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Radio Mega-Deals Heat Up Summer Market

by Lynn Meadows

NEW YORK It was a week that will go cown in ragio history.

First, the Walt Disney Co. announced it was buying Capital Cities/ABC Inc. for \$19 billion. The next day Westinghouse Electric Corp. said it would acquire CBS Inc. for \$5.4 billion.

And, after less than two days of discussion, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the telecommunications bill of 1995 and voted to remove all limits on radio ownership.

For Disney, the acquisition of ABC Radio is a venture into a previously unexplored industry. Bill Steding, managing director of Star Media Group, said Disney will probably just hold on to a good thing. "Michael Eisner's philosophy has typically been 'if it ain't broke don't fix it.' They (ABC) are really making a lot of money."

In market after market, however, the combination of Group W and CBS brings two long-time competitors together on the same team.

Strategic plan

Steding, whose Star Media Group was instrumental in previous Group W acquisitions and who continues to advise the organization, said the purchase of CBS was part of Westinghouse's strategic plan for the radio division "to have the best four facilities in the top 10 markets, allowed under current law. It takes them that way."

Steding suggested the genesis of the final transaction had its beginning in September 1993 when initial discussions started on Group W acquiring CBS Radio. The company's last major broadcasting purchase was in 1989 when it bought Legacy and Metropolitan Broadcasting radio stations for \$360 million.

All of the 21 CBS radio stations being acquired by Group W are in the top 20 markets. The purchase brings the group its first stations in St. Louis, Minneapolis, and Dallas, It is a good start, WCCO(AM) in Minneapolis and KMOX(AM) in St. Louis are both historical 50,000 W clear channels that brought CBS \$20 million and \$19 million respectively in 1994, according to Broadcast Investment Analysts (BIA).

Bottom line

In New York City, BIA figures show WINS(AM) billed \$30 million in 1994

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Hundt: Radio Is Strong

EDITOR'S NOTE: Reed E. Hundt was named chairman of the Federal Communications Commission by President Clinton on Nov. 19, 1993. His term will expire June 30, 1998.

Hundt agreed to talk with Radio World Editor in Chief Lucia Cobo and Staff Writer Lynn Meadows about issues facing radio and the future of the medium.

Before assuming his current post, Hundt was a partner in the Washington law offices of Latham & Watkins, where his work included legal and regulatory issues in emerging technologies such as cetlular telephones, wireless cable, direct broadcast satellite and interactive 1elevision.

Hundt graduated Magna Cum Laude from Yale College and graduated from Yale Law School.

RW The radio industry would like to know a bit better, who you are and what your ideas are regarding certain areas of concern — digital audio radio satellite, digital audio broadcast terrestrial and from a regulatory standpoint also.

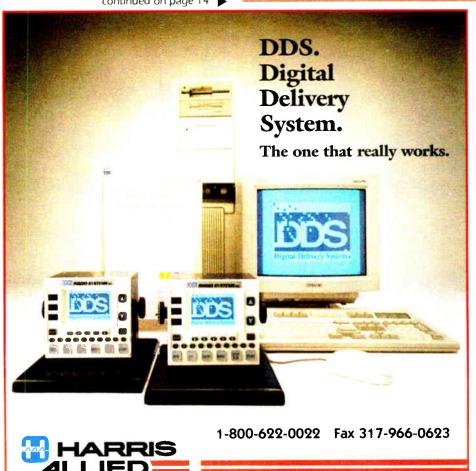
HeI think we have essentially two jobs here at the FCC. First, it ought to be our job to write fair rules on competition in all markets, and second, it ought to be our job to advocate the public interest.

Public interest is whatever the country needs for communications that markets are going to give it. The normal workings of the market are going to give you many benefits, economic growth, job growth, diversity of programming, lots of different

entertainment, a certain amount of news, but markets are not perfect — they leave things out

Public interest is whatever the markets do not give us but which as a society we deserve.

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Eureka-147 to Test In San Francisco

WASHINGTON Eureka-147 may still be tested in San Francisco in the digital audio radio (DAR) field tests this fall.

Sources at the Department of Commerce say the National Telecommunications Information Administration (NTIA) is working with the Electronic Industries Association (EIA) and the telemetry industry to develop an acceptable test plan for Eureka-147.

In order for field tests to be consistent with the recently completed lab tests, the Eureka system must be tested on the L-Band. In the United States. that space is reserved for aeronautical telemetry.

The NTIA has resisted granting temporary use of the L-Band for testing because the L-Band has little chance of ever being

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used for digital radio in the United States. Those who support testing Eureka-147 in the field say that U.S. manufacturers need to see how Eureka performs in order to be competitive. If a plan is agreed upon, proponents of both in-band, onchannel (IBOC) systems and Eureka-147 will each have a chance to prove once and for all that their sound is superior.

> **Disney Buys Cap Cities/** ABC Inc. for \$19 Billion

BURBANK, Calif. Walt Disney Company will be spending approximately \$19 billion to purchase Capital

Cities/ABC Inc. In addition to radio. Capital Cities/ABC also owns 80 percent of ESPN, 50 percent of Lifetime Television, 37.5 percent of A&E, a large publishing group, and a multimedia group which develops and manages business opportunities in new and emerging media technologies.

Capital Cities/ABC owns 21 radio stations and the ABC Radio Networks that serve more than 3,400 stations. While the industry speculated whether Disney will hold onto the radio assets. Bob Callahan, President of ABC Radio Networks, said in a statement, "This appears to be a terrific deal for both sides with complementary assets that can yield creative and powerful programming for the radio industry. ABC Radio Networks has worked closely with the Disney folks for years developing holiday specials, theme park promotions and remotes."

Chancellor **Buys Shamrock**

DALLAS Chancellor Broadcasting Co. signed an agreement early this month to acquire 19 radio stations owned by Shamrock Broadcasting for \$395 million. The transaction will bring the number of stations owned by Chancellor to 21 FM stations and 12 AMs.

After the expected completion of the deal in early 1996, Chancellor will have market duopolies in San Francisco, Minneapolis, Denver, Cincinnati, and continued on next page

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Is Talk Radio too Prurient for America?

Broadcasters Balk at Government Regulation

by Lynn Meadows

WASHINGTON "I don't ever want to see us in this country in a position where radio's audience finds radio content to be repugnant," Federal Communications Commission Chairman Reed Hundt said in an interview with **RW**. While no sane broadcaster would disagree with Hundt's statement, the talk segment of the industry may be wary of the regulator's intentions

If the president approves the telecommunications legislation, television manufacturers will have to install a V-Chip in

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Sacramento. It will also gain regional duopolies in New York and Los Angeles.

Chancellor was formed in 1993 by Hicks, Muse, Tate & Furst Inc. of Dallas. a private investment firm. Thomas Hicks, chairman, said, "our goal was to build Chancellor from the ground up into a major radio company. With this acquisition, we have accomplished that objective."

Advertising Increases Soften

NEW YORK The Radio industry posted its 34th consecutive month of revenue growth in June. According to the Radio Advertising Bureau (RAB), June brought a 6 percent increase over June of 1994 in local and national spot advertising revenue.

Although national spot revenue by itself only showed a 1 percent increase in June, local revenue gained 7 percent over the previous year. While the increase was less than increases in earlier months of this year, RAB President and CEO Gary Fries said, "it still appears that we have a strong third and fourth quarter developing."

Changes at EIA

ARLINGTON, Va. The Electronic Industries Association (EIA) is expanding its show line-up and its management team. Jonathan Thompson was named Consumer Electronics Shows (CES) staff vice president. Wayne Crawford became the new group show director. Daniel Cole joined as the director of sales and Karen Chupka was promoted to staff director of marketing for CES.

With the changes, CES is ready to add new shows in addition to its International Winter Consumer Electronics Show and Mobile Electronics Show. The EIA predicts national sales of consumer electronic products in 1995 will reach \$61 billion. That is an increase of 8.8 percent over last year.

every television over 13 inches. An undetermined rating system will help TV owners screen out up to four levels of violent programming using the chip. Legislation mandating the chip flew through the Senate and passed the House on August 4th.

In a speech before the National Press Club at the end of July, Hundt called for broadcasters to develop a "contract for kids and community." He has spoken in favor of the V-Chip to help parents "select from the avalanche of programs pouring uninvited over the air into their homes."

The H-Chip

Although Hundt seems primarily concerned with television shows, in a recent RW interview, he said "I don't think radio should let this dialogue go on to the point that people have to start talking about an 'H-Chip' that cuts off hearing of certain kinds of shows."

At present, the primary restriction on radio content is the safe harbor which limits indecent material to late night hours between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. This time period was upheld by the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals in June.

After that decision Hundt said "parents and the public are the winners" in the lower court's decision, while the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) announced it was "deeply disappointed" in the court's ruling. The NAB in coalition with the American Civil Liberties Union, National Public Radio and others has requested the Supreme Court review the case.

The coalition wants the Supreme Court to decide on the constitutionality of a "safe harbor" and review the indecency definition which they believe to be vague.

In its Notice of Apparent Liability to Infinity Broadcasting in May 1994, the commission said it had "defined indecency as language or material that, in context, depicts or describes, in terms patently offensive as measured by contemporary community standards for the broadcast medium, sexual or excretory activities or organs."

Infinity holds the dubious honor of having the biggest bill for indecency. For the most part, the company has been fined because of discussions on "The Howard Stern Show." A Buffalo listener reported Stern to the FCC last year for separate discussions of masturbation and oral sex. The FCC used its definition to fine four stations broadcasting the show \$50,000 apiece.

To date, Infinity has refused to pay those and other fines and broadcasters seem to support that decision. Mel Karmazin, CEO of Infinity, was not available for comment.

Even those who find Stern's show distasteful support him professionally. "I see a lot of criticism of Howard Stern personally in the industry," said Mike Harrison, editor and publisher of Talkers magazine. But Harrison adds, professionally there is "tremendous resistance to government regulation of programming."

Alan Colmes, host of "The Alan Colmes Show," said, "I don't feel government should be involved with regulating content, Period."

He says the free marketplace should

decide how much is too much.

Before going national, Colmes hosted a show on WMCA(AM) in New York where the guests ranged from congressmen to a woman "who had been lactating for 19 years." He said had he been a "shock jock," he would not have been able to get the range of guests he did. Colmes also pointed out advertisers stay away from some shows that are too harsh.

Levels of concern

Analyst Harrison said there are no easy answers. "There has always been that level of concern for tastefulness just for self-preservation," he said. At the same time, he added talk radio is supposed to provide an outlet for the disenfranchised and the creative. He says too much restriction could render the medium "impotent."

"It is not a question of porn or perish," said Barry Farber, who hosts "The Barry Farber Show." Farber said he has everything against government censorship, but nothing against listeners saying what they want. He thinks the religious right is part of "a gathering storm" and will eventually become a force of influence for shows it wants to hear.

Tom Leykis, who broadcasts "The Tom Leykis Show," agrees that government should not regulate content. "Shows that are good have an audience," he said.



Tom Leykis

Leykis pointed out how conservatives are opposed to big government until it comes to content. As in the case of Howard Stern's comment on the Latino singer, Selena, Leykis says the audience will indicate when a program goes too far.



Debating Pros, Cons of Laissez-faire Radio

WASHINGTON Ash ... It is World Media Expo time again. And once again, your hard-working gang at IMAS Publishing will publish the World Media Expo News. I can't wait. New Orleans, the Marconi Awards, good food — we will have booth on the exhibit floor, so please come by and say hello. We'll be looking for you.

As our lead story suggests, the real news this fall and for the foreseeable future is the relaxation of the ownership rules governing all facets of telecommunications.

I must confess that all this merger madness and congressional legerdemain has raised more questions in my mind than I have answers. I'll throw them out at you and if you would like to weigh in with an



opinion, write me letter.

What impact will this move have on radio? And how does one reconcile the desire for a thriving marketplace busy with entrepreneurs with the desire for a marketplace unhampered by regulation that ends up divvied into the hands of a few powerful and wellfunded entities? (Also part, parcel and ultimately the goal of any laissez-faire

It is hard to foretell what might happen. And as much as I admire the Group W Broadcasting Co., I cannot help but be saddened by the thought that CBS will cease to exist as a separate entity. This Group W/CBS merger

scenarios — some more benign than others.

The top radio news facilities in the top markets, once ernest rivals that pushed each other to the edge, will now be owned and sold by the same company. Will their programming be as good as before without the ever-present threat of losing a ratings battle to the crosstown competition? Selling them in concert will make the parent company more money — but will the market be as well-served? And what if one of each of those two news outlets per market (the weaker one) is changed to a different format leaving only one news voice? How would the market be served then?

> In any case, CBS and Group W are both groups that date back from the inception of radio in this country. Recently I wrote about how neat it was that they were two of the leading-edge companies in the business with their involvement in the development of IBOC digital radio. Now two-thirds of the USA Digital Radio project will be owned by one entity.

> Another scenario that bothers me a bit is the idea that the top markets, where the bulk of the money is spent in radio, will be the ones divvied up

by the few mega-groups that will be created — thus leaving the small markets. where the bulk of the stations are, out of the loop, as it were, in the political and economic arena.

I believe that National Association of Broadcasters, the Federal Communications Commission and just about any national advertiser that deals with radio will have to make a super-human effort to service these latter stations, which may number in the majority, but which will lack the clout to control the industry. And let's face it — how realistic is that expectation? Who is prepared to speak for them?

subject. Think about what the long-term consequences could be of a total deregulation of radio — up to and including allowing unlimited foreign ownership of U.S. spectrum. If you think this is good for the business, then by all means support Congress. If, however, you want

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sweeping changes. Get in on the discussion. Now.

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Roger Thanhouser of Fidelipac had some sad news to report. Everyone here at RW offers condolences to the family and friends of Bob McNeill. After a long and painful

struggle with cancer, Bob died on Sunday, July 23.

In a letter to company dealers, Roger wrote: "With deep sadness and regret, we announce that Bob McNeill passed away ... As most of you know, Bob endured a long and painful struggle with cancer over the past year or more. Throughout it all he consistently displayed remarkable courage. humility and humor. We all will miss Bob.

"Bob is survived by his wife Joan and two grown children. We will forward your expressions of sympathy to Joan at her home.

You can write to Fidelipac at P.O. Box 808, Moorestown, N.J.

Bob had spent the last six months or so training Dave Strode to succeed him as sales manager of the company. Dave has been with Fidelipac for more than 10 years, serving at various times as a technician and manufacturing supervisor.

HOUSTON Arrow 93.7's morning team welcomed World Champion Houston Rocket, Robert Horry to the radio station on Thursday, July 28. Arrow invited listeners to drop off can goods for Kid Care Inc. in exchange for Robert Horry's autograph.

Pictured left to right: Morning Drive News and

Public Service Director, Jacket Robbins, World

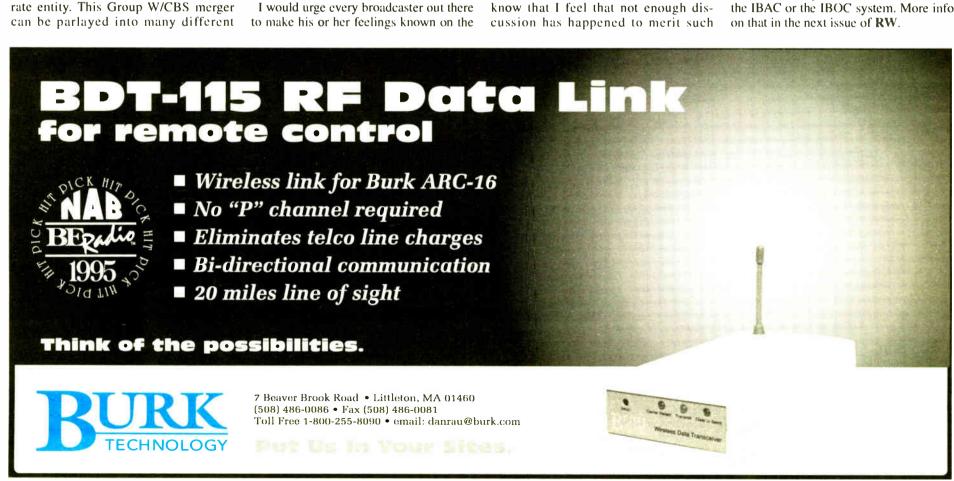
Champion Houston Rocket, Robert Horry, and

radio to be treated like the finite resource that it is, perhaps you should urge the president to veto this sweeping deregula-

Morning Show DJ, Johnathan Doll.

I don't know what the answer is. I do know that I feel that not enough dis-

Word has it that AT&T will be setting up an experimental station in New Orleans for some public demos of its system. No word yet on whether it will use the IBAC or the IBOC system. More info



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IBOC questions

Dear RW,

I was one of the many broadcasters who took the (USA Digital Radio) DAB bus tour at the show and was impressed by the demonstration. However, 1 did some "off bus" listening to the signal on a portable receiver and heard noticeable "multipathlike" noise on the regular FM signal. And on both the AM and FM, the signals were being splattered two channels on either side of the broadcast signals.

I ask my consulting engineer's opinion and he thought the FM "multipath-like" noise was the AM component of the digital modulation. And he thought that the splatter was due to large bandwidth of the digital modulation.

I cannot think of a single FM that would add DAB if it caused the current signal to sound noisy, scratchy or inferior. And channel splatter of the magnitude that was present at the show would cause chaos in those markets where there are a lot of stations.

I hoped USA Digital is also aware of these problems and has some plans to address them.

> Mark F. McNeil, president Guardian Communications Inc., Cincinnati

Dear RW.

I read with interest and some amusement the headline article regarding the IBOC demonstrations in Las Vegas this past NAB. A new phenomena was discussed regarding the selective reception characteristics of the AM version of the IBOC system.

This so called "new" phenomena is something that has been known since the 1920s. It is called selective fading. Double sideband AM waves are prone to distortion due to this phenomena due to improper phase alignment of the sideband energy and carrier. The sidebands

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Next Issue of Radio World September 6, 1995 and carrier do not arrive at the receiver at the same time. Well, in a digital world all the data does not get there at the proper time. Same problem different manifestation.

I find it difficult to understand that we as an industry seem to be charging off down the digital path without having a fundamental understanding of the problems we are trying to solve. Selective fading and multipath reception are two fundamental problems inherent in any wideband communications system.

Much more research needs to be done on the physics of wave propagation and reception characteristics before a selection is made for a modulation and detection technique. Another statement made in the article was that no effort was going to be made to study the effects of distant skywave reception for the AM system. Did I miss something? Are we planning to make the AM service daytime only?

Bandwidth and modulation technique of the signal play an important role in reception difficulties when multipath is encountered. A narrow vs. wideband FM system, for instance, have different reception characteristics when subjected to multipath reception. A wideband FM system suffers worse distortion than does a narrowband signal under identical time delay characteristics.

When AM and narrowband FM are subjected to the same multipath characteristics AM comes out the clear winner because of a simpler sideband component. A simple analysis of one modulation scheme vs. another such as the AM/FM example just described points up the possibility that one may be better than the other under certain circumstances.

I have read much material that has been prepared on the mechanics of multipath reception. Unfortunately, not a lot of it has dealt with what effects multipath reception have on various types of modulation and detection.

I would suggest that before we figure out how much digital compression we can stand that we take a look at propagation and reception characteristics of many different forms of modulation. We will also have to come to grips with whether analog AM and FM can really coexist with this additional RF Signal. At the risk of ridicule 1 will pull a concept from the ashes that will truly drive the point home. The marketplace will ultimately decide.

If in band, on channel, digital broadcasting impairs its analog counterpart enough, no broadcaster in his or her right mind will destroy his or her existing business in the hope that digital will catch on. Remember, in the beginning 99.999 percent of the public will still be listening to conventional AM and FM receivers. I speak from first hand experience in this regard.

In early experiments with CBS's FMX system it turned out that it produced more multi-path distortion on conventional receivers! Sadly, the system worked great as long as you had an FMX equipped radio. The trouble was nobody did.

From history, Major Armstrong developed wideband frequency modulation in an attempt to solve the static problem that still hampers AM reception. It was touted

Take **Care of Business**

If the meek will indeed inherit the earth, then the bulk of radio broadcasters have nothing to worry about from the three recently announced media mega-mergers.

Conversations around the water coolers at the New Orleans Convention Center during the upcoming World Media Expo will be buzzing with details of the Disney purchase of ABC/Cap Cities, the union of Group W and CBS, and

Chancellor's acquisition of Shamrock — all within a few days.

Rather than suggest a dark, monopolistic future for radio, important deals by these huge corporations actually reinforce the truth: radio remains a strong, robust industry capable of healthy returns on investment.

Radio has not merely survived; it has thrived for 75 years, shaking off challenges from television, cable and digital satellite TV... even MTV's threat that video would "Kill the Radio Star." Radio has consistently ridden the waves of change and today enjoys the lion's share of media consumption; this kind of long-term success naturally attracts those looking for a piece of the action.

Does this mean your fortune will come from giant broadcast corporations looking to acquire your station? Most likely not. Radio's greatest success stories have been written by entrepreneurs; those who take the risks, stay on the edge of the business, brace for coming changes and make adjustments to profit from those changes.

It is for this reason the World Media Expo, including the NAB Radio Show and the SBE Engineering Conference should be on your itinerary. Broadcasters that accept and embrace new technologies see the opportunities they present and are better prepared for those changes. Those who scorn digital audio technology, satellite DAB delivery, duopoly issues and the Internet are the ones who will be left behind.

Go to the show. Participate in workshops. Ask the questions, test out the products and put your two cents in with the groups gathered around the water coolers. The more prepared you are for the future, the more successful and profitable your operation will be.

After all, earning a living doing radio entails making some money while super-serving your community. And whether or not you are a small broadcaster or a media giant, that remains the first order of business.

-RW

as a great idea and a brilliant breakthrough. Because mobile radios were not really a factor in early FM development Armstrong was not able to fully comprehend the problems with multipath reception that would later plague FM.

Remember, the problems with FM multipath are a modulation related. During the 1940s RCA did quite a bit of research into the multipath reception characteristic of FM and they addressed the modulation issue. While this was largely an effort to discredit Armstrong it did come to some damning conclusions about multipath and how it affected wideband FM reception. Unfortunately, much of this work was ignored for decades long after FM became a commercial success in spite of its problems.

So that I am not misunderstood let me say that I have always had a tremendous amount of respect for Major Armstrong and his contributions to modern communications; virtually all of which are still in widespread use. He was among a handful of true geniuses of the 20th century.

One final point, I object strongly to the USA Digital system being described as having CD quality. Compact disc quality is based on a 16 bit linear transformation of analog to digital conversion. No compression is used in the production of commercial compact discs. Distortion does occur when data is compressed. This has been amply demonstrated. While I admit that many of the compression systems work well and sound very good, they should not be described as "CD quality."

In science, an iterative approach to problem solving is generally the path to a truly elegant solution. Digital broadcasting appears to so far be an effort to throw out the baby with the bath water. Let's try

and understand more fully why what we have does not work before we wipe the slate clean and start over. If we do not, perhaps the same laws of physics will plague a digital system as well. Trading one set of problems for another may not prove to be beneficial.

Robert C. Tarsio, chief engineer WLTW-FM, New York

Kudos to all

Dear RW.

In response to Tom McCarthy's letter concerning music on the AM band, I say "kudos upon kudos." Having worked many years in the AM market prior to switching to TV, I have been disappointed to watch the AMers tuck their tails between their legs and bend over to the FM market as far as music is concerned.

Granted, the frequency response and readily available stereo signal makes it ideal for music. However, as I listen to the radio now as a consumer, I quickly become bored with, not to mention insulted by, the "liner radio" on the FM band. It is especially boring as I travel and listen to it in my office. I am well aware of the easy numbers to be pulled by talk radio and the cost advantages of not staffing.

But all talk is equally as boring as "48 hits in a row" is. I find myself quite frequently cruising the AM band in search of some balance. Fortunately, some stations still broadcast variety. A good talk show, mixed with some good tunes, local and national news will keep me tuned in all day. AM is best with live formatted programming. It always was. FM is not. To those who dare, I say thanks!

> Mike Seaver, chief engineer KHQA-TV, Quincy, 1L

Radio Deals of Summer

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while WCBS(AM) billed \$23 million. In Chicago, CBS news station WBBM (AM), another one of the original clear channels, billed \$16 million in 1994. A primary competitor of WBBM(AM) is WMAQ(AM) that Group W purchased in 1988 and turned into a news/sports format. WMAQ(AM) billed \$18.5 million last year. After the acquisition, Group W will own both.

Andrew Schwartzman, executive director of Media Access Project, said it does not make sense to him to merge the CBS and Group W all-news operations. He used the soon-to-be sister stations in New York City as an example, WINS(AM)

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and WCBS(AM) have been competitors with all-news formats.

Schwartzman said from a business point of view, it makes sense to sell the CBS chain to someone else and be competitive. Although Group W might save a little money if it merges the news operations, Schwartzman said he does not believe it will significantly increase market share. He added that from the public's point of view, having two thriving stations to choose from is also preferable.

As for what's ahead for CBS Radio under Group W, Steding said there will be a "substantially improved" profit margin and the focus will be on individual markets rather than the group as a whole. "They (CBS) thought like a network group." Steding said. "Now, they're going to have to think like a local marketing company."

Rather than repeating a format just because it is successful in one market as CBS Radio has done, Steding said, the Group W philosophy is to evaluate each market individually.

A look at BIA Publications' figures for the Los Angeles market reveals that the Group W philosophy is successful. In that city, Group W's 5 kW news station KFWB(AM) billed \$25 million last year. The clear channel CBS news station KNX(AM) brought in \$3.6 million less.

Ownership limit

After acquiring CBS, Westinghouse will own 39 radio stations (see chart). If the legislation lifting the ownership caps had not passed. Westinghouse would have been over the 20 AM/20 FM limit by only one extra FM station.

Even if Congress had not passed the legislation, the possibility of an FCC waiver allowing Westinghouse/CBS to exceed the limits was likely. Given the deregulatory climate, Schwartzman said "the FCC is not going to be confrontational even if Congress does not pass this legislation."

For the radio industry as a whole. Steding maintained the new group creates

a new definition for large group owner that will be hard — if not impossible — to match.

Data Courtesy of BIA Publications

Radio's First Mega Group at a Glance: Group W plus CBS Radio holdings

	Date	F12 =	1994	****			
Call sign	Purchased	Format	Revenue	Power			
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WCBS(AM	,	News	\$23,000	50 kW-U			
WINS(AM)		News	\$30,000	50 kW-U			
WCBS-FM	1941	Oldies	\$27,000	6.8 kW			
WNEW-FM	1989	Alternative	\$16,500	6 k₩			
Los Angeles:							
KFWB(AM)	1966	News	25,000	5 kW-U			
KNX(AM)	1936	News	\$21,400	50 kW-U			
KCBS-FM	1948	70s Oldies	\$19,000	28.5 kW			
KTWV-FM	1989	New Age	\$12,200	58 kW			
		Chica	go:				
WBBM(AM	1931	News	\$16,000	50 kW-U			
WMAQ(AM		News/Sports	\$18,500	50 kW-U			
WSCR(AM	,	Sports/Talk	\$3,500	5 kW-D, 1.2 kW-N			
WBBM-FM		CHR/Dance	\$12,000	4.2 kW			
WXRT(FM)		Progressive	\$11,000	6.7 kW			
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KCBS(AM)	1949	News	\$17,000	50 kW-U			
KPIX(AM)	1994	News/Info	\$600	10 kW-U			
KPIX-FM	1994	News/Info	\$1,000	6.9 kW			
		Classic Rock		82 kW			
KRQR(FM)	1340		\$6,500	OZ NVV			
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KYW(AM)	1921	News	\$22,500	50 kW-U			
WGMP(AM		Sports	\$2,500	50 kW-U			
WMMR(FM	,	AOR	\$14,500	18 kW			
WOGL(FM)	1944	Oldies	\$12,000	12.5 kW			
		Detro					
WWJ(AM)	1989	News	\$12,200	5 kW-U			
WLLZ(FM)	1989	AOR	\$4,500	50 kW			
WYST(FM)	1989	70s Oldies	\$5,500	15 kW			
		Dallas-Fort	Worth:				
KRRW(FM)	1993	70s Oldies	\$4,000	100 kW			
KTXQ(FM)	1985	AOR	\$6.700	100 kW			
		Washing	gton:				
WARW(FM)) 1985	Classic Rock	\$5,000	20.5 kW			
		Houst	on:				
KIKK(AM)	1993	Country	\$1,000	650 W-D, 250 W-N			
KILT(AM)	1989	Sports	\$1,000	5 kW-U			
KIKK-FM	1993	Country	\$11,000	100 kW			
KILT-FM	1989	Country	\$16,800	100 kW			
KKRW(FM)		70s Oldies	\$8,500	100 kW			
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WBZ(AM)	1921	News/Talk	\$16,800	50 kW-U			
WODS(FM)		Oldies	\$11,000	16 kW			
WODO(FIVI)	1340			IO KW			
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_ '	,	Soft AC	\$20,000				
WLTE(FM)	1992		\$7,500	100 kW			
VDVA/ALA	1000	Pittsbu		50 1/1/11			
KDKA(AM)	1920	News/Talk	\$11,000	50 kW-U			
St. Louis:							
KMOX(AM)		News/Talk	\$19,000	50 kW			
KLOU(FM)	1962	Oldies	\$3,000	100 kW			

"It creates the first real mega radio group in the world," he said. The only way to counter such magnitude, Steding

speculated, would be a three-way merger of such groups as Evergreen, Viacom, Infinity or ABC. With ABC having just been acquired by Disney, that would leave only three groups with the potential to do battle as one with the new Group W.

Future of radio

The CBS and ABC deals could represent what will happen when ownership deregulation becomes law, which still hinges on Congress overriding the president's expected veto. As the industry is consolidated into fewer and fewer hands, opinions of deregulation run hot and cold.

The formation of such a super group was inevitable in the radio industry. Steding said, for economies of scale and to give local terrestrial radio the power to compete in local markets with new competition from satellite and cable digital radio services.

Jim Wesley, CEO of the new Patterson Broadcasting whose company has purchased 16 stations this year said. "I don't think that this consolidation that is taking place will change the basic nature of the radio business. It is a very local business." He added that there will always be a market for good local programming.

Others see the tradition of the one-station radio owner going the way of the dinosaurs. Schwartzman said "the tradition of 'small' family-owned radio groups" is an era that "is rapidly coming to an end."

