brings to the station have been both real and indirect. Due to the nature of an all news and talk format, WTTM is constantly digging for stories with local police departments, school districts and hospitals. Many station contacts have appeared on Greenfield's show helping to strengthen WTTM's ties to the community. "So much of the news or talk that goes on a radio station like ours is negative. This is one of the very shows where the whole hour is positive," says Shaw.

Many of the station's advertisers have also been invited to appear on the show. Those who accepted enjoyed the opportunity to be treated as an expert. Like Barry Gerber, owner of a local travel agency specializing in group travel, "The continued on page 42

Bennett Sees Radio Change

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Unfortunately, The Quake blew up around him, but ultimately, the general manager of KITS-FM San Francisco took over Bennett's KQAK contract, putting the man once again behind a microphone. The format changed to modern rock and became known as Live 105. Bennett spent the next three-and-ahalf years peaking the ratings, during which time he was nominated as rock personality of the year in Billboard Magazine's annual poll.

In 1989, KITS and Bennett had a brief parting of the ways, but three months later, Bennett was back behind the mic at Live 105. "We all decided we needed each other again," said Bennett, "and that's where I've been ever since." Bennett's show is done in front of a live studio audience.

Bennett loves radio. If he has a reservation about the medium, though, he said it is that "it's not very adventurous any longer. There is nobody taking any chances. It has been almost completely taken over by consultants. Instinct-gut level instinct—is something that doesn't seem to be very much the order of the day. That, I think, is the major problem with broadcasting."

But the Alex Bennett of the '90s is different from his 1960s and 1970s incarnations. For one thing, his program on Live 105 in San Francisco is basically an entertainment show. "I've learned that no matter what message you have to put across, if you are not entertaining people, they are not going to listen. If there is any message, I will state (it) right out there in front.'

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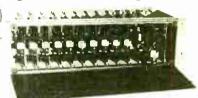
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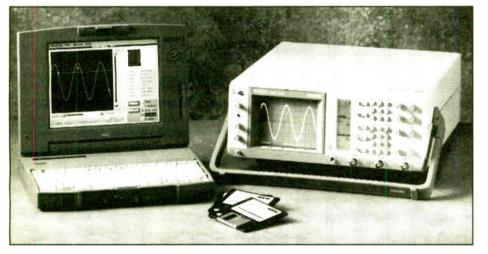
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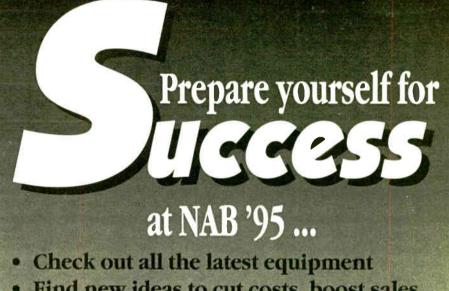
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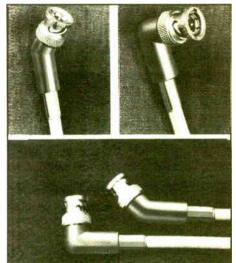
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