Pluria Marshall with the National Association of Black Owned Broadcasters (NABOB) said deregulation and the trend toward consolidation "is going to shut out approximately 60 percent of broadcast owners of the future."

Radio World International Editor Alan Carter contributed to this report.



Radio Responds Slowly to DARS

NAB Poised to Battle DARS, Stations Across the Nation Not Really Ready to Comment, FCC Looking for Input

by Angela Novack

WASHINGTON The National Association of Broadcasters continues to lead the radio industry in opposition to satellite digital broadcasting.

Meanwhile, individual broadcasters and groups remain quiet in responding to an FCC Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) for satellite digital audio radio services (DARS).

The FCC issued the NPRM on digital satellite radio in June stating that opponents bear the responsibility to prove that digital audio radio is not in the public interest.

The commission is asking for comments, due Sept. 15, on public interest issues as well as licensing procedures and overall regulation. Reply comments then will be accepted until Oct. 13.

The main concern of the NAB is the impact DARS will have on local radio.

"Radio is truly a local medium and has served the community well," said Lynn Mc-Reynolds, NAB spokesperson.

Harm in potentially destroying the local radio industry outweighs the potential good in providing a few more national channels.

—Lynn McReynolds

"Harm in potentially destroying the local radio industry outweighs the potential good in providing a few more national channels."

The NAB is asking local broadcasters to send letters to the FCC in response to the NPRM, she said.

Response from individual broadcasters was less forth-coming in an informal survey of major and mid-market groups.

While some seem uncertain of their plans for filing comments, others voiced their confidence in the ability of the NAB to represent the industry.

"That's their role," said Paul Fiddick, president of the radio group at Heritage Media Corp in Dallas, "We are supportive of the NAB position."

One representative of a major group was unsure of his compa-

ny's position and suggested it may not respond to the notice.

NAB President Edward O. Fritts indicated in a written statement that the NAB opposes DARS but is "pleased" by the range of issues addressed in the notice.

"We look forward to responding to these questions and intend to provide the commission with compelling evidence of the devastating impact such a service would have on local radio stations and listeners across America," Fritts stated.

In separate statements. Commissioner James H. Quello and Commissioner Susan Ness expressed their particular sensitivity to the potential impact of DARS on local broadcasting. Industry comments will be a valuable resource to the commission as it hammers out the rules governing DARS, they noted.

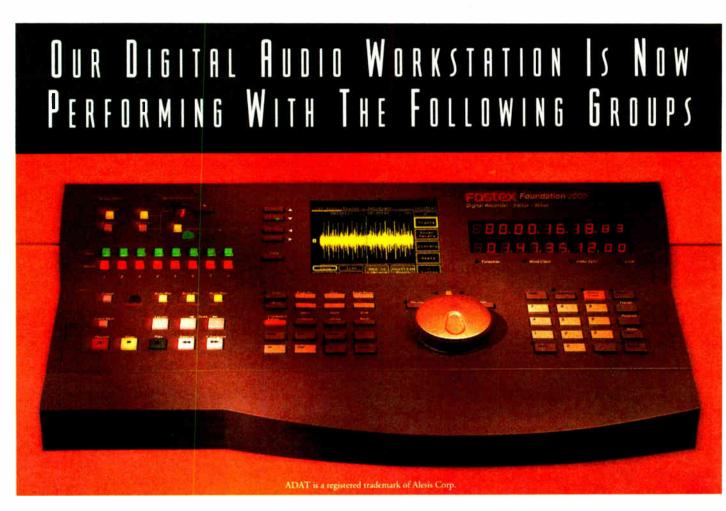
Specific issues raised in the NPRM include: the number of licenses to be granted, the amount of spectrum per license, selection of licenses when mutually exclusive applications are

filed and the classification of licenses.

Discussion concerning the potential impact on local broadcasting centers on the reaction of consumers and advertisers.

The commission is asking for comments regarding the possible change in audience listening patterns, forced changes in programming and the impact on advertising revenues.

Four applications have been filed at the commission for permission to launch digital satellite radio services, but action is pending on the NPRM.





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RAB Sets Up Web Site For Radio Members

by Alan Haber

DALLAS RAB on the WWW? It is fast becoming a three-letter world out there on the information superhighway (broadcast-wise, that is). First the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) hit the Web, and now the Radio Advertising Bureau, on behalf of its more than 3,700 members, is about to lay claim to some cyberspace real estate.

The move to the Internet's World Wide Web, which includes the RAB's entire on-line marketing system and database, is expected to take place by Sept. 1 (although the site is not operational at the present time, its address will be http://www.rab.com).

On-line access

Why the move? "The RAB has had online access to a variety of the data that we provide our member stations for about 10 years," said Mike Mahone, executive vice president for services. Until now, he said, this data "was provided for our members through a bulletin

board service (Sales Plus)."

The new service is seen by the RAB as providing "a greatly enhanced version of the valuable sales and marketing information currently available on Sales Plus, including access to RAB's extensive coop database, Instant Backgrounds, promotion and copywriting files, and local and national success stories.'

Forging role

Gary Fries, RAB president and chief executive officer, said that "By relocating Sales Plus and other information systems onto the Internet, RAB continues to forge a leadership role as the radio industry moves into the 21st

"With this new on-line system, RAB not only will offer a valuable service to member radio stations in the United States, but also will help to define today the parameters of how the Internet will be used in the future.'

The RAB has more in mind for the Web than simply providing access to data. Beginning around September 1, the bureau will be offering Web sites to its member radio stations (see Haber Space,

elsewhere in this issue). The RAB will demonstrate its Web site program at its booth at the NAB Radio Show in New Orleans.

Radio World

Mahone pointed to some key reasons for the RAB setting up shop on the Web. "We wanted to be able to make our information available to our stations on a more cost-efficient basis," he said, adding that RAB members will be able to access the data on the site for around \$25 a month.

The world's largest cooperative advertising database is in the RAB system, said Mahone, along with information on new business development and nontraditional revenues. Graphic images, proprietary client information, and industry-wide e-mail will also be

In other words, the RAB site will contain a host of information "to help our stations get up to speed with all the various business categories they are trying to deal with on a day-to-day basis," said

Being on the Web will allow a graphical presentation of the data now available to RAB members in a text-only format on Sales Plus.

Growth on the horizon

But wait — there is growth on the horizon. After about 60 days of operation, the site will offer access to the RAB's database of around 7,000 radio commercials. collected from all over the country. Members will be able to go into the database and search for particular types of spots, and for spots produced for certain size markets.

There are more benefits to the RAB's move to the Internet-Mahone noted that one is making it easier for the bureau's international members to access data.

Fries's vision is fixed squarely on the future. "With over 10,000 radio stations on the air in the United States alone," he said, "this new service will provide the critical sales and marketing information that will help radio move swiftly and certainly into the passing lane on the information superhighway.'

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Radio Most Listened To in Workplace

by Alan R. Peterson

BALTIMORE More people listen to the radio in their cars than any other location of listening, but more of the listening occurs at the work-

These are the findings of Baltimore-based Research Director Inc., using raw Arbitron data from among the most successful stations in America. More than 500 individual station reports and 183,000 diaries were included in the analy-

Using data from Winter 1992 through Winter 1995, Research Director Inc. determined nearly 73 percent of a radio station's total weekly audience listens to that station in the car.

According to Marc Greenspan, a partner with Research Director, 'This estimate varies by format, by market and by station." The survey includes highly successful stations in markets ranked one through 253.

In-car listening accounts for only 30 percent of a typical station's total quarter hours of listening. Workplace listening took a narrow lead with 35.5 percent of total quarter hours.

The study indicates occasions of listening may have a more important role than previously thought in improving time spent listening (TSL). These occasions, along with the average duration of listening, are the two components of TSL.

Findings from the study also reflect the importance of the first preference listener to the ratings success of the station. According to partner Rhody Bosley, "It is the first preference listeners that contribute most of the listening to the station."

A first preference listener is one that spends more of his or her radio listening time with that one station than any other. Research shows 36 percent of diaries to a typical station included in the analysis contributed 72 percent of the quarter hours.

Research Director partner Julie Heath states "The first preference listener spends two-thirds of his or her radio listening time with his first preference station, compared to the second preference listener who typically spends just 22 percent of his or her time listening to his second preference station.'

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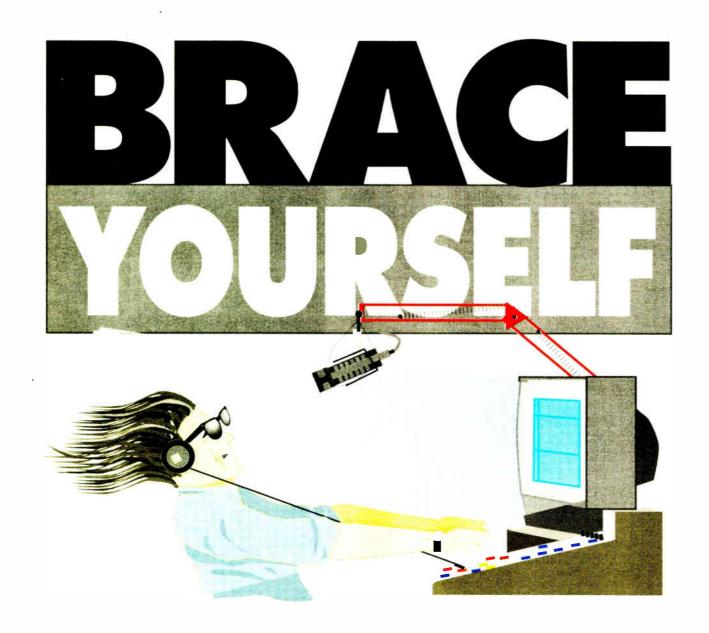
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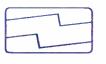
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INTERNATIONAL UPDATE

Ancillary Services Key To DAB's Future Growth

MONTREUX, Switzerland As multimedia becomes less a "buzzword" and more a reality, the line between the audio domain and the video domain becomes more blurred.

Nowhere is this more in evidence than with DAB.

Many of those involved in DAB, such as Sveriges Radio and Swedish Teracom, believe that the extra multimedia broadcast services DAB can provide will be the force that drives the success of DAB.

Ancillary services

Teracom announced a year ago its desire to explore ancillary DAB services, and now, this goal became a reality with a public demonstration in Montreux, Switzerland.

Swedish Teracom is currently working on three DAB and FM multimedia services: Image Radio, Portable Information Terminal, and Data Radio Channel (DARC).

The features these services will eventually contain, according to Pierre Karlsson at Teracom, are limited only by invention and creative ability, not by technology. Both the Image Radio and Portable Information Terminal will make use of DAB receivers.

Karlsson said they envision the DAB receiver of the future as including a radio receiver, a graphic screen, a loudspeaker, processor, large memory and, of course, a very user friendly interface.

Most of the services being discussed for multimedia transmission include traffic and travel services, as well as advertisements. Teracom wants the thinking on this to be broadened considerably.

The Teracom idea is a portable information point acting as an information channel for the general public. Information on the channel could come from various sources and would be updated continuously via a DAB channel.

Publicly available information could include: news, weather, sports scores, gambling information, hotel information, timetables and stock market information, as well as, film, music, theatre and museum offerings.

Official unveiling

Teracom officially unveiled its ideas for this transmission service at the 1995 Montreux Television symposium. The first pilot system, according to Karlsson, will be ready by autumn, allowing the focus to then turn to developing the services.

Teracom wants to then test various sound, image, text and data services under real-world conditions.

Teracom plans for the system make it possible for information to be encrypted or left open, with the system permitting synchronism information to be returned during the transmission. Control signals also can be transmitted, telling the receiver how to process information sent and how timely the

information is.

The greatest potential, Karlsson said, lies in the interactive abilities of the system, which will allow the "listener" to exercise greater control over the information.

"Interactivity is achieved either by transmitting large amounts of information and storing it where the user can select what to see or hear, or by incorporating return channels that are used to call up information on-line," Karlsson said.

With mobile multimedia, Karlsson believes, people will be able "to read the morning paper in electronic form on receivers whether they are riding a bus, sailing a boat or lying in a hammock. They can receive up-to-theminute share pricings or the latest news from text displays. While watching a hockey game, they can press a button for instant replay of a cunningly scored goal."

FM network project

Although working on several DAB projects. Teracom has not abandoned work on projects with FM networks. The DARC system is a digital subcarrier system used for transmitting data services via FM networks. The system has been in place since 1986, but until recently the services were geared towards the visually impaired.

Teracom now wants to expand the system to include newspapers. Via the DARC system, radio "newspapers" will be transmitted complete with full text, images and graphics. The subscriber then can decide how much of the stored information to use.

In addition to expanding the audience for DARC, it would increase the benefits for the core audience of the visually impaired by giving them more choice in how to receive the information

Visually impaired people could chose synthetic speech, view an enlarged text presentation on a VDU screen, or print out the information. It will also be possible for DARC to transmit still images and sequences of still images.

This channel will be opened next year. Teracom hopes that because DARC has a fairly high transmission capacity, other services can be transmitted via the FM network simultaneously, including stereo sound, mono sound and an RDS system. The DARC system was based on system development carried out by Nippon Hoso Kyokai (NHK), the Japanese national broadcaster.

For the Montreux display, Teracom showed a model DAB receiver designed by students; however, Teracom is planning to get into the receiver business.

Said Karlsson, Teracom is in the same position as other broadcasters involved with DAB, the receivers are what is delaying their plans. As soon as receivers are available, then it is "full steam ahead."

ABC Networks Offer MPEG

by T. Carter Ross

WASHINGTON By year's end, ABC Radio Networks affiliates will use new technologies to receive programming from the syndicator's satellites.

MPEG I Layer II-based audio compression technology, which is widely used in program delivery via ISDN and as an audio storage medium, is being incorporated into Scientific-Atlanta digital audio receiver systems. ABC Radio Networks uses Scientific-Atlanta products to distribute programming to its affiliates.

Currently, ABC Radio uses Scientific-Atlanta SEDAT compression to distribute its music- and speech-based programs, as well as news programming.

According to Bob Donnelly, vice president of engineering for ABC Radio Networks, the new receivers are being beta tested this month, and by year-end 1.000 stations will be outlitted with the new combination MPEG/SEDAT receivers.

Three hundred stations that received new SEDAT-only receivers prior to the beta test will be retrofitted once the other affiliates receive the new MPEG/SEDAT units.

"It brings greater flexibility." Donnelly said of the new receivers. "The significance for affiliates is that (incorporating MPEG compression) enables our receiver to work with storage and automation technologies that use MPEG technology."

Therefore a station that uses, for example,

an MPEG-based automation system or an MPEG-based digital studio-to-transmitter link (STL) can incorporate MPEG-encoded ABC Radio programming without having to pass the audio through multiple compression algorithms.

ABC Radio Networks also sees value in MPEG compression for its future plans.

"We are undertaking a store-and-forward project that would enable us to download audio as files into affiliate servers (from which) affiliates access information." Donnelly said.

Once affiliate stations downlink these files, they could be easily integrated into a station automation system.

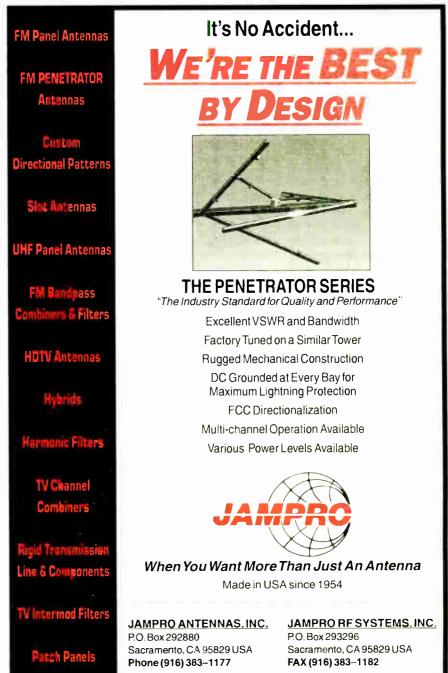
According to Donnelly, ABC Radio Networks will decide which algorithm is used on a case-by-case basis. "This does not preclude us from using other algorithms such as SEDAT or Dolby." he said.

Currently, ABC Radio plans to distribute its music-format programs, which originate from Dallas, using the MPEG Layer II compression format, while SEDAT will be used with speech-based programs and news.

"Over time that may change," Donnelly said.

Scientific-Atlanta licensed the MPEG technology from the Vancouver. British Columbia-based MPR Teltech, which incorporates MPEG Layer II in its ISDN products.

For Scientific-Atlanta, the move expands the versatility of its product line.



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NPR Funding to Continue, for Now

NPR membership.

by Lynn Meadows

WASHINGTON Funding for National Public Radio will continue at least through 1998 — but the coming budget pinch was a recurring theme at the board of directors meeting in late July and a possible catalyst behind reorganization

plans announced earlier

this month.

In their meeting, board members agreed that moving the Public Radio Conference from San Diego to Washington during the height of the Congressional budget discussions helped save the organization's federal funding.

As of mid-July, NPR had raised \$6.775 million towards the base budget goal of \$7.8 million. The Development Committee announced the donation of two large grants. The Ford Foundation gave \$500,000 and Archer Daniels Midland Corporation gave

The lightning rod issue during the board meeting came when the Membership Committee recommended giving Alaskan stations a 65 percent discount on Full Service Membership, NPR President Delano Lewis said not giving the stations a discount will put the Alaskan stations "in jeopardy." Without the new policy, the membership committee expected several Alaskan stations to be forced to drop

Several members grudgingly agreed to vote for the Alaskan discount, but added they would only do so for one year. Board member Patricia Wente said that Alaska needs to "look within" to find a solution. Although the measure granting a discount for one year passed, both the chairman of the board and the chairman

of the Finance Committee voted no to send a message to the state to plan ahead More discussion ensued when members grappled with increasing

fees to cover the budget for the Distri-

bution/Interconnection (D/I) committee.

Last year, the board lowered the D/l fee by \$500 to \$5,700. The D/I budget has been stretched as NPR prepares for the switch to its new satellite in January and the conversion to digital by spring

Members agreed to increase the D/I fee to \$6,000 per station. Given the future funding challenges, they preferred to keep the committee's \$8 million dollar working capital fund untouched for later use. With the fund in place, the board also escapes fees for insurance.

In a final measure, the board passed a resolution expressing its "opposition to any action which would authorize public

radio stations to accept advertising." Members agreed that accepting advertisers would result in a net revenue loss caused by corporate underwriters backing away and taking their grants with them.

In early August, NPR announced restructuring plans that will save \$2.2 million. The plan will eliminate 40 positions and create 20 new ones by October 1. The organization plans to create a centralized operations and administration desk.

The Member Services division for the 538 member stations will also be reorganized. Designated customer service representatives will provide program marketing, fundraising support and promotion services tailored to individual NPR member stations' needs.







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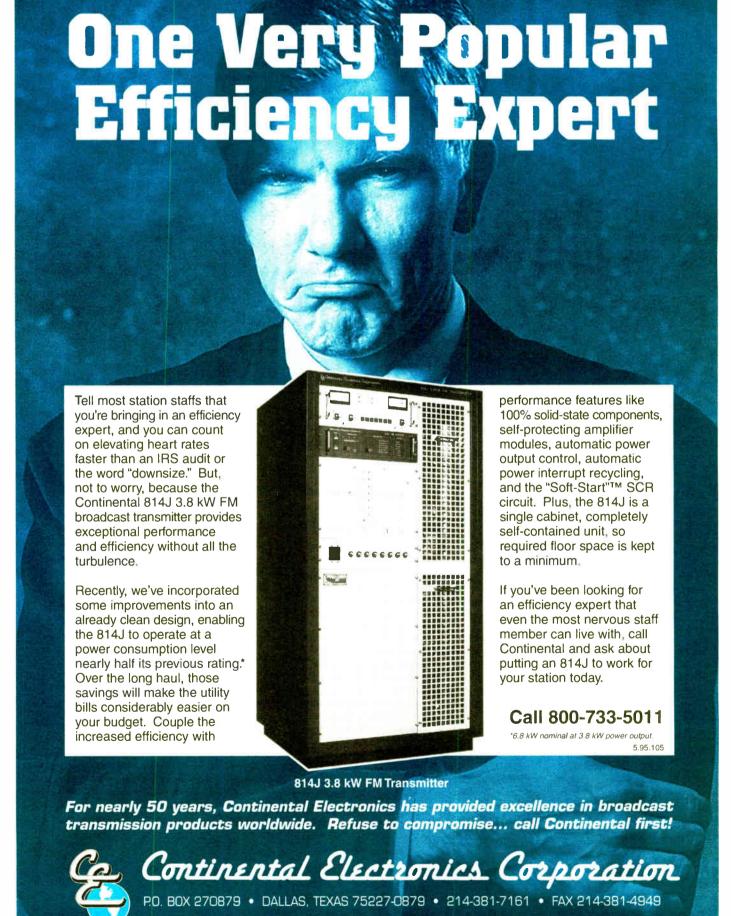


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When it comes to radio, we need to figure out what are the fair rules of competition in the changing world and also what is the public interest stake in radio land.

RW•The biggest fear in radio of so much new technology could mean radio gets left behind. You are in the middle of a comment period right now for digital audio radio satellite. Is there anything you would encourage radio broadcasters to do in preparation for DARS?

H• Yes. I think right now radio is a very strong industry, doing very well economically. Radio operators are holding a lot of high cards in the high stakes game of the communications revolution, but there is a lot to worry

But, we also can try to be sensitive to the competitive impact of this new technology. I personally think there is a very good chance that a national satellite radio service will intensify the inherent advantages of local markets that radio stations have. I hope that is true. We need to talk about that candidly with radio operators and that is one of the things I want to do at the World Media

RW•And what about the progress of digital audio broadcasting? If, when all is said and done, all the data gathered and collected, you find that none of the in-band systems are that good, quite frankly, are you prepared to start again, look elsewhere, push for out-of-

H•Well, we certainly could do that, but I have heard only positive things about the technological progress. People are giving me constantly optimistic reports and the commission has, quite intentionally, tried to structure the introduction of DARS with progress of

in-band digital because it makes sense for those two events to be unfolding at more or less the same time.

RW•Recently, news reports sug-



FCC Chairman Reed Hundt

Congressmen have been talking about doing away with the FCC or restructuring it. What you think the FCC's role is in our world today and in the future?

He if the FCC did not exist, the pub-lic would want to invent it right away because someone has to advocate the public interest in the communications revolution. Someone needs to figure out how to get every classroom in the country connected to communications networks. Someone has to figure out how to get children's educational TV delivered free over the air so that even the onequarter of our children who live in poverty could have access to it.

And someone has to figure out how to

preserve competition in the local radio markets. I think it is silly to say 'Let the Department of Justice handle it' because that means, first let the competition be killed, and then let somebody who is the president of a dead business hire a lawver to file a lawsuit in order to collect damages. How about if we just have a blueprint for competition so that it never gets extinguished?

That is the kind of job that the FCC should be doing making sure that there is a blueprint that keeps competition alive even as technologies are constantly evolving and the businesses are constantly changing.

That is why our main concern right now with respect to radio competition is not only the satellite, but --- very immediately - is Congressmen who go too far in precluding sensible rules with respect to radio ownership. I hope not, because

everybody in the radio business would suffer if the vigorous competition of today is replaced by over-concentration and domination by a few.

There are not many people who will deny that radio is a robustly competitive business right now. This is in part because of our rules. Our rules, like rules of a football game, let the players play, and they know what the rules are, they follow them and it is a fair fight.

It is not a fair fight if you drop all regulation, and you let the person who happens to have the most money on that day buy out all the systems and go too far and stop the competition, and replace it with a monopoly.

RW•And what is the FCC able to do?

He watchdog with respect to national ownership caps and with respect to local competition. We will have to wait and see what Congress comes up with on both of these

But on a whole different topic, one that I think radio ought to be talking about among itself and expressing its own views about is this: How can radio deal with the degrading of our political discourse system?

There is an incredible volume of misinformation that is spread across this country. People in this country who are decent intelligent people are possessed of all kinds of utterly false fantastical concepts, and they are hearing this stuff in large part from the mass media. Now what can radio, which is a tremendous distributor of news, do about this?

And, how can radio reconcile this kind of responsibility to a certain public interest with such scenes as giving an award to Gordon Liddy? How can you, if you are in the radio industry, deal with your own obvious desire to serve the public interest and your industry's truly bizarre commendation of this particular individual for statements that if your teenager were to make you would repri-

RW Are you talking about reinstating the Fairness Doctrine?

H. No. I am saying, when is some-body from radio going to talk publicly about this? When is somebody from radio going to come in and tell me that they are a little sorry that this state of affairs is occurring and they have some ideas for dealing with it? And am I going to hear at this convention that there are people in the radio business who have some awareness of the disconnect between their capability to inform the country accurately and fairly, and the country's wild, fictitious, fantastical, conspiratorial suspicions that are promoted in significant part by

I am not in the mode of saying it is my job to be the national nanny. I am in the mode of coming in as a supplicant saying: Do you all have any ideas?

RW•OK. It is a very interesting parallel to the V-Chip and what they are doing on TV ...

He It is a very accurate parallel, but I do not think that radio should let this dialogue go on to the point that people have to start talking about a H-chip that cuts off hearing of radio.

What we need is to hear from radio some evidence of self-awareness about this particular problem. Now, to give you an example, (Commissioner) Jim Quello has talked about editorial boards and ombudsman and self-correction techniques.

Does the radio industry have a basis for saying that it does those kinds of things? Does the radio industry have any thought about creating self-generated codes of ethics or accuracy in the media? I do not know the answers to these questions but I am saying to you that I am interested in hearing whether there are answers, or whether there are people seriously raising the questions.

RW• It is an interesting question.

Back in the earlier days of radio it seemed that there was more selfpolicing, like when a Westinghouse would deliberately walk away from cigarette advertising long before you could not advertise cigarettes on the air. Maybe you will get some e-mail on it.

H• That would be great! You know, I am a confirmed fan of radio. I remember putting it under the blankets and listening to it late at night so my parents did not realize that I was still awake; having it on in the car for the last 30 years and listening to pretty much every kind of station there is.

What is also true is that radio is a tremendous source of energy and it is a hugely important source of information, more now than ever before, except that a lot of this information is disinformation. I do not ever want to see us in this country be in a position where radio's audience finds radio content to be repugnant; where radio's audience feels that radio has become a fringe media because it is not expressing mainstream

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Control Your Own Future

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views, mainstream values, or reliable information.

We have plenty of channels — there is chance for every kind of mode of expression. There are plenty of chances for people to exercise free speech — that is not the issue.

The issue is: Is there going to be enough responsibility to exercise the right of free speech alone, but also to fulfill the duty of accurate free speech? What is radio doing about that? I have got to tell you, when radio is giving awards to G. Gordon Liddy for expressing advice about how to kill law enforcement officers this is not what I consider to be

responsive to this issue.

RW•You have mentioned a couople times the information infrastructure. Let's talk about what is the role of broadcasters or what part will they play in that information infrastructure?

• When it comes to helping us teach • our kids and raise our kids, broadcasters can have all the rule they want. We all have a problem in raising kids in this incredibly complex and challenging society.

It is a lot more difficult for kids now than when I was growing up in every conceivable respect. The world is more violent, the schools are in worse shape, society's more complex, they have to learn more, this complete economy is more competitive, everything is frankly a lot more challenging, and we need every tool we can as a country to help our kids cope with this, and the tools of the electronic media are supple, flexible and wonderful to use if they are used right.

This is a great opportunity for TV and radio to help us all raise our children. Educational radio shows are particularly acceptable. Talk shows specifically designed for kids where they have a chance to express themselves are perfectly acceptable. PSAs on radio and on TV that help give kids some ideas of how to cope with this society are perfectly acceptable.

These are just some of the tools that broadcast TV and radio can give all of us

as parents and adults, and none of that needs to be dependent on the FCC becoming the Federal Criticism Commission. It is the type of activity that, if nothing else, ensures that those media continue to have their hold on the imaginations of the country.

We are in a situation right now in this country in which the activity of playing video games is now consuming as much or more of kids' time than their listening to radio or watching TV, with the exception of just one of the TV networks, that broadcasts a lot directed at children, and that's Fox. Video games are in effect like a network in terms of captivating kids' intelligence and interest.

That is really not something to be indifferent about if you are in the radio or TV business because it means you are losing the audience of tomorrow.

It also means that you are not necessarily losing it to a media that parents particularly love. This particular media of kids' video games is one in which sales for Mortal Kombat in this country annually are greater than all the sales of education software alone. I do not regard this as a positive fact for radio and TV as a business or a positive fact for the country as a parent.

It should be regarded as a challenge for radio and TV, let's get those kids back. Let's figure out how to deliver a product that interests them and at the same time provides benefits to their families.

RW•! know that you are very proud of the fact that you sort of brought the FCC into the modern era. What can you tell us about that?

• The computerization and the net-• working of the commission is at least one of our tangible signs of progress. We are up to 14,000 Internet hits per day.

RW•Are you getting the response • that you hoped to?

• It is actually beyond what anyone had predicted. We did not realize just how wonderful it would be for all of us to be open to communication through these new tools, and we get all kinds of information that helps us shape our opinions.

It is just great to feel that we are more open to the public. Last night and tonight I was on-line for open conversations with anybody in the country.

RW•You have a few more of those coming up, don't you?

H•After tonight, the next thing we are going to do is have non-real-time conversations where we post a question on a bulletin board one day and then collect conversation.

That way I can come in on a regular Tuesday morning or Thursday night and participate in a discussion. I think that is another good technique (forum).

There is one downside that I should confess. This has completely eliminated all of my arguments at home against getting an ISDN Internet connection and new computers for the kids. So now I have to scrape up the money.

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H•I never like to pick favorites because it seems unfair and also because they change every week. I will just have to settle for telling you that I am an eclectic listener.

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Radio Greats Reunited On WCBS-FM Show

by Alan Haber

NEW YORK All the elements are nearly in place on this partly sunny morning: street vendors are getting ready to set up shop on their respective corners, where they will be hawking pretzels, jewelry, and cannot-live-without souveniss of the Big Apple.

Still-sleepy mid-towners are pulling exercise pants and baggy sweatshirts over their pajamas and yawning as they make their way to their local newsstands for a copy of the Sunday New York Times; the heat and humidity are beginning to rise from the uneven sidewalks and asphalt and hover over the city streets.

It is another Sunday morning in New York. All the elements, and every one is equally important. Everything is basically the same as it ever was, except, perhaps, the faint feeling that something is somehow different.

If you were in New York City that 11th day of June, that ever-so-yet-not-so-typical Sunday morning, you might have angled your head a bit to just the right position and been able to pick up the feeling that, above the still-sleepy city

Something wonderful was transporting people back to their youth.

streets, something wonderful was happening, was transporting people back to their youth-confirming, quite possibly, that their youth was still with them.

Listen up, part one

Ed Baer, one of the original WMCA (AM) Good Guys, they of the coveted, yellow Good Guy sweatshirts, is sending out good vibes for two glorious hours of warm and fuzzy radio.

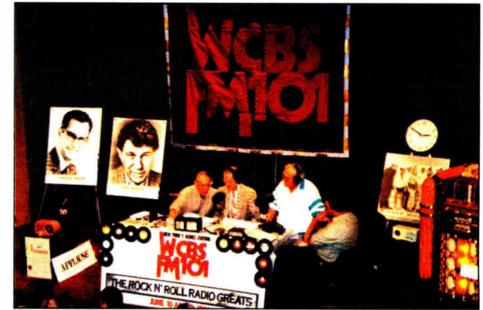
As the Buckinghams' "Don't You Care," a top-10 hit in 1967, fades, Baer comes in fast and furious: "Here at CBS-FM, the Radio Greats Weekend, the Big Bad Baer, keeping you company till Triple D, Dandy Dan time at 10 o'clock this morning. Hey, I got some nice phone calls in." Who called? "Anthony in Flushing says great to hear me on the air," said Baer, with typical Good Guy

A couple of those custom positioners that rock groups used to cut for radio stations in the '60s — priceless remembrances from not so long ago — find their way into Baer's on-air mix.

"We're the Beach Boys," the group chanted in unison, "and we love the WMCA Good Guys." The Boys segued right into an a capella take on their song, "When I Grow Up to Be a Man": "When I grow up with WMCA," they sing, in perfect harmony.

"The Ed Baer Affair," the Big Bad Baer proudly proclaims (these days, he is heard on WHUD-FM Peekskill, N.Y., where he is the King of the Hudson Valley), "Keeping you company on this Sunday morning, uptown, or, as we used to say in the Good Guy days, 'Don't put uptown down." It was like that in the '60s, when WMCA and crosstown rival WABC (AM) were in fierce competition for listeners

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WCBS-FM Program Director Joe McCoy (left) talks on-air with former WABC personalities Charlie Greer (center) and Herb Oscar Anderson (second from right).

INTERNATIONAL UPDATE

Combative Radio from 'Down Under'

by Max Thrower

BELLINGEN, Australia Australian talk radio has many forms but there is only one type that feels unique.

The sort where the temperament of the host swings unpredictably between barking mad and smoothly seductive.

The kind where a huge audience, whose average age is more than 45, is swept along on a wave of crude nationalism.

The type that often relies on heaping blame on welfare recipients for a morning ripe with entertainment.

The radio programs where you are not worth your salt unless you hold your opinions like a zealot.

veteran and publicly admired star of stage musicals.

John Tingle, who has taken a seat in the upper house of a state parliament as sole representative of the Shooters Party, an organization devoted to ensuring the right of every individual to do as much shooting, fishing and four wheel driving as is physically possible.

The "king"

The most famous of all Australian talk hosts, however, is John Laws, who is often called "king of Australian talk radio." His morning program is broadcast across the country, and Laws' show always seemed to be the same: get rid of trade unions, less social security, eliminate blubberers who leeched off society, the righteousness of hard work and money—all interlaced with Willie Nelson singing "America the Beautiful"—and a deeply romantic stance on malefemale relations.

One day I asked a co-worker what she got out of Laws' program. "I just like the way he puts shit on people," she replied.

She did not care about his mellifluous voice or his volumes of love poetry; she liked the rude side, the verbal attacks on callers holding a different opinion, hanging up on people, the goading of the audience to obtain a response.

Semblance of reason

But modern times seem to be wearing down Laws and his ilk. The mood swings do not seem so radical, a semblance of reason can take over the programs for an hour or two at a time. It is almost as if they have all begun to shuffle on the edges of the middle ground.

Maybe the time has come when the crown will be passed to a new generation of talk hosts. A generation with opinions forged into the furnace of 1980s economic rationalism. A generation with enough unreconstructed testosterone to pass the weekend playing war games, armed with paintguns, in the freezing mud of the Snowy Mountains.

Why should the tawdry baton of talk radio not be passed on? After all without feral talk hosts to love and hate, people might take to discussing politics with their neighbors and loving and hating them instead. And that would mean social chaos.

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"Nice" talk radio

Forget about nice Sandy McCutcheon broadcasting talk at ABC Radio National: "Thanks for those comments Geoff," Sandy might say after Geoff expresses some thoughts about the worthiness of corporal punishment.

Forget about Ian "Macca" Macnamara with Australia All Over, taking calls from Maree of Mount Hopeless: "It is a glorious morning here, Macca, and a flock of hook-billed parakeets just flew over," Maree might say. "Tell me were they red-tipped or spangled hook-billed parakeets?" Macca may ask in reply.

And do not even contemplate those earnest clergymen who respond to whatever dilemma a caller poses with an opener like "It is a problem, a very real problem. ..."

The true flavor of Australian talk is combative, provocative and emotional.

It is hosted by the type of middle-aged men that university undergraduates love to hate.

Ron Casey, who got into a fist fight on television with Normie Rowe, a Vietnam

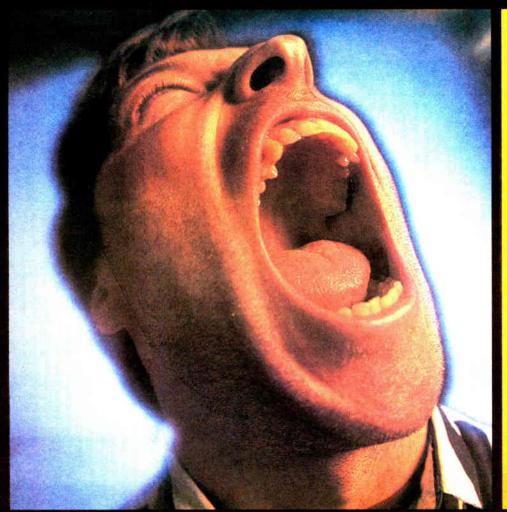
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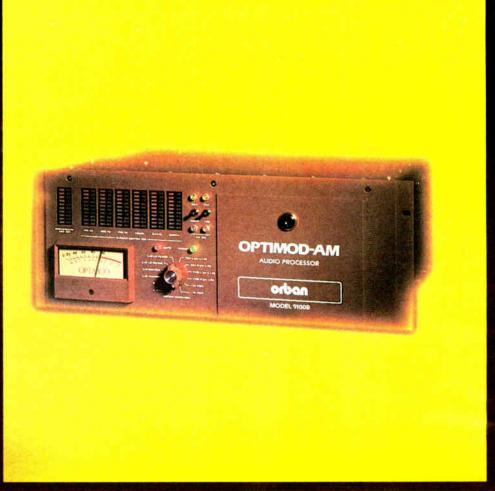
The program is perceived to have so much power in molding the political views of his audience, that Law regularly wheedles state and federal politicians, even the prime minister, to appear on the show to speak with the public.

I once worked in a factory, making door and window screens. It was monotonous, low-paid work. To pass the time my coworkers listened to talk radio. In particular, they listened to John Laws.

I could never figure this out, it seemed to me that my co-workers were enjoying someone whose ideas, if implemented, would leave them worse off than they already were.

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INTERNATIONAL UPDATE

Niche Players Thrive in Canada

OTTAWA Tune to CJVB(AM) in Vancouver, British Columbia, any morning, and chances are you will hear just another radio station playing the hits ... except, of course, that at CJVB the hits are in Cantonese

There is a good reason for this: There are approximately a quarter-million Chinese living in the Vancouver region, many of whom are new immigrants that want to hear radio in their native language

More importantly, their community is prosperous, said CJVB Vice President and General Manager Ed Ylanen. "Chinese programming has always been the engine that has driven the programming and marketing of the station," he said.

CJVB is what Canadians call an "ethnic radio station," one broadcasting in one or more languages that are not either English or French.

It is one of 14 such stations in Canada, serving the large immigrant populations centered in Toronto, Montréal and Vancouver. In Canada, immigrants traditionally move to the big cities when they arrive, to integrate into existing ethnic communities. Toronto, for instance, has half a million Italians alone, making it the largest "Italian city" in the world outside of Italy.

Assigned frequency

Seven of these stations — including CJVB — broadcast like any other radio station, using an assigned frequency to reach their listeners.

The other half are what the government calls "Secondary Communications Multiplex Operations," (SCMO). They piggyback their signal onto a subcarrier of an decode the subchannel. Such radios are often sold or leased by the SCMO stations themselves or via cable television. As might be expected, the traditional-style

existing FM station. These signals can only

be received using radios that are adapted to

broadcasters are much larger than the

SCMOs. For instance, CHIN Radio, which operates both AM and FM stations in Toronto, employs 125 people. SCMO station CHCR Toronto, which broadcasts on the subchannel of CKFM, employs only 14.

Targeting the market

Although the languages may differ from station to station, the strategies employed by ethnic broadcasters are basically the same: identify the largest

and most prosperous ethnic markets in the community and schedule news, information, talk and music in their native tongues at the best possible times.

Then set aside the less-popular airtimes, such as evenings and weekends, for smaller ethnic groups that have lesser potential to deliver audience levels that do attract advertisers.

Some small mom-and-pop SCMOs are an exception to this rule, choosing to focus on a single language. Larger ethnic broadcasters, however, tend to try to capture as much of the multilingual market as possible, boosting their advertising revenues to the maximum.

Programming on the stations depends on what the community wants to hear. CJVB, for instance, targets an upbeat

contemporary sound in order to win over sophisticated Chinese immigrants who have recently moved to Vancouver from Hong Kong.

CFMB 1410 in Montréal, however, relies on a more traditional middle-ofthe-road (MOR) sound to serve its primary Italian audience, many of whom are older immigrants who have been in Canada for some time.

How stations like CHIN Radio produce their programming again depends on



Large promotions help stations like CHIN in Toronto draw audiences and advertisers

audience size, said CHIN President and CEO Johnny Lombardi.

"We hire the people to do the regular programming that is on everyday. But anything that is weekend-only we work a deal with the producer," he said.

"We handpick these producers," Lombardi added. "We do not take just anyone off the streets. We check the communities and find out who is considered a personality and who can really bring the community together."

The result is that, when it comes to managing airtime, ethnic stations "do a bit of everything," as CFMB Programming Director Walter Centa said.

When it comes to selling advertising, Canadian ethnic radio stations face a significant handicap: They cannot rely on continued on page 20

BOOK REVIEW

The Art of Broadcasting Sports Told by New Book

by Harry Heath

STILLWATER, Okla. Here is a book every wannabe sportscaster in the country will find both exciting and useful. And more than a few long-timers will nod in approval

Its author, a high-energy broadcasterturned-professor, has made a significant contribution to the literature of radio and television journalism. Professor John R. Catsis, the man who put it all together, teaches what he has written to a popular class in the School of Journalism and Broadcasting at Oklahoma State University.

"Sports Broadcasting," published by Nelson-Hall Inc., 111 N. Canal St., Chicago 60606, is just off the press. It will sell for about \$25, the publisher said, and one of its first appearances was at the annual meeting of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Aug. 7-12 in Washington.

My credentials for being the book's first reviewer? I co-authored its counterpart for print journalists years ago and I can tell you this is a more-than-worthy companion volume on any library shelf.

So much for background. Let's get on with

Hike what Catsis has done for several reasons. First, for the book's readable style. But equally important is the quality of the research in Chapters 1-3 and 5-8. It is original research. This is especially true of the first two chapters and Chapter 7. Information in these, to this reviewer's knowledge, will not be found between book covers anywhere else.

Marketing demands and logic as well call for the author to present thorough treatment of both radio and television in this first-of-akind book. He achieves this balance

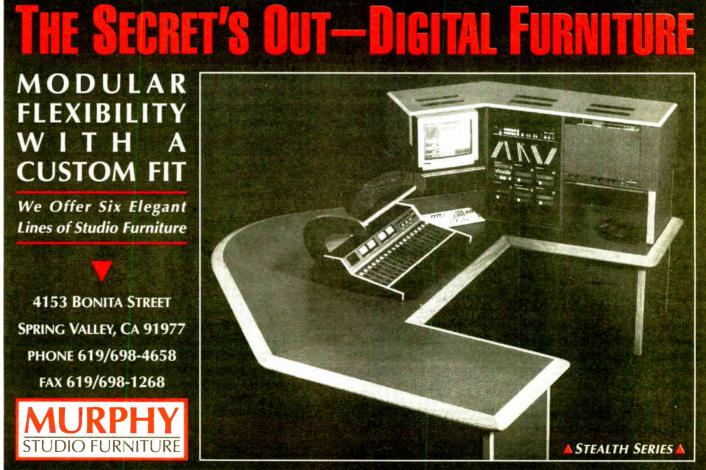
The book's guts are its excellent chapters on sportscasting, play-by-play and color, but these are strengthened by well-rounded content covering the historical, business, technological and production aspects of the field.

Those who buy and read "Sports Broadcasting" will be delighted, too, by Curt Gowdy's introduction. To any but Johnnycome-latelies, Gowdy represents the best in days when he covered six-man football in Wyoming to his work with Mel Allen for the New York Yankees and his later success broadcasting pro football.

But there are many other features that will attract sports buffs. In its 261-plus pages index, Sports Broadcasting includes numerous intriguing sidelights. They come in 46 different "Time Outs" ranging from anecdotes about Graham McNamee and Ted Husing to such topics as program notes, expressions made famous by sports announcers and cliches.

Special attention also should be called to the 42 well-selected photos and illustrations that brighten the volume, plus its many

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Niche Programming Plays Well

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Bureau of Broadcast Measurement (BBM) audience ratings, which often place them dead last in the market.

"Our one drawback that we are not measured by BBM," Lombardi said. "They cannot measure us properly because we have so many languages."

"At this point in time, BBM cannot measure an ethnic audience," said Ylanen. He said the problem stems from the fact that "their ballots are in English or French, and if BBM is going to approach an ethnic household, they have to get the ballot into the language of that household," something which is "very complex and very expensive."

Of course, it is one thing for ethnic broadcasters to denounce the BBMs, and claim their audiences are much larger than measured; it is quite another to convince sponsors to buy airtime on the basis of this argument.

So how do ethnic stations manage to sell advertising?

"What happens with our sales team is that we become preachers," said CJVB Sales Manager Niko Notaris. "We try to preach the ethnic word."

In Notaris' market, this means pointing out to advertisers that two out of every five people in the Vancouver suburb of Richmond are of Asian origin. It also means spending the station money on BBM-style surveys of the Chinese community. Notaris also holds up "examples of people who have advertised with us in the past, and it has worked for them," he said.

Big promotions

Meanwhile, CHIN Radio relies on big promotions like the annual CHIN International Picnic—a three-day event that Lombardi claims attracted more than 350,000 people this year—to demonstrate the station's presence in the city.

"We live on our promotional events," Lombardi said, "We use these events to promote our stations and satisfy a lot of sponsors who keep coming back to us."

The fact that CHIN itself has managed to stay in business for almost 30 years proves that Lombardi attracts advertisers to his station.

Still, most of the ads on ethnic radio tend to be for local business. That is because mainstream ad agencies in Canada

are just beginning to grasp the potential of the growing ethnic market, said Robin Glenny, vice president of new business development at the Radio Marketing Bureau.

Noting the change that is finally taking place, Glenny said, "I think they are now starting to develop some creative advertising programs that will look at specific segments of the market."

Market notice growing

Still, for Canadian ethnic radio stations, national advertisers remain a small part of their advertising revenues. "One of the biggest challenges we have had is to get the mainstream advertising community to understand that if a station has been around as long as we have (since 1972 in the case of CJVB)." Ylanen said, "we must be doing something right for the advertisers."

There is general consensus among those interviewed that, as a whole, the outlook for the ethnic radio market here is bullish

"I think the market is growing tremendously." Glenny said. "As pockets like Vancouver continue to develop, it is going to become more and more important. (As well). I think we have evidence in Toronto, on the north side of the city with the explosion of the Chinese community here and the great concentration of ethnic groups in certain areas that they will play a greater role in retail and national business."

However, this growth poses a threat to ethnic stations that do not closely watch the demographics of their audience. That is because, while immigration remains strong, the ethnic groups coming here continue to change.

"Seven years ago we had one hour (of Chinese programming) a day," Lombardi said. "Now we have five hours a day. That gives you an indication how the demographics have changed in this area."

"We follow the market." he added with the wisdom of an ethnic broadcaster who has worked 29 years in the business. "As you see a slowdown in one (group), you pick up the slack by picking up Chinese or East Indian or others that are growing."

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Art of Sports

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tables, charts and graphs that strengthen points made in the text.

The author uses a creative approach in giving thanks to various experts who read the manuscript, answered questions and offered suggestions. He calls these people Most Valuable Players and lists them at the end of various chapters. Among these MVPs are Anne K. Elliott of Nielsen Media Research; Joe Commare, widely known for his technical work for ABC-TV and ESPN; Bill Teegins, sports director for KWTV Oklahoma City, and Dave Garrett, voice of the Dallas Cowboys.

As would be expected, many well-known sportscasters appear in the book, names such as Red Barber, Chris Berman, Harry Carey, Howard Cosell, Ernie Harwell, John Madden, Don Meredith, Dan Patrick and Dick Vitale.

The author writes from a solid foundation. He holds two degrees from the Medill School of Journalism, Northwestern University, followed by 30 years in a wide variety of broadcasting roles. Early in his career he handled football and basketball play-by-play involving several major universities, then continued his sports experience with KYW(AM) Philadelphia before moving to KPRC-AM-TV, the NBC affiliate in Houston. Also in Houston, he was with both KTRH-AM and KHOU-TV.

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This wide background is reflected in the author's ability to make potentially confusing technical concepts understandable.

How to sum it up? Gowdy does it best with his opening statement in the introduction: "I wish I had this book when I was starting out in the business."

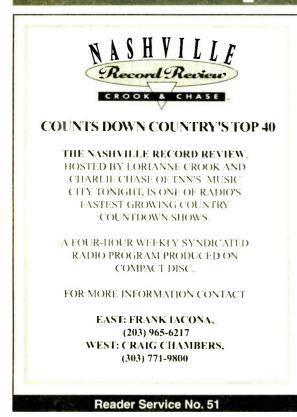
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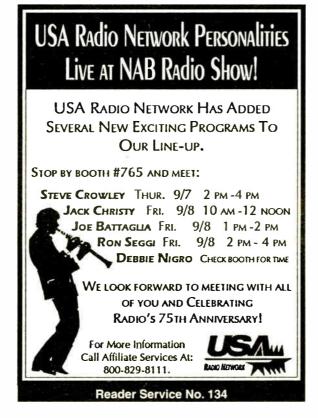
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MANAGER'S NOTEBOOK

Start New Employees Off on Proper Footing

The Nasdaq Stock Market

Making New Hires Feel at Home Is Only Part of the Process; Proper Training, Introductions Also Help

by Sue Jones

ROCKVILLE, Md. Let's say you have just spent two months searching for a new sales representative, engineer, or business manager and have finally found the perfect person with the right qualifications for your needs and with a desired salary within your range.

Finding this person took a lot of time and effort that left piles of work waiting on your desk. After completing all of the necessary tax forms and other reporting documents, your first response is probably relief that you have the job done and are ready to catch up on your regular work.

Actually, the job of recruiting and starting a new employee is only half done. To get it right, you have a few more things to do.

Introduction

Prepare a memorandum to be distributed to all staff members on the new employee's first day. Post it on a bulletin board for any absent or part time staff members. The memo should indicate the position the new employee will hold. You may want to indicate the employee's former organization prior to joining your team. List some

Prepare a memorandum to be distributed to all staff on the new employee's first day.

of the accomplishments or background information of the new person. Be sure to give a copy of the memo to the new staff member so they are aware of what the other staff members know about him/her.

As the general manager, personally tour the office and introduce each staff member to the new recruit. With this type of introduction, you can give the new team member some basic information about each staff member, such as their position and duties as they relate to the new person's job.

These types of introductions serve many purposes. They equally inform all staff members at the same time that there is a new team member and what that member will be doing. This eliminates speculation and gives your current staff some basic information about the new person to speed his/her assimilation into the station culture.

It introduces the new staff member with positive statements about why he/she is now with your station. It keeps the receptionist from telling callers the requested person does not work at your station. The caller may dial other local stations looking for the sales representative who called earlier about a special advertising package.

Your new employee will most likely be pleased that you took the time to write a memo on their behalf and/or personally introduce them to each staff member. It will get your new employee off to a positive start with your station and the position.

Get work space ready

Showing the new staff member to the predecessor's work area is not adequate. If the work area had been previously occupied, remove any personal items that may have been left behind. Clean and organize the space. Your

new recruit will not be enthralled with a dusty desk punctuated with coffee rings, leftover mugs and stray papers.

Even if you explain that you have been too busy to get the area ready, it will send a clear message to the new recruit: "If I am not important enough to this organization to get a decent work area, why should I go to extraordinary lengths for this station?"

Check all of the office equipment in the work area to make sure that it is functioning properly including the telephone, stapler, calculator and computer. Replace or repair anything that needs it, including the chair, before the new employee's first day.

Ideally, a job description should be given to employees on their first day. A well written job description will help define the position and give the new person direction. It should also identify the type of work that is required of the position. If you do not have formal position descriptions written, prepare a list of duties and responsibilities. This will reduce misunderstandings of your expectations of the position.

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Start New Hires On Right Track

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There are several benefits to providing a written job description on the employee's first day. It clearly identifies the duties that are expected, and the basis for evaluating performance. If no job description or list of duties and responsibilities are given, the employee could justifiably claim to have been unaware that specific duties were his/her responsibility.

Employee Handbook

Give the new employee a copy of the employee handbook. This would contain the personnel policies and procedures. A written employee handbook will save you

the time of explaining details about station benefits, business and travel expense policies, leave and personnel policies. It also provides complete and consistent information to all staff members about such matters.

In your haste to get your new employee started, you may forget to explain some very important information about

holidays and pay policies that can cause confusion and frustration at a later date.

Give the new staff member an office tele-

phone extension list of the station's person-

nel. This will be an important tool for the new employee to keep in fast touch with other staff members without having to walk to their work area. It will also help the new

A well written job description will help define the position and give the new person direction.

person to remember the co-workers' names.

The new member should also receive an operating procedures manual, consisting of information on how to do specific jobs and tasks at the station. They have the written procedures on how to complete the standard tasks and staff interaction at the station.

Whether your station has an electronic security system or standard keys, be sure to give the new employee the necessary keys and passwords for security systems and devices.

Make sure the new recruit knows where to find standard forms used in the station. The same is true for office supplies and equipment.

Finally, there is a new arrival checklist for yourself. Make up a standard checklist of items to be completed for each new employee. This is a repeatable process that should be completed consistently for each new person. The checklist will prevent overlooking an important item and help assure

As you can see, the more written material you have ready to give a new employee, the less time you will be required to orient the new person one-on-one which is a costly process. A little preparation the day before the new person arrives will help assure that all documents and information are provided in the most efficient way.

(Editor's Note: Job descriptions for the 10 most common jobs are available on disk from Performance Management at 703-323-0491.)

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Web Site Slithers in Reptile Style

by Alan Haber

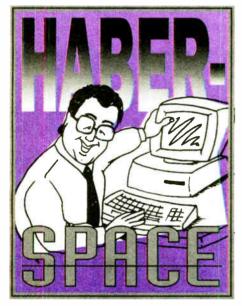
ALEXANDRIA, Va. What? You have not been acquainted with "reptile style"? You have not had the pleasure of decking yourself out in the latest lizard duds and swinging your tail through town as your adoring fans follow your every step?

That is one sorry L7, or square situation, dudes. Fortunately, Dr. Haberspace has the cure for your reptilian ills, in the form of KMKF(FM), Manhattan, Kan.'s "Rock 101.5" Web site http://codrus.mmedia.com/KROCK/html/klineup.html.

The 50,000 watt powerhouse, which hits listeners in northeast Kansas with a unique blend of "The Cutting Edge and The Classics that Count" is taking no prisoners with its wacky Web home.

You'll find all manner of wild stuff here, particularly if — while on the home page — you click on music director Raubin Pierce's name. You'll find yourself quickly transported to a black screen with the curious message "got to be quick to swim in these waters" emblazoned on top.

Truer words have never been spoken. Just beneath the message you'll find the word



"Hang." If you wait too long to click on the "Drop me a line" link, the words "on," "my" and "friend" appear next to "Hang," one at a time. You'll then find yourself in "Raubin's Oasis on the World Wide Web" (you'd actually wind up here anyway, but this is one heckuva clever way to get there.) Here, you'll find a list of cool links, and a page called "Mr. Mojo Risin's Other Lives," about Jim Morrison and the Doors.

Factor in regional concert listings and you've got a most promising site, which looks like it is currently under construction by KMKF.

So, forgive the mess while the K-Rockers come up with some other cool pages for Web surfers. And, put your hands together for this month's Neat Site.

If you're looking for a new business opportunity to tack on to your already busy, busy, busy broadcast-oriented day, look no further than the creation of Web sites for radio stations.

The Radio Advertising Bureau (RAB) and RadioSite recently threw their hats into the Cyberspace ring, offering Web homes to stations that want them. As noted recently here in **RW**, the RAB is doing the Web thing by offering turnkey sites to radio stations, group operators, networks and other organizations, all of whom must be RAB members.

RAB offers members as few as three and as many as 20 pages for their sites, which will reside on the bureau's server. A variety of packages will be offered to members, who are charged a creative fee for the building of their sites, and a monthly fee for having the RAB maintain them (if they choose to go this route.)

Construction of the first RAB sites is slated for around Sept. 1. Call the RAB at 214-753-6700 for more information.

RadioSite is a new company that was in development with several radio station Web sites as this was being written. An attractive notice on the Web, at http://www.radiosite.com, lets potential station clients know about the opportunities that await them.

In developing their plans, RadioSite focused on two things, according to Bob Lion, vice president of marketing; providing

pages that are marketing-driven, in terms of their ability to reach listeners, and marketing-oriented, as they relate to creating revenue for stations.

Lion said that radio station Web sites that really meet the needs of their listeners are the sites that will be successful and get repeat business, in terms of repeat surfing.

RadioSite's service is structured toward the average computer user and listener. To do anything other than that, Lion said, "is to be saying to your audience, 'Unless you're really a Nethead, this page is not for you.' I think that any station that excludes its listeners in any way, shape or form can actually hurt itself more than help itself."

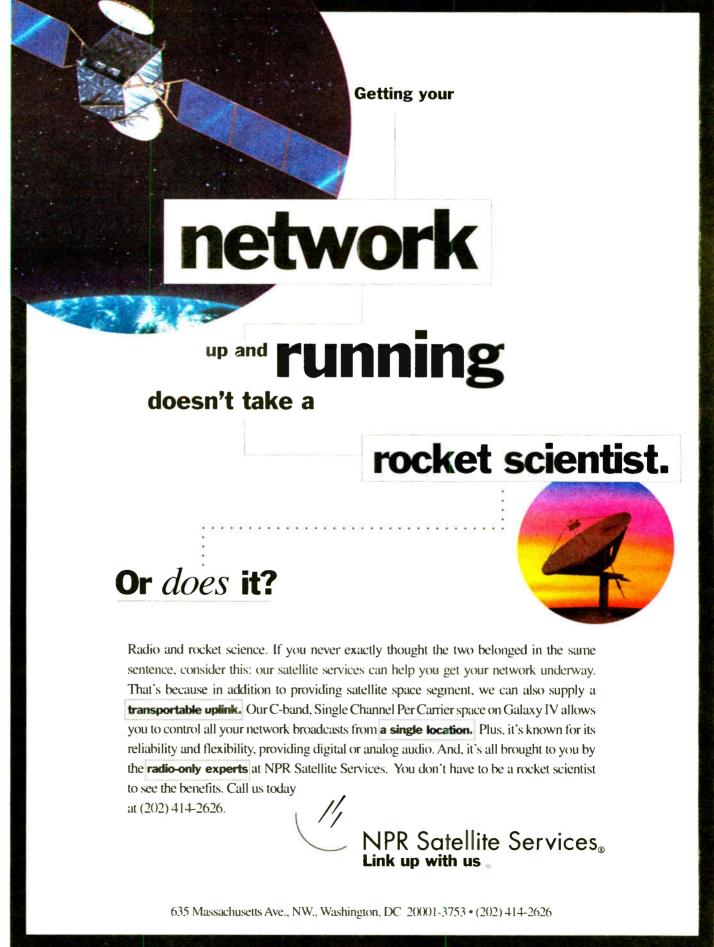
Information that listeners are interested in

will be on the Web sites created by RadioSite — news links for news stations, for example. Playlists and the latest on upcoming promotions are examples of station information that could appear — in other words, information that would be relevant to the "life of the radio station as it interacts with its listeners," said Lion.

There will be graphics on RadioSite's Web sites, but none of the heavy-duty variety: "Any graphic over 20,000 bytes won't be there," said Lion. This means download times will be quicker for Web surfers.

Revenue-minded stations might find opportunity with RadioSite's Web sites. Sign-in pages, for example, will be offered. "The database information from that alone is going to be valuable for all kinds of marketing things," said Lion.

And then there's advertising. The Interep



PROMO POWER

Brainstorm Your Way to Better Promos

by Mark Lapidus

washington "Would you describe yourself as a person with an open mind?" I guess I answered "yes" too quickly because my interviewer removed his glasses, rubbed his eyes and asked the question with more emphasis: "Do you have a really open mind ... I mean ... suppose I told you that many of the things you think you know about radio programming and promotion are probably wrong ... and that assumptions you may make about audiences are off the mark ... how would you feel about that?"

"Wow," I thought, "this guy is one

intense general manager. If I get this job as promotion director, it is going to be a challenge." I must have muddled my way through the correct answer, because I was hired.

Greater understanding

It was several years later that I came back to this question with a far greater understanding of what he meant. His first point was that to be successful in promotion and programming, an open mind is the greatest tool. His second point about my perspective was also insightful.

As an industry, we do a terrible job training people for their positions. The worst part is that if someone stays in a job long enough, he or she may begin to believe he knows exactly what he is doing even though he or she may have not learned it correctly in the first place. Before tackling the educational process, let's see if we can pry open our brains a bit

Are people in radio promotion and programming more defensive, egotistical and territorial than in other industries? Probably. Otherwise, we would all be insurance agents! If every day at work is like a battle zone, consider that you could be at least a small part of the problem.

When you do something wrong, 'fess up. If you have started to work on a project that is not beneficial, be honest about it.

Anyone who is an ace at brainstorming sessions will tell you that in the process it is best to consider every idea a good idea. In this manner, you are likely to generate more ideas. Eliminating the bad ones is the easy part and is done after all the ideas are on the table.

Consider all ideas

If this concept is so successful with brainstorming, why not apply it to the analysis of other ideas that are thrown at you every day? Do not be so quick to toss out that little nibblet of a promotion that was proposed by a sales assistant or an intern. Tell him or her you will think about it for awhile—and then actually de think about it.

It is not necessary that you be the person to dream up every concept your department executes. Do not be the person known as the "if he/she didn't think of it, we'll never do it" person. Instead. be proud of taking a concept generated by somebody else and molding it in the best possible manner. There are many ways to put your stamp on other people's concepts. Ironically, there are a lot of radio promotions and programs that we think are original, but have actually been done before.

Educational process

Now to the educational process. Sure, there are many in radio who have formal bachelor and masters and even doctoral degrees, but a vast majority of people still come up through the ranks. We begin with entry level jobs in an area of interest, like sales. The lucky among us are partnered with good mentors.

Those not so lucky either stumble along learning from their own mistakes, develop bad habits or get out of the business due to frustration. There is even a possibility that someone can remain in a position for so many years that he or she actually begins to believe that he knows everything there is to know about his or her position, but in fact, never learned the basics very well from the start.

Further complications

To further complicate matters: even with a good mentor, it is possible to learn everything well about your area of interest, but nothing about another aspect of the business. For example, many great programming people know nothing about sales and vice versa.

As station staffs combine with duopolies and decrease in size with automation and satellite delivery, this narrow approach to knowledge hurts each station and the radio industry at large. This lack of delivery ultimately creates misunderstandings about motive, development of station goals and can even make enemies of department heads.

How do we improve these conditions? Much of the solution lies with personal responsibility. If there are areas in your radio station you do not understand, gradually learn them. Pick departments one at a time and move forward. If you do not know how your salespeople sell time, go on a few calls; have them teach you how they use ratings; what cold calling and prospecting is like; how agency presentations differ from directs; and how commissions and collections work.

Conversely, salespeople should spend an continued on page 33







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Greats Gather at Oldies WCBS-FM

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High atop the city streets, on the 17th floor of Black Rock, the home of CBS, the fifth Rock and Roll Radio Greats Weekend is in high gear, complete with custom positioners and jingles (It is the Rock and Roll Radio Greats Weekend 11).

The music spans the A to Z or and roll radio, from doo-wop to and everything in between. Airchecks from the "good old days" at WABC and WMCA play throughout the two-day celebration.

Other radio stations around the country have done reunions, but WCBS-FM's are the marks by which the others are measured.

Reaction great

The reaction to the first reunion in August of 1984 was nothing short of extraordinary. Joe McCoy, WCBS-FM's

Former WABC personality Herb Oscar Anderson remembers the good old days with Ron Lundy (right).

program director and a "radio great" himself, said it "stopped New York cold." The phones did not stop ringing for days. "People called us up." he remembered.

"They laughed, they cried. We had people up all night taping. We had people who paid people to tape." Imagine: thousands of amateur pop culture archivists, all over the New York Metropolitan area, preserving rock and roll radio history.

"We had taxi drivers and people calling up saying they were not going to work that weekend," said McCoy. "I had a guy who called me on a Sunday. He just got back from England, and he said he made the taxi driver pull over to the side of the

High atop the city streets the Radio Greats Weekend is in gear.

road so he could find a phone booth. He said, 'How long have you been doing this?' I said, "We started six o'clock Saturday morning." And he said, 'God, if I knew this, I wouldn't have gone to England."

McCoy remembered that first reunion as if it were happening this wonderful weekend. "It was incredible," he said. "It was very emotional. These guys had not seen each other in years. And, you know, the ABC camp was in one room, the MCA camp was in another, just like the old days." Echoes of crosstown rivalries.

Remember the wild tales, the pranks pulled on program directors, the wacky DJ stunts? They evoke a time when New

York radio was as much as part of the area's residents' lives as their morning coffee and homework. Not that it isn't today, of course, but, somehow, it was different. Somehow.

"That is the fun part of the whole weekend, you know," said McCoy. "The stories are as much a part of the weekend as the music is."

Offically proclaimed

WCBS-FM's fifth Rock and Roll Radio Greats Weekend, commemorated with an official proclamation from New York City Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani (Mayor Rudy, as Cousin Brucie calls him), has pulled together all the New York radio greats, thanks to the efforts of the station's first-class, devoted staff.

Some may, and have, called these weekends reunions, but, somehow, it is

weird to do that. Bruce "Cousin Brucie' Morrow, who is still sending warm feelings out to his fans in the tri-state area from behind his coveted New York microphone Wednesday Saturday nights at WCBS-FM, doesn't the think word "reunion" is the way to describe the weekend.

"I just think it should be called the Radio Greats Salute," he said, "I've never cared for the word reunion, 'cause it is really not a

reunion. It is a salute to some of the radio greats. And it is really done for the audience. It is a fun thing."

Thinking of the audience

Ah, the audience. Finally, perhaps as it should always have been, WCBS-FM took its show on the road this time around, in addition to holding court in its own studios. The traveling was easy-just a couple of feet down the street to 25 West 52nd Street, to the Museum of Television and Radio's main theater. There, above the stage, hung a seemingly larger-than-life WCBS-FM banner. And some of the great radio personalities — Cousin Brucie, Big Dan Ingram, Herb Oscar Anderson (once

the Morning Mayor of New York when he was on WABC), Charlie Greer, Chuck Leonard, Ron Lundy, Ed Baer, Dean Anthony, and, yes, Wolfman Jack, in one of his last personal appear-

ances — entertained New York area radio fans, in the flesh.

Throughout the weekend, other rock 'n' roll Radio Greats manned the microphones at WCBS-FM's studios, like Ted Brown from WNEW(AM), and Harry Harrison (these days, WCBS-FM's morning mayor, and a former WABC personality). Tributes to some of rock 'n' roll Radio's true pioneers, like the late Alan Freed, Murray the K, and former WMCA Good Guy Jack Spector, were also heard, evoking fond, treasured memories

Dan Daniel, one of the original WMCA Good Guys, is celebrating his 35th year in New York radio; these days, he is at

country station WYNY-FM, where he makes the afternoons a happy place for New Yorkers.

"What a thrill it was to be on WCBS-FM doing my own show," he said.

The weekend was a real reunion for Daniel: "We get involved in our own lives, and we get involved in our own jobs," he said. "And to see each other in thick of the Rock and Roll Radio Greats Weekend. A banner hangs above the elevator bank, heralding the event. Blow up cards, remembrances of previous reumions, signed by the personalities who made them so memorable and successful, hang in the lobby.

And, this morning, the halls are thick with the famous voices that made New York special. Charlie Greer, who made Dennison Clothiers famous with clever commercials read during his all-night show on WABC ("Money talks, nobody



Charlie Greer (left) and Ron Lundy (right) share a funny moment with Chuck Leonard.

this context is very special, because it actually does bring back the time when we were really together."

There was real competition back in the days of WMCA and WABC, and the WCBS-FM Weekend harkened back, in some small way, perhaps, to that time. And, sometimes, the competition was of the inner variety.

"When I came to New York, I saw that I was going to be on opposite a guy who is probably, arguably, the greatest top 40 disc jockey in the history of radio, Dan Ingram," said Daniel.

The powers that be at WMCA asked Daniel to call himself Dandy Dan, which he did. And Triple D. And This is Danny, and This is Dan, This is Dan Daniel, and This is Big Skinny, and The Tall Thin Texan-anything that would help (listen-

ers) remember Dan Daniel, vis a vis Dan Ingram, said Daniel.

Is that so different from today? Perhaps not. But still, the times were different, and names maybe meant something more than they do today.

Making it

New York is very special. Just ask anybody. Or, just ask HOA, Herb Oscar Anderson.

"New York, New York, If I can make it there, I can make it

anywhere," he sang. "What can I tell you? It is New York." HOA's daily rendition of "Hello Again" as morning mayor of New York on WABC. How could New York have had so many mayors? "Hello again, here's my best to you, are your skies all grey? I hope they're blue" — was like a slice of heaven, delivered via the airwaves to New Yorkers and everyone else within earshot who could hear the giant WABC bellowing out of their radios.

Simply stepping out of the elevator on the 17th floor of Black Rock (WCBS-FM's home) puts you squarely into the walks"), is there. HOA is, too. And so is Joe O'Brien, one of the original WMCA Good Guys.

Ron Lundy, mid-morning man at WCBS-FM since 1984, with time well spent at WIL in St. Louis and at WABC is on the air in the WCBS-FM studios, 39 years after he began his career in radio (and 30 after coming to New York). He's reminiscing with Joe McCoy, and HOA. He is arguably the happiest man on the air in the radio universe, a man who looks like he is having more fun than anyone could ever possibly have. His trademark greeting, "Hello Luv, this is Ron Lundy in the greatest city in the world!" sends shivers up your spine every single time you hear it.

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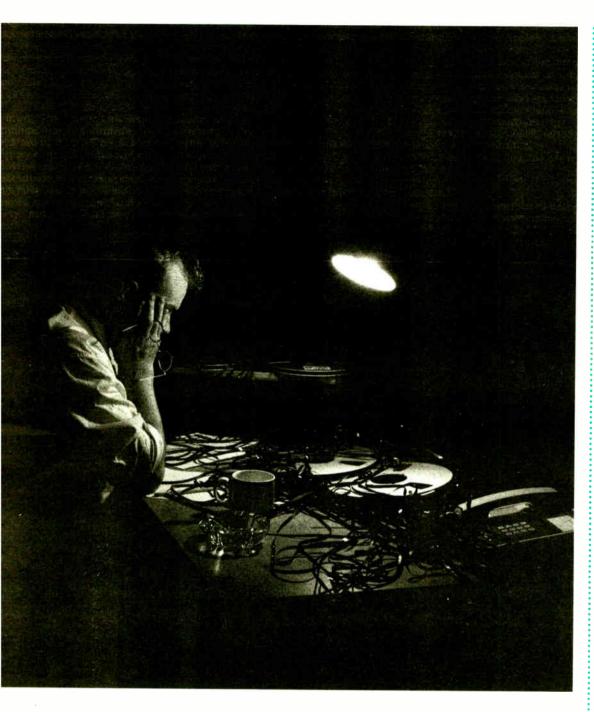
A quartet of WABC veterans reminisce (left to right): Charlie Greer, Ron Lundy, Les Marshak, and Cousin Bruce Morrow.

stage in the Museum of Television and Radio's main theater, Chuck Leonard, one of New York rock and roll radio's great voices, is greeted by thunderous applause.

"Dan Ingram probably explained it to me best of all," said Leonard, "When I had first joined (the WABC) staff back in the mid-'60s, Dan explained to me that disc jockies in New York come and go for two or three years. You don't become a New York disc jockey until you've been here between four and seven years, before you really qualify, before they

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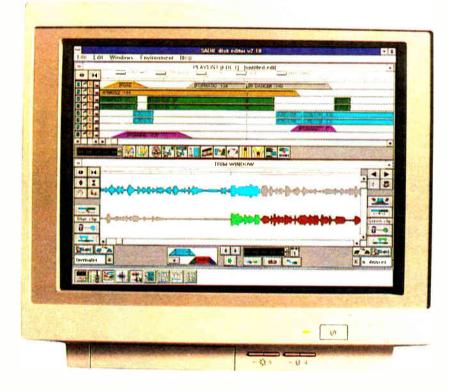
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Ingram told him, he said, that New York disc jockies are treated "something like the statues in the Guggenheim (museum). They move them around from place to place, but they never throw one out. So, consequently, once you get in, if you want to stay, you can find a way."

The curtain closes, 11 years after the first WCBS-FM Rock and Roll Radio Greats Weekend, and all that is left are the memories. The audience at the Museum of Television and Radio made this one special, said Cousin Brucie.

"The heart and soul of radio is the audience, not Cousin Brucie, not the transmitters, not the program directors. It is the audience. The audience is the heart and soul. And the idea of allowing them to come and participate, that is what made this one different. That is why this one will stand out in my mind," he said.

"Eight minutes before seven here on this Sunday morning with you, and our Radio Greats Weekend continues on

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hour or two in a control room watching air talent work; learn how a music director spits out a daily playlist; how production is assigned; and the logic behind promotions, advertising and contesting.

Have you ever watched an engineer set the processing for your station's sound? Do you know what processing is? Gradually move from department to department until you have worked your way around the station. Many people will say "who's got the time for this?" The truth is that only those who are well organized and motivated will attempt this exercise.

People who are truly well-rounded will be those with the greatest odds of success moving into the 21st century. Let's also make a point of seeing that when interns and entry-level people join us, they receive a well-rounded view of an operation.

I have more questions than answers about development on the job and the educational process. It is a heavy long-term subject and we mostly deal with the short-term in our business. The easiest solution is only to hire the best trained and open minded people. Will you be among those who fit the description 10 years from now?

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CBS-FM, 101," said the fondly remembered Ted Brown.

"Theodore David Brown, that is my name" said the familiar voice, "and if you're wondering what happened to me, well, you know, we were on WNEW, and then 'NEW was sold"

The former home of the great singers, from Sinatra to Streisand, is now a business station. "Ella Fitzgerald gives the stock market reports, and she's good at it, too, because she sings them," he joked.

Brown relates that he is now living in Jupiter, Fla., and that he misses New York.

"You miss the seasons and you miss the action, and you miss a lot of things," he

said before he imparted a piece of sage advice to his listeners, perhaps letting loose with the inevitable moral of the Radio Greats Weekend:

"So, don't be so quick to go to Florida. Just stay where you are."

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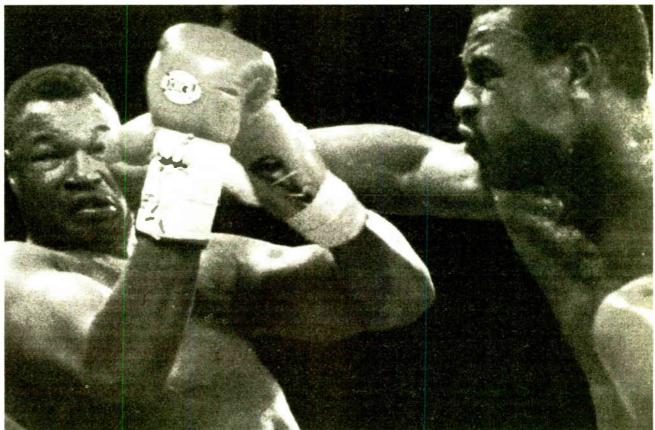
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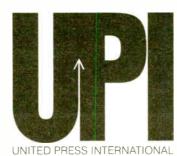
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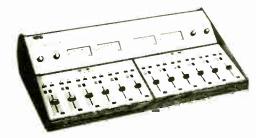


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Spot Creation Deserves Attention

by Ty Ford

BALTIMORE At NAB '95, I was commissioned by NAB to present a paper titled "Better Profit and Ratings from Better Copy and Production." The paper was based on the concept that better management of the most dangerous part of a station's air sound — spot breaks — will result in reduced active and passive tune-out.

By reducing tune-out, the station gains quarter-hours and cume. With better ratings, the station can charge more for its spots and thereby increase revenues

I am happy to say that response to the paper was very good. It opened a lot of eyes and ears. It brought peoples' attention to one of the biggest problems facing commercial radio. A problem to which many in the industry have allowed themselves to become deaf.

Barely alive

About a year ago, I read an article in a media magazine titled, "Is Advertising Dead?" It sent chills up my spine

Slither in Cyber Space

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Radio Store is RadioSite's exclusive marketing representative, and will be selling national advertising for placement on the sites. Interep will have its own home page on RadioSite's Web site, which will feature radio research, scripts and audio of Mercury Award winners and information on Interep's format networks. Stations will be able to sell their own local advertising on their sites

"We don't want people to find [the ads] intrusive," said Lion. "The things that people don't like about advertising, let's say, in movie theaters, is that the ads don't necessarily relate to the experience."

So if you're on a music page, and you see something about Michael Jackson, it is considered relevant and is not thought of as an interruption.

A small, monthly maintenance fee will be charged to stations who sign up for a Web site with RadioSite. Stations can keep their site on RadioSite's server, their own server or parts in both locations, depending on their needs. Call Lion at 212-309-9090 if your station is interested getting on the Web.

Thanks to everybody who has been sending me e-mail about how much they like Haberspace; in particular, I'd like to recognize Joe Benson, a longtime RW reader who sent me a four pager-plus full of pointers to great sites and interesting ideas. I've been checking out some of the sites these e-mailers have been pointing me to. I'll run down a few of them next month.

Until then, Benson makes a great point: "There's a lot out there in Cyberspace," he wrote. "Radio needs to catch a ride on this big, big wave. It's the ultimate way to hang ten.

Right on, surfer dude!

because I had similar thoughts, although not as severe. It is true, many of the communications concepts, words, use of language, performance and production used in spot production have been inbred and discounted for so many decades that they have become, at the very least, less effective.

It is this way because of the "We've always done it this way" response. As a result, many radio spots have become parodies of themselves.

The production directors, creative

directors and spot writers who are turning out this stuff are not doing their jobs. Too many are trying to hide the crap that's being written with ear candy. The solution to

the problem is not a new sound effects package, or violating copyright laws by stealing sound bytes from TV show and movie soundtracks, those are just bandaids. The real solution, and it will be deemed as "too much hard work" by the stupid and lazy, will be to come to new terms with the language and its use.

I know you did not want to think about this, but you have to. While you are processing the denial phase, let's take a gentle historical look at the circumstances that have created the predicament in which we now find ourselves.

Beginning of the end

Throughout the '80s, Docket 80-90 gave most radio markets just the increased competition they had been craving, more stations in each metro area. At the same time, the unprecedented upward spiralling of station prices, fed by investors playing "hot potato" with radio properties, pushed debt services to unexpected heights.

As increasing debt services ate away at profit margins, broadcasters found that radio was no longer a "license to print money."

At the same time, other consumer diversions such as cable TV, DirecTV, digital cable radio, video games, online computer services and the Internet also were luring listeners away.

The largest and most profitable demographic of American humanity, the aging baby boomers-no longer as fascinated by music radio-was also facing recession and failed expectations as a result of the fact that too much of the business that happened in the 1980s was paper shuffling instead of real commerce.

Some said it was just a re-balancing of an out-of-control economy. Others claimed that there are just too many companies, products and services on the market, and because of that, advertising wasn't as effective as it used to be. At the bottom line, there were fewer consumers with fewer dollars, more places than ever vying for those dollars and more and more places for advertisers to spend their ad dollars.

Made harder

All of these things have made it more difficult for radio advertising to perform as well as it had in the past. Except for the top four or five stations in a larger or medium market, (ones with the biggest coverage areas), it

became a buyer's market, with ad agencies and direct clients looking for value-added reasons to make a buy.

What have the sales departments done? They've cut deals, circumvented the traditional client/ad agency/station chain by going directly to the client. The radio station sales department drags the promotions director and program director into meetings to try to come up with ways to keep the customer happy, without destroying theprogramming.



This works until one day you happen to be in the car listening to your own station and you realize that it sounds like Irv's Discount Auto Parts owns your station, and the programming is starting to get in the way.

In an effort to stop the erosion, program directors resorted to negatively spotlight commercials by actively promoting how few of them would be heard. In effect, they were (and are) telling their listeners and clients that commercials are bad ... you wish you did not have to air them ... and you will do whatever you think makes your

listener believe that they're hearing fewer of them so your station will be perceived as having fewer of them cluttering up the air.

Crazy old uncle

Applying the classic sales strategy of eliminating the objections, and because they were not prepared to deal with the real and more complicated issues, radio began hiding its commercial inventory away like it was a crazy old uncle—a disgrace to the family, but what are you going to do?

Once on that slippery slope, the usual direction is down, which is where we are now. And when DAB becomes a reality, there will be even more choices for radio listeners. By the time we start seeing little stinger antennas on the new Lexus and Acuras for DAB reception, it will be too late.

However, the pendulum is starting to swing back. Competition for business among ad agencies has been as lethal to that industry as the increasing competition has been to the broadcasters. Like their radio counterparts, some agency creative types have also been hoeing the same row a little too long.

Tune in next time to discover why some stations are headed over a cliff. and how to make sure that station isn't YOOooouuuu.

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Big Band Remotes Defined Broadcasting Era

Radio Remotes During Big Band Era Helped Music, Artists and Stations Achieve Greater Popularity

by Richard W. O'Donnell

PORT RICHEY, Without radio remotes to popularize the Big Band sound, the Big Band Era probably wouldn't have been an era at all.

The remotes came from all over the country: from the Totem Pole, Frank Dailey's Meadowbrook, the Palomar, the

Woody Herman

Glen Island Casino, the

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countless other dancing palaces

across the nation, including a

splendid array of the best hotels.

Usually they were hosted by

popular radio announcers of the

30s, such as Martin Bloch,

Jimmy Wallington, Harlow

Wilcox, Don Wilson and sports-

caster Ted Hussing. The shows

were on late at night, after the reg-

ular programs had gone to bed. They permeated the airwaves from 11 p.m. until the wee hours of the morning, and Goodman, Miller, Dorsey and all the other great names were featured, playing their very best stuff.

You would hug your pillow, while sprawled in bed, and, in the darkness, listen to the finest music modern America had to

offer back then.

"In a way," he said, "I feel sorry for the young people of today. Sure, they've got their share of modern day musical heroes, and some of them are great. But the kids of today missed out on the Big Band vocalists... they missed the Dorsey Brothers.

Music critic Stamford Young described the Big Band Era as "the glory days of popular music," and remarked that it would never be matched, despite technical advances in musical instruments and sound reproduction.

Woody Herman, Kay

Kyser and all the others when they were in their prime.

Critic Young said the big bands of yesteryear owe a lot to radio remotes. "There were live broadcasts from dance halls everywhere." he said, "and the young people stayed up late at night to hear them. Most bands lost money playing these remotes. They might have been on tour picking up more dough,

but the remotes were an opportunity to publicize their band and Her Dawn Patrol. names, and make themselves

That way, Young explained, "they could demand higher prices when they went on a tour of one-nighters. Radio remotes helped the bands to become famous. There isn't any doubt about that."

The King of Swing

It all started with the great Benny Goodman. His band launched a decade of swing, the Big Apple, jitterbugging, canaries, crooners, songs with wild titles, tender ballads and marvelous arrangements.

The Goodman band arrived on the scene in 1936 and took the nation by storm. Goodman was crowned the King of Swing, and he proved to be a mighty monarch. His clarinet became known to the nation as "The Licorice Stick," and it was featured on many late night radio remotes.

"Goodman was great," recalled critic Young, "but the nation would not have been able to hear his music if it weren't for the remotes. A band playing in a dance hall, or a big hotel, doesn't make much noise nationally, all by itself. The remotes made it possible for Goodman to be heard.

Another Big Band legend. Gene Krupa, was the drummer in the Goodman group. And Helen Ward, a vocalist for the group, was once rated one of the top singers of her day, although her name has since been lost in the musical shuffle.

Once it was launched by the radio remotes, the Big Band Era became a part of the nation's way of life. The bands hit their high notes during the Second World War, when departing servicemen would hold their girls close, during a final dance. before heading overseas. It was that way in all the Big Band films they made back then. It was that way in real life, too.

But we are getting ahead of ourselves. It was back in the 30s, thanks to remotes, that the big bands caught on.

After Benny Goodman came a magnificent array of musical talent. There was Glenn Miller, Artie Shaw. Woody Herman and the Dorsey Brothers. And Les Brown, Charles Barnet, Count Basie, Xavier Cugat, Duchin, Bob Crosby, Larry Clinton, Frankie Carle, Cab Calloway, Hampton, Heidt, James, Red Nichols, Ozzie Nelson, Sammy Kaye, Gene Krupa, Kay Kyser, Freddy Martin, Charles Spivak, Buddy Rich, Ray Noble and Ted Weems.

Then there were those two

great female orchestra leaders, Ina Ray Hutton and Dolly Dawn. Dolly Dawn led an orchestra called Dolly Dawn

The list seems endless.

Do you remember the songs they played? Do you remember "Cherokee" by the Barnet band? And Basie's "One O'Clock Jump"? And don't forget Tommy Dorsey's "Boogie Woogie." Or brother Jimmy's hit version of "Tangerine."

Or "Muskrat Ramble" (Crosby); "Sunrise Serenade" (Carle), introduced the great hits of the day. The thing that bothered me was the long ride home late at night. That was the rough part.

"Another thing: I used to wonder if what I was saying was making it out over the airwaves. Radio was young in those days, and I often wondered if all the wires were in the right plugs when I did those remotes. Still, all things considered, they were fun. I didn't think so when I was doing them, but, looking back, I had a chance to meet some of the really great names of the



Artie Shaw, shown with Lana Turner

"Smoke Rings" (Glen Gray). "Sentimental Journey" (Les Brown), "Minnie the Moocher" (Calloway), "Dipsy Doodle" (Larry Clinton). "Let's Dance" (Goodman), "Flying Home" (Hampton), and "Woodchoppers' Ball" (Woody Herman). And who will ever forget Glenn Miller's chugging version of "Chattanooga Choo-Choo"?

All of the hit songs of the Big Band Era bring back beautiful memories. Remember Doris Day singing "Sentimental Journey" with the Les Brown band? And Artie Shaw's "Begin the Beguine"? Don't forget Ted Weems' "Heartaches." Or Harry James' "Carnival of Venice" and "The Flight of the Bumblebee." What music!

Remote reflections

Most people remember Fred Foy as the narrator of the long-running radio series, "The Lone Ranger." But Foy also did his share of radio remotes along the way.

"If you were a staff announcer - and I was — you ended up doing your share of remotes," he once told an interviewer. "They were a fact of life. Late at night, you'd end up at some dance hall in the middle of nowhere, standing in front of a mic. attempting to sound wide awake as you

musical world. I was lucky to have done them."

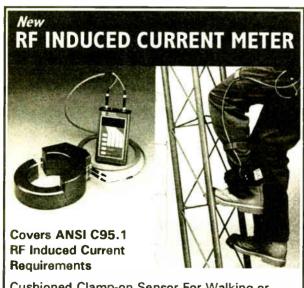
Tom Hussey, who used to broadcast the Red Sox games, also did remotes for Boston stations during his early years on radio. "I remember a dance hall they had out on Huntington Avenue," he recalled during an interview years ago. "It was near Boston's distinguished Symphony Hall, only a stone's throw away. And it was near the radio station where I worked.

"Those Big Band remotes were a joy to do. It was at that dance hall on Huntington Avenue that Artie Shaw first made a name for himself. Until he did remotes there, nobody had heard his music to any great degree,' Hussey said.

Crooners and canaries

Do you remember some of the great singers with the big bands? Who was Tommy Dorsey's male vocalist? That's right! His name was Sinatra. He also sang with Harry James for a while. Of course, Vaughan Monroe and Billy Eckstine had bands of their own. So did Art Lund. And Bob Crosby, too.

Merv Griffin was a vocalist with the Freddy Martin Orchestra. Perry Como was with continued on page 32



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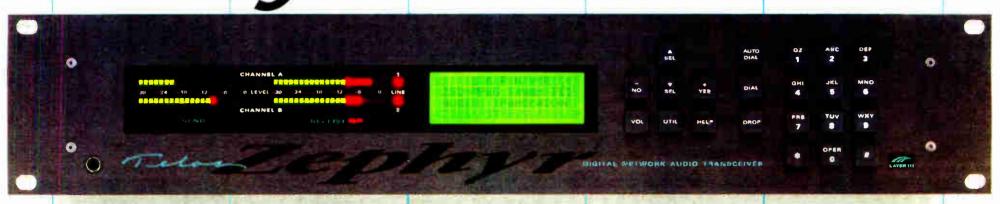
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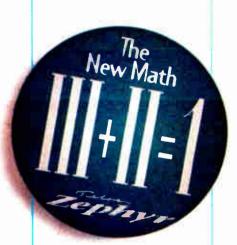
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Remotes Defined Radio

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Ted Weems. Count Basie had Joe Williams and Kay Kyser helped Mike Douglas launch his career. Glenn Miller had a chap named Johnny Desmond singing with his band for a while, and Don Cornell started out with Sammy Kaye.

The Haymes brothers, Dick and Bob, established themselves during the Big Band days. So did Bob and Ray Eberly. Also Eddy Howard, Jack Leonard, Jimmy Rushing and Harry Babbitt. Don't forget Gordon MacRae; he arrived with the Big Bands too. And come to think of it, Bing Crosby even got his basic training with Paul Whiteman's Orchestra.

Then there were the "canaries," the

Then there were the "canaries," the female vocalists who made beautiful sounds. Doris Day is probably the most

famous canary of all. She sang with the Les Brown crew.

Another illustrious canary was Ella Fitzgerald, who was featured with Chic Webb's band, and is generally regarded as the greatest chirper of them all. Another great one was Peggy Lee, who served a hitch with Goodman.

Rosemary Clooney started with the Tony Pastor outfit, and Jo Stafford was a featured vocalist with Tommy Dorsey. Other popular female vocalists were Ginny Powell, Amy Arnell, Bea Wain, Helen O'Connell, Betty Hutton, Edythe Wright, Kay Starr, Mildred Bailey, Gloria DeHaven, Marilyn Maxwell, Sarah Vaughan, Anita O'Day, June Christie, Connie Haines, Dinah Washington, Billie Holiday and Lena Horne.

All of the really big bands had radio shows during the '40s. The most popular was Kay Kyser and his Kollege of Musical Knowledge. Remember that one? Remember the Fitch Bandwagon? And Horace Heidt's Pot of Gold? Hal Kemp, Miller, James, the Dorseys, Shaw, Herman, Goodman, Frankie Carle and Larry Clinton all had their own shows. These were not remotes, it should be emphasized. These were sponsored shows featuring the big names.

Back to the remotes

But let's not forget those radio remotes. A lot of big names got their start on them as announcers. They included Steve Allen, Paul Douglas, Den Seymour, Harry Von Zell, Durwood Kirby and a chap named William Saunders who did hundreds of them.

Saunders, who worked the New York area, opened his remotes by inviting

listeners to be "serenaded by the sweet strains of Guy Lombardo and his Royal Canadians coming to you from the beautiful Roosevelt Grille in magnificent downtown New York." His flowery openings were adopted by countless announcers on other stations.

The big bands could be heard regularly on CBS, NBC—when it had both the Blue and Red Networks—and especially the Mutual Network, which, at the time, had more stations than anybody else.



Tommy Dorsey

Local stations also had their own remotes.

When did they fade from popularity? Probably in 1941, when the networks were involved in a dispute with ASCAP, the American Society of Authors, Composers and Publishers. ASCAP wanted more money for allowing its music to be played on the airwaves, and the organization had all the big-name composers as members.

The networks refused to budge. Yes, there were still Big Band remotes, but old songs such as "Yankee Doodle," "My Old Kentucky Home," "London Bridge" and other vintage favorites had to be played. In most cases, the bands could not even play their theme songs on the air.

Lost in the battle

As a result, the remotes lost their audiences. And they were soon dropped from station schedules. A year later, when the dispute was settled, the nation had other matters on its mind. We were at war, and most of the Big Bands were in Hollywood making films.

In time, the Big Bands faded away, primarily because the big names in the industry either retired or passed on. But you can still hear the Glenn Miller Band, or The Dorsey Band or some other group in concert. Most are led by musicians who appeared with the bands or have some name value.

Sadly, most of the musicians pumping out the old songs were not even born when the music was first played.

For the most part, the Big Bands are gone. The glory days are over. They are a fond memory.

And so are the Big Band radio remotes.

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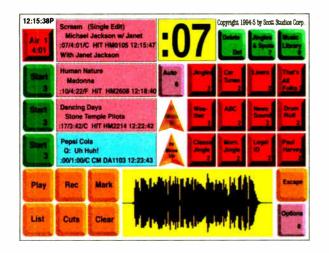
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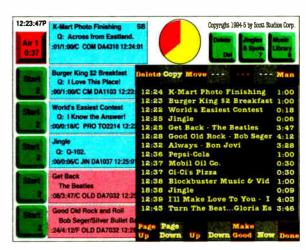
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Supreme Court Calls for 'Strict Scrutiny'

Recent Supreme Court Decision May Have Effect On Commission's Existing Employment Rules

by Harry Cole

WASHINGTON Big legal news of late came from the Supreme Court, with the overruling of Metro Broadcasting Inc. vs. Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

Students of this kind of thing will recall that, in its 1990 decision in Metro, the Court upheld the FCC's minority ownership policies against the claim that those policies were unconstitutional reverse discrimination. Now, a scant five years later, in a case called Adarand Constructors Inc. vs. Pena, the Court has effectively thrown that earlier decision out. This could have far-reaching effects for broadcasters.

Deferential to FCC

In the Metro case, the Court held that the FCC's minority ownership policies concerning comparative preferences, distress sales and tax certificates were constitutional. In doing so, the Court applied a standard of judicial review that was extremely deferential to the FCC (and Congress, which had effectively endorsed the FCC's programs). The Court concluded that, even if the policies at issue discriminated on the basis of race, those policies could survive if, 1) they were directed to some important goal, and 2) they were motivated by some "benign" purpose. The Court characterized the FCC's stated interest in promoting diversity of programming as an "important" goal, and concluded that the purpose of the policies-to increase minority ownership of broadcast stations—was appropriately "benign."

The Court's adoption of a very deferential standard of review was novel. Historically, when confronted by a governmental policy which, on its face, runs directly contrary to specific constitutional direction, the Court has applied a tough standard of review, known as "strict scrutiny." That standard is based on the notion that, when the Constitution says that the government cannot do something and the government tries to do it anyway, the presumption is that the government really cannot do it. That presumption is rebuttable by the government, but it is definitely an uphill battle. The apparent abandonment of the strict scrutiny approach was by far the most noteworthy aspect of the Metro decision.

Overruled

Now that aspect has been overruled. In Adarand—a case involving federal set-asides in the highway construction business—the Supreme Court specifically admitted that it had been wrong in its choice of standard of review in Metro. Henceforth, race-based government programs, both state and federal, will be subject to strict scrutiny analysis, according to the Court.

"So what?" you may ask. After all, the FCC's minority tax certificate policy has already been killed by Congress, the minority comparative preferences are all on hold while the commission tries to come up with a substitute for its former

"integration" criterion, and it has been years since the FCC designated any incumbent licensee for noncomparative hearing. a *sine qua non* for invocation of the minority distress sale policy. So what difference will the new standard of review make?

Well, sure, the minority ownership policies may already be effectively dead. But what about the commission's EEO EEO program. Even if we were to assume that program diversity is a "compelling" governmental interest, this claim would still run afoul of the second element of the strict scrutiny test.

Recall that element requires that racebased policies be "narrowly tailored" to achieve the desired goal. But it is difficult to see how EEO policies could be said to be narrowly tailored to advance the notion of "program diversity." This is especially so when the FCC has historically assumed that program diversity

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rules? Those appear to be race-based policies. One would think that they, too, should be subject to the same strict scrutiny analysis.

This does not mean, of course, that the EEO rules are automatically unconstitutional. As indicated, even if they are challenged in court and subject to strict scrutiny analysis, they may still be successfully defended if they are designed to achieve a "compelling" governmental interest and if they are the most "narrowly tailored" means available of achieving that interest (i.e., if no non-race-based alternative exists which would achieve the same goal). But, in the case of the FCC's EEO rules, that would be a hard test to satisfy.

Collectively innocent

First, the courts have found that racebased rules or policies are alright if they are designed to correct specific situations where discrimination has been found to have occurred. In other words, the remedying of a past discrimination is an appropriately "compelling" governmental interest. But that does not help the FCC's EEO rules, because there has never been any finding that the broadcast industry as a whole has been guilty of discrimination. Perhaps an individual broadcaster here or there may have discriminated, but that does not support a nationwide, industry-wide indictment

In this context, it is also important to note that the courts have specifically rejected the facile suggestion offered by some that the mere "under-representation" of minorities reflects some historical, societal discrimination that can be remedied. The courts will not assume that affirmative, unlawful discrimination is the reason that employment statistics may not happen to match up with population statistics.

Because, as far as we know, neither the FCC nor any other agency or court has found that the broadcast industry as a whole has been guilty of discrimination, it would appear that the commission will not be able to claim that its EEO rules are aimed at the "compelling" goal of remedying discrimination

Of course, the FCC could claim that the compelling goal of increasing program diversity somehow supports its derives primarily from diversity in the owners of broadcast stations.

If that assumption were valid, and if program diversity really were an essential goal of the FCC, then the FCC need only limit the number of stations any one person or entity can own, regardless of the race or ethnicity of that person or entity. That would provide an effective means of maximizing supposed program diversity without resorting to race-based policies.

The existence of such an approach undercuts the argument that EEO rules

are the most "narrowly tailored" means of supposedly achieving the same result.

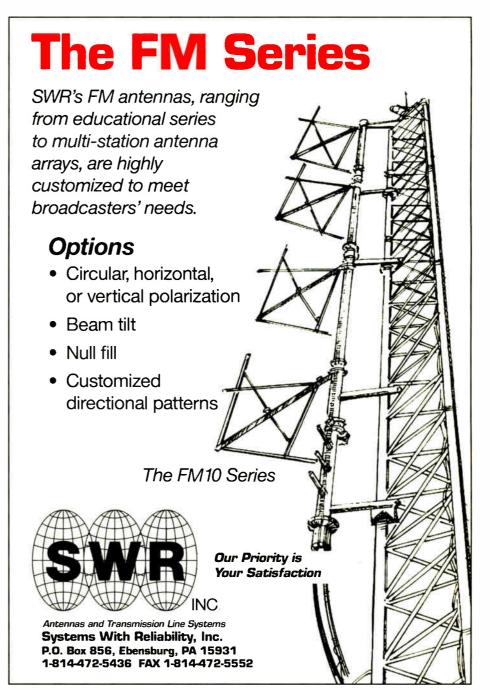
Another component of the "narrow tailoring" factor assesses how long the race-based policy will have to be in place. Race-based policies that need be in effect only a short time are obviously preferable to longer standing ones, and even more preferable to open-ended ones. Here the FCC's EEO policies again fall seriously short. As matters now stand, those policies could be on the books forever: the FCC appears never to have even considered under what circumstances the EEO rules might become unnecessary.

Final analysis

The bottomline is that, if the FCC's EEO rules were subject to judicial challenge under the "strict scrutiny" analysis which the Supreme Court has held applicable in such cases, a reasonable argument could be made that those rules should not survive. Whether anyone will try to make that case in court remains to be seen.

If you have any questions about this development, you should be sure to contact your communications counsel.

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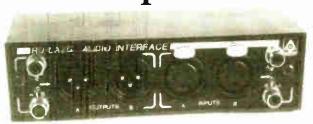


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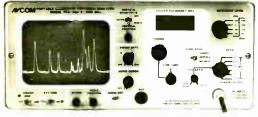
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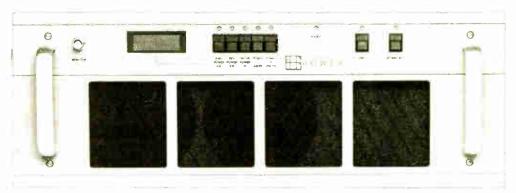
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Early Modulation Experiments Used Carbon

by Ron Pesha

QUEENSBURY, N.Y. Like telegraphy, early radio transmitted only dots and dashes. Turn the transmitter on and off with a key and you have code. But the public required voice and music before broadcasting could develop.

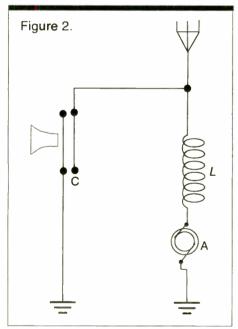
Lacking amplification, early experimenters devised modulation systems interesting for their basic design by our standards.

Lets look at some of those schemes as detailed in the book "Radio Telephony," by Professor Alfred Goldsmith, published by the Wireless Press of New York City in 1918

Pioneers first transmitted voice by simply wiring a carbon mouthpiece in series between the transmitter and the antenna. The mouthpiece resistance must equal the antennas combined radiation and ohmic resistance for maximum modulation. But the common telephone mouthpiece dissipates only about 2 watts safely.

Increase the RF, and the carbon granules heat and pack. Tap the microphone to free them. Lee de Forest and others devised mechanical tappers. But much higher power required microphones of vastly enhanced heat dissipation. One system involved large numbers of individual carbon microphone elements fed via tubes from a horn into which the announcer spoke. The engineers connected the individual microphones in series-parallel to maintain a matching resistance.

Then they tried cooling the microphone with oil that circulated between the carbon granules and a finned radiator, first



passively, and then actively pumped. This led to the liquid microphone in Figure 1.

A pump directed a jet of conductive liquid onto the microphone diaphragm, the liquid substituting for the carbon particles. The vibration of the diaphragm varied the length of the jet, and hence its resistance, at an audio rate. The liquids constant replenishment carried the heat away. Such a microphone could modulate 400 watts and more by 1910.

Physicist Reginald Fessenden made the first audio broadcast ever (and played a violin solo himself!) on Dec. 24, 1906. Fessenden, holding patents in greater number than anyone except Edison, also invented a condensor transmitter shown in Figure 2.

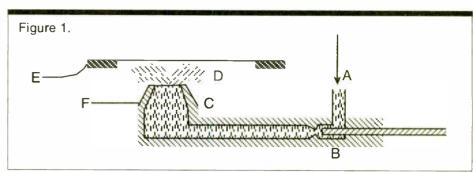
The microphone will, according to the book, detune the antenna by shunting the coil L and the radio frequency alternator A

by a larger or smaller capacity (which capacity is, in effect, parallel with the antenna capacity). This effect may be considerable if the antenna capacity is small.

Fessenden had invented frequency modulation two decades before Edwin Armstrong!

Actually it is not FM but PM, phase modulation, because percentage of modulation rose 6 db per octave. The book makes no mention of this rising characteristic, for surely the ability to transmit sound at all negated any concern about the flatness of frequency response.

Perhaps readers with legal knowledge can let us know if Armstrong infringed on the earlier work, for Fessenden frequently



was involved in patent litigation.

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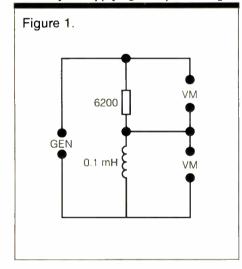
easure Transmission Line with Resonance

by James R. Murphy

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. If you are a broadcast engineer, sooner or later you will need to measure the length of a transmission line or the value of an RF component. Perhaps you suspect water in a feedline, or maybe a capacitor value needs to be checked. Having some simple equipment prepared may speed up your work in finding the problem.

The tools and equipment for these tasks vary widely. For instance, if a transmission line rests on top of the ground, you will need only a tape measure. If the line is buried in a shallow trench, all that is required are some out-of-work pyramid builders to dig it up. For this, in addition to the tape measure, you may need a case of beer, or maybe some silver coins to pitch to the exhausted crew.

For lines deeply buried or otherwise totally inaccessible, you will need to revert to more sophisticated measurements. One popular scheme requires your brother-in-law to wet his fingers and grab one end of the line. Then, place a voltage at the other end and measure the time before he jumps and makes nasty gestures at you. Applying the speed of light,



reflex time, and the velocity of sound can yield a fair approximation of the line

Better ways

But believe it or not, there are other ways to determine an unknown line length or component value. If you eliminate buying or renting a time domain reflectometer (TDR) at about \$800, your options are limited. But you can still fig-

The tools and equipment for these tasks vary widely.

ure out these values with reasonable accuracy

Method number one is the quick and dirty way. The accuracy suffers a bit, but it can yield a ballpark figure as well as teach the user something about resonant

Refer to Figure 1. If you connect a reactance and resistance in series, and drive the loop with an AC signal, the voltage distribution can help determine the reactance of the circuit. Using the values shown with a 1 MHz signal, the 1 mH coil has a reactance of about 200 ohms. If the resistor is 6,200 ohms, the signal voltage will divide equally across the two

Turning this around, if you replace the fixed resistance with an adjustable type. and set it for a voltage equal to that dropped across the unknown reactance, you then know the value of that reactance by measuring the resultant resistance.

Because you are working with small signals at high frequencies, the most practical measurement device for this is the oscilloscope. The scope's high impedance will not load the circuit, and even the most economical unit should

have enough response and sensitivity to read the results with reasonable accuracy.

Figure 2 suggests a circuit to accommodate a range of reactances. Before determining the branch resistances, you should have a rough idea of the readings to be dealt with. As an example, a 1 mH coil has a reactance of 1,600 ohms at 1 MHz. but a .001 µF capacitor has a reactance of only 160 ohms. This means if you are reasonably sure you are measur-

ing capacitance, you should lower the frequency to perhaps 0.1 MHz to place the values in a more workable range. If the values indicate so, you can even use audio

frequencies, or 60 Hz

In operation, you should adjust your generator's frequency as accurately as possible, then switch and adjust your controls for a reading of equal amplitude. Then, measure the resistance, and you will have your unknown reactance. From there, you need only plug in the formula values to determine capacitance or inductance values. As a reminder:

$$C = \frac{1}{2\pi F X_C} \text{ and } L = \frac{X1}{2\pi F}$$

Resistor values

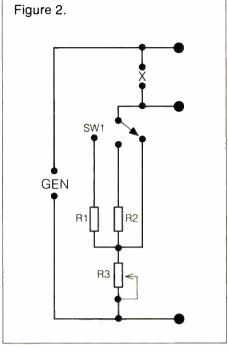
R1, R2 and R3 can vary widely. Inductive reactances can be upward to 5,000 or 6,000 ohms at 1 MHz, and even when lowering the measurement frequency, capacitive reactance can be very large.

A handy range of values would be 1,000 ohms for R1. 500 ohms for R2 and a 500 ohms potentiometer for R3. You could then measure up to 500 ohms with R3 only, up to 1.000 ohms with R2 switched in and up to 1.500 ohms with R1 in the circuit. You could, of course, add more resistors to give you greater range. Just keep in mind that the pot needs to have a range to cover the incremental steps. If you build this, keep in mind you are dealing with RF frequencies, so you should keep all leads short and make the pro-

ject as small as you can. Also, to read across the unknown reactance, you will need to isolate your scope otherwise you will short out the resistance section. To keep your readings as stable as possible, keep your hands away except when

making adjustments.

RF transmission line lengths can be measured using the same principles. It is only necessary to point out some line characteristics. Remember that a quarter-wave segment displays opposite impedances at each end; if you short one end, the other end appears open at RF frequencies. If you open one end, the other end displays a short. In a halfwave transmission line segment, opposite ends are identical. A short at one end results in a short at the other. By opening one end, a high impedance should be detected at the other. These basic characteristics can help us determine the distance to an open or short,



thereby determining line length.

Before attempting the measurement. make sure your transmission line is completely open at the far end. Also ensure that nothing is connected at the near end other than your test equipment. If the transmission line is good, we should see a short at the near end at a frequency which calculates as the quarter-wave length.

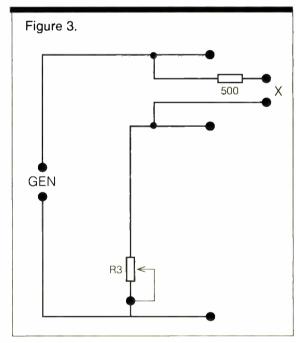


Figure 3 shows the components needed to make a measurement. By placing a build-out resistor and setting our standard (R3) for the same value, we can then adjust the generator's frequency until both have equal voltage drops. At higher frequencies, we will have inductive reactance in series with the build-out, and below we will see capacitive reactance. Only at the quarter wave or half wave frequency will we see a zero resistance at the point where the transmission line connects.

Once this frequency is found, we can calculate the distance to the open, which is either a quarter-wavelength away, or a short one-half-wave distant. Of course, there are multiples of these lengths which will yield the same results. However, we would not expect to see a three- or fivequarter wavelength in a normal antenna field, since their lengths would be many continued on page 44

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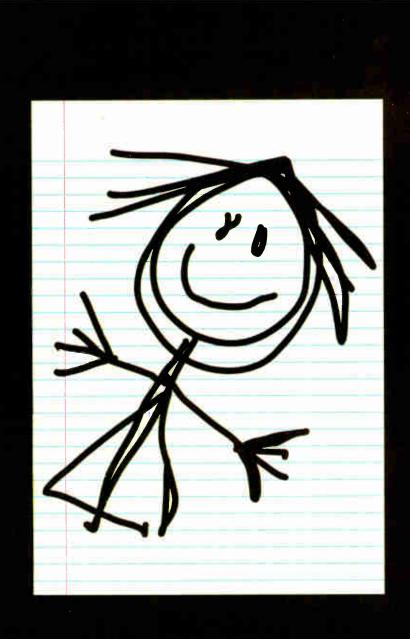
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STATION SKETCHES

Pulling All-nighters the Right Way

by Tom Vernon

HARRISBURG, Pa. It takes a lot of organization and planning to run a good engineering department, be it a solo operation or one with a large staff.

One task that requires a lot of foresight is preparing for overnight transmitter maintenance, especially in small markets where there may not be a backup transmitter. The time when the transmitter can be off the air is a valuable resource. If properly utilized, major repairs can be completed, and equipment peaked to perfection.

Squandered, it is a period when equipment is torn up and barely put back together in time for 5:30 a.m. sign-on.

This month's Station Sketches looks at the psychological and organizational preparation and skills necessary for a productive overnight maintenance session. I will discuss some ways to make those five-and-a-half hours after midnight as productive as possible.

Plan ahead

It is best to begin planning a few days in advance. Start with a written list of everything you want to accomplish, and then prioritize it. Replacing weak finals or damaged ATU components is probably more important than tweaking the STL. Assign a high priority to investigating changes in

Previsualize

what you are

going to do.

transmitter readings. Now is the time to catch small problems before they turn into major crises.

Do not plan on doing too much in one overnight. Experience

will tell how many projects you can safely fit in this time frame. The main criteria for a project being on your checklist is that it can be done at no other time.

Use your final project list to produce a materials checklist. Include everything you will need to complete projects: tools, test equipment, parts, air filters, manuals, and even dymo label tape. Do not leave anything out. Gather everything at the transmitter site at least a day before the overnight. Check off items as they are in place.

If you are working with an assistant, be sure he or she is familiar with your ideas. Discuss ways you can divide up responsibility to make the best use of your time.

If you have ordered parts, open the boxes and verify that these indeed are the parts you ordered. There is little worse than opening boxes at 3 a.m. and finding that what is inside does not match the packing slip, or that the most critical parts were back ordered.

Do your homework

Take equipment manuals home and review any adjustments or alignment procedures you will need to make. It might help to write down some of the more difficult procedures in your own words.

Some complex ideas and procedures may best be visualized using bubble or flow charts. This is especially true when other people need to understand your ideas. Many computer programs are available to help you quickly produce neat and easily modifiable documents.

With a priorities list, parts list, and other documentation in place, it is time to talk about psychological planning. Being mentally prepared and in the right frame of mind for an overnight is critical to your success. During quiet periods, pre-visualize what you are going to do. Try and see every step in your mind's eye. By doing this you may discover something that got left off your list. Also, this mental dress rehearsal will allow you to work more efficiently, because you will have "been there" before. Such mental preparation will allow you to approach the overnight with a sense of calm and self-confidence.

Try and get a few hours of sleep before working. Even with rest, your sleep cycle will be disrupted, and you may not have the edge that you are used to. This rest period may also be a good time to do your pre-visualizing.

Safety is foremost

Safety is an important consideration when planning overnights. Working alone in a high voltage environment without enough sleep can be dangerous. Try and have someone with you, preferably a person who knows CPR. If this is not possible, have someone call and check up on you occasionally. That caller should be able to give directions to the transmitter site if EMTs need to be dispatched.

It is also wise to check the weather forecast and bring a weather radio with you. This is especially critical during lightning season. Be ready to duck out in a hurry if

> a thunderstorm appears. If you are working alone at a remote transmitter site, be sure your car is secured, and lock the fence and transmitter build-

ing behind you. This should prevent any unwanted encounters with the local night life

Now a few thoughts about what the well-dressed engineer wears to the overnight, and what he or she does not wear. Wear clothing that allows unlimited freedom of movement which you can get completely filthy in. Do not wear watches and rings. It is amazing how fast a gold ring can get red hot with a little current flowing through it, not to mention the damage it can do to a circuit. The same is true for metallic watch bands. The accuracy of older analog watches is not enhanced by exposure to strong electromagnetic fields.

Full readings

Before beginning any transmitter work, take a full set of meter readings, and note the positions of all tuning controls. This will give you a "normal" reference for later use.

Do major work on the transmitter or associated equipment right after sign-off, while you are the most alert and your energy level is highest. Keep a written record of your work. After each project or major step is completed, put all the covers back on and make sure the transmitter still operates. This may seem annoying and time-consuming, but it sure beats trying to troubleshoot a transmitter that will not operate after you have made several major changes, and you do not know which one is causing the problem.

It is a medically proven fact that an engineer's brain cells turn into steel wool around 4 a.m., resulting in diminished concentration and irrational thought.

Time for a break. Have someone make a pizza run for you, or pack a thermos and sandwiches. Food and caffeine are important at this hour of the morning. Now is a good time to jot down notes on what has been accomplished so far, while details are fresh in your memory.

With your energy level and alertness waning, work on some of the minor projects. Clean the inside of the transmitter, change air filters, take the blowers apart and clean them, or check continuity of the interlock switches.

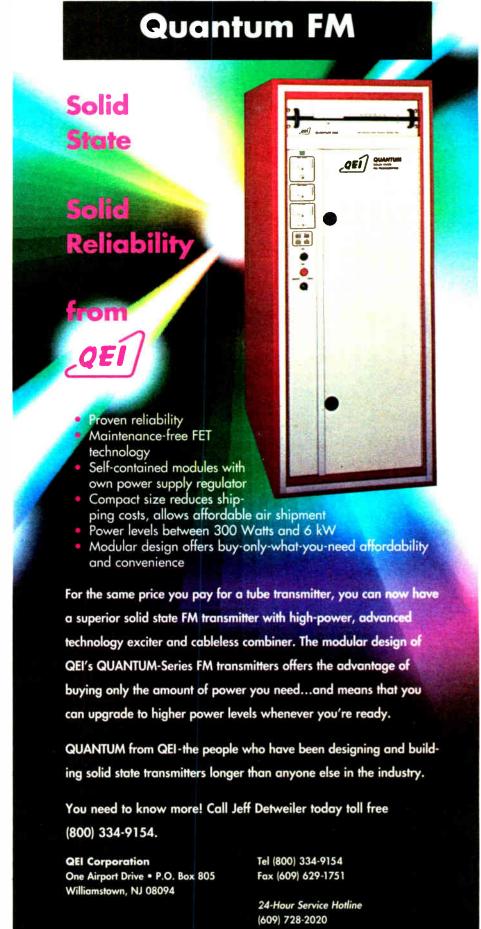
Allow time to put everything back together and cleaned up before sign on. Have the studio operator turn the trans-

mitter on and take readings. This will verify that remote metering and control are still intact.

Stay around for about a half hour after sign on. If anything major is going to go wrong with the transmitter, it will probably happen now.

If everything has been planned and organized properly, you can look back over your list, congratulate yourself on how much was accomplished, and head off for some well-deserved rest. If not, you may find the clock creeping towards 5:30 with a transmitter that will not go back on, wishing that you were any place but the radio station.

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Tiny, BASIC Black Box Delivers

by Alan R. Peterson

ROCKLIN, Calif. Black boxes are both livelihood and hobby for station engineers. Besides fulfilling certain technical needs not addressed by manufacturers, there is a special challenge in cramming lots of circuitry into as small a box as possible.

That is why the Parallax BASIC Stamp computer module will, by virtue of its versatility, fast become a favorite of black box tinkerers. This is a BASIC-programmed computer that is quite literally the size of a Vienna sausage.

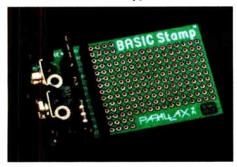
Remember BASIC? All those IFs, LETs, FORs, and GOSUBs you struggled with in 1983, trying to program that Sinclair computer? Parallax Inc. has created the BS2-IC; a tiny computer that holds 600 instructions, handles 16 I/O lines, interfaces serially with PCs for easy programming, plays tones, reads potentiometer positions and performs timing cycles. Best of all, it can be easily programmed in good old BASIC.

And tiny is as tiny does; imagine a computer small enough to be rubber-banded to the 9 V battery powering it!

So what?

What can this pint-sized processor do? It can be a machine controller to assure cart tightness. Program the BASIC Stamp with Pause and Output High commands, connect to the start logic lines of your cart deck, workstation and/or reel. Press one button and the Stamp will dub your cart with a predictable, programmable delay.

Rudimentary session recall devices can be realized using the Stamp's capability to digitize console pot positions. Further, its Input, PWM and Pulse Out instructions could control stepper motors (can-



The Parallax BS1-IC ...

nibalized from dead printers), mechanically linked to the backs of console pots.

Taken to a preposterous extreme, a Stamp wired in this manner can convert a prehistoric Yard or Gatesway 80 console to moving fader automation!

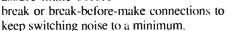
The Stamp's ability to read and scale variable resistance—a thermistor, for example—makes it a versatile temperature alarm. Fans come on when the rack gets too warm, a bell goes off for station "how hot is it?" temperature contests, and klaxon horns let you know your microwave popcorn is on fire in the lunchroom.

Sequential control

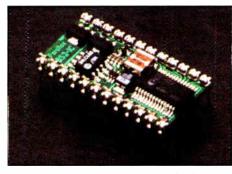
Stations not ready to fully automate during overnight satellite time could read network tones with a dual tone multifrequency (DTMF) decoder circuit and interface the outputs with a Stamp computer. The BASIC Stamp can then operate cart decks programmed in a specific sequence.

Because the Stamp is capable of 16 in-

puts/outputs, it can be used as the brain of a semi-intelligent audio router. Several I/O lines could control 4066 quad switches, 4051 analog multiplexers, relay drivers or FETs to direct audio around the station. The Stamp's timing function can assure make-before-



Tie those I/O lines to heavier relay drivers and the Stamp becomes a smart power-up



... and big brother BS2-IC

box. Some external SCSI devices need to be "first-on-first-off" (such as the external drives for the Roland DM-80 workstation). Configure the Stamp to activate AC outlets for the SCSIs first, followed by the PC.

scale, the Stamp can control antenna switching for AM arrays. With one button the Stamp can dump the transmitter, switch in the night pattern, wait for feedback that the array is ready, return the transmitter to the air and signal the operator the sequence is complete, and perhaps even execute the next audio event. Programming can include decision branches to assure the transmitter will not come back on into a no-load condition.

"Basically", there is a lot going on here for about \$50. At last it is possible to put a computer inside that ubiquitous black box and the possibilities it offers are limited only by imagination. Get the paperwork on the BASIC Stamp—models BS1-IC and BS2-IC—and design something terrific for your station.

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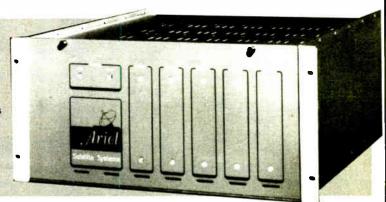
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Techniques for Measuring Transmission Line

► continued from page 38 times the distance between (or to) the

Suppose a certain transmission line is shorted or open somewhere between the transmitter and tower #1. First measure the physical distance by pacing it off or using a tape. Assume the station is on 950 kHz, and the distance is 200 feet. Go to the tower, pull the blade, and get ready for measurement.

At the transmitter end, disconnect everything from the line and connect our "box." Adjust the oscillator to allow frequency and beginning checking for equal waveforms across the build-out resistor and the standard. Continue to adjust the frequency until the two are equal. At that point, it's time for some math.

First, calculate the quarter-wave distance using the station's frequency:

 $\frac{984}{0.950}$ = 1,036 feet (full wavelength)

 $\frac{1036}{4}$ = 259 feet (quarter wavelength)

Since radio waves are slowed down in transmission lines, the actual distance must be multiplied by a velocity factor. This is usually about .9 for coaxial cable, so:

 $259 \times 0.9 = 233 \text{ feet.}$

Using this data, we know that any frequency above 950 kHz will indicate a quarter-wave distance less than 233 feet, so if the oscillator setting is, say, 1,240 kHz, we know that an open exists somewhere close to 178.5 feet, or a short exists at 357 feet. If our tower is 200 feet away, it would be safe to assume we have an open somewhere near the tower.

The next step would be to "shoot" the measurement from the tower end. In order to confirm a short from the other end, assume the transmission line is open

about 20 or 25 feet away. In order to "see" this as a quarter-wave short, the oscillator would need to be about 9 mHz, as determined by:

25 x 4 = 100 feet (Whole wavelength) / 0.9 (velocity) = 111 ft.

so,
$$\frac{984}{111} = 8.86 \text{ MHz}.$$

We may not have access to these frequencies, so we need only sweep up to 2 mHz or so to confirm that we do indeed have an open at this point. If we assume that we have a short at the half-wavelength point at 25 feet, then we calculate:

 $25 \times 2 = 50$ feet. 50/0.9 = 55.5 feet

 $\frac{984}{55.5}$ = 17.7 MHz

Which is again out of the range of our equipment.

Bridge method

If the station has a directional antenna system, you probably have access to an operating impedance bridge (OIB). If so, and with a stable generator or synthesizer, you can make surprisingly accurate

These basic characteristics can help us determine the distance to an open or short, thereby determining line length.

measurements of components and line-lengths. Simply drive the OIB with the generator and clip the output across the line or component. It helps, too, to have a field strength meter or receiver to act as a null detector. Adjust the generator's frequency while measuring the impedance on the bridge. If you are measuring a capacitor, set the resistance to zero and tune the C reactance. Do the same on the inductance side for coils. On transmission lines, once a zero reactance is obtained, you are at the quarter/half-wave point. From there, the math and analysis are identical.

Having this information and procedure handy may help you find out that unknown capacitor value or locate that transmission line short, and most certainly will improve relations with your brother-in-law.

Oh, and you won't need the pyramid builders, either.

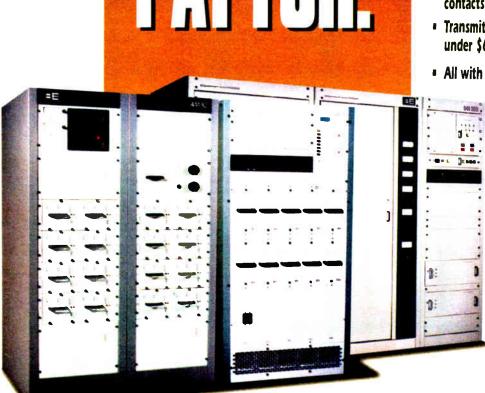
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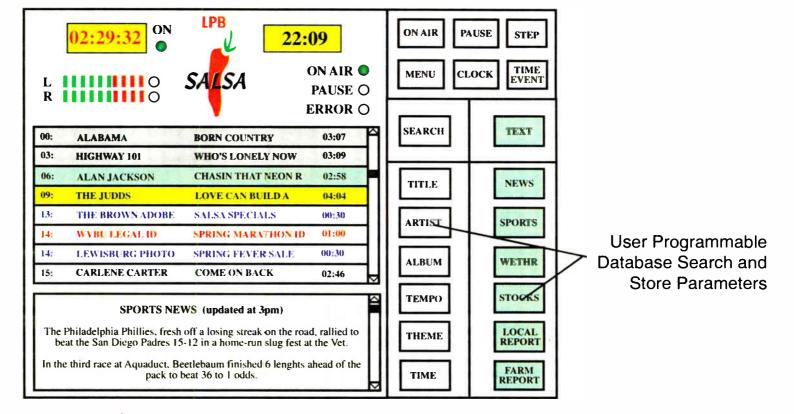
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Directional Antennas Made Easy

Part I

by Jack Layton

MCMURRAY, Pa. After the Part I refresher course on the "whys" of directional antenna systems, it is now time to tackle the "how to's."

While the array is working, long before any sign of trouble, take some time to write down all of the loop current ratios and phases as indicated on the antenna monitor. Calibrate the monitor as per the manufacturer's instructions before setting out on this project. Again, while the array is working, long before any sign of trouble, take some time to write down all of the settings of the crank controls on the phasor.

Reliable method

Figure 1 shows a reliable method of recording the exact setting of each readout. With this method, there is no guess work as to where the control was set. Just make sure the counter or shaft couplers are not slipping. The piece of paper containing all this information will save a lot of grief and aggravation should a "do gooder" or disgruntled employee decide to make some adjustments for you.

These tasks may seem elementary.

However, because it is no longer required to log operating parameters on a regular basis, you would be surprised how many people have no idea what phases and loop currents were before the lightning struck.

On a regular basis, immediately after sign off, visually inspect the inside of the phasor cabinet. Check each clip on every coil for signs of heating. Make sure all clips are tight. Check the roller contact on adjustable inductors.

Check mica capacitors for excessive heat. Do the same at each "dog house." Look for burn marks. They can be the first signs of lightning damage that can later cause a catastrophic failure. Ball and horn lightning spark gaps should be inspected for damage. Make sure all ground connections are intact. Loose intermittent metallic connections in high RF fields can generate enough heat to cause a fire if they are in close contact with combustible material.

Sampling system

Suspect the antenna sampling system or antenna monitor if there is an abrupt change in phase while the loop and base current ratios remain intact. An actual change in one operating parameter is almost always accompanied by a change in others. If this is not the case first take

a careful look at the entire antenna monitoring system. If the monitor is at fault you will usually not be able to zero- or 180- degree calibrate.

the pickup transformer or at the bottom end of the isolation coil. Connect the reference line to the reference tower input on the antenna monitor. Connect the installed sample line to one of the other inputs.

The loop currents indicated on the monitor will probably be different due

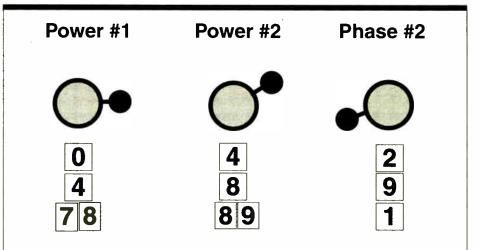


FIGURE #1 Write down the contol crank positions exactly as they appear on the phasor cabinet. This is good insurance against unauthorized tampering. It's also a good idea to write down this information before you start any adjustments. You can always come back to ground zero.

As a further check use a coaxial tee and a short length of coax to feed the reference RF sample to another input on the monitor. The loop current indications on the reference and second input should be the same although different than when only one cable is connected. When both are connected the sampling device has a double termination. If the coax jumper is short (a foot or two in length) the phase difference should read very close to zero.

Lightning has been known to damage toroidal current transformers. They may show no outward damage. When the loop current ratio changes without a corresponding change in base current ratio suspect the transformer. An abrupt change in phase on one tower in a multitower array not accompanied by a change in other operating parameters is also cause to suspect the current transformer. Keep the feed wire in the center of the pass hole.

When the feed wire lays on one side of the pass hole insulation there has more chance of a lightning arc to the grounded transformer case. It is a good idea to keep a spare pickup transformer in stock for trouble shooting and/or repairs.

Non-insulated loops

Towers that are considerably taller than 90 degrees utilize non-insulated pickup loops mounted a quarter wavelength down from the top of the tower. The sampling line is brought down the tower on non-insulated hangers. An isolation coil wound out of 3/8-inch or 1/2-inch phase stabilized coax brings the RF sample across the base insulator. The shield of the coil must make a good electrical connection to the tower on the RF hot end and to the ground system on the cold end. A poor intermittent connection on either end will cause erratic changes in the operating parameters of the array.

Equal length sampling lines can be checked using another piece of coax as a comparison. A piece of plain old RG-8 or RG-58 can serve as a reference standard. It must be long enough to reach from the antenna monitor to the base of the farthest tower. Parallel the sample line and the reference cable with a coaxial tee at

to the higher losses in the RG-8 or RG-58. The phase you read is the difference in delay between the sample line and the reference line. It should be noted. Go through the same procedure for the other towers in the system. Each should yield the same phase indication. A bad sample line will show up like a sore thumb.

Check monitor points

Never, ever, never, make any adjustments in an attempt to correct changed operating parameters without first taking a look at the monitor points. If they have not changed, the problem is in the sampling system. When the array is in adjustment, you will only compound the problem if you try to correct by more adjustment. Heed the age old axiom: Don't try to fix something that ain't broken! Sampling system problems causing indicated phase or loop currents to be in error, or base current ratio discrepancies attributable to damaged RF ammeters, must be corrected by repair or replacement, not adjustment.

All directional antenna design is based on inverse field. The radiation pattern shown in the application for a construction permit is a graph of the calculated inverse field intensity at various azimuths produced by the array. Proof-of-performance measurements relate measured field intensity to inverse field intensity.

In the free-space imaginary world, there are no losses or disturbances encountered by the radiated signal other than those caused by distance. If we make a field intensity measurement one mile from the antenna system and then move out to two miles the second measurement will be exactly half the value of the first. When we move out to four miles this measurement will be one-fourth the first; at eight miles one-eighth the first; and so on. By doubling the distance the field intensity will drop to half its previous value. This is known as the inverse distance law.

Real world

Meanwhile, back in the real world, when we take our field intensity meter and attempt to duplicate what seems to continued on page 78







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'Big Easy' Hosts NAB Radio Show

by Alan R. Peterson

NEW ORLEANS The NAB Radio Show — celebrating 75 years of radio — is slated for Sept. 6-9, at the New Orleans Convention Center, as part of the second annual World Media Expo (WME). This year, emphasis will be on DAB, interactive technologies, the Internet, digital audio and the needs of small market broadcasters. Because the NAB show is being held as part of WME, attendees will have crossover access to a number of additional bonus sessions as part of the RTNDA, SBE and SMPTE conferences.

Getting around to workshops and exhibits will be easier for the fall show with major areas color-coded by category, and special "locators" to help attendees find specific seminars, manufacturers and exhibits.

Sharing the convention center with the other organizations involved in the World Media Expo means lots of hands-on examination of the newest and most innovative products available to broadcasters.

Digital chain

Harris Allied will again provide its Harris (Zaxcom) digital console, married to the DDS digital system for a total digital audio chain. This configuration has already attracted the attention of Jacor Communications and Gannett Broadcasting and should be of great interest. Other products returning to the NAB show include the veteran Orban DSE-7000 workstation, the Vox Protelephore recorder, the Oktava 219 microphone—and—consoles—by Auditronics.

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represented by the Fostex Foundation digital audio workstation, consoles from AudioArts, the 360 Systems Instant Replay random access cart replacement system and the Phone-Byte telephone recorder for caller playback.

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humorous "jungle" motif; complete with Audiovault workstations in the mouths of tiki gods. Also displayed will be the CORE automation controller, the AVAir Windowsbased live controller for the Audiovault and the new FM4C 4 kW FM transmitter.

Although the opening reception will not be until 6 p.m., there are plenty of reasons to arrive early in New Orleans.



ernor of New York and host of "The Mario Cuomo Show" (distributed by SW Networks).

Management and sales workshops begin promptly at 3:30 p.m. in the areas of sta-

p.m. with the keynote address delivered by Mario Cuomo; former three term gov-

tion acquisitions (LMAs and duopolies), management of non-sales staff, revenue forecasting and perceptions of Hispanic and Urban formats.

"Exploring and Exploding Radio's

Myth's" will examine formatic rules as they have been practiced in the past and discuss their relevance today, including: sweeping quarter hours, give-aways beginning on Thursdays and similar music styles played back to back.

In a bonus session, NAB Vice President of Operations Dr. John D. Abel will host "Profiting From Technology in the '90s." This crossover workshop will feature demonstrations of the Internet and World Wide Web, the digital radio studio of the '90s (featuring a digital studio provided by Harris Allied) and data broadcasting

Wednesday concludes with the opening reception at the Hilton Riverside Hotel from 6 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday

Get started at 8:30 AM on Wednesday, September 6 for a guided tour of New Orleans radio stations. Discuss station operations and view the facilities of several studios in New Orleans. Station tours are always a highlight of NAB radio shows and early registration gets you in. There is a fee for the tour.

If you are not sure which workshops to attend, start with "Sneak Preview—Getting the Most Out of the NAB Radio Show" at 1:15 p.m. This will help you set your agenda for the four day show.

The opening ceremony takes place at 2

Thursday

CONNECTING THE WORLD

Today, general managers, sales managers, program directors and engineers all have their own workshops to attend separately.

At 9 a.m., program directors may wish to attend "Needles In a Haystack"; a

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SBE Offers Engineers Timely Agenda

NEW ORLEANS The Society of Broadcast Engineers (SBE) will feature five workshops and nine technical sessions at its SBE Engineering Conference. Sept. 6-9, held here in conjunction with the World Media Expo. More than 40 workshop leaders and speakers will cover a broad range of topics of interest to both radio and television engineers and those in related fields.

The theme of the SBE's 10th annual conference is "Face to Face with Change," and promises to offer an exciting array of programs that deal with both current and emerging technology.

All participants will receive admission to World Media Expo, the combined exhibition of SBE, the NAB Radio Show, SMPTE and RTNDA. The exhibition will be open Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The conference begins on Wednesday, Sept. 6, with optional Ennes Workshops. Participants will be able to choose from three concurrent workshops in the morning and two in the afternoon. Participants in the Ennes Workshops must be registered for the full SBE Conference, Thursday - Saiurday, Sept. 7-9.

The Workshops are followed by three packed days of technical sessions. Thursday begins with a general session on the new Emergency Alert System and Unattended Operation. Beverly Baker. Chief of the FCC's Compliance and Information Bureau and the FCC's Acting Chief of EAS, Frank Lucia, will be joined by Gary Timm. of the Wisconsin Emergency Communications Committee, Harold Hallikainen of Hallikainen & Friends and William Ramsey of the Nebraska ETV Network.

Also expected is a representative from the National Weather Service.

The general session will continue in the afternoon with a panel discussion on broadcast issues that involve both the FCC and the Federal Aviation Administration. Panelists will

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'Big Easy' Hosts NAB

workshop to enhance chances of finding and keeping quality employees, or "Finding Your Voice"; differentiating yesterday's announcing technique from contemporary methods.

General managers and sales managers will want to attend "State of Radio Sales," "20 Great Promotions to Build Your Bottom Line" and "Branding vs. Benchmarking," while engineers will find lots to do in an all-day digital seminar and the satellite DAB forum.

As a special feature, Mel Karmazin of Infinity Broadcasting and Lowry Mays of Clear Channel Communications will participate in "Radio: Today's Trends, Tomorrow's Opportunities" at 10:30

Workshops abound throughout Thursday. Station managers should attend the FCC Regulatory Update with Commissioner Susan Ness, the "Discrimination Playhouse" and Dan O'Day's "Total Quality Service Radio Station." Sales managers will have their hands full choosing between the "Real World Streetfighters" workshop, the seminars on small market duopoly sales, strategies and small market salespeople training.

Engineers may wish to visit "The

Digital Radio Station: Everything Else is History" for a primer in digital technology, or "internet@radioshow.nab" for a look at stations now on the Web.

Program directors have choices in format roundtables in Rock, Urban, Country and Hispanic, and the "Database and Event Marketing" workshop to build ratings and profit.

Friday

Start the morning off with the FCC Chairman's Breakfast, with Chairman Reed Hundt offering his insights on policy developments.

You're going to need a good breakfast, as Friday will be a busy day.

Beginning at 9 a.m., meet publishers and editors of leading trade publications in "Meet The Press." Management will want to attend workshops on "Station Improvements Under FCC Rules" and "FCC Rule Enforcement," "Sports Packaging: Big Bucks Ballgame," "The Bleeding Edge," which tells how to avoid problems in employing new technology and "Every Last Cent" which discusses non-traditional ways of generating rev-

And all this before lunch, which means the NAB Radio Luncheon at noon. Ben Cohen and Jerry Greenfield of Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream will share their business insights with broadcasters, explaining how two "real guys" combined ice cream with an unusual flair for marketing to create an amazing overnight success story. The luncheon continues with the National Radio Award, being given this year to CBS Radio President Nancy

The workshops resume at 2 p.m., beginning with "Radio and the 104th Congress"; the inside story on where radio and its issues are heading.

Owners and managers will want to attend "Under One Roof: How to Save Money in a Duopoly Situation" and "Station Cost Savings Tips," while sales managers should attend either "State and Future of Radio Sales" or "Time Management for Managers.'

Westwood One Radio's Tom Leykis will moderate "Spanking or Time Out: How to Manage Talent," a workshop instructing programmers what to look for when making hiring decisions, and avoiding unmanageable talent.

On a related subject, managers and jobseekers can meet and talk at "Opportunity '95: The Complete Radio Career Fair" from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

Throughout Friday afternoon, the NAB legal department will moderate a seminar on lottery and contest ads; recent law changes have offered new revenue sources and greater latitude in station contests and promotions, but FCC fines can be steep for violating the laws that remain. "Making Money and Keeping Out of Trouble with Lottery, Contest and Casino Gambling Ads" will keep your station legal.

Send your production director to "Creative Production for the '90s" and your sales manager to "Making Money in Non-Traditional Ways" and finish the day at the Friday Night Party at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside.

Saturday

The NAB Radio Show begins to wind down with Opportunity '95 (see above) and the Internet Boot Camp. Sales-related sessions include geodemographic marketing, job sharing and new technologies to improve sales. Management workshops concentrate on license renewal, station research and the venerable small market "swap shop" concept. Program directors can meet some of radio's best p.m. drive performers in "Personality Radio Outside Morning Drive," for ideas on creative elements in other dayparts.

Big finish

And to end the week on a festive note. the NAB Marconi Award ceremony takes place Saturday night, hosted by Gary Owens. The awards dinner and reception is a black-tie affair and is admissible by ticket only.

See the accompanying article on the Marconi Awards for a summary of categories and finalists.

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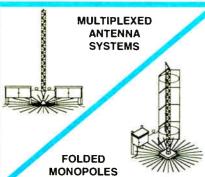
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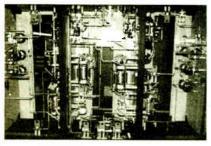


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SBE's Timely Agenda

include Richard Smith, head of the FCC Office of Engineering Technology, Robert Greenberg of the FCC's FM Branch, Robert Denny, Jr., PE, of Denny & Associates, Dr. Rudy Kalafus of Trimbal Navigation and a representative from the FAA.

All day Friday and Saturday morning are devoted to separate radio and television sessions dealing with RF and digital technology. Saturday afternoon, participants will again gather in general session for a series of papers dealing with safety and liability issues. A complete run down of the program follows.

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1. Digital Video and Computer Systems Bob Paulson, Omnimedia Communication 2. Solid State Power Amplifier Troubleshooting & Repair Karl Black, Harris Corporation Broadcast Division 3. QEI Digital Exciter

12:30 p.m.

4. EAS

Leonard Charles, WISC-TV and Chairman, SBE EAS Committee 5. Broadcast Engineering Management David Carr, KHOU-TV and Troy Pennington, WZZK Radio

Thursday, September 7

EAS and Unattended Operation Session Moderator: Bill Ruck, KFOG/KNBR

9 a.m.

Introduction

Beverly Baker, Chief CIB, FCC

EBS to EAS: Roundup of New EAS Rules Frank Lucia, EAS, FCC

9:30 a.m.

Weather Service and EAS Speaker TBA

EAS and the State Committees Gary Timm, Wisconsin State **Emergency Communication Committee**

10:30 a.m.

The Hardware You'll Need Harold Hallikainen, Hallikainen & Friends

Remote Control of Multiple Transmitters William R. Ramsay, Nebraska ETV Network

11:30 a.m. Questions from the floor

FCC/FAA Session Moderator: Dane Ericksen,

PE, Hammett & Edison, Inc. Panelists: Robert Greenberg, FM Branch, FCC: Robert Denny, Jr., PE. Denny & Associates: Richard Smith. Office of Engineering Technology, FCC; Dr. Rudy Kalafus, Trimble Navigation, Inc. FAA Representative

2:15 p.m. SBE Annual Membership Meeting

Friday, September 8

Digital Technology for Radio, Part I Session Moderator: John Battison, PE, Consulting Communications Engineer

Surviving Your Digital Future Skip Pizzi, Broadcast Engineering Magazine

Digital Storage Options James Haupstuck, Harris/Allied

The Pitfalls of Digital Audio Glynn Walden, Group W Radio

10:30 a.m.

Principles of Echo Cancellation for Talk Shows and Teleconferencing
Elaine Jones, Gentner Communications Corp.

Quality Control in a Digital Plant Speaker TBA, Tektronix

NPR's Experience With Digital Technology Mike Starling, CPBE, National Public Radio

Digital Technology for Television, Part I Session Moderator: Marvin Born, CPBE, WBNS TV

9 a.m.

The Digital Era: A Tutorial on Digital Video Trevor Vaz, LSI Logic

Design and Evaluation of User Interfaces for Video Applications Steve Smedberg, Abekas Video Systems

Next Generation Newsroom Systems Richard Pierceall, Avid Technology

Changing the Shape of Post Production Bob Pank, Quantel, Ltd.

Design Requirements for Newsrooms and Technical Operations in the Digital Future Frank Rees, Rees Associates

11:30 a.m.

Video Disk Server Configurations for Automated Broadcast Applications Seth Olitzky, Louth Automation

RF For Radio

Session Moderator: Bill Ruck, KFOG/KNBR

RF Phase Response Versus Sound Quality in AM Broadcasting
Timothy C. Cutforth, PE, Vir James Engineers

Post Processing Yields Improved Design Parameters for AM Directional Antennas J.L. Smith, P.E.

Practical Aspects of Broadcast Antenna Maintenance and Operation Thomas Gary Osenkowsky,

Session Moderator: Doug Garlinger, CPBE, LeSEA Broadcasting

The Effect of Supporting Structures on UHF Slotted Patternsfor NTSC and HDTV Applications Rex Niecamp, CPBE, Harris/Allied

(PS)2- More Than Just a Crowbarless Solution to IOTProtection Nat Ostroff, Comark Communications

New Approach to Crowbar Protection Allen E. Ripingill, Larcan/TTC

2:30 p.m.

A Single Tube 60kw IF Diplexed UHF Transmitter Dr. Timothy P. Hulick, Aerodyne

Saturday, September 9

Digital for Radio II

Session Moderator: Milford Smith, Greater Media, Inc.

Fiber Optic Telecommunications

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On-Carrier FM Digital Audio, The Technology is Available Now David P. Maxson, CBRE, WCRB

Real World Experiences with ISDN and the New Breed of Codecs Larry Paulausky, CE, WPEN/WMGK

18 gHz Digital Microwave: A Path to Radio's Future Kevin McNamara, CE, WWRC/WGAY

DAB Lab Tests - What the Data Reveals

Tom Keller, Consultant

11:30 a.m.

DAB Field Tests - Where the Bits Hit the Road Bert Goldman, Shamrock Broadcasting & Robert Culver, Lohnes& Culver

Digital Technology for Television, Part II

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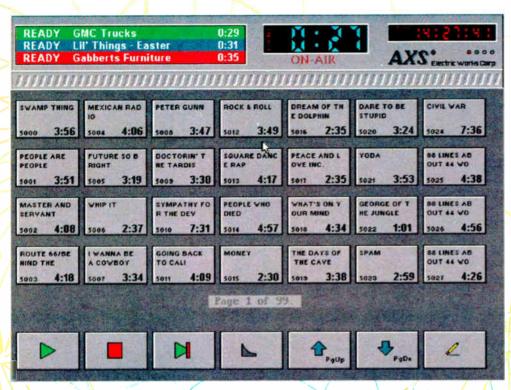


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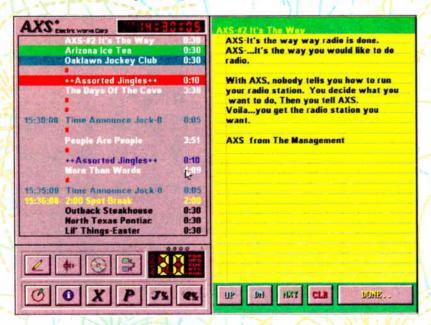
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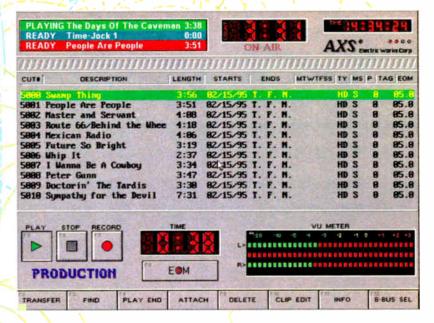
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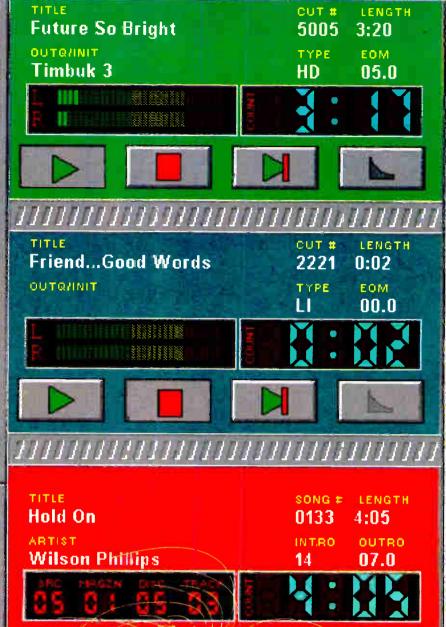
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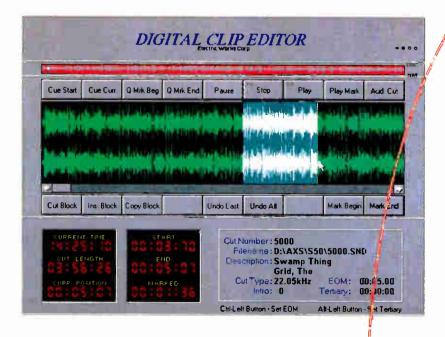


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Radio Honors Its Best Stations

Broadcasters Nominate, Evaluate and Select the Brightest Stars in the Medium by Market and Format

by Alan R. Peterson

WASHINGTON As the concluding event of the National Association of Broadcasters Radio Show, the nation's top talents, stations and formats will be recognized at the 1995 Marconi Awards Dinner and Show in the La Nouvelle Orleans Ballroom of the New Orleans Convention Center.

More than 100 radio stations and personalities representing the best and the brightest in the industry are finalists in their categories for the Marconi Award.

Winners in 22 categories will be announced Saturday night, Sept. 9, in a black-tie ceremony to be hosted by Broadcasting Hall of Fame inductee Gary Owens.

The number of nominees for this year's honors were higher than in previous years, according to NAB President and CEO Edward O. Fritts. "We're delighted that we received a record number of nominations for this year's competition," said Fritts.

The categories include "Legendary Station of the Year" and "Network/ Syndicated Personality of the Year," in addition to station and personality awards based on market size and formats.

Voting process

Nominees were announced in late May, based on open submissions received from NAB member stations, and reviewed by a task force of broadcasters who narrowed the choices down to five in each category. During July, ballots were sent to NAB member radio stations, where program directors and general managers each indicated their choices.

Voting was closed on Friday, Aug. 4, for tabulation by KPMG Peat Marwick in Washington. The winners will be announced at the Marconi Awards cere-

Your host

Gary Owens has been honored by both the NAB and the Museum of Broadcast Communications' Radio Hall of Fame for a career that spans five of radio's biggest decades. Well-known for his tenure at many of Los Angeles' top radio stations, Gary Owens is most recognizable in cartoon and commercial voicework, and as the man who made the phrase "beautiful downtown Burbank" a



household catch-phrase from TV's "Rowan and Martin's Laugh-In." Today, Owens still hosts his own show on KJQI(AM) Los Angeles.

The nominees

Among the honors of the evening, awards will be given to the Legendary Station of the Year. The nominees include: KGO(AM) San Francisco, KSL(AM) Salt Lake City, WBZ(AM) Boston, WOR(AM) New York and WSB(AM) Atlanta.

EFM's Rush Limbaugh is nominated for network/syndicated personality of the year, while the ABC Radio Network counts four of its own as nominees: The Fabulous Sports Babe, former "Fly Jock" Tom Joyner, oldies host Dick Bartley and Rick Dees for his "Weekly Top 40 Countdown.

Major market personality of the year nominees include WLUP-FM Chicago's Jonathon Brandmeier, Bob Collins of WGN(AM) Chicago, Mark and Brian of KLOS(FM) Los Angeles, Mike Roberts of WVEE(FM) Atlanta and Neil Rogers of WIOD(AM) Miami.

Marconi Awards will also be handed out to the station of the year by format. This category encompasses all market sizes and includes adult contemporary/easy listening, Big Band/nostalgia, CHR, classical, country, jazz, oldies, news/ talk/sports, religious/Gospel, Spanish, rock and urban/R&B.

Admission to the Marconi Radio Awards dinner and show is by separate ticket. For information on the event, call the NAB's fax-on-demand service at 301-216-1847.



SBE Acknowledges **Best in New Orleans**

NEW ORLEANS The Society of Broadcast Engineers (SBE) released its list of recipients for the society's 1994 Individual and Chapter Awards. The awards will be presented during the SBE's annual Engineering Conference and World Media Expo, Sept. 6-9, in New Orleans, La.

Life Time Achievement Awards will be presented to James C. Wulliman of Green Valley, Ariz., and Benjamin Wolfe, of Baltimore. Both men are Charter and Fellow members of SBE and were instrumental in founding SBE's successful certification program for broadcast engineers in the early 1970s. Wulliman is retired from WTMJ in Milwaukee but continues to serve SBE as certification director and is a former president of the SBE. Wolfe is retired from a broadcast engineering career that stretches back to the 1930s and served on the SBE board of directors

Receiving the SBE's Broadcast Engineer of the Year award is Donald Wilkinson, vice president/director of engineering of Fisher Broadcasting in Seattle. Wilkinson has been an SBE member for more than 14 years and has been heavily involved in the Seattle and Portland communities in the area of RFR regulation.

Douglas Garlinger will receive the SBE's Educator of the Year award.

Garlinger is a member of the SBE Certification Committee and is co-author of the SBE Television Operator's Course. He is director of engineering for the LeSEA Broadcasting Corporation.

The following award recipients will also be presented in New Orleans on Sept. 9:

• Best SBE Regional Convention or Conference: 1994 22nd Annual Regional Convention; Syracuse, New York; Sept. 30, 1994; Sponsoring Chapter 22.

• Most Interactive SBE Chapter: Chapter 48, Denver; Interacting Organizations-SCTE, SMPTE, CBA, CCA, DBS, etc.

· Best Technical Article or Program by a SBE Member: "Fiber Optic OSP" by Neal McLain: Chapter 24 Newsletter, seven parts.

• Best Article, Paper or Program by an SBE Student Member: "Madison Marathon" by James W. Stellpflug: Chapter 24 Newsletter, July 1994.

• Most SBE Certified Chapter: Chapter 99, Bryan, Texas, 82 percent.

 Highest Member Attendance at SBE Chapter Meetings: Chapter 85, Central Western Oklahoma, 85 percent.

· SBE Chapter with Greatest Growth in New Members: Chapter 56, Tulsa, Okla., 31 percent.

SBE represents the interests of broadcast engineers. Its 5,000 members are found in all areas of the United States and 30 other countries. SBE Certification is recognized as the leading indicator of broadcast engineering experience and ability.

Full conference registrants will receive a free ticket to attend one session from each of the other three conferences which, along with SBE, make up World Media Expo. They include the NAB Radio Show, the 137th SMPTE Technical Conference and the RTNDA International Conference

SBE will close the conference with an awards dinner in the Grand Ballroom of the Fairmont Hotel. Two Lifetime Achievement awards will be presented along with a number of other awards.

Special guest speaker for the evening will be John W. Reiser, Senior Broadcast Engineer with the International Bureau of the FCC

To register for the SBE Engineering Conference and World Media Expo, call the SBE National Office at 317-253-0122. Registration forms and updated information can also be obtained through the SBE Conference fax-on-demand line. Call 301-216-1853 from the handset on your fax machine and follow the instructions.

Agenda

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Networks & Servers for Post-Production Digital Integration Brian Cashman, Avid Technology

9:30 a.m.

Detailed Time and Spectral Characteristics of the Grand Alliance 8-VSB HDTV Signal Under Non-linear PowerAmplification Robert C. Davis, Harris/Allied Systems

10 a.m. A/V Disk Drives Reza Rassool, Micropolis Corporation

Interactivity In A Distance Learning Application Dennis Vearrier, CBTE. Locke Martin Information Group

"Like Being Behind A Camera": Remote Camera Automation Matthew Straeb, VTSM, Vinten TSM

11:30 a.m.

Error Detection & Handling using EDH Monitor/AnalyzerSoftware For Windows 3.1 Michele Preau, Leitch Incorporated

General Session:

Safety & Liability Session Moderator: Dane Ericksen, PE, Hammett & Edison, Inc.

FCC Tower Registration Update Bob Greenberg, FCC FM Branch

1:30 p.m.

Towers & Safety Mark Bell, Contributing Writer Television Broadcast Magazine

Environmental Protection of UHF Slotted Antennas Rex Niekamp, CPBE, Harris/Allied

UL Listing and Other Studio Transmitter Safety Issues Terry Baun, CPBE, Criterion Broadcast Services

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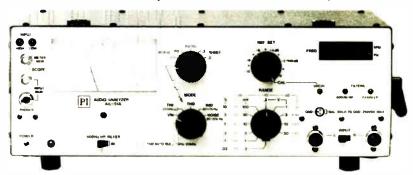
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NewsRoom, which provides for complete control over all news operations. ISO MPEG Layer II, the plug-in option that gives DCS users world-standard audio compression. VoiceTracker, which lets announcers time their voiceovers with precision and preview audio. LogMerge, merges the commercial and music scheduling logs into one complete log for DCS.

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Contact: Marsha Shamel 65 Nonset Path Acton, MA 01720 508-263-1800 FAX: 508-635-0401

COMSTREAM CORP. 119

Intro: New products for transmitting audio and video by satellite such as a high-speed DVB-compliant system for transmitting digital MPEG 2 video or high-volume data

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CONTINENTIAL ELECTRONICS CORP.

On Display: Complete line of AM and FM transmission prod-ucts. Transmitters from 50 W to

70 kW. Shortwave and higher power levels are also available. Contact: Steve A. Claterbaugh,

Corporate Computer Systems (CCS) (see MUSICAM USA)

CROWN BROADCAST 1180, 1182 Intro: FM translators; FM receiv-

er module; FM250 250 W transmitter; FSK module. Also: FM transmitters; Crown

AirForce hard drive storage system.

Contact: Mark Potterbaum

1718 W. Mishawaka Rd. Elkhart, IN 46517 219-294-8050 FAX: 219-294-8302

Custom Business Systems/CBSI

CUTTING EDGE

TECHNOLOGIES On Display: The Unity 2000i FM and the Unity AM broadcast processors, offering processing settings appropriate for all for-mats. The Unity processors include Version 4.X hardware and software, and Unity Remote software for processor control from anywhere by modem. Also on display: Dividend Composite Filter, which provides full-spectral

protection, including RBDS and other SCA signals. Contact: Neil Glassman, Mktg.

Dir 2101 Superior Ave.

Cleveland, OH 44114 216-241-3343 FAX: 216-241-4103

DALET DIGITAL MEDIA 1144, 1146, 1148

Intro: Finalized four- and eighttrack editors, designed especially for radio stations. Call&Record application for reporters out in the field to record their stories over the phone, as Dalet's improved ISDN Transfer application for transferring audio to distant locations.

Also: Dalet's many applications



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for radio stations include: satellite automation, live-assist, music automation and news. Dalet software relies on Windows graphics and on a centralized network architecture allowing a large number of users. Operations can be performed by simple drag-and-drop with the mouse, through fader starts or remote control keyboards. All audio is instantaneously accessible to all users. Contact: Steve Kelley, Opns. Mgr. 122 42nd St. E, Ste. 4906
New York, NY 10168
212-370-0665
FAX: 212-370-9610

Datacount Inc. 465, 467
Intro: A new music scheduling system that is available in a buyout

license with a low support fee. The new release of the DARTS 7 system, which makes doing traffic easier and more efficient by doing multistation combined traffic for up to eight stations. Automation interfacing is more flexible by offering automatic log reconciliation to most major digital automation systems. DARTS 7 is fully compatible with Novell and Lantastic networks and may be purchased in multistation and multiterminal versions.

Also: DARTS (Data Accounts Receivable and Traffic Scheduling) software for broadcasters; a PC-based system available in single-and multi-user versions that encompasses all aspects of logging, traffic, co-op billing, accounts receivable, as well as sales and

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DATAWORLD INC.

Intro: Detailed ethnic and demographic reporting via tabular and graphical (map) formats. Large on-line database provides instant access. Internet communications capability. New ethnic/demographic shading overlays for any base map.

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dbm Systems Inc. 1069

Intro: Instant Access option for CartWorks digital audio storage and automation system. Forty-eight pushbuttons allow rapid access to user-defined audio cuts stored on CartWorks.

Also: CartWorks, a Windows-based digital audio system for broadcasters.

It replaces traditional audio cart machines with digital audio from the hard drive while keeping the operation almost identical. Manual, live-assist and automation modes are supported. Requires minimal staff retraining.

DATA CENTER MANAGEMENT (DCM) 1711

Contact: Rick Summers 841 Baxter St., Ste. 108 Charlotte, NC 28202 704-377-1496 FAX: 704-377-6336

Denon Electronics 144, 146

Intro: DN 981F, MiniDisc cart player with Hot Start gives you the ability to play back any track instantaneously; up to 10 tracks can be loaded at a time for immediate playback. DN1400F, 200-CD jukebox with two transports. DN80F, portable MD recorder.

DN80R, portable MD recorder.
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Contact: John Casey, Mktg. Mgr. 222 New Rd. Parsippany, NJ 07054 201-882-7460 FAX: 201-808-1608

DG Systems

On Display: Multimedia transaction networking services for the broadcast radio advertising industry; accurate and timely delivery of CD-quality audio commercials and associated traffic instructions from advertising agencies and production studios to radio stations.

DI-TECH INC.

Intro: Models 5886/5887, 64 x 64 A/V routing switcher assemblies requiring six rack units of space; Models 5881/5882, 128 x 160 A/V routing switcher assemblies requiring 20 rack units of space. The four include redundant power supplies.

Also: Model 9002 multilevel control system, audio/video DAs, video equalizers, audio mono and stereo monitor amplifiers.
Contact: Tony Bolletino

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COMMUNICATIONS

Intro: HDTV planning packet for antenna system design and analysis. DCR-L low-power FM

antenna.

Also: VHF, UHF and FM products including horizontal and circularly polarized antennas; transmission line and waveguides; RF systems, switches and loads.

systems, switches and loads.
Contact: Constance L. Eldridge,
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P.O. Box 949

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Digital D.J. Inc.

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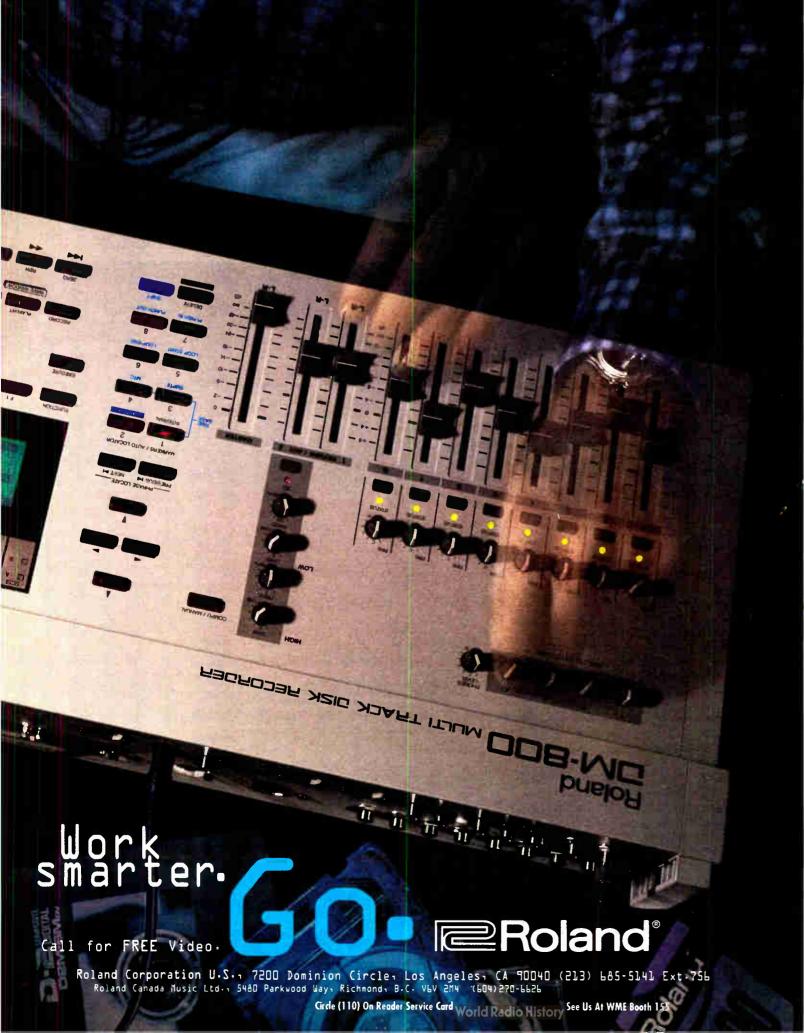
Digital Link Inc. 158 Intro: ADAS, a Windows-based

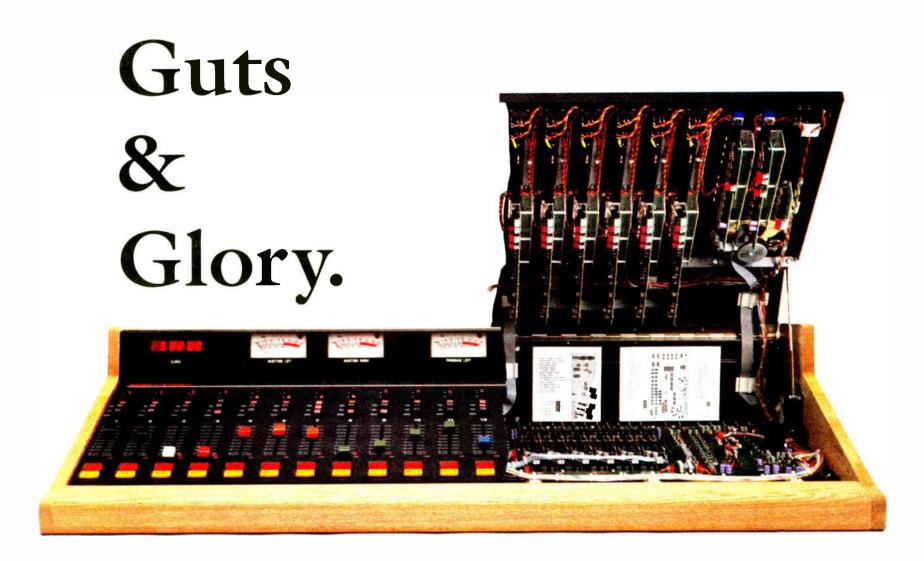
automation system.
Also: DAP, a PC-based MS-DOS automation system.

DOLBY LABORATORIES

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On Display: The Dolby Fax system for high-quality audio trans-





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Contact: Eileen Tuuri, Mktg. Services Mgr. 100 Potrero Ave.

San Francisco, CA 94103 415-558-0200 FAX: 415-863-1373

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International Inc. 660, 664
Intro: The E-Z UP Instant Shelter Eclipse

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FAX: 817-624-9741

ENCO SYSTEMS INC

On Display: DAD486x digital audio delivery system. Contact: Larry Lamoray, V.P. Sales & Mktg. 24403 Halsted Rd.

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Fidelipac Corp. 365 Intro: DCR1000 MO, DCR1000 with 230MB magneto-optical disk drive; each diskette stores two hours of stereo audio with 15 kHz band-

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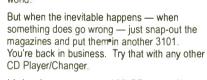
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Contact: Rich Finlinson, Mktg. Dir. 1825 Research Way

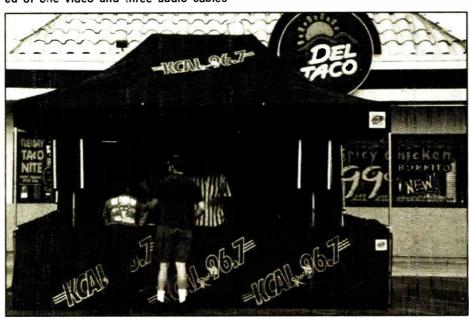
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1461, 1463 GEPCO INTERNATIONAL INC.

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Chicago, II 60612-1613

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Contact: Virginia Lee Williams, Dir., Sales

& Mktg. 3850 Holcomb Bridge Rd., Ste. 420 Norcross, GA 30092 770-446-9684 FAX: 770-448-6396

INTERNATIONAL

TAPETRONICS CORP.

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and multiple servers. Also: DigiCenter, a digital audio management system that includes DigiCenter 33, a central audio library management system capable of networking up to 255 workstations; DigiCenter NEWS, a newsgathering and editing system with both text and audio capabilities serving multiple worksta-tions; DigiCenter CD control systems; DigiCenter Virtual Console; DigiCenter PD MATE, a music and traffic schedule merging system. DPR-612, a solid-state digital program repeater with 16-bit, 16 kHz capa-

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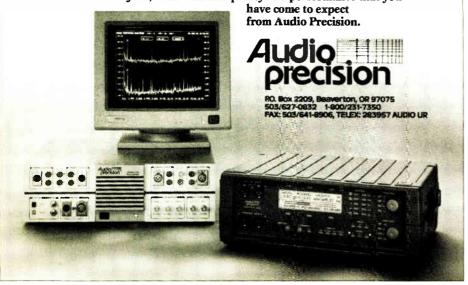
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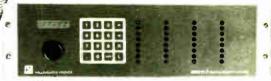
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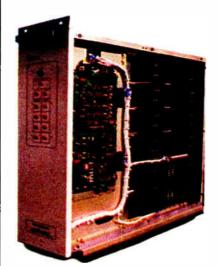
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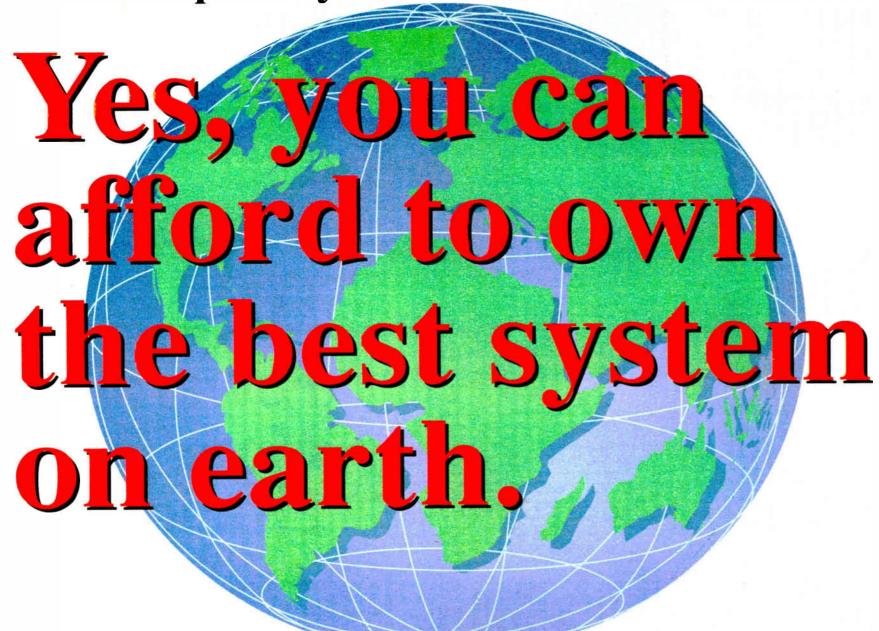


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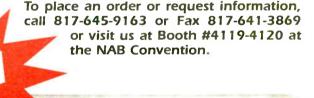
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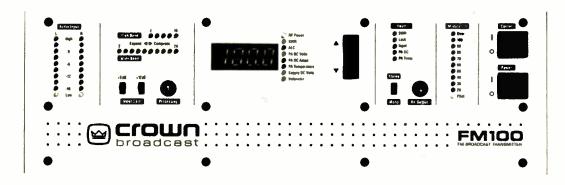
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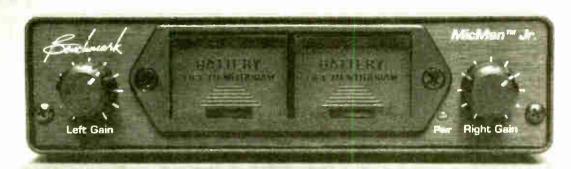
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Directional Antennas Made Easy

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be so simple we become stymied. What we actually measure at first glance seems to be far from what we would expect. It is almost as if we have broken the inverse distance law.

At AM broadcast frequencies ground conductivity plays a very important role in how well the measured ground wave signal compares to what we might expect if the inverse distance law was

the only player on the field. As part of the original proofof-performance measurements made on a directional antenna system ground conductivity

Never make proof measurements at night.

is determined. In addition, steel electric transmission towers, smoke stacks, wires, and numerous other objects cause absorption and re-radiation of the signal we are trying to measure. This causes the measured signal to sometimes behave erratically. Thus, we can not go out to a point one mile (or one kilometer) from the antenna, make one measurement, and determine inverse field. We must make many measurements and average them.

In the original setup and adjustment of a directional antenna system a complete set of non-directional and directional proof-of-performance measurements must be made to show that the array as adjusted produces the radiation pattern described in the construction permit. These measurements consist of 30 or more field intensity measurements, made on each of eight or more azimuths (called radials), from close in to the antenna system out to 20 miles.

There are occasions after the array is in operation when a set of partial proof-ofperformance measurements must be made. Specifically, when any portion of a

sampling system above the tower base is replaced (73.68(d)(3), undercertain conditions when an antenna monitor is replaced (763.69(d)(4)) and

when there is reason to believe that the radiated field may be exceeding the limits for which the station is authorized (73.61(b))

In addition there are other circumstances when a partial proof-of-performance might be advisable or necessary: when one changes the location of a monitoring point (73.158(1), the hanging of other antennas on the radiator of a directional antenna system or the construction of another tower nearby that might affect the shape of the radiation pattern.

In these latter two situations it is advisable to make "before" and "after" partial proof-of-performance measurements. There are times when the commission

puts conditions on construction permits for other facilities that require these measurements to be made.

A partial proof-of-performance consists of at least 10 field strength measurements made on each of the radials established in the latest complete proof-ofperformance. The measurements are made within two-to-10 miles from the center of the array. In so far as possible, the measuring points should be in the same place as the originals. Either the

arithmetic average or the logarithmic average of the ratios of the field strength at each measurement point along each radial to the corresponding field strength in the most recent complete proof-of-performance may be used to establish the inverse distance fields (FCC Rules and Regulations 73.154).

Where to start

So where and how do we start? Pull out the file containing the last complete proof-of-performance measurements. It should be part of your records available to an inspector. Hopefully, you have the typographic maps that were used to do the complete proof. Reduced size maps contained in the proof folder are difficult, if not impossible, to use. If the full size maps are not available you will have to purchase them. Using a protractor, carefully replot

each of the radials on them. Using the reduced size maps and the distance information obtained from the tabulated data, plot each measuring point between two and 10 miles. Some proofs contain descriptions of each point measured. If yours has this information, so much the better.

Using the map, take a business card and draw a distance scale in tenths of a mile on it. This is most helpful in determining location (i.e. 0.6 miles from an intersection) when there are no recognizable physical features on the map.

Never make proof measurements at night. You run the very real possibility of measuring a sky wave signal. For this same reason, measurements should not be made until two hours after sunrise and should cease within two hours of sunset.

Date and time

If more than 10 measurements were building or highway construction it is impossible to measure in some places. At other times, you will find your new measurement to be far above or below what had previously been measured. Nearby construction, overhead wires and other changes in the physical features of the terrain cause this to happen. When it comes time to analyze the measurements if you have more than the required 10 you can toss out measurements that are obvious aberrations.

Before and after

On a radial where there is a monitor point—a point designated for periodic sampling of the radiation pattern stabili-

KRUD 800 kHz 1kW DA-D Tabulation of Measured Field Strength Data Partial Proofs-of-Performance Before and After STL Dish Installation 120 Degree Radial									
Po:	nt Di mi	stance km	1960 DA-D mV/m	1995 "before" mV/m	3/24/95 Local Time	1995/ 1960 Ratio	1995 "after" mV/m	5/26/95 Local Time	1995/ 1960 Ratio
15	2.00	3.22	120.00	92.00	1309	0.767	90.00	1304	0.750
16	2.09	3.36	120.00	101.00	1314	0.842	105.00	1308	0.875
17	2.60	4.18	107.00	80.00	1330	0 748	72 00	1320	0.673
18	2.82	4.54	51.00	58.00	1336	1.137	50.00	1325	0.980
19	3.35	5.39	50.00	44.00	1344	0.880	41.00	1331	0.880
20	3.71	5.97	43.00	48.00	1432	1.116	46.00	1338	1.070
21	4.06	6.53	45.00	49.00	1440	1.089	47.00	1410	1.044
22	4.70	7.56	21.00	29.50	1449	1.405	26.00	1422	1.238
23	5.45	8.77	34.00	28.50	1458	0.838	26.00	1430	0.765
24	6.40	10.30	24.60	22.50	1512	0.915	22.00	1442	0.894
25	7.40	11.91	16.50	17.50	1534	1.061	17.00	1501	1.030
26	8.10	13.04	16.50	13.00	1542	0.788	12.00	1512	0.727
27	8.90	14.32	9.10	9.20	1552	1.010	8.80	1518	0.967
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FIGURE 2. The tabulated data for "before" and "after" partial proofs-of-performance done on one radial of a directional antenna system. In this example the arithmetic ratio of each measurement to the last complete proof measurement was calculated. The inverse field on this radial was determined to be 280 mV/m in the last complete proof. The "before" inverse field was determined to be 271.3 mV/m (280 X 0.969) and the "after" inverse field was determined to be 256.2 mV/m (280 X 0.915).

Note the date and the time of each measurement. If you do not have measuring point descriptions write them as you go. These will come in handy for the next set you will have to make.

made on a radial between two and 10 miles in the last complete proof it is advisable to make an attempt to measure all points. Sometimes, due to ty—this point must be one of those measured and included in the partial proofof-performance.

Table 1 shows a set of "before" and "after" partial proof-of-performance measurements made on a radial using the arithmetic ratio method of determining inverse field. Each measurement is ratioed to the measurement in the 1960 complete proof. The average of all the ratios is than calculated. The inverse field determined in the last complete proof is multiplied by the average ratio to determine the new inverse field.

When all radials have been analyzed in this manner, prepare a summary page showing the average on each radial and the new inverse field (the old multiplied by the average).

While many readers will never be called upon to deal with a directional antenna system, this two-part article has been prepared to take some of the black magic, otherwise known as fear, out of a challenge faced by broadcasters and make it easier using the proper understanding and appropriate tools.

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by Bruce Bartlett and Jenny Bartlett

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The equipment to do a live mix need not cost much. A 16-channel Mackie 1604 mixer, for example, costs about \$1000. Good mics are from \$125 to \$300 each. I suggest using cardioid condenser mics on acoustic instruments and cymbals, and cardioid dynamic mics on guitar amps and drums. Electronic drums can connect to mixer line-level inputs. Finally, add mic stands, direct boxes, cables, and a snake. Some engineers like to monitor with good headphones; others use close-field monitors.

WVPE-FM concerts

Here is how we do such a program at WVPE-FM, the local public radio station here.

WVPE runs a show called, "The Blues Review," hosted by Harvey Stauffer. Normally he plays cuts from blues CDs, but because there are some good blues bands in the area, we wanted to add live music to the show.

The station lacks a big music studio, so we improvise by putting the band in the hall outside the main control room. The hall has good acoustics and is large enough to accommodate a six-piece band. Musicians get a kick out of playing in there.

Jim Biddle, recording engineer for the station, worked out this system to mix live to air. He puts a small 16-input mixer at one end of the hallway, and the band at the other. He mixes the band live over headphones and feeds the mix to the control room console. This way Jim can talk with the band and move the mics more easily. If Jim were in the control room with the DJ, his talk might go over the air. Additionally, it is hard to do a sound check over headphones in the control room when a different on-air program is playing over the control-room monitors.

Take notes

Currently I am mixing bands for "The Back Porch," a folk/bluegrass show hosted by Norm Mast. Before the show, I ask band members, "What instruments will you be playing? Will you switch instruments? How many singers? Do you need monitors? Do you want any effects?"

Based on this information, I draw a block diagram of the audio system and generate an equipment list.

In a notebook I assign each instrument to a mixer input, and note what mic or direct box to use on each. I run cables and set up mics accordingly.

The musicians need to hear what they are singing, so I set up a monitor mix with the aux knobs on the mixer. This monitor mix is sent to a power amp and two monitor speakers near the band.

It is hard to monitor the mix clearly over headphones because the band's live sound leaks through the phones ear seal. For this reason I use Etymotic earphones, which block outside sounds by 24 dB. After a sound check to set the mix, we are ready.

We listen to a hall monitor speaker playing the show. When Norm Mast announces the band, it starts playing, and the music is broadcast live.

A more elaborate system is run by continued on next page



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Ready or Not, Disaster Lurks Near You

DALLAS In the radio business, as in any other part of life, disaster strikes from time to time. It can range from the little things that we experience every day-cart machines that will not cue or capstan motors with squealing bearings in the control room, you name it—to some really big and bad things. How quickly we recover is directly related to how well prepared we are in advance.

The pages of RW often contain stories of fires, fallen towers and floods. In most of these stories I am amazed how quickly stations get back on the air. This is a real credit to the resourcefulness and creativity of station engineers and their colleagues.

How well prepared are you for dealing with disaster?

Big budgets

Stations with big budgets make it a practice of maintaining complete redundancy. Those working in these stations probably feel relatively safe. If a control room console goes down, no problem. Switch the production room to air and fix it. Should an STL transmitter fail, switch to the backup. Dead transmitter? They have it covered. Fire up the auxiliary antenna or line trouble? There are two of those, too.

What happens, though, if the tower falls? With the main and auxiliary antennas both located on the same tower, both antennas are going to be in the dirt if the supporting structure comes down.

Several years ago, a Navy jet struck the candelabra atop one of the 1,549-foot towers southwest of Dallas. This tower was home to three TV and several FM stations. The tower did not come down, but the antennas and the tower itself were seriously damaged—to the extent that the tower later had to be replaced.

That incident was a real wake-up call around the Dallas/Fort Worth market. Many stations now have complete auxiliary systems at sites located apart from their main sites.

Avert AM disaster

AM stations have a whole different set of problems. Few can afford a separate site or an auxiliary antenna, although stations with separate day/night sites have a built-in redundancy that can pay big dividends in a crisis. To a lesser degree, multi-tower directional arrays have some redundancy that can mean the difference between being on and off the air following a problem.

I was recently hit between the eyes with continued on page 86

WDRE-FM's Studio

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WDRE-FM in Garden City, N.Y. WDRE also mixes bands live and puts the mix on the air. The show is networked to nine cities, fed from an uplink transmitter on the roof.

Chief engineer John Caracciolo told me how the station started doing live mixes. "Originally, a soloist would set up in the air studio. We would put up a couple of EV RE-20 mics and that would be it. Since then, the number of musicians has grown, more care has to go into the mix.

In March of '94, the station moved into a new facility. Caracciolo explained the station designed a 16foot x 16-foot performance studio for the musicians.

The band comes in, sets up, and plugs in its equipment and mics into wall jacks," Caracciolo said. WDRE-FM typically uses eight or nine mics. The mic signals travel to a routing switcher, which can take the signals to any one of the studios he added. For on-air concerts, the mic signals go to the station's eight-track analog studio.

"We mix it in there, and send the output right to air. We don't lay down an eight-track tape for them; we just do a two-track mix to air and to DAT. Effects can be used for sweetening," he said.

The band's producer decides how much reverb, how much guitar, and so on, added Caracciolo. "There is always somebody looking over our shoulders. Some producers are very picky; everything has to be perfect."

When Tori Amos played at WDRE-FM, the station brought in 15 listeners—like a mini "unplugged" concert—and put the jock in the performance studio. Someone else ran the audio. The band talked with the jock and took questions from the audience, so it was like a little concert, he explained.

If your station plans to air live in-house concerts but lacks someone who knows how to mix, you might consider hiring the band's mixer, or an engineer from a local recording studio or sound company.

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OFFBEAT RADIO

Mystery Playhouse' Alive on KIRO

SEATTLE The reports of radio drama's demise have been greatly exaggerated. As proof, one has only to walk into the Museum of History and Industry here, during a live taping of "KIRO Mystery Playhouse.

On such occasions, usually once a month, the auditorium is likely to be filled to its 400-seat capacity with radio drama enthusiasts of all ages, from school-aged children to the elderly. The only thing these people have in common is their love of a good radio mystery. This is what has been luring the Scattle

listener to 710 on the dial Saturdays and Sundays from 9 to 10 p.m., when KIRO(AM) airs the drama shows.

"It would be very difficult for me to give you the typical profile of the (KIRO Mystery Playhouse) listener because they come in all sizes, shapes and colors," said Jim French, the writer and producer of the shows who is now retired from KIRO.

"These audiences range in age from families in their 30s who bring along kids seven to eight years in age all the way to people in their 40s, 50s and 60s," said French.

The radio drama has been taping in this Radio City Music Hall-like auditorium for several years and has been on the air in Seattle for over 10 years, producing a devoted audience and over 350 shows. Prior to airing on KIR0, the drama aired on KVI(AM), also in the Seattle area.

It is one of the few, if not the only, radio dramas being produced for commercial radio today.

Some tune in to hear the adventures of Harry Niles, a private detective who doesn't always solve the case but makes for a good half-hour mystery while trying. Others tune in to simply hear a good mystery yarn.

The appeal to listeners is rooted in radio's history, "Radio has always been like telling a story. When you were a little kid, and your mother told you a story. there were no sound effects or music. But you created pictures in your mind. And that is something that is built in as standard equipment for all human beings," said French.

400 percent jump

The ratings bare out French's observation. During one book, KIRO listenership "jumped 400 percent" for the Sunday radio drama hour, according to French. "It has far and away the number one audience rating at that weird time of night," he said.

Even though the "KIRO Mystery Playhouse" gets little promotion (save for a few on-air mentions), the drama has no problem getting sponsors. Currently, the Oldsmobile Dealer Association and a local insurance company are sponsoring the weekend dramas on KIRO. Some of the funding for the production of the "KIRO Mystery Playhouse" is derived from selling cassette tapes of the shows.

French envisions radio stations everywhere reviving dramas, if only for a program segment. He points to the popularity of "A Prairie Home Companion" as an example of the potential, but readily admits that — given the large budgets for such productions — the radio drama is often overlooked by programmers.

Pricey production

Another problem is there is very little programming available in the radio drama genre, again most likely because these shows are costly to produce, "KIRO Mystery Playhouse" is acted out by union actors and actresses under contract with the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (AFTRA) union.

"I use the very best talent I can find." said French, who started writing radio drama in 1949, when he was still in college and radio dramas were still very much a part of radio programming.

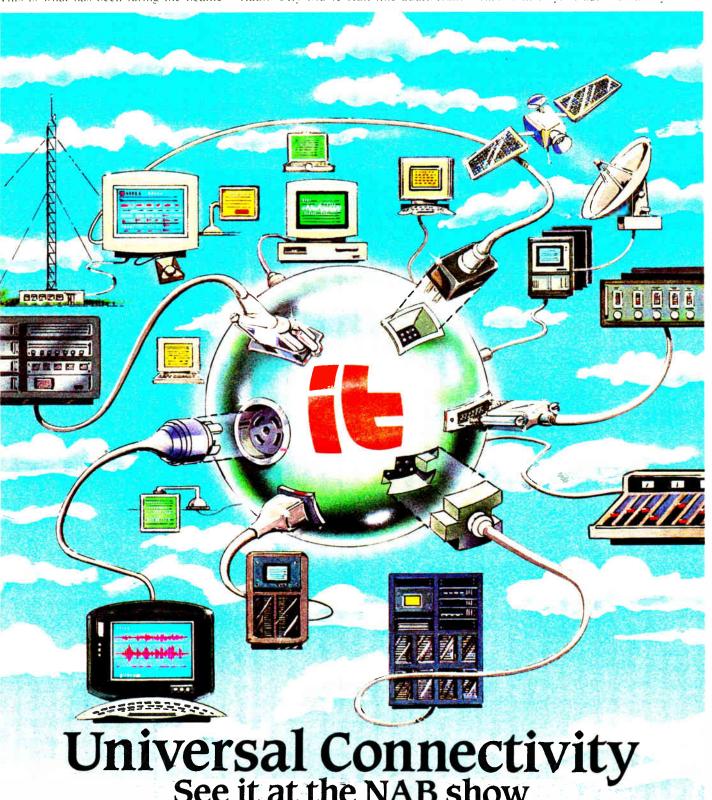
Few aspects of the genre has changed. he said, except for the production equipment. During on-stage performances, "We tape the dialogue, of course. We tape the live sound effects, such as doors opening, telephone's being dialed, footsteps... anything that can be done on stage live is done concurrently while recording the dialogue. If there are mistakes in places, we stop and go back (during post-production) just like they do when they film before a live audience for a television show," he said.

French uses DAT tape for post production, which he takes back to the KIRO studios and transfers onto four-track to add sound effects, some of which come from custom recordings off of a portable DAT player and some of which come from CDs. He does all the writing for the dramas, and his wife, actress Pat French, directs the shows.

French plans to continue producing the shows as long as there is an audience for them, which, if history dictates, will never be lacking. "There is something inherent in radio drama that turns on the imagination, unlike movies and television, which restrict the amount of visualization of the story to whatever the screen size is," he observed.

Those interested in "KIRO Mystery Playhouse" can contact Jim French at 206-728-5475.

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Put Scanners to Good Use in 'Shop

by Richard Mertz

FAIRFAX, Va. Several years ago, I purchased a hand scanner to use at my station. I was intent on scanning client logos into a graphic file that could be used to customize sales presentations. Business conditions kept the account executives so busy that the scanner and logo idea got put on the back burner.

So, being the typical engineer, I said, "Mind if I try the scanner on my computer?"

It was now mine! Off with the CPU cover! Where was my screw driver? No not the green one, the one with the blue handle. I installed the interface card and voila! An interrupt conflict. (Interrupts are internal computer signals that let the microprocessor know data is

ready to be processed.) After a few minutes I found the right jumper configuration and bingo: pictures on my screen.

No big deal

The only image I ever scanned was a "stat" of the station logo. I imported the image into WordPerfect 5.1 and made customized fax cover sheets. Big deal. Scanning images into computer memory was not exactly barrels of fun, so I lost interest.

Shortly after this time, I decided to straighten up my office--a task that even today, takes some doing-and came

across the Optical Character Recognition (OCR) software that came with the scanner. I loaded the program and scanned the left, then the right side of a typed page (the scanner was wide enough to scan only half of a normal letter-size page at a time).

The software should have combined these half-pages and converted the electronic image of the text into ASCII characters for word processing. The OCR

software didn't work too well. I had to edit so many of the incorrectly scanned and converted characters that it would have been easier to type the docu-

ment directly (even at my speed of about 25 to 35 words per minute).

So much for hand scanners.

Moving on, my son is a budding music 'zine publisher (for those over 30, a "Zine" is a small, often "really cool" magazine). About a month ago, we were in the newly opened Computer City store. While viewing the goodies I heard, "Hey Dad, this thing makes a scanner out of your fax machine. Can we (hug) get it?".

Okay, let's take a look; the box claims the product turns your fax machine into a high quality scanner. Quality and fax machine in the same sentence ... well, that's another story.

My curiosity finally got the best of me, so I broke down and spent \$58 for the gizmo. To make it work I needed a computer equipped with a fax modem and (sigh) Microsoft Windows 3.1, in addition to a fax machine. I had all this stuff at home, so down to the basement I went.

Down in the lab

My home fax machine is a Panasonic FX series machine with answering machine, automatic line switching, digital announcement, toaster, hair dryer and so on. The fax modem is a Zoom clone fax modem which I bought for its 14.4 modem capabilities and never tried sending or receiving faxes.

Inside the box for the fax scanner is BitCom and BitFax software, and an honestto-goodness manual. Also included was a small plastic box for a 9 V battery, and connectors that plug in the standard telephone RJ11 jacks. This box connects directly between the fax machine and modem, and appears to provide a small DC voltage that fools both the fax machine and modem into thinking they are connected to Ma Bell. The box also attenuates the signal levels, replicating the loss normally experienced when connecting through the telephone company's

How does it work? First add the software into your hard drive (which must be done under Windows). Once installed, click on the "receive fax" icon. Next, load the picture you want to scan into your fax, pick up the fax phone (you won't get a dial tone) and press Start. You must quickly set the BitCom receive fax to "Manual Receive". This causes the fax modem to

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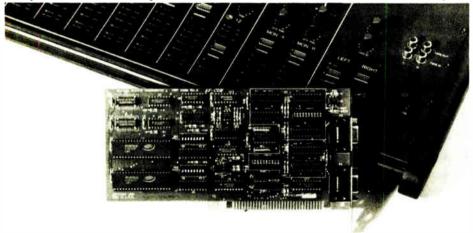
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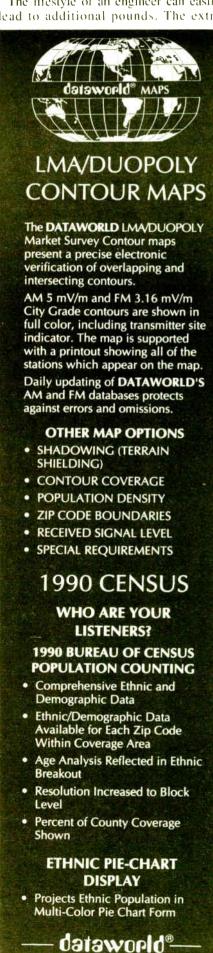
Easy Cart Cleaning Technique

by John Bisset

SPRINGFIELD, Va. So the life of an engineer is not conducive to the best eating, staying in shape, or sleeping regularly. It is fun, right?

OK, don't answer the question ... continue reading

The lifestyle of an engineer can easily lead to additional pounds. The extra



weight can be a factor in snoring, and the snoring can actually disrupt our sleeping patterns to a point where we think we get a good night's sleep, but do not

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Frequent contributor Art Crane, from Desert R.F. Engineering in Arizona sent in the cart modification shown in Figure Although eart machines are heading for extinction, there are still a few in service. Although the basic cart machine allows for easy pinch roller access for cleaning purposes, accessing a carousel is another story

Bill Larson, the production manager at KAAA(AM)-KZZZ(FM) in Kingman. Ariz., cut a 1-inch by 1-inch square chunk out of the right rear corner of a cart, using a hacksaw. The tape was then removed. Placing this cart in a carousel slot permits easy access to the pinch roller for cleaning through the back of

Sometimes the simplest ideas are the best. Art wrote to tell about being awakened in the wee hours with the dreaded message, "We're off the air!" After driving to the transmitter site, on top of a 5400 foot mountain in Nevada, he found the problem. A bolt securing the cavity had come loose, began arcing, and burned itself into a lump of metal.

Although Art tends to carry an assortment of replacement hardware for field repair, there was another problem. The RF cavity was mounted 2 inches from the side of the transmitter housing. The

removable side wall of the transmitter was flush against the side of the steel cargo container shelter.

Art needed someone with an 18-inch reach, and a very skinny arm, or one of those flexible retrieval tools with the three pronged fingers at the end. He did not have either, and at 3 a.m., he could



On a carousel: keeping things clean

already hear the general manager screaming about morning drive make-goods.

Luckily, there was a cardboard box in the shelter. Art cut a 2-inch by 24-inch strip of cardboard from one of the flaps. punched a hole half-an-inch from the end. and inserted the new bolt into the hole in the cardboard. The stiffness of the card-

board made it relatively easy to maneuver the new bolt into place, and loosely secure the bolt with a new washer, lockwasher, and nut. A firm tug on the cardboard tore it loose from the bolt, the assembly was easily tightened, and the rig returned to air. Don't you just love tips like this?

I forgot to ask Art how much he charged the client for the cardboard! Art Crane can be reached at 520-453-3546.



We provided the schematic for a "poor man's hybrid" in the June 14 issue, G.P. Brefini responded via fax with a cheaper alternative to the Audisar transformers mentioned in the article. Allied Electronics in Texas stocks the Stancor TTPC-9, a 600 ohm, 1-2 splitter, for \$14.83 each, G.P. built a hybrid using this transformer and had excellent results. He had to use a capacitor in the range of 0.22 to 0.04pF and an LM386 chip to drive the send audio port, but otherwise his schematic was identical to the one provided by Walt Lowery of Symetrix. Expect about 20 dB isolation between the send and receive audio lines.

The Stancor transformer is Allied part number 928-9026, and Allied's number is 800-433-5700. You can reach Brefini by e-mail at gbrefini@aol.com.

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Scanner in the Shop

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seize the phone line without waiting for a "ring" sense. When the fax modem seizes the line, it will hear the attention tone from the fax machine and then do what faxes do best

Modem reads

The modem reads in the scanned image data from the fax machine and creates an image file. Once the scan is complete the machine and modem say "goodbye" to each another and hang up.

Immediately after the receive fax function is completed, the viewing software jumps into action and tries to recognize characters. Yep, you guessed it: this software package has OCR capabilities. Because I scanned in a picture. I simply dumped out of the OCR operation and saw the scanned picture on the screen.

Go ahead, squint, That's it. There is the picture I scanned. The normal fax scan rate is really too fast to convert sufficient image data to convey a detailed picture.

Next, I tried using the Photo/Detailed setting on the fax machine and ran the procedure again. This time the image was better then the first try, but still lacked the quality my son and I were looking for. I would not recommend this device if you are looking for a "frugal" scanner.

This Cloud does have a silver lining, though. I scanned a printed letter. Everything worked just as it did with the picture except this time the OCR software had something to convert. After about 90 seconds, the program finished and saved the converted text into an ASCII text file. Unlike the software I used several years ago with the old hand scanner, the new software did an acceptable conversion. With the exception of the letterhead and logo, the body of the text was about 98 percent intact. Not bad.

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Let's see ... where's the letter "C" on the keyboard?

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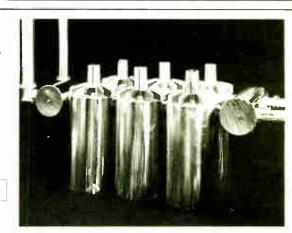
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Designing Simple FM Stereo Demodulator

by Jim Somich

CLEVELAND In the last two columns I discussed the cookbook approach to circuit design. This month I will use cookbook techniques to design a simple FM stereo demodulator. The cookbook approach makes it simple.

Practical instrument

I had a need for a portable test instrument that would take a stereo composite signal and give me left and right channel audio in headphones. I was testing composite processors and needed some way to evaluate their sound without actually putting them on the air. I did not have easy access to an FM stereo modulation monitor so I began searching for an inexpensive, portable stereo demodulator. I found that no such animal existed.

Because I am a monitoring freak, I also thought it could be very useful to have a portable demod in my toolbox as a signal tracing tool. Let's say that you detect some



noise on the air and you are trying to track it down. It is relatively easy to monitor the audio at the input to your stereo generator, but not so easy to check its output. The simple FM demod fits the bill.

The demod is built around the National Semiconductor LM-1310 stereo demodulator chip. See Figure 1.

The LM-1310 is an integrated FM stereo demodulator using phase locked loop techniques to regenerate the 38 kHz subcarrier. The chip features automatic stereo/mono switching, excellent channel separation (40 dB typical) and requires no coils. You can run the chip on +12 to +15 volts.

The circuit layout is non-critical and can be constructed using perfboard, or you can etch a small circuit board using toner transfer paper and your laser printer. The LM-1310 chip is available from Digi-Key for \$1.47. My demod is battery powered, using two 9 V batteries and a 12 V regulator, but you can use any source of +12 to +15 volts that is convenient.

The circuit only draws about 35 mA with the stereo indicator on. The finished circuit

The Simple FM Figure 1. Stereo Demodulator 19 kHz 16k> .22 :.33 12 11 10 9 8 :.033 3 6 7 2 5 L Out R Out .022

board can be mounted in a plastic or metal utility box.

+12 to +15VDC

Use a chassis-mount BNC connector for the input and a stereo headphone jack for the output. The LM-1310 will drive high impedance headphones directly. By the addition of a National LM831 power stage, you can drive low impedance headphones or even speakers.

Theory

Broadcasters have been using the GE-Zenith stereo broadcasting system since 1960, and after 35 years we take it pretty much for granted. Construction of the simple FM demodulator can also be an excellent review of the theory of multiplex stereo. The stereo composite signal consists of:

1) L+R (mono audio),

2) The sidebands of a 38 kHz subcarrier that is amplitude modulated by the L-R (difference) audio (the stereo information), 3) A 19 kHz pilot signal at 10 percent injection, doubled in the receiver to recover the 38 kHz subcarrier.

The GE-Zenith stereo system allowed

broadcasters to convert to stereo yet remain compatible with mono sets by broadcasting a fully modulated mono signal receivable by any FM radio. The double sideband suppressed carrier 38 kHz signal carries the stereo (L-R) information. By suppressing the carrier, no modulation is wasted by the addition of the subcarrier to the composite signal. This is true because when L+R is at its maximum, L-R is at its minimum. By this interleaving of the L+R and L-R signals, the only modulation lost by the addition of stereo is

the 10 percent injection required for the 19 kHz stereo pilot signal.

The stereo composite signal is coupled to the LM-1310 through a $2\mu F$ capacitor. Inside the chip, the signal is split into two paths. One path is to a phase-locked loop where the incoming pilot is used as one

input, and the output of a 76 kHz voltage controlled oscillator (divided down to 19 kHz) is the other input. This locks the VCO to incoming pilot. The other path from the input is to a stereo decoder circuit which derives a left and right audio channel from the composite. The phase-locked 19 kHz signal is used to synchronize this decoder.

After you have constructed the circuit and double-checked your wiring, apply DC power and monitor pin 10 of the chip with a frequency counter. Adjust the VCO pot so that pin 10 reads exactly 19 kHz with no input to the demod. This is the only adjustment and sets the free-running frequency of the VCO.

Connect headphones to the output of the demod and a stereo composite signal to the input. The stereo light should come on, indicating that the chip is phase locked to the incoming pilot. You should hear stereo in the headphones.

The FM Stereo Demod is a handy piece of test equipment that you can easily construct yourself. To the best of my knowledge, there is no equivalent device available on the open market. It is very useful for testing and troubleshooting and, with a little help from your junkbox, can be built for about 10 bucks.

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Disaster Lurks Near

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one of those wake-up calls myself. In Portland, this company operates a 5 kW fulltime station that is diplexed into a three-tower in-line array with a 50 kW station. Without warning, a diplex filter capacitor cracked and failed, allowing 30-some-odd kilowatts into one of our antenna tuning unit (ATU) networks.

Our transmitter immediately shut down, the other station's transmitter kept on pumping power into the system. The components in our ATU network were not rated to carry that amount of current. Two of the caps melted, burst and set the building on fire. Our ATU was toast, as was the other station's phasor also located in that tuning house.

Our engineer was able to get us back on the air within a couple of hours. He jumpered the transmitter output directly to one of the other towers' transmission lines. After retapping the tee-network there, we were back in business. Likewise, the other station was able to jumper directly to another tower and get back on the air. Because both remaining towers had diplex filters in their lines, both stations were able to operate at reduced power without isolation problems.

Let's face it: most stations do not have the budget for complete redundancy. Unless yours is a top-biller in a big market, it probably will not make good economic sense to invest heavily in seldom-used backup gear. Most stations can be off the air for a long time before the cost of a \$50,000+ auxiliary system is realized.

The key to getting back on the air quickly when disaster strikes is *planning*. Every engineer should take a little time and think through different scenarios and plan for each.

For example, should the STL fail, use the RPU "backwards" to temporarily feed programming to the transmitter site. Should the transmitter fail, the output of the exciter could be fed directly to the transmission line to keep the station on until repair parts arrive.

Networking holds the key to quick recovery from some of the more crippling disasters. Your network of contacts with manufacturers, distributors and fellow engineers will be your source of emergency parts, equipment, labor and even tower space. How many times have you read about damaged stations getting back on the air from another station's site?

Let this column be your early wakeup call—not to a smoldering pile of rubble, but to preparedness for dealing with it if it happens. Stop, think, plan. When disaster strikes, you can implement your plan without wasting down time thinking up solutions. This means less down time and the pressure will be off you while you make repairs.

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Explore Internet's New Resources

Part II

by Harold Hallikainen

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. I'd like to continue with my discussion of valuable resources now available on the Internet. The full text of the Code of Federal Regulations, or CFR (including the FCC Rules) and the U.S. Code, or USC (including the Communications Act of 1934) are now available through the House of Representatives Law Library.

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is http://www.pls.com:8001/his/usc.html. Each of these includes a search engine where you enter a few key words, and it gives you a list of likely sections. You can force it to search for a particular phrase by surrounding the phrase with single quotes ('). For example, I used 'blanketing interference' to get the text of 73.318 for this article.

New resources

Note that new resources are showing up on the Net all the time. You can find them by doing a search (using Yahoo or Web Crawler) or by reading e-mail mailing lists, Usenet newsgroups or print publications (like RW).

Picking up where we left off last time (talking about resolved and unresolved complaints of FM interference and their eventual outcome), lets move on to an unresolved complaint. One complainant bought her house in the FM blanketing interference area more than two years after the station began program tests. As such, the station is not obligated to solve the blanketing interference problems, but is obligated to provide specific information on proper corrective measures. The FCC states the station "should have provided... diagrams and descriptions which explain how and

where to use radiofrequency chokes, ferrite cores, Microwave Filter Company filters and/or shielded cable." The station "should have recommended replacement equipment that would work better in the high radiofrequency fields."

The FCC found that providing the complainant with copies of various FCC bulletins on interference was not sufficient. The complaint remains unresolved.

The complainant lists 10 devices receiving interference. These are four radios, a telephone, an answering machine, a cassette player, a CD player, a VCR, and an "audio system." The station replaced telephone wiring and equipment even though 73.318 specifically excludes stations from responsibility for interference to devices that are not radio receivers.

Although the station replaced several of the radios (the homeowner refused the offer to replace some of the radios), the FCC staff noted that on several radios in this home, various numbers of additional FM stations could be received when the new FM was off the air. This varied from two stations receiving interference on one radio to 17 additional stations being audible on another radio when the new FM was off.

The FCC determined that "interference" to the complainant's telephone was, as in the previous case, a telephone company problem.

Because these problems were present within the first year the station went into operation and were still present four years later, the FCC determined that the station did not comply with its responsibilities under 73.318.

Interference to telephones

The FCC points out that 73.318 specifically does not include interference to non-RF devices and that hard-wired telephones are considered non-RF devices. In addition, cordless phones are authorized under Part 15 of the rules. Section 15.5(b) states that cordless phones may not cause harmful interference and that interference to cordless phones caused by the operation of an authorized radio station must be accepted.

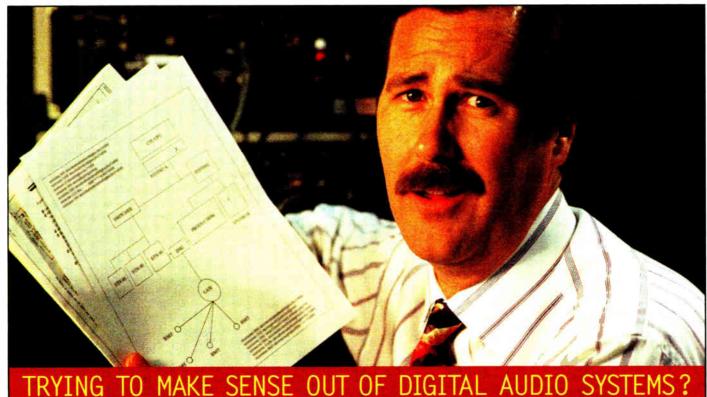
Accordingly, the FCC ignored all telephone interference complaints in this decision.

Defective cows

One of the complainants was concerned about the biological effects of the station's radiation on his health and on the health of his cattle. He stated that since 1990 he has had several unusual calf deaths, and a calf was born dead with seven legs. The FCC found that the radiated fields were lower than the ANSI standards, so it did not consider this issue.

The FCC points out that 73.318(b) requires the station to satisfy all complaints of blanketing interference that are received in the first year of program test operation. This station had not resolved them after four years of operation. In the Report and Order that adopted the rules (see 57 RR 2d 126 (1984)), the FCC intended to have applicants place blanketing interference high on their priority list when choosing antenna sites. They did not expect stations to replace inexpensive handheld radios with expensive FM tuners, but declined to include a clause that would protect only receivers of good design and further declined to set receiver interference rejection standards.

The station's consultant pointed out that continued on next page



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The system relies on the MPEG2 compression algorithm, which means that

Internet Resources

continued from previous page some of the complainants would not be satisfied if there was any trace of interference to any station, whether they listened to that station or not. The FCC pointed out that station formats and listener tastes change with time, so all stations must be protected, whether they are currenty listened to or not. The decision did not appear to take into account whether a station receiving interference was protected from interference at that location (protected from co-channel and adjacent channel such that a listener could hear it if the blanketing interference was not present). It might be unreasonable to protect someone from interference when they were listening to a distant station far beyond its predicted contour, but in blanketing interference questions, it appears such protection might be required.

Station PTA revoked

The FCC looked at the possibility of reducing the station's power to eliminate blanketing interference. However, such a power reduction would make the station not provide required coverage over its city of license. The FCC decided to revoke the Program Test Authority (PTA) and require the station to utilize its previous transmitter site.

When I spoke with the station manager, he indicated the station is currently operating from the previous transmitter site, and would like to set the whole mess behind him.

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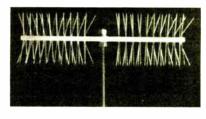
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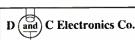
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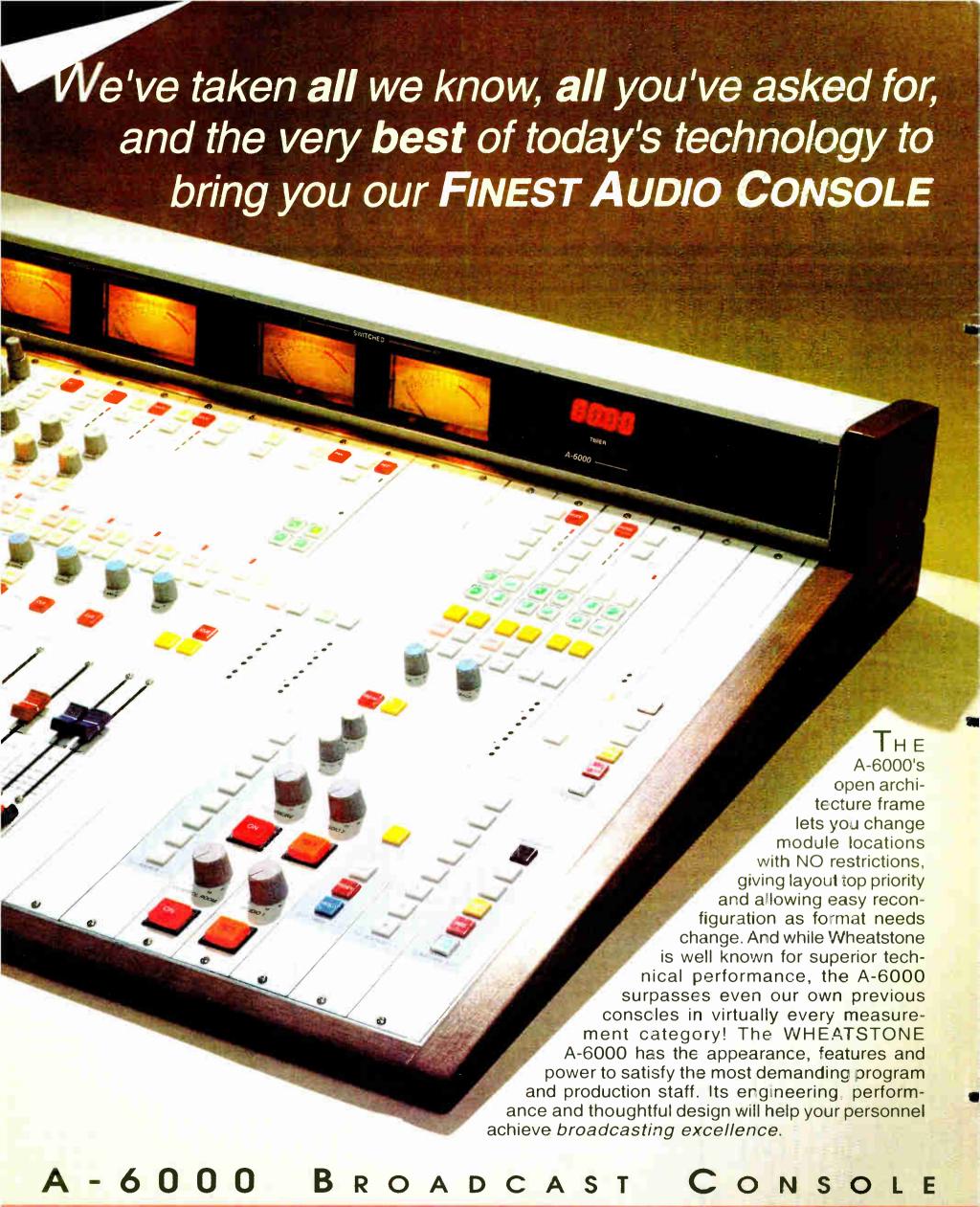
Some people believe small means limited. At AUDITRONICS we believe small is a challenge. That's why we have again defined a new standard of excellence by combining impeccable design, precision manufacturing, and value pricing in a full featured, compact audio console. The 2500 Series is loaded with all of the "me too" features found in the competition's "wannabe world class" consoles. Plus the 2500 Series delivers much more, including:

- **SOLID STATE SWITCHING** of all signal paths
- DC CONTROL of all level functions
- Telephone **CONFERENCING** capability
- **20dB HEADROOM** maintained throughout
- Easily accessible wiring on MOTHERBOARD CONNECTORS
- **ACTIVELY BALANCED** input, patch points, and floating outputs
- Linear CONDUCTIVE PLASTIC 100mm faders (P & G Standard)
- Comprehensive A/B EXTERNAL LOGIC control
- External line selector with CUE AND **HEADPHONE ASSIGNMENT**

And remember, AUDITRONICS is the company that still supports the first console it ever sold -- over 28 years ago. So you no longer have to compromise with a "wannabe". With the 2500 Series you get the real thing!

THE ONLY WORLD CLASS CONSOLE AVAILABLE AT "wannabe" PRICES.





